

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 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of 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 AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS 401(K) PLAN I
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
1c	Effective date of plan 07/01/1979
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) AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS SERVICES, LLC 580 HOWARD AVENUE SOMERSET, NJ 08873
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 22-2580521
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 732-560-1220
2d	Business code (see instructions) 423990

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.	08/13/2024	KIMBERLY FIORENZO
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	08/13/2024	KIMBERLY FIORENZO
	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

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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	3113
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.....		6a(1)	2528
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2)	2550
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....		6b	1
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits		6c	608
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d	3159
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.		6e	3
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f	3162
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g	2936
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested		6h	274
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 2S 2T 3D			
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	
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		b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) (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 2021 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2021 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
		2021
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021		
A Name of plan AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS 401(K) PLAN I	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS SERVICES, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 22-2580521	

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.

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
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
42-0127290

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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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42-0127290

(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?
13 37 50 64	CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR	147637	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

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36-4019175

(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?
27 50	INVESTMENT ADVISORY	9984	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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48-1305000

(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?
27 50	INVESTMENT ADVISORY	18750	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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34-1542819

(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?
27 50	INVESTMENT ADVISORY	20000	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.

94-1347393

(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 21 37 50	RECORDKEEPER /BOOKKEEPER	63660	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:

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

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Explanation:

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

Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans)

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 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS SERVICES, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 22-2580521	

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		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)	9363648	
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	2233021	2055388
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)	14816676	13509327
(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)	117945044	157002558
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d	Employer-related investments:		
(1)	Employer securities.....	1d(1)	
(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	144358389 172567273
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	144358389 172567273

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.

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
Income			
a	Contributions:		
(1)	Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	4417146
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	4208114
	(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	2973101
(2)	Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)	
(3)	Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)	11598361
b	Earnings on investments:		
(1)	Interest:		
	(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	
	(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	
	(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	
	(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	
	(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	141260
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	
	(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)	141260
(2)	Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)	
	(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	
	(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	2339258
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)	2339258
(3)	Rents	2b(3)	
(4)	Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	
	(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)	
	(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)	0
(5)	Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	
	(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	
	(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)	0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		169068
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(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)		19474811
c Other income.....	2c		93527
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		33816285
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	14366527	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)	2996	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3).....	2e(4)		14369523
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		170005
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		37998
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees.....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	147637	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees.....	2i(3)	28734	
(4) Other.....	2i(4)	83660	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		260031
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		14837557
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		18978728
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		9231192
(2) From this plan.....	2l(2)		1036

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: COHN REZNICK LLP

(2) EIN: 22-1478099

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, 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.

During the plan year:

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.).....

	Yes	No	Amount
4a	X		390687

	Yes	No	Amount
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.)			
4b		X	
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.)			
4c		X	
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.)			
4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
4f		X	
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?			
4g		X	
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?			
4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
4i	X		
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.)			
4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?			
4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?			
4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
4m		X	
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.			
4n			
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)	
AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS 401(K) PLAN III	22-2580521	003	
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 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021

A Name of plan AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS 401(K) PLAN I	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AUDIOLOGY BENEFITS SERVICES, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 22-2580521

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): 42-0127290 41-6257133		
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)?	☐ 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
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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) 2021
v. 201209

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year (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

- 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) through (c)

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt:

☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more

c What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)?

☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify): _____

- 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 _____

Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I

**Financial Statements
(Modified Cash Basis)
(With Supplementary Information)
and Independent Auditor's Report**

December 31, 2021

Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator
Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit for the 2021 Financial Statements

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I (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)"). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits - (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits - (modified cash basis) for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements ("2021 Financial Statements").

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the 2021 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 audit 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 a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 8 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

In our opinion, based on our audit and on the procedures performed as described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements* section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 2021 Financial Statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, see Note 2.
- The information in the accompanying 2021 Financial Statements 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 on the 2021 Financial Statements

We conducted our audit 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 2021 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 audit. 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.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the 2021 Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, described in Note 2; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements

Except as described in the *Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit for the 2021 Financial Statements* 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 significant 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.

Our audit 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 2021 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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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 Matters

2021 Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental Schedules of Assets (Held at End of Year) - (Modified Cash Basis) (Schedule H, Line 4i) and Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions - (Modified Cash Basis) (Schedule H, Line 4a) as of or for the year ended December 31, 2021 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are 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 schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit 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. For information included in the supplemental schedules 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 schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are 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 schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are 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 schedules 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).

Auditor's Report on the 2020 Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the 2020 financial statements of the Plan. As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the Plan administrator instructed us not to perform and we did not perform any auditing procedures with respect to the information certified by a qualified institution. In our report dated January 12, 2022, we indicated that (a) because of the significance of the information that we did not audit, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion and (b) the form and content of the information included in the 2020 financial statements other than that derived from the certified information were presented in compliance with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.



