

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B	This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: ☐ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(K) AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 07/01/1998
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 2001 THEURER BOULEVARD WINONA, MN 55987
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 41-0948415
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 507-453-8760
2d	Business code (see instructions) 444130

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	06/06/2024	KIM MCRAITH
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 20207
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6a(1) 17362 6a(2) 17512 6b 96 6c 2875 6d 20483 6e 52 6f 20535 6g(1) 17208 6g(2) 18170 6h 0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2O 2S 2T 3H

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- (1) ☒ **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) ☐ **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) ☐ **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4) ☐ **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) ☐ **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- (1) ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) ☐ **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) ☐ **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached _____
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☒ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(K) AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 41-0948415	

Part I	Service Provider Information (see instructions)
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You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. ☒ Yes ☐ No

b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER AND S
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(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
THE VANGUARD GROUP, INC
23-1945930

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 52 62 71 72	RECORDKEEPER	765600	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan <u>FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(K) AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	<u>001</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>41-0948415</u>	

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INVESCO STABLE VALUE RETIREMENT FUN</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>INVESCO TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>27-3868124-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>22353477</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2020</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>90-6083982-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>3569852</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2025</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>90-6083980-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>11398214</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2030</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>90-6083978-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>21126963</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2035</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>90-6083976-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>26557890</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2040</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>90-6083974-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>29986057</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2045</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>90-6083972-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>44646539</u>

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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2050

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 90-6083970-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 42165326
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2055

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 27-6715091-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 32321026
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2060

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 45-3799419-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 29771079
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2065

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 82-6194314-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 13989358
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT INCOME T

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): VANGUARD FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 90-6083967-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1794609
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans. DCGs must report each participating plan using Schedule DCG.)

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>41-0948415</u>

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	2152	135864
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	20890787	21858051
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	3436	3459
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	7651561	14797774
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	0	0
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	0	0
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)	0	0
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	0	0
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	0	0
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	0	0
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	0	0
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	0	0
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	0	0
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	208731298	279680390
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	271565802	339461052
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	201993478	263459287
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	710838514	919395877
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	710838514	919395877

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	21858051	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	56068926	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	1632594	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		79559571
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	0	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	0	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		0
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	7439518	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	10838601	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		18278119
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	93499172	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	86364470	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		7134702
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	66369663	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		39136632
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		44691027
c Other income	2c		63403
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		255233117

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	45906229	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		45906229
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		2468
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		0
h Interest expense	2h		0
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	750694	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	16363	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	0	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		767057
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		46675754

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		208557363
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		0

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☒ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **KPMG LLP**

(2) EIN: **13-5565207**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		☒	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(K) AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 41-0948415

Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1 0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 94-1687665 Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.	
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.	
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)	6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.	
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.	☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes ☒ No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes ☒ No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes ☒ No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes ☒ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.

Schedule R (Form 5500) 2023
v. 230707

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for: a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14a 14b 14c	
15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to: a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15a 15b	
16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year: a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16a 16b	
17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐	
19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b): a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____% b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: ☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more	
20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20. a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box: ☐ Yes. ☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date. ☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date. ☐ No. Other. Provide explanation: _____	

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No 21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2). ☐ Design-based safe harbor method ☐ "Prior year" ADP test ☒ "Current year" ADP test ☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>01 / 01 / 2023</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number _____.	

**FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(k) AND
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule

December 31, 2023 and 2022

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(k) AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Plan Participants and Plan Administrator
Fastenal Company & Subsidiaries 401(k) and Employee Stock Ownership Plan:

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Fastenal Company & Subsidiaries 401(k) and Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.



Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule of Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

KPMG LLP

Des Moines, Iowa
June 6, 2024

**FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(k)
AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
Assets:		
Investments at fair value:		
Mutual funds	\$ 354,394,690	279,219,515
Fastenal Company common stock	263,459,287	201,993,478
Stable value fund	22,353,477	16,109,790
Common collective trust funds	257,326,913	192,621,508
Total investments at fair value	897,534,367	689,944,291
Receivables:		
Employer contribution	21,858,051	20,890,787
Participant contributions	3,459	3,436
Total receivables	21,861,510	20,894,223
Total assets	919,395,877	710,838,514
Liabilities:		
Excess contributions payable	1,064	2,468
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 919,394,813	710,836,046

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(k)
AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN**

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the year ended December 31, 2023

Additions:	
Contributions:	
Participant	\$ 56,067,862
Rollover	1,632,594
Employer matching	21,858,051
Total contributions	79,558,507
Investment income:	
Dividends	18,862,285
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	156,811,261
Net investment income	175,673,546
Total additions	255,232,053
Deductions:	
Benefits paid to participants	(45,906,229)
Administrative expenses	(767,057)
Total deductions	(46,673,286)
Increase in net assets	208,558,767
Net assets available for benefits:	
Beginning of year	710,836,046
End of year	\$ 919,394,813

