

<div>Form 5500</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</div> <div>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).</div> <div>▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</div>	<div>OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</div> <div>2023</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div>
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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: <div><div>☐ a multiemployer plan</div><div>☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)</div><div>☒ a single-employer plan</div><div>☐ a DFE (specify) _____</div><div>☐ the first return/report</div><div>☐ the final return/report</div><div>☐ an amended return/report</div><div>☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)</div></div>
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: <div><div>☒ Form 5558</div><div>☐ automatic extension</div><div>☐ the DFVC program</div><div>☐ special extension (enter description)</div></div>
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 RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/2004
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) RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC. 1014 5TH AVE SE CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52403
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0985270
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 319-363-1284
2d	Business code (see instructions) 446110

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.	09/11/2024	BRENT BORMANN
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	09/11/2024	BRENT BORMANN
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
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	5 176
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	<div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> 6a(1) 135 6a(2) 133 6b 12 6c 19 6d 164 6e 0 6f 164 6g(1) 175 6g(2) 162 6h 14
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:

2I 2P 2Q 3F 3H 3I

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 0
- (5) ☐ **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

<div>SCHEDULE C</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Service Provider Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	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

<div>A</div> Name of plan RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN	<div>B</div> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
<div>C</div> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC.	<div>D</div> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0985270

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

x

 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)

(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 ☐

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">2023</div> 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 RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0985270	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
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	190	
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)	4177	4177
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		130487
(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)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(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)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	16523476	19286661
(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	16527843	19421325
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	2573167	2525963
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	2573167	2525963
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	13954676	16895362

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)	986454	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		986454
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	274	
(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)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		274
(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)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		0
(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)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	2763184	
(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)		
(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)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		3749912

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	761315	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		761315
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		47861
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	50	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		50
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		809226

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		2940686
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

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: **BOULAY PLLP**

(2) EIN: **41-0887288**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

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

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

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

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

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

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

<div>SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Retirement Plan Information</div> <div>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).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	<div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2023</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</div>
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 RAYSER HOLDINGS, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0985270
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): 42-0127290		
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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702657A.

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule

As of and for the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022



Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees
Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the Plan), which 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.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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.

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 Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within 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 Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an 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 generally accepted auditing standards 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 aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Independent Auditor's Report

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, 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 Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership 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 Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

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

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



Minneapolis, Minnesota
September 9, 2024

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2023			
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Assets			
Cash	\$ 130,487	\$ -	\$ 130,487
Investments, at fair value			
Rayser Holdings, Inc. Common Stock	11,153,740	8,132,921	19,286,661
Other receivable	4,176	-	4,176
Total assets	11,288,403	8,132,921	19,421,324
Liabilities			
Notes payable	-	2,525,965	2,525,965
Net Assets Available for Benefits	\$ 11,288,403	\$ 5,606,956	\$ 16,895,359

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

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits

	December 31, 2022		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Assets			
Cash	\$ 191	\$ -	\$ 191
Investments, at fair value			
Rayser Holdings, Inc. Common Stock	9,367,435	7,156,039	16,523,474
Other receivable	4,176	-	4,176
Total assets	9,371,802	7,156,039	16,527,841
Notes payable	-	2,573,167	2,573,167
Net Assets Available for Benefits	\$ 9,371,802	\$ 4,582,872	\$ 13,954,674

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

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Additions to Net Assets			
Contributions			
Employer	\$ 891,389	\$ 95,065	\$ 986,454
Investment income			
Interest and dividend income	272	-	272
Net appreciation in fair value of Rayser Holdings, Inc. Common Stock	1,566,498	1,196,689	2,763,187
Allocation of 3,523 shares of common stock of Rayser Holdings, Inc., at fair value	219,809	-	219,809
Total additions, net of change in investments	2,677,968	1,291,754	3,969,722
Deductions from Net Assets			
Distributions to participants	761,315	-	761,315
Interest expense	-	47,861	47,861
Administrative expense	52	-	52
Allocation of 3,523 shares of common stock of Rayser Holdings, Inc., at estimated fair value	-	219,809	219,809
Total deductions	761,367	267,670	1,029,037
Net Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits	1,916,601	1,024,084	2,940,685
Net Assets Available for Benefits - Beginning of Year	9,371,802	4,582,872	13,954,674
Net Assets Available for Benefits - End of Year	\$ 11,288,403	\$ 5,606,956	\$ 16,895,359