New York, New York
June 30, 2023

Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I

**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits - (Modified Cash Basis)
December 31, 2021 and 2020**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Assets		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 170,511,885	\$ 132,761,720
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	2,055,388	2,233,021
Due from Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan II	<u>-</u>	<u>9,363,648</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 172,567,273</u>	<u>\$ 144,358,389</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits - (Modified Cash Basis) Year Ended December 31, 2021

Net investment income	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 19,643,879
Interest and dividend income	2,339,258
Other income	<u>93,527</u>
Net investment income	<u>22,076,664</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>141,260</u>
Contributions	
Employer	4,417,146
Participants	4,208,114
Rollovers	<u>2,973,101</u>
Total contributions	<u>11,598,361</u>
Benefits paid to participants	<u>(14,577,526)</u>
Administrative expenses	<u>(260,031)</u>
Increase in net assets	18,978,728
Net transfers into Plan	9,230,156
Net assets available for benefits	
Beginning	<u>144,358,389</u>
End	<u><u>\$ 172,567,273</u></u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2021

Note 1 - Description of Plan

The following description of the Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all full-time employees of WDH USA, Inc. (the "Company") who have completed three months of service and are age twenty-one or older. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"). The Retirement Plan Committee is responsible for oversight of the Plan, determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

Contributions

Participants may contribute a percentage of their pre-tax compensation (or after-tax for Roth contributions) up to a maximum contribution limitation 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 (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 3% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated balanced fund until changed by the participant. The Company contributes 50% of that portion of the participant's contributions which does not exceed 6% of the participant's qualified earnings. Participants also direct the investment of Company contributions. The Plan also permits the Company to make additional discretionary contributions. No additional discretionary contributions were made during 2021. Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") limitations.

Participant accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and Company matching contributions, as well as allocations of the Company's additional discretionary contributions and Plan earnings. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balance or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after three years of credited service.

Notes receivable from participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account. The loan interest rate, determined quarterly, is set at 1% above the prime rate, as defined. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions.

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Payment of benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, annual installments over a fixed period, or ad-hoc distributions.

Forfeiture accounts

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$118,979 and \$52,381, respectively. All forfeitures of participant's nonvested accounts are used to offset future Company contributions. During 2021, \$219,870 in forfeitures were used to offset Company contributions.

Note 2 - Summary of accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The accompanying financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. Contributions are recognized when received rather than when withheld and administrative expenses are recognized when paid rather than when incurred. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to be presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting 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. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. 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 Retirement Plan Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisors and custodians. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Notes receivable from participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance. 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, 2021 or 2020. 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.

Payments of benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid. As of December 31, 2021 and 2020, there were no amounts due to participants.

Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants

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are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

Subsequent events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through June 30, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 - 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 Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 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; and
- 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 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, 2021 and 2020:

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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Collective trust fund: Valued at the NAV of units of a bank collective trust. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. 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. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust, the issuer reserves the right to require three month's notification in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. Classification within the fair value hierarchy table is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement:

Assets at fair value as of December 31, 2021				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 157,002,558	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 157,002,558
Investments measured at NAV (a)	-	-	-	13,509,327
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 157,002,558</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 170,511,885</u>

Assets at fair value as of December 31, 2020				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 117,945,044	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 117,945,044
Investments measured at NAV (a)	-	-	-	14,816,676
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 117,945,044</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 132,761,720</u>

- (a) In accordance with Subtopic 820-10, certain investments that were measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in these tables are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Fair value of investments in entities that use NAV

The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using NAV per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption notice period is applicable only to the Plan:

	2021 Fair value	2020 Fair value	Redemption frequency (if currently eligible)	Redemption notice period
Columbia Trust Stable Income Fund	\$ 13,509,327	\$ 14,816,676	Daily	1 Day

There were no unfunded commitments as of December 31, 2021 or 2020.

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Note 4 - Related party transactions and party-in-interest transactions

Delaware Charter Guarantee and Trust Company d/b/a Principal Trust Company and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. are the trustees, as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. The Plan Sponsor pays directly certain other fees related to the Plan's operations.

Transfers into the Plan represent assets transferred from other plans related to the Plan Sponsor. These transfers resulted from participants being reclassified amongst payroll groups which are specific to certain plans.

Note 5 - 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 would become 100% vested in their employer contributions.

Note 6 - Tax status

The IRS has determined and informed the Company by an opinion letter related to a prototype plan dated June 30, 2020 that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (the "IRC"). Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, 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 IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

Note 7 - Risks and uncertainties

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain 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 benefits.

