

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 PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF LIGGETT GROUP INC. FOR BARGAINING UNIT AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 004
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/1964
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) LIGGETT GROUP INC. 100 MAPLE LANE MEBANE, NC 27302
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1702115
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 919-304-7700
2d	Business code (see instructions) 312200

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.	07/31/2024	JAMES B. KIRKLAND, III
	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 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT COMMITTEE OF LIGGETT VECTOR BRANDS, LLC 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD 10TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33137-3212	3b Administrator's EIN 20-1358103 3c Administrator's telephone number 305-579-8000
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	5 245
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) 221 6a(2) 232 6b 12 6c 12 6d 256 6e 5 6f 261 6g(1) 204 6g(2) 220 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 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 0
- (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
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A Name of plan PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF LIGGETT GROUP INC. FOR BARGAINING UNIT AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 004
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 LIGGETT GROUP INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1702115

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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.

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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

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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)

EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY

8515 EAST ORCHARD ROAD
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(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?
64	NONE	26225	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
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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:

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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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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)					
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: J P MORGAN STABLE ASSET FUND					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): J P MORGAN					
c EIN-PN 20-1978950-001		d Entity code C		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 6883086	
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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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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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF LIGGETT GROUP INC. FOR BARGAINING UNIT AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	004
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 LIGGETT GROUP INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1702115	

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	0	0
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	12658
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	21194
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	0	0
(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)	642797	660409
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	7155274	6883086
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	0	0
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	0	0
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	0	0
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	11906213	14529492
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	0	0
(15) Other	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	19704284	22106839
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
h Operating payables	1h	0	0
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	0	0
j Other liabilities	1j	0	0
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	19704284	22106839

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)	803782	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	1319347	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	126468	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		2249597
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)	0	
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	35458	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		35458
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	268826	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		268826
(3) Rents	2b(3)		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	0	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	0	
(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)		190368
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		2379446
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		5123695

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	2690517	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		2690517
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		4398
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)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	0	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	26225	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	0	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	0	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	0	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	0	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	0	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)	0	
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)	0	
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	0	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		26225
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		2721140

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		2402555
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: **BECHER DELLA TORRE GITTO & COMPANY**

(2) EIN: **22-2625944**

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?	☒		10000000
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.
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF LIGGETT GROUP INC. FOR BARGAINING UNIT AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 004
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 LIGGETT GROUP INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1702115
Part I	Distributions	
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): 84-1455663		
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.)	
4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.		
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	
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		
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.	
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)	14a	
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)	14b	
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)	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	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	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	16a	
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	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>11 / 14 / 2022</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q702518A</u> .	

**PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF
LIGGETT GROUP INC. FOR
BARGAINING UNIT AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**for the years ended
December 31, 2023 and 2022**

PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF LIGGETT GROUP INC.
FOR BARGAINING UNIT AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Participants and Plan Administrator of
the Profit Sharing Plan of Liggett Group Inc. for Bargaining Unit and Hourly Employees
Mebane, North Carolina

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of the Profit Sharing Plan of Liggett Group Inc. for Bargaining Unit and Hourly Employees (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) [ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit]. The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section –

- the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- the information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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 Auditor's 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 ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, 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. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

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 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, 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 auditor's 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.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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.

Other Matter – Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule, 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 included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to 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 generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, 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 form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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Ridgewood, New Jersey
July 29, 2024

PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF LIGGETT GROUP INC.
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STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN BENEFITS