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

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Additions to Net Assets			
Contributions			
Employer	\$ 602,549	\$ 95,065	\$ 697,614
Investment income			
Net depreciation in fair value of Rayser Holdings, Inc.			
Common Stock	(832,748)	(666,296)	(1,499,044)
Allocation of 3,523 shares of common stock of Rayser Holdings, Inc., at estimated fair value	188,317	-	188,317
Total additions, net of change in investments	(41,882)	(571,231)	(613,113)
Deductions from Net Assets			
Distributions to participants	602,549	-	602,549
Interest expense	-	48,723	48,723
Administrative expense	22	-	22
Allocation of 3,523 shares of common stock of Rayser Holdings, Inc., at estimated fair value	-	188,317	188,317
Total deductions	602,571	237,040	839,611
Net Decrease in Net Assets Available for Benefits	(644,453)	(808,271)	(1,452,724)
Net Assets Available for Benefits - Beginning of Year	10,016,255	5,391,143	15,407,398
Net Assets Available for Benefits - End of Year	\$ 9,371,802	\$ 4,582,872	\$ 13,954,674

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

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2023 and 2022

1. Description of Plan

The following brief description of the Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information regarding the Plan's definitions, benefits, and eligibility requirements and other matters.

General

Rayser Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") established the Plan effective January 15, 2004. The Plan operates as an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) and is designed to comply with Section 4975 (e)(7) and the regulations thereunder of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (IRC), as amended, and is subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Plan is administered by Rayser Holdings, Inc. with oversight from the Plan's Trustee. The stock certificates are held by an independent third party.

The Plan purchased shares of the Company's common stock using the proceeds of notes payable to the Company and its eight former stockholders. In 2021, the Company refinanced between the Plan and the Trust (Note 4) the notes payable with the former stockholders into one consolidated note payable. As the Plan makes each payment, an appropriate percentage of stock will be allocated to eligible employees' accounts in accordance with applicable regulations under the IRC.

The unallocated shares of Company stock collateralize the borrowings. The lenders have no rights against the shares once they are allocated under the ESOP. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to a) the accounts of employees with rights in allocated stock (allocated) and b) stock not yet allocated to employees (unallocated). Shares are released from collateral and become allocated generally in the period in which debt service is actually paid in cash.

Eligibility

Substantially all employees who have reached 18 years of age and are scheduled to work at least 500 hours during the Plan year are eligible to participate in the Plan. Only employees who are actively employed on the last day of the Plan year are eligible to share in the discretionary Company contribution, as well as those employees whose termination prior to year-end was due to retirement, death, or disability. Previous to January 1, 2018, employees of the Company who were age 21 and over were eligible to participate in the Plan after one year of service, provided they worked at least 1,000 hours during the Plan year.

Contributions

Company contributions are discretionary; however, each year the Company must contribute, at a minimum, an amount at least equal to the principal and interest payments on the notes payable.

Participant Accounts

The Plan is a defined contribution plan under which a separate individual account is established for each participant. Company contributions are allocated to each participant's account based upon the relation of the participant's compensation to total eligible compensation for the Plan year.

As of each valuation date, before allocation of Company contributions for the entire Plan year and after allocation of forfeitures, if any, earnings or losses (net appreciation or depreciation) of the trust fund are allocated to each participant's account in the same proportion that the participant's nonsegregated accounts (other than each participant's Company stock account) bears to the total of all participants' nonsegregated accounts (other than each participant's Company stock account) as of such date.

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2023 and 2022

1. Description of Plan (Continued)

Participant Accounts (Continued)

Company stock acquired by the Plan with the proceeds of an exempt loan shall only be allocated to each participant's Company stock account upon release from the unallocated Company stock suspense account. Dividends or "S corporation distributions" received with respect to shares in the unallocated Company stock suspense account shall be allocated to each participant based upon the proportion that each participant's compensation for the Plan year bears to the total of all participants' compensation for the Plan year. Such dividend or other income may, at the discretion of the Company, be used to repay an exempt loan.

Vesting

Benefits are fully vested if a participant terminates under normal retirement, death, or disability. If a participant's employment with the Company ends for any other reason, the account will vest 20% after the second year of qualifying service, and vesting will increase at the rate of 20% per year thereafter until fully vested after six years of qualifying service.

