

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☒ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☐ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____ ☐ 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 GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 333
1c	Effective date of plan 04/01/1988
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) GROWMARK, INC. 1705 TOWANDA AVE BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 37-0815318
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 309-557-6125
2d	Business code (see instructions) 115110

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.	10/04/2024	JESSICA EHLER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/04/2024	JESSICA EHLER
	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 GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE 401K SAVINGS PLAN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE 1705 TOWANDA AVE BLOOMINGTON, IL 61701	3b Administrator's EIN 37-1228804 3c Administrator's telephone number 309-557-6125																						
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 10177																						
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	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td colspan="2" style="height: 20px;"></td></tr> <tr><td style="width: 15%;">6a(1)</td><td style="text-align: right;">7055</td></tr> <tr><td>6a(2)</td><td style="text-align: right;">7332</td></tr> <tr><td>6b</td><td style="text-align: right;">119</td></tr> <tr><td>6c</td><td style="text-align: right;">3055</td></tr> <tr><td>6d</td><td style="text-align: right;">10506</td></tr> <tr><td>6e</td><td style="text-align: right;">67</td></tr> <tr><td>6f</td><td style="text-align: right;">10573</td></tr> <tr><td>6g(1)</td><td style="text-align: right;">8800</td></tr> <tr><td>6g(2)</td><td style="text-align: right;">9053</td></tr> <tr><td>6h</td><td style="text-align: right;">61</td></tr> </table>			6a(1)	7055	6a(2)	7332	6b	119	6c	3055	6d	10506	6e	67	6f	10573	6g(1)	8800	6g(2)	9053	6h	61
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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 2R 2S 2T 3F 2X 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 (4) ☐ DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____ (5) ☒ MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>0</u> (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)																						

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	333
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GROWMARK, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 37-0815318	

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

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

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

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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)

FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL

04-2647786

(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?
37 64 65 71	RECORDKEEPER	466424	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

STRATEGIC ADVISORS, INC.

04-2654524

(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	ADVISOR	199671	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

MARQUETTE ASSOCIATES

36-3485298

(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?
16	CONSULTANT	68750	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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)

RUBINBROWN LLP

43-0765316

(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?
10	ACCOUNTANT/AUDITOR	33366	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 ☐

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			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.	
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

Explanation:

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SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration		DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.		OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.	
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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GROWMARK, INC.				D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 37-0815318	
Part I Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)					
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: GROWMARK 401(K) PLANS MASTER TRUST					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GROWMARK, INC.					
c EIN-PN 37-0815318-335		d Entity code M		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 404442843	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):					
c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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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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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

Part II **Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)**

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN

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
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A Name of plan GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 333
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GROWMARK, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 37-0815318

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	0	0
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	0
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	0	0
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	0	0
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	0	0
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)	0	0
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	0	0
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	0	0
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	0	0
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	0	0
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	0	0
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	3444961	3997198
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	0	0
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	0	0
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	333364021	404442843
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	0	0
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	0	0
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	0	0
(15) Other	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	336808982	408440041
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
h Operating payables	1h	0	0
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	0	0
j Other liabilities	1j	0	0
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	336808982	408440041

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)	5849347	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	26624682	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	3065181	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		35539210
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	0	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	257078	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		257078
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	0	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		0
(3) Rents	2b(3)		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	0	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	0	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		0
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		68458325
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		0
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		104254613

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	31757720	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		31757720
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		25780
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		27008
h Interest expense	2h		0
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	2100	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	464274	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	33366	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	199671	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	0	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	0	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	0	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)	0	
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)	0	
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	68705	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		768116
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		32578624

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		71675989
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		12359
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		57289

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: RUBIN BROWN LLP

(2) EIN: 43-0765316

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.)		X	
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.)		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.)		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.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		2500000
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	
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?		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?		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		
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.)		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?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	X		989
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		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.			

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	333
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 GROWMARK, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 37-0815318	

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.....	
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): 04-6568107	
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	

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

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 _____

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(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) 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

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 ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number _____.