December 31,

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Investments, at fair value:		
American Funds EuroPacific Growth-R6	\$ 432,578	\$ 452,772
iShares Russell Small Mid Cap Index K	358,646	394,809
JPMorgan Chase Bank Stable Asset Income Fund F	7,384,864	7,652,006
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2020-R5	-	810,521
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2025-R5	-	1,441,018
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2030-R5	-	1,300,531
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2035-R5	-	443,374
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2040-R5	-	765,460
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2045-R5	-	224,161
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2050-R5	-	40,084
JPMorgan SmartRetirement 2055-R5	-	49,848
JPMorgan SmartRetirement Income-R5	-	109,360
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2025 Fund Institutional Class	1,187,543	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2030 Fund Institutional Class	1,724,825	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2035 Fund Institutional Class	517,764	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2040 Fund Institutional Class	1,205,046	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2045 Fund Institutional Class	229,038	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2050 Fund Institutional Class	232,711	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2055 Fund Institutional Class	135,793	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend 2060 Fund Institutional Class	15,532	-
PIMCO RealPath Blend Income Fund Institutional Class	966,835	-
PIMCO Total Return-Inst	312,791	276,123
Vanguard Growth Index Institutional	4,359,864	2,908,920
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	789,275	660,094
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index-Admiral	226,012	271,317
Vanguard Value Index I	1,835,239	1,757,821
	<u>21,914,356</u>	<u>19,558,219</u>
Notes receivable from participants	<u>660,409</u>	<u>642,797</u>
Contributions receivable:		
Employer	12,658	5,898
Employee	21,194	-
Total contributions receivable	<u>33,852</u>	<u>5,898</u>
Total assets	<u>22,608,617</u>	<u>20,206,914</u>
Net assets available for plan benefits	<u>\$ 22,608,617</u>	<u>\$ 20,206,914</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN BENEFITS

for the years ended December 31,

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Additions to net assets attributed to:		
Investment income (loss):		
Dividends	\$ 268,826	\$ 497,372
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	<u>2,574,860</u>	<u>(3,676,611)</u>
Total investment income (loss)	<u>2,843,686</u>	<u>(3,179,239)</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	35,458	30,879
Contributions:		
Employer	797,884	747,741
Employee	1,319,347	1,199,683
Rollover	<u>126,468</u>	<u>284,191</u>
Total contributions	<u>2,243,699</u>	<u>2,231,615</u>
Total additions (deductions)	<u>5,122,843</u>	<u>(916,745)</u>
Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to participants	(2,694,915)	(2,617,200)
Administrative expenses	<u>(26,225)</u>	<u>(11,470)</u>
Total deductions	<u>(2,721,140)</u>	<u>(2,628,670)</u>
Net increase (decrease)	2,401,703	(3,545,415)
Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	<u>20,206,914</u>	<u>23,752,329</u>
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u><u>\$ 22,608,617</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 20,206,914</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND PLAN CHARACTERISTICS

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Profit Sharing Plan of Liggett Group Inc. for Bargaining Unit and Hourly Employees (the "Plan") are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Plan

The following brief description of the Plan is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information.

The Plan was established as of January 1, 1976 as successor to a plan established on January 1, 1964. The Plan is administered by an Employee Benefits Committee consisting of persons appointed by Liggett Vector Brands LLC's ("Liggett," or the "Company") Board of Directors. Pursuant to Liggett's contract with the Tobacco Workers Union and other unions, effective January 1, 1992, the Company amended and restated the Plan. The amended and restated Plan includes a deferred arrangement under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. Participants in the Plan will continue as participants of the amended and restated Plan. The Plan was amended and restated on January 5, 2016, effective January 1, 2016, and further amended on October 12, 2017. The Plan was most recently amended and restated effective January 1, 2022. See Note 4.

The Plan covers employees subject to various collective bargaining agreements, which expressly provide for participation of bargaining unit members in this Plan. These bargaining unit and hourly employees become participants in the Plan on the next January 1, April 1, July 1 or October 1 following or coincident with the date on which they complete their probationary employee period under the applicable collective bargaining agreement. They cease to be participants upon termination of employment with Liggett and after complete distribution of vested interests in the Plan.

Empower Plan Services, LLC ("Empower Plan Services"), marketed as Empower Retirement, provides certain administrative services to the Plan pursuant to an Amendment to Master Services Agreement among Empower Plan Services, Liggett Group LLC, and the Employee Benefits Committee of Liggett Vector Brands.

Empower Trust Company, LLC ("Empower Trust") is the trustee / custodian for the Plan pursuant to an Amendment to the Trust Agreement between Empower Trust and Liggett Group LLC.

Accordingly, Empower Trust is the trustee for the Plan and Empower Plan Services, doing business as Empower Retirement, is the recordkeeper for the Plan.

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Contributions

Each participant of the Plan could elect to defer a portion of their covered compensation not to exceed \$22,500 and \$20,500 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. The Plan provides for Company matching of the participant's deferral contributions not to exceed 5% of the participant's Covered Compensation. The Company may also (but is not required to) contribute a discretionary amount based on achievement of Company operating income targets established by the Company's Board of Directors. The Company contribution is limited to the maximum amount permitted by law or regulation as a deduction in the Company's federal income tax return.