Forfeited Accounts

Forfeitures may be made available to reinstate previously forfeited balances of former participants, if any, or may be used to satisfy any required contribution due or may be used to pay Plan administrative expenses. Any remaining forfeitures shall be allocated each year among the participants in the same proportion that each participant's eligible compensation for the year bears to the total eligible compensation of all participants for the year. Forfeitures allocated to participants totaled approximately \$144,000 and \$74,000 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Distributions

No distributions from the Plan will be made until a participant retires, dies, or otherwise terminates employment with the Company (except for diversifications). Distributions will be in a lump sum or installments over a certain period. The period over which such installment payments are to be made shall not extend beyond the earlier of the participant's life expectancy or five years. Plan provisions provide to pay out all vested account balances under \$5,000 for terminated participants even when a distribution election form is not completed. Distributions of a participant's benefit may be made in cash or Company stock, except as restricted in the Company charter/by-laws or by the administrator. The Company's charter/by-laws restrict the ownership of Company stock to participants or a qualified pension, profit sharing, or stock bonus trust. Because the Company is an S corporation, the administrator may distribute a participant's account entirely in cash without granting the participant the right to demand distribution in shares of Company stock or may subject a distribution in shares of Company stock to an immediate, mandated put to the Company or ESOP.

Diversification

Diversification is offered to participants close to retirement so they may have the opportunity to move part of the value of their investment in Company stock into investments, which are more diversified. Participants who are at least 55 with at least 10 years of participation in the Plan may elect to diversify a portion of their account if it exceeds \$500. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a six year period. In each of the first five years, a participant may diversify up to 25% of the number of post-1986 shares allocated to his or her account, less any shares previously diversified. In the sixth year, the percentage changes to 50%. Participants who elect to diversify will receive a cash distribution or have the ability to roll over funds into a qualified defined contribution plan maintained by the Company.

Administrative Expenses

Substantially all administrative expenses, including audit, trust, and recordkeeping fees, are paid by the Company. Investment transaction fees are paid by the Plan.

Rayser Holdings, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Notes to the Financial Statements

December 31, 2023 and 2022

1. Description of Plan (Continued)

Plan Termination

The Plan has the right to amend, in whole or in part, any or all of the provisions of the Plan at any time. Additionally, the Plan has the right to discontinue its contributions at any time and terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). In the event of Plan termination, assets of the Plan will continue to be used to provide benefits until no assets remain in the Plan.

Put Option

Under federal income tax regulations, the Company stock that is held by the Plan and its participants and is not readily tradable on an established market, or is subject to trading limitations, includes a put option. The put option is a right to demand that the Company buy any shares of its stock distributed to participants for which there is no market. The put price is representative of the fair market value of the stock. The Company can pay for the purchase with interest over a period of five years. The purpose of the put option is to ensure that the participant has the ability to ultimately obtain cash.

Voting Rights

The Trustee shall vote all Company stock held by it as part of the Plan assets, provided, however, that if any agreement entered into by the trust provides for voting of any shares of Company stock pledged as security for any obligation of the Plan, then such shares of Company stock shall be voted in accordance with such agreement. If the Trustee does not timely receive voting directions from a participant or beneficiary with respect to any Company stock allocated to that participant's or beneficiary's Company stock account, the Trustee shall vote such Company stock. Each participant is entitled to direct the Trustee as to the manner in which voting rights on shares of Company stock, which are allocated to his or her account, are to be exercised with respect to certain corporate matters, which involves the voting of such shares.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Significant estimates include the valuation of the Rayser Holdings, Inc. common stock. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan's investments consist of the Company's common stock, which is exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks, as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings, cash flows, and other such techniques. Due to the level of risk associated with the investment in common stock and to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is reasonably possible that changes in the value of the common stock will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported on the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Investment Valuation

The investment in Rayser Holdings, Inc. (employer stock) is stated at fair value. Fair value is the amount 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. See Note 3 for a discussion of fair value measurement.

Net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investment in employer stock is based on a valuation of the Company's stock. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are reported on the average cost method.

Income Recognition

The Plan recognizes contributions as they are declared by the Company. Investment gains and losses are recognized when investments are sold and upon changes in the unrealized appreciation or depreciation of investments held. Distributions of benefits are recorded when paid. Annual audit of the Plan and fees for appraisal of the Company's stock are paid by the Company. Administrative expenses related to participant distributions are paid by the Plan, whereas other administrative fees are paid by the Company.

Payment of Benefits

Benefit payments are recorded when paid.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The Plan's accounting for fair value measurements of assets and liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring or nonrecurring basis adheres to the FASB 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 measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 Inputs: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities accessible to the Plan at the measurement date.
- Level 2 Inputs: Other than quoted prices included in Level 1 inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
- Level 3 Inputs: Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability used to measure fair value to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at measurement date.

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

The following is a description of the valuation methodology used for the assets measured at fair value at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

- The fair value of the Rayser Holdings, Inc. common stock was determined by an independent third-party appraisal. Methods for the valuation included discounted cash-flow, guideline public company, acquisition market data, and adjusted net asset methods.

The methods described above include significant estimates and may produce a fair value calculation which may change in the near term and which may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Recently Issued Regulations

In December 2022, Securing a Strong Retirement Act (SECURE 2.0) was passed into law. The provisions of SECURE 2.0 continue the themes and reform that began with the 2020 CARES Act. Most of the provisions of SECURE 2.0 will become effective in 2024 and beyond. Therefore, there is no current impact to the Plan. Since the provisions include both required and optional elements, the Plan Administrator is in the process of determining which provisions are going to be adopted and their potential impact on the Plan.

Subsequent Events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events for recording or disclosure in the financial statements through September 9, 2024, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

3. Fair Value Measurements

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value:

		Fair Value Measurement Using			
December 31, 2023	Fair Value Carrying Amount in the Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Rayser Holdings, Inc. common stock	\$ 19,286,661	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,286,661	
Totals	\$ 19,286,661	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,286,661	

		Fair Value Measurement Using			
December 31, 2022	Fair Value Carrying Amount in the Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Rayser Holdings, Inc. common stock	\$ 16,523,474	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,523,474	
Totals	\$ 16,523,474	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,523,474	

The table below sets forth a summary of changes in fair value of the Plan's level 3 assets for the years ended December 31:

	2023	2022
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 16,523,474	\$ 18,022,518
Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	2,763,187	(1,499,044)
Balance at end of year	\$ 19,286,661	\$ 16,523,474

Gains and losses (realized and unrealized) included in changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023 are reported in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of common stock. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan owned 309,081 shares of Company common stock.

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4. Notes Payable

The Plan had a note payable to the Company with a balance of approximately \$305,000. The note was due in annual installments through 2033. The Plan prepaid a portion of the principal and made interest only payments through 2016, with regularly scheduled principal and interest payments starting in 2017. Interest on the note is subject to adjustment every five years based on the prime interest rate plus 1.5%.

During 2021, the note payable between the Company and the Plan along with the notes payable with former stockholders of the Company were amended and refinanced into one consolidated note payable between the Plan and the Trust. As a result, there is one note between the Company and the Trust. The refinanced note requires 40 annual payments of approximately \$95,000, which includes interest at 1.86%, and commenced on December 31, 2021. The note matures on December 31, 2060. The balance of the note was approximately \$2,526,000 and \$2,573,000 at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Unallocated shares of the Company stock collateralize the note.

Scheduled maturities and payments of these notes are as follows at December 31, 2023:

Years ending:		
2024	\$	47,953
2025		48,974
2026		49,885
2027		50,813
2028		51,639
After 2028		2,276,701
Total	\$	2,525,965

5. Tax Status

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated June 30, 2020 that the Plan is qualified and the trust established under the Plan is tax-exempt under the appropriate sections of the IRC. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan and trust are operating in a manner that did not jeopardize this tax status.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires 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. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

6. Party-In-Interest Transactions

The Plan invests in Company common stock and has indebtedness guaranteed by the Company. These are related-party and party-in-interest transactions. The Plan also has a number of service providers, and such providers are parties-in-interest under ERISA.

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Schedule H, Item 4i -Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issuer	Description of Investment	Cost	Current Value
*	Rayser Holdings, Inc.	Common Stock par value (1) (309,081 shares)	\$ 4,175,345	\$ 19,286,661

(1) Section 7.10 of the Bylaws of Rayser Holdings, Inc. restricts transferability of its capital stock

* Indicates a party-in-interest.

See independent auditor's report.