In early 2020, an outbreak of a novel strain of coronavirus ("COVID-19") emerged globally. As a result, events have occurred domestically in United States and globally, including mandates from federal, state and local authorities, leading to an overall decline in economic activity. The continuation of the effects of COVID-19 could result in significant disruption of global financial markets; however, the ultimate impact of COVID-19 on the financial performance of the Plan's investments cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

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Note 8 - Certified investments

The Plan administrator 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. Investments and notes receivable from participants held at December 31, 2021 and 2020, and investment income and interest income on notes receivable from participants for the year ended December 31, 2021, that are disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules, were obtained or derived from information supplied to the Plan administrator and certified as complete and accurate by Delaware Charter Guarantee and Trust Company d/b/a Principal Trust Company as of December 31, 2021 and for the period from April 16, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A as of December 31, 2020 and for the period from January 1, 2021 to April 16, 2021.

Note 9 - Nonexempt transactions

As reported on the supplemental Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions - (Modified Cash Basis) (Schedule H, Line 4a), certain Plan contributions were not remitted to the Plan within the time frame specified by the Department of Labor's Regulation 29 (CFR 2510.3-102), thus constituting nonexempt transactions between the Plan and the Company. There were unintentional delays by the Company in submitting certain employee salary deferral contributions and participant loan repayments totaling \$83,533, \$152,029, \$66,176 and \$88,949 for a cumulative total of \$390,687, pertaining to the years ended December 31, 2021, 2020, 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Supplementary Information

Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I
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Plan #002

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) - (Modified Cash Basis) (Schedule H, Line 4i)
December 31, 2021

(a)	(b) Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor or similar party	(c) Description	(d) Cost (A)	(e) Current value
	Columbia Trust Stable Income Fund	Common/collective trust		\$ 13,509,327
	Dodge & Cox Income Fund	Mutual fund		4,937,702
	Vanguard Equity Income Fund Inv	Mutual fund		8,780,064
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2025 K	Mutual fund		10,100,004
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2030 K	Mutual fund		5,688,729
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2035 K	Mutual fund		11,913,685
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2040 K	Mutual fund		7,797,236
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2045 K	Mutual fund		9,301,679
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2050 K	Mutual fund		6,729,487
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2055 K	Mutual fund		6,211,790
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2060 K	Mutual fund		766,329
	BlackRock Lifepath Index 2065 K	Mutual fund		69,213
	Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund Adm	Mutual fund		4,963,546
	T. Rowe Price Blue Chip Growth Adv	Mutual fund		21,495,672
	Vanguard Wellington Fund Adm	Mutual fund		8,916,679
	Vanguard Mid Cap Index Fund	Mutual fund		4,840,246
	BlackRock Lifepath Index Retirement K	Mutual fund		3,120,961
	T. Rowe Price Inflation Protected Bond	Mutual fund		939,320
	American Beacon Small Cap Value Instl	Mutual fund		891,468
	Pimco Income Fund Instl	Mutual fund		1,064,159
	Fidelity Small Cap Growth I	Mutual fund		4,371,016
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund Investor	Mutual fund		17,119,644
	Janus Enterprise Class I	Mutual fund		5,906,047
	MFS Mid Cap Value Fund R6	Mutual fund		2,019,675
	PGIM High Yield Z	Mutual fund		857,316
	Cohen & Steers Real Estate Z	Mutual fund		405,903
	T. Rowe PR Overseas Stock I	Mutual fund		5,856,404
	Janus Henderson Developed World Bond N	Mutual fund		506,431
	JPMorgan Emerging Markets Equity R6	Mutual fund		1,432,153
				<u>170,511,885</u>
*	Participant loans	Interest ranging from 4.25% to 6.50%, with various maturity dates, secured by the participant's account balance		<u>2,055,388</u>
	Total			<u><u>\$ 172,567,273</u></u>
*	Party-in-interest.			

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Plan #002

Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions - (Modified Cash Basis) (Schedule H, Line 4a)
Year Ended December 31, 2021

Participant contributions transferred late to the Plan	Check here if late participant loan repayments are included	Total that constitutes nonexempt prohibited transactions			Total fully corrected under VFCP and Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
		Contributions not corrected	Contributions corrected outside Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program ("VFCP")	Contributions pending correction in VFCP	
<u>\$ 390,687</u>	✓	<u>\$ 390,687</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

See Independent Auditor's Report.