The Plan permits additional participant voluntary after-tax contributions of up to 100% of Covered Compensation less the amount of pre-tax Deferral Contributions for the Plan year. Total contributions to a participant's account under the Plan are limited annually to the lesser of \$66,000 for 2023 and \$61,000 for 2022 or 100% of the participant's eligible earnings for the Plan year.

Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Effective January 1, 2022, the Plan was amended and restated to add a Roth 401(k) feature, add an automatic enrollment feature for new employees at a rate of 5% of pre-tax compensation, and permit rollovers for eligible employees who are not yet participants.

Notes Receivable From Participants

The Plan provides for loan arrangements for participants. Upon written application to Empower Retirement a participant may obtain a loan from their participant account that shall not exceed the lesser of one half of the value of the vested portion of the participant's account or \$50,000 reduced by the highest outstanding balance of any prior loan from the Plan during the previous one year period. Loan terms shall not exceed five years except for loans used to acquire a principal residence which shall not exceed a period of 15 years. The loans are collateralized by the related portions of the participants' accounts and bear interest at a rate of one percent above the prime rate, as published by the *Wall Street Journal*. Principal and interest is paid ratably through periodic payroll deductions.

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 or 2022. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

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Participant Accounts

Company contributions, other than matching contributions, and amounts forfeited by terminated participants are allocated to participants in the same ratio as each participant's compensation for the year, as defined in the Plan (limited to \$330,000 for 2023 and \$305,000 for 2022), bears to total compensation for the year for all participants. In addition to participants actively employed on the last day of the Plan year, participants whose employment was terminated during the Plan year by reason of retirement, disability, death, or transfer to an affiliated company or to a salaried position and still employed at year-end, are eligible for such allocation. Company matching contributions are allocated to participant accounts based on the participant's contribution. The participant's benefit is limited to the participant's vested balance in the Plan.

Vesting

Benefits from Company contributions vest at 20% per year and are fully vested after five (5) years of vesting service. Any nonvested portion of an active participant's Company contribution account becomes fully vested when the participant retires, dies, becomes 65 years of age, becomes disabled or terminates for the convenience of the Company. Generally, if an active participant otherwise voluntarily terminates employment with the Company, the nonvested portion of his Company contribution account may be used by the Company to restore forfeitures reinstated, to reduce employer matching contributions, or to correct any errors in the adjustment of participant accounts. Voluntary contributions by active participants are 100% vested.

Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service, a participant generally may elect to receive a lump-sum amount equal to the value of his or her account, a partial lump-sum, deferred lump-sum, installment payments, or a direct rollover. Benefits are recorded when paid. Effective March 22, 2021, the Plan was amended to automatically distribute lump sum payments in the amount of \$5,000 or less. The Plan adopted the increased mandatory cash-out threshold of \$7,000 effective as of January 1, 2024.

Forfeited Accounts

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$8,585 and \$8,365, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions.

Administrative Costs

Liggett personnel and facilities are used by the Plan for accounting and other activities at no charge to the Plan. The Plan pays for eligible trustee and other administrative expenses as permitted under ERISA guidelines. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants and benefits paid to participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses.

Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits

The Plan presents in the statements of changes in net assets available for plan benefits the net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of its investments, which consists of the realized gains or losses and the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on those investments.

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Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

SECURE Act and CARES Act

On December 20, 2019, the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement (“SECURE”) Act was passed, and most provisions in the law became effective on January 1, 2020. The SECURE Act implements key retirement legislation reform for plan sponsors and individuals. These provisions did not have a material impact on the financial obligations under the Plan.

In response to the COVID-19 global pandemic, on March 27, 2020 the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (“CARES”) Act was enacted and signed into law. Certain provisions of the CARES Act impact the operation of retirement plans during 2023 and 2022. These provisions did not have a material impact on the financial obligations under the Plan.