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

FASTENAL COMPANY & SUBSIDIARIES 401(k) AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the year ended December 31, 2023

(1) Description of the Plan

The following description of the Fastenal Company & Subsidiaries 401(k) and Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan), which is sponsored by Fastenal (collectively referred to as 'Fastenal' or by terms such as 'we', 'our', or 'us') and its Participating Affiliates, provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all full-time and part-time U.S. employees of Fastenal & Subsidiaries. Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan beginning on the first of the month on or after completing 60 days of service and attaining the age of 18. Merrill Lynch, a division of Bank of America, N.A., serves as the trustee and recordkeeper of the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Under the Plan, the 401(k) Plan Committee is responsible for administration, management, and control of the assets of the Plan (including the designation of investment funds).

Our common stock is available through the portion of the Plan that is classified as an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP). The Plan is intended, in part, as a voluntary stock ownership vehicle for those participants who wish to use the Plan for that purpose. The Plan offers participants a voluntary dividend pass-through option to have dividends paid in cash, which would otherwise be automatically reinvested. Any dividends paid by us on stock held by the Plan are deductible to Fastenal for federal income tax purposes.

On December 19, 2022, Fastenal adopted an amendment to reflect the temporary changes made to the Plan in 2020 in response to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020 (the CARES Act), including allowing coronavirus-related distributions and the 2020 waiver of the required minimum distributions. In addition, the amendment also reflects certain mandatory changes to the required minimum distribution rules in response to the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019 (SECURE Act). Other changes to the required minimum distribution rules under the SECURE Act will be adopted at a later date in accordance with applicable law and IRS guidance.

Contributions

Contributions to the Plan include (i) salary deferral contributions authorized by participants, (ii) participant rollover contributions from another plan, and (iii) discretionary matching contributions made by Fastenal.

Participants' contributions are recorded in the period that the participants' payroll deductions are made and are 100% vested at all times. Salary deferral contributions include pre-tax deferrals and Roth 401(k) deferrals. The Plan includes an automatic enrollment provision for newly hired and rehired employees meeting eligibility requirements, unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Participants are automatically enrolled with a 5% pre-tax deferral and contributions are invested in an age-based target retirement investment option. Alternatively, participants may contribute an amount not less than 1% or more than 100% of their eligible compensation. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Changes in contributions are allowed based on the provisions of the Plan.

The Plan allows for rollover contributions to be made to the Plan by eligible participants. These rollover contributions are eligible distributions from other tax-qualified plans or individual retirement accounts that participants elect to have invested in the Plan either by a direct rollover to the Plan or by a distribution followed by a contribution within 60 days of receipt.

The Plan's discretionary employer matching contributions are 100% vested when made. For the year ended December 31, 2023, we accrued for a discretionary matching contribution of \$21,858,051 to the Plan. This amount was paid to the Plan subsequent to December 31, 2023.

Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Code (IRC) limitations. Highly compensated employees may be limited to lower contribution percentages in order for the Plan to satisfy the nondiscrimination tests of the IRC.

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Participant Accounts and Allocation of Income and Loss

Individual accounts are maintained for each participant of the Plan. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, employer contributions, and allocations of Plan earnings (losses) as defined by the Plan. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Investment Options

Participants direct elective contributions and employer matching contributions into a variety of fund options and Fastenal common stock. Changes to contribution allocations may be made by participants on a daily basis. Exchanges between investment options may also be made by participants on a daily basis; however, exchanges involving Fastenal common stock are subject to our Confidentiality and Securities Trading policy. Participants may elect to invest no more than 25% of the value of each incoming Plan contribution into our common stock. Subsequent participant-directed investment fund transfers into Fastenal common stock are not subject to this limit.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of employment with Fastenal and its subsidiaries (including termination of service due to death or retirement), a participant may generally elect to receive distribution equal to the value of the participant's account balance by a single lump-sum payment, two or more partial distributions (not to exceed four partial distributions during a plan year), or under installment payments paid monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually over a period that does not exceed applicable life expectancies.

Participants are also eligible to make in-service withdrawals from their account balance upon occurrence of certain events. In-service withdrawals are permitted if a participant is still employed and has reached age 59 1/2, has been called to active military service for more than thirty days, or has completed a rollover of funds into the Plan. Participants are also eligible to make hardship withdrawals in the event of certain financial hardships. In-service withdrawals are not eligible for installment payments. To the extent an account is invested in Fastenal common stock, a withdrawal or distribution can be in the form of Fastenal common stock or cash. However, any hardship distribution will be made in the form of cash.