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SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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 PLAN NUMBER 002
 PLAN YEAR 01/01/2021 TO 12/31/2021

(A)	(B) Identity of issuer, 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
	American Beacon Funds	Registered Investment Company Amer Beacon SmCap Val R5 Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 891,468.47
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2060 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 766,328.14
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Ind Rtrmt K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,120,960.57
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2025 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,100,003.75
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2030 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,688,728.89
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2035 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 11,913,684.46
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2040 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,797,235.82
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2045 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,301,678.90
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2050 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,729,486.02
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BlackRock Lfpth Idx 2055 K Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,211,789.78
	BlackRock	Registered Investment Company BLACKROCK LFPTH IDX 2065 K FD	\$ 0.00	\$ 69,213.00
	Cohen & Steers	Registered Investment Company Cohen & Steers Re Est Sec Z Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 405,902.74
	Ameriprise Trust Company	Common/Collective Trust Columbia Trust Stbl Income I-0	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,509,326.62
	Dodge and Cox Funds	Registered Investment Company Dodge & Cox Income Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,937,701.37
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Small Cap Growth Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,371,016.01

SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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EIN 22 2580521
PLAN NUMBER 002
PLAN YEAR 01/01/2021 TO 12/31/2021

(A)	(B) Identity of issuer, 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
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity 500 Index Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 17,119,653.99
	Janus International Holding, LLC	Registered Investment Company JanusHenderson Entrprs I	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,906,047.44
	Janus International Holding, LLC	Registered Investment Company JANUS HENDERSON DVLP WRLD BD N	\$ 0.00	\$ 506,430.70
	JP Morgan Funds	Registered Investment Company JP MORGAN EMERG MKTS EQ R6 FD	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,432,152.88
	MFS Investment Management	Registered Investment Company MFS Mid Cap Value R6 Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,019,675.13
	PGIM Investments	Registered Investment Company PGIM High Yield Z Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 857,315.58
	PIMCO Funds	Registered Investment Company PIMCO Income Institutional Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,064,159.12
	T. Rowe Price Funds	Registered Investment Company T. Rowe Pr Infla Prot Bd Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 939,320.61
	T. Rowe Price Funds	Registered Investment Company T. Rowe Price Overseas Stk I	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,856,404.19
	T. Rowe Price Funds	Registered Investment Company T. Rowe Price Bl Chip Gr Adv Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 21,495,670.25
	Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company Vanguard Equity-Income Inv Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,780,063.10
	Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company Vanguard Mid Cap Index Adm Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,840,244.02
	Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company Vanguard Sm Cap Index Adm Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,963,545.33
	Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company Vanguard Wellington Adm Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,916,678.11
*	Participant Loans	Range of Interest Rates Rates Range From 4.25% To 6.50%	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,055,388.00

Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I is timely filing its Federal Form 5500 utilizing a valid extension on Form 5558 for the plan year ended December 31, 2021. However, the independent auditor has not been able to complete the necessary audit work in order to issue its audit report for the year. The independent auditor is currently working with the Plan Administrator and service providers to obtain the information necessary to issue its audit report. Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I expects to have the audit report within the next 45 days and Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan I will file an amended Form 5500, with the audited financial statements attached, as soon as the report is issued.

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August 9, 2024

Via Electronic Mail

Ms. Danita Thomas
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Office of the Chief Accountant
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Washington, D.C. 20210

Re: Audiology Benefits 401(k) Plan ("Plan") I Annual Report; Case # 23-0376D

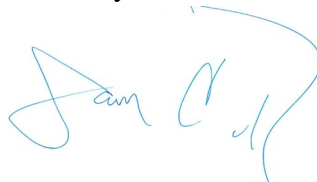
Dear Ms. Thomas:

Thank you for your time on August 6th where you discussed with me the deficiency you discovered in the auditor's report for the Plan's 2021 Form 5500. Specifically, you mentioned that Note 9 in the Auditor's Report to the 2021 Form 5500 needs to be amended to reflect that \$390,687 is the cumulative amount of uncorrected delinquent participant contributions for the Plan years 2018 through 2021. Note 9 in the auditor's report currently states that \$390,687 is the amount of uncorrected delinquent participant contributions for just the 2021 Plan year. This seems to be the source of the confusion surrounding differences in the amounts reflected in our previously-provided documentation to you and the amounts shown in your records. You stated that if Demant amends Note 9 in the auditor's report for the 2021 Form 5500 no later than August 13th, then the July 8, 2024 Notice of Intent to Assess a Penalty would be withdrawn.

You may contact me at (972) 850-1472 to discuss or feel free to e-mail directly at jason.ray@blankrome.com if you have any additional comments or guidance

Thank you for your time and careful attention to this matter throughout this process.

Sincerely,

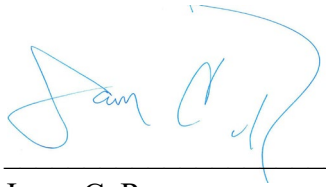


Jason C. Ray

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PENALTY OF PERJURY STATEMENT

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the accuracy of the information contained in this letter, including accompanying documents, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information and facts contained in this letter and the accompanying documents are true, correct, and complete.



Jason C. Ray