On August 3, 2022, the IRS released Notice 2022-33, which extends the deadline for adopting any SECURE Act plan amendments until December 31, 2025, to provide relief for plan sponsors waiting for final IRS guidance on many of the SECURE Act’s provisions. The IRS expects SECURE Act guidance to be issued with the 2023 Required Amendment list. The Notice also extends the deadline for the 2020 waiver in the CARES Act of required minimum distributions until December 31, 2025. These amendments can be retroactively adopted; therefore, the Plan can implement the amendments prior to amending the plan instrument. Similarly, plans may have voluntarily adopted provisions under the CARES Act by placing them in operation without amending the plan as long as the plan management makes the required amendments to plan documents by December 31, 2025.

SECURE 2.0 Act of 2022

The SECURE 2.0 Act of 2022 (“SECURE 2.0 Act”) was signed into law on December 29, 2022, to increase retirement savings, improve retirement rules, and lower employer costs of setting up a retirement plan. Plan amendments required by the SECURE 2.0 Act generally need not be made until the end of the first plan year beginning on or after January 1, 2025; however, plans must be operated in accordance with the effective date of each new provision. There is no current impact to the Plan and these provisions did not have an impact on the financial statements. Since the provisions include both required and optional elements, the Plan Administrator will determine the optional provisions to elect.

2. INVESTMENTS

Investments are reported at fair value as determined by the trustee. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan’s Investment Committee determines the Plan’s valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers and custodian. If available, quoted market prices are used to value investments. All investment transactions (purchases and sales of securities) are recorded by the Plan as of the trade date. Gains or losses on sale of investments were determined by the specific identification method. Interest income is recorded as earned on an accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

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Effective September 30, 2022, the Plan's investments in the JPMorgan Mid-Cap Equity I Fund, and the JPMorgan Small Cap Equity R5 Fund were terminated and replaced with the iShares Russell Small Mid-Cap Index Fund. Also, effective September 30, 2022, the Plan's investment in the American Century Value R6 Fund was terminated and replaced with the Vanguard Large Cap Value Fund. Effective June 30, 2022, the Plan's investment in the T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund was terminated and replaced with the Vanguard Growth Index Fund.

During May 2023, the Plan's investments in the JPMorgan SmartRetirement Target Date Funds were terminated and replaced with the PIMCO Real Path Blend Target Date Funds. Participants of the Plan who had previously defaulted into the JPMorgan SmartRetirement Target Date Funds as the Qualified Default Investment Alternative ("QDIA") were re-enrolled in the PIMCO Real Path Blend Target Date Funds.

Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

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 Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

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Common Collective Trust: Valued at the NAV of units of a bank collective trust. The NAV, as provided by the trustee, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. Were the Plan to initiate a full redemption of the collective trust, the investment adviser reserves the right to temporarily delay withdrawal from the trust in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

The categorization of an investment within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the pricing transparency of the investment and does not necessarily correspond to Plan management's perceived risk of that investment.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair value. While Plan management 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 financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

<i>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023</i>				
	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>	<i>Total</i>
Mutual funds	\$ 14,529,492	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,529,492
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	<u>\$ 14,529,492</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	14,529,492
Investments measured at net asset value				<u>7,384,864</u>
Investments at fair value				<u>\$ 21,914,356</u>

<i>Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2022</i>				
	<i>Level 1</i>	<i>Level 2</i>	<i>Level 3</i>	<i>Total</i>
Mutual funds	\$ 11,906,213	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,906,213
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	<u>\$ 11,906,213</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	11,906,213
Investments measured at net asset value				<u>7,652,006</u>
Investments at fair value				<u>\$ 19,558,219</u>

Fair Value of Investments in Entities that Use NAV

The following table summarizes investments measured at fair value based on NAV per share as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

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<i>Investment</i>	<i>Fair Value December 31, 2023</i>	<i>Fair Value December 31, 2022</i>	<i>Unfunded Commitments</i>	<i>Redemption Frequency (if currently eligible)</i>	<i>Redemption Notice Period</i>
Collective trust fund - JPMorgan Chase Bank Stable Asset Income Fund F	\$ 7,384,864	\$ 7,652,006	n/a	Daily	30 days

3. DATA CERTIFIED BY THE PLAN'S TRUSTEE

The Plan management has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, as permitted under such election, plan management instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the following information certified by Empower Trust Company, LLC, the trustee of the Plan, as complete and accurate, except for comparing such information certified by the trustee with information included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule:

Investments held and participant loans receivable certified by trustee:

	<i>As of December 31,</i>	
	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>
Investments	\$ 21,914,356	\$ 19,558,219
Participant loans receivable	660,409	642,797