Forfeitures

Forfeitures are transferred to a forfeiture account, which is maintained for the Plan as a whole and is not attributable to any given participant. The balance of the forfeiture account may be used to reduce matching contributions to the Plan or pay other miscellaneous plan expenses, as directed by Fastenal. Total forfeitures used in 2023 were \$64,588.

Administrative Expenses

Fees associated with the fund options, such as investment management fees, are generally deducted from the investment fund, reducing the net returns of the investment fund. Recordkeeping, trustee/custodial services, and other administrative costs are paid quarterly using any applicable investment-related revenue, and any remaining amounts are paid by participants quarterly on a per capita basis. Fastenal pays for investment advisory services, audit fees, and adhoc administrative services.

Voting Rights

Each participant is entitled to exercise voting rights attributable to the shares of Fastenal common stock allocated to his or her account and will be notified prior to the time that such rights are to be exercised.

Fastenal will vote shares for which no directions have been timely received in proportion to the vote cast by participants who have responded timely.

Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, we have the right under the Plan to discontinue our contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA.

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(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP).

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of net assets available for benefits and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risk and Uncertainties

The Plan offers a number of investment options to participants that are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risk. Market risks include global events which could impact the value of investment securities, such as a pandemic or international conflict. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits and participant accounts.

At both December 31, 2023 and 2022, approximately 29% of the Plan's total investments were invested in our common stock. The underlying value of our common stock is entirely dependent upon the performance of Fastenal and the market's evaluation of such performance. It is at least reasonably possible that changes in the fair value of our common stock in the near term could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Fair value is the sales price of an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 3 for a discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of investments are reflected on a trade-date basis. Net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments includes gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Accrued investment income is reflected in the investment balance.

Benefits

Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution. Amounts allocated to accounts of persons who have elected to withdraw from the Plan, but have not yet been paid, were \$707,711 and \$87,866 at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Excess Contributions Payable

The Plan is required to return contributions received during the Plan year in excess of the IRC limits. These amounts have been recorded as liabilities on the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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(3) Fair Value Measurements

Under Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, various inputs are used in determining the fair value of the Plan's investments. These inputs are summarized in a hierarchy that segregates fair value measurements into three levels (Levels 1, 2, and 3), determined by the nature of input as follows:

- Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. An active market is a market in which transactions occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis. A quoted price in an active market provides the most reliable evidence of fair value.
- Level 2 – Other significant observable inputs, including quoted prices for similar securities in active markets, quoted prices for identical securities in markets that are not active, and other market-corroborated inputs.
- Level 3 – Significant unobservable inputs, including the Plan's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments, based on the best information available in the circumstances.

The level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation levels are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets held and carried at fair value:

- *Mutual funds* – Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded. Mutual funds also include interest-bearing cash and money market funds.
- *Common stock* – Valued daily based on quoted prices from national exchanges.
- *Stable value fund* - The stable value fund has the characteristics of a structure similar to a mutual fund, therefore, as clarified by Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2015-10, *Technical Corrections and Improvements*, its value is considered readily determinable. As such, the fair value of the stable value fund, based on the published net asset value and the resulting daily transactions of the fund, is reflected in the fair value hierarchy as a Level 1 investment.
- *Common collective trust funds* - Common collective trust funds have the characteristics of a structure similar to a mutual fund and are valued based on the readily determinable quoted market price that each fund publishes at the end of each day. While the underlying assets in a common collective trust fund are actively traded on an exchange, the funds themselves are not, and therefore, are classified as Level 2 assets in the fair value hierarchy.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following tables present the level within the fair value hierarchy at which the investments are measured on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	Fair value at December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 354,394,690	—	—	354,394,690
Fastenal Company common stock	263,459,287	—	—	263,459,287
Stable value fund	22,353,477	—	—	22,353,477
Common collective trust funds	—	257,326,913	—	257,326,913
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 640,207,454</u>	<u>257,326,913</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>897,534,367</u>

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	Fair value at December 31, 2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 279,219,515	—	—	279,219,515
Fastenal Company common stock	201,993,478	—	—	201,993,478
Stable value fund	16,109,790	—	—	16,109,790
Common collective trust funds	—	192,621,508	—	192,621,508
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 497,322,783</u>	<u>192,621,508</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>689,944,291</u>

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan did not have any transfers between Levels 1, 2, and 3.