SCHEDULE MEP (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN 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 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN	B Three-digit Plan number (PN) ►	333
C Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE 401K SAVINGS PLAN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE	D Administrator's EIN 37-1228804	

Part I	Type of Multiple-Employer Pension Plan. All multiple-employer pension plans must complete.
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1 Check the appropriate box to indicate type of multiple-employer pension plan. (Only defined contribution plans may check lines 1a, 1b, and 1c. Defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans not checking lines 1a, 1b, or 1c should check line 1d. See Instructions).

- a** ☐ association retirement plan (See 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- b** ☐ professional employer organization plan (PEO Plan) (See 29 CFR 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- c** ☐ pooled employer plan (PEP) (See 29 CFR 2510.3-44) (Complete Parts II and III)
- d** ☒ other multiple-employer pension plan (Describe) **AFFILIATED AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE** (Complete Part II)

Part II	Participating Employer Information.
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2 All multiple-employer pension plans that are subject to section 210(a) of ERISA (see instructions for filing the Form 5500) must complete Part II, in addition to Part I, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information for each employer participating in the multiple-employer pension plan. **Defined contribution plans must complete lines 2a-2d. All other multiple-employer pension plans complete lines 2a-2c only. Complete as many entries as needed to list the required information for each participating employer that is not an individual person (see instructions).**

2a Name of Participating Employer GROWMARK FS - MIDATLANTIC	2b EIN 37-1448326	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 13.64	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 54335159
2a Name of Participating Employer SEEDWAY, LLC	2b EIN 37-1448323	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 8.35	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 31444436

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2e Does the plan include any individuals not participating through an employer or who are individual working owners?	2e	☒ Yes ☐ No
2f If you answer "Yes" in line 2e, enter a good faith estimate of the percentage of total contributions made by all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a during the plan year.	2f	0.0
2g If you answer "Yes" in Line 2e, enter the aggregate account balances for all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a.	2g	1385447

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**Schedule MEP (2023)
v. 230728**

Part II Participating Employer Information (Continued).

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
AGRILAND FS, INC.	42-0385720	7.83	25715183
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
CONSERV FS, INC.	36-1355570	6.96	18292859
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
PRAIRIELAND FS, INC.	37-1410789	5.64	26337337
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
AG VIEW FS, INC.	36-0854770	5.47	19803517
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
SOUTH CENTRAL FS, INC.	37-0607422	4.68	17699161
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
EVERGREEN FS, INC.	37-0410460	4.08	31500752
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
GOLD STAR FS, INC.	36-1817480	3.19	17606003
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
TOTAL GRAIN MARKETING, LLC	20-5446305	3.1	9068493
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
GATEWAY FS, INC.	37-1263556	3.07	12814239

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HERITAGE FS, INC.	36-3818145	2.91	15027816
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
WABASH VALLEY SERVICE COMPANY	37-0567680	2.89	10265135
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
CENTRAL COMMODITY FS	37-0216270	2.83	6620412
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
WEST CENTRAL FS, INC.	37-0955394	2.71	10501259
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
M&M SERVICE COMPANY	37-1370422	2.65	9113039
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
AG-LAND FS, INC.	37-1282343	2.41	11707876
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
GRAINCO FS, INC.	36-1315960	2.15	18146226
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
SOUTHERN FS, INC.	74-3044849	2.08	9015243
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
THREE RIVERS FS COMPANY	42-0212080	1.76	5901198

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FS GRAIN, LLC	45-2773444	1.67	7061123
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
MANITO TRANSIT, LLC	37-6039659	1.55	3308981
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
STEPHENSON SERVICE COMPANY	36-1824365	1.54	7844722
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
TRICOUNTY FS, INC.	37-1338377	1.47	4799425
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
WESTERN GRAIN MARKETING, LLC	26-0746032	1.32	4602829
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
GAPS FS, LLC	83-1591242	0.75	902343
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
CARROLL SERVICE COMPANY	36-0876420	0.62	3698593
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
ST. CLAIR SERVICE COMPANY	37-0497745	0.57	1269541
2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
INDEPENDENT DATA MANAGEMENT, LLC	45-5277024	0.55	920742

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
CROP IMS, LLC	01-0827615	0.32	1810507
2a Name of Participating Employer PIATT COUNTY SERVICE COMPANY	37-0634385	0.3	1584266
2a Name of Participating Employer JERSEY COUNTY GRAIN COMPANY	37-0352490	0.22	747050
2a Name of Participating Employer FARMERS GRAIN COMPANY OF CENTRAL ILLINOIS	37-0269165	0.21	1200412
2a Name of Participating Employer PRO VALLEY LLC	83-0651327	0.19	746960
2a Name of Participating Employer GREEN VALLEY SEED, LLC	94-3459577	0.15	604459
2a Name of Participating Employer MM RETAIL, LLC	82-2300796	0.07	76344
2a Name of Participating Employer MEDORA FS, INC.	37-0889797	0.04	188111
2a Name of Participating Employer BURTONVIEW COOPERATIVE	37-0199530	0.03	102796

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2a Name of Participating Employer FARMERS ELEVATOR COMPANY OF MANTENO	2b EIN 36-1059770	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 0.02	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 133321
2a Name of Participating Employer FULTON FS, INC.	2b EIN 37-1292059	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 0.01	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 287193
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Part III	Pooled Employer Plan Information
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Line 3. All Pooled employer plans must answer all of the questions in Part III, in addition to completing all of Parts I and II.

3a Is the pooled plan provider (identified as the plan sponsor and administrator in Part II of the Form 5500) currently in compliance with the Form PR (Pooled Plan Provider Registration Statement) requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-44) ☐ Yes ☐ No

3b If line 3a is "Yes", enter the ACK ID for the most recent Form PR that was required to be filed under the Form PR filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid ACK ID will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)
ACK ID _____

GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE
401(k) SAVINGS PLAN
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

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Independent Auditors' Report

Administrative Committee
GROWMARK Member Cooperative
401(k) Savings Plan
Bloomington, Illinois

Scope And Nature Of The ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the financial statements of GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

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

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities For The Audit Of The Financial Statements section

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- the information in the accompanying 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

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 Auditors' Responsibilities For The Audit Of The Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Emphasis Of Matter - Basis Of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of 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 Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities For The Audit Of The Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope And Nature Of The ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if, there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, 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 GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings 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 GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedule Required By ERISA

The supplemental schedule of Assets Held at End of Year as of December 31, 2023 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion

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

RubinBrown LLP

July 31, 2024

**GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE
401(k) SAVINGS PLAN**

**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)**

	December 31,	
	2023	2022
Assets		
Investments - At Fair Value		
GROWMARK 401(k) Plan and GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan Master Trust	\$ 404,442,843	\$ 333,364,021
Notes Receivables From Participants	3,997,198	3,444,961
Net Assets Available For Benefits	\$ 408,440,041	\$ 336,808,982

**GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE
401(k) SAVINGS PLAN**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
For The Year Ended December 31, 2023**

Additions To Net Assets Attributed To:

Contributions

Employer	\$ 5,849,347
Participant	29,689,863
Total Contributions	<u>35,539,210</u>

Deductions From Net Assets Attributed To:

Benefits paid directly to participants	31,810,508
Administrative expenses	768,116
Total Deductions	<u>32,578,624</u>

Net Investment Activity

Net investment activity from GROWMARK 401(k) Plan and GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan Master Trust	<u>68,458,325</u>
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Interest Income On Notes Receivable From Participants	<u>257,078</u>
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Net Increase Before Asset Transfers	71,675,989
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Asset Transfers (Note 7)	<u>(44,930)</u>
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Net Increase After Asset Transfers	71,631,059
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Net Assets Available For Benefits - Beginning Of Year	<u>336,808,982</u>
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Net Assets Available For Benefits - End Of Year	<u>\$ 408,440,041</u>
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GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE

401(k) SAVINGS PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2023 And 2022

1. Description Of The Plan

The following brief description of the GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan) is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended.

Eligibility And Contributions

The Plan is a defined contribution