Investment income (loss) and interest on participant loans certified by trustee:

	<i>For the Year Ended December 31,</i>	
	<i>2023</i>	<i>2022</i>
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 2,574,860	\$ (3,676,611)
Dividend income	268,826	497,372
Interest on participant loans	35,458	30,879

The following presents select investments, with approximate percentage of the Plan's net assets, as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

	<i>December 31,</i>			
	<i>2023</i>		<i>2022</i>	
JPMorgan Chase Bank Stable Asset Income Fund F	\$ 7,384,864	33%	\$ 7,652,006	38%
Vanguard Growth Index Institutional	4,359,864	19%	2,908,920	14%
Vanguard Value Index I	1,835,239	8%	1,757,821	9%

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated (depreciated) in value by \$2,574,860 and (\$3,676,611), respectively.

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4. INCOME TAXES

Effective January 1, 2022, the Plan uses a Non-Standardized Pre-Approved Profit Sharing Plan With CODA plan document sponsored by Empower Retirement LLC. Empower Retirement LLC obtained an opinion letter on November 14, 2022 in which the IRS stated that the Non-Standardized Pre-Approved Profit Sharing Plan With CODA plan document used by the Plan, as then designed, qualifies under Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) Section 401. Prior to January 1, 2022, the Plan had received a Determination Letter specific to the Plan itself from the IRS on August 29, 2017. The Plan administrator and the Plan’s tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and therefore, believe that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

5. RELATED-PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Empower Trust Company, LLC is the trustee as defined by the Plan and Empower Plan Services, doing business as Empower Retirement, is the recordkeeper as defined by the Plan, and, therefore, plan assets used to pay Empower Retirement and Empower Trust Company, LLC fees qualify as exempt party in interest transactions. Fees incurred by the Plan for recordkeeping and trustee services are included in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. Effective January 1, 2022, the Plan was amended and restated to change the method of accounting for Plan recordkeeping fees. The Plan Sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan’s operations except where otherwise indicated to Plan participants. Notes receivable from participants are also considered exempt party in interest transactions.

6. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their employer contributions.

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7. CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Plan to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of investment contracts with insurance and other financial institutions. The Plan has no formal policy requiring collateral to support the financial instruments subject to credit risk. The Plan includes various investments in any combination of mutual funds and other investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Market risks include risks related to pandemics and international conflicts. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for plan benefits and the statements of changes in net assets available for plan benefits.

8. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2023 and 2022 to Form 5500:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net assets available for benefits reported in the Plan's financial statements	\$ 22,608,617	\$ 20,206,914
Adjustment from contract value to fair value for fully benefit-responsive investment contract	(501,778)	(496,732)
Less: employer contributions receivable at end of year		(5,898)
Net assets available for benefits reported on Form 5500	<u>\$ 22,106,839</u>	<u>\$ 19,704,284</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 to Form 5500:

Net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 2,401,703
Adjustment from contract value to fair value for fully benefit-responsive investment contract	(5,046)
Add: employer contributions receivable at beginning of year	5,898
Net increase in net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 2,402,555</u>

9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through July 29, 2024, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Plan sponsor's employer identification number: 56-1702115

Plan number: 004

(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
	JPMorgan Chase Bank Stable Asset Income Fund F	Common/collective trust	**	\$ 6,883,086
	Vanguard Growth Index Institutional	Mutual funds	**	4,359,864
	Vanguard Value Index I	Mutual funds	**	1,835,239
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2030 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	1,724,825
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2040 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	1,205,046
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2025 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	1,187,543
	PIMCO RealPath Blend Income Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	966,835
	Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	Mutual funds	**	789,275
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2035 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	517,764
	American Funds EuroPacific Growth-R6	Mutual funds	**	432,578
	iShares Russell Small Mid Cap Index K	Mutual funds	**	358,646
	PIMCO Total Return-Inst	Mutual funds	**	312,791
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2050 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	232,711
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2045 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	229,038
	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index-Admiral	Mutual funds	**	226,012
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2055 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	135,793
	PIMCO RealPath Blend 2060 Fund Institutional Class	Mutual funds	**	15,532
*	Participant loans	4.25% - 9.50%, various maturities	-0-	660,409
	Total			<u>\$ 22,072,987</u>

* Party-in-interest.

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