(4) Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500:

	December 31	
	2023	2022
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 919,394,813	710,836,046
Excess contributions payable	1,064	2,468
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 919,395,877</u>	<u>710,838,514</u>

The following is a reconciliation of contributions and investment loss and total deductions per the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 to the Form 5500:

Total additions per the financial statements	\$ 255,232,053
2023 excess contributions payable	1,064
Total income per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 255,233,117</u>
Total deductions per the financial statements	\$ (46,673,286)
2022 excess contributions payable	(2,468)
Total expenses per the Form 5500	<u>\$ (46,675,754)</u>

(5) Tax Status

The Plan has received a determination letter from the IRS dated August 29, 2017, stating that the Plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the IRC, and exempt from taxation. Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with the IRC to maintain its qualification. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

U.S. GAAP requires management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability, or asset, if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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(6) Exempt Party-in-Interest Transactions

The Plan allows for transactions with certain parties who may perform services or have fiduciary responsibilities to the Plan, including Fastenal. Certain Plan investments are shares of our common stock and we are the Plan sponsor. Therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions.

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan held 4,067,613 and 4,268,670 shares, respectively, of common stock of Fastenal. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Plan made purchases of \$37,377,549 and sales of \$49,419,717 of our stock. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Plan recorded dividend income of \$7,046,705, net of pass-through dividends from our common stock.

(7) Subsequent Events

No subsequent events were identified through June 6, 2024, the date these financial statements were issued.

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Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

As of December 31, 2023

Issuer and Description	Face Amount or Number of Shares/Units	Current Value
* Fastenal Company common stock	4,067,613	\$ 263,459,287
Invesco Stable Value Retirement Fund	22,353,477	22,353,477
American Funds Capital World Growth and Income Fund	861,116	51,753,058
American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund	543,254	29,715,997
Carillon Eagle Mid Cap Growth Fund	203,853	15,849,580
John Hancock Disciplined Value Mid Cap Fund	1,941,461	53,118,377
Metropolitan West Total Return Bond Fund	1,311,758	11,307,355
T. Rowe Price International Discovery Fund	88,719	5,603,514
T. Rowe Price Small-Cap Stock Fund	218,251	12,665,113
Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund	14,089,134	14,089,134
Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	1,336,856	13,943,403
Fidelity Mid Cap Index Fund	369,355	11,062,186
Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	504,084	12,622,270
Fidelity 500 Index Fund	736,118	121,820,202
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2020 Trust II	82,047	3,569,852
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2025 Trust II	252,452	11,398,214
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2030 Trust II	457,591	21,126,963
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2035 Trust II	549,625	26,557,890
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2040 Trust II	584,637	29,986,057
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2045 Trust II	841,276	44,646,539
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2050 Trust II	784,617	42,165,326
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2055 Trust II	449,028	32,321,026
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2060 Trust II	524,046	29,771,079
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement 2065 Trust II	399,810	13,989,358
Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company Target Retirement Income Trust II	42,516	1,794,609
Blackrock Liquidity Fund FedFund	695,911	695,911
Pending settlement fund		148,590
		<u>\$ 897,534,367</u>

* Denotes a party-in-interest.

See accompanying Independent Auditors' Report.

Attachment to 2023 Form 5500
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(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	INVESCO STABLE VALUE RET CL 1	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	22,353,488	22,353,477
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT INC	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	1,753,491	1,794,609
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2020	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	3,489,128	3,569,852
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2025	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	10,981,615	11,398,214
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2030	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	20,221,058	21,126,963
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2035	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	25,096,823	26,557,890
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2040	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	28,230,572	29,986,057
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2045	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	41,659,745	44,646,539
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2050	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	39,055,723	42,165,326
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2055	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	29,794,512	32,321,026
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2060	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	27,309,748	29,771,079
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMT 2065	COMMON / COLLECTIVE TRUSTS	12,694,527	13,989,358
	FASTENAL COMPANY STOCK	COMMON STOCK	104,674,757	263,459,287
	BLF FEDFUND	MONEY MARKET	695,911	695,911
	VANGUARD FEDERAL MONEY MKT INV	MONEY MARKET	14,089,137	14,089,134
	AMERICAN CAPITAL WORLD	MUTUAL FUNDS	43,602,244	51,753,058
	AMERICAN EUROPACIFIC GROWTH R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	29,585,910	29,715,997

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	CARILLON EAGLE MID CP GRTH R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	15,520,897	15,849,580
	FIDELITY 500 INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	89,604,937	121,820,202
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX	MUTUAL FUNDS	9,982,389	11,062,186
	FIDELITY SMALL CAP INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	12,046,260	12,622,270
	FIDELITY US BOND INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	14,196,293	13,943,403
	JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLIND VAL R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	43,276,017	53,118,377
	METROPOLITAN WEST TOTAL RTN P	MUTUAL FUNDS	12,981,420	11,307,355
	T ROWE PRICE INTL DISCOVERY I	MUTUAL FUNDS	6,032,412	5,603,514
	T ROWE PRICE SMALL CAP STOCK I	MUTUAL FUNDS	11,516,732	12,665,113
	PENDING SETTLEMENT FUND	PENDING SETTLEMENT FUNDS	148,590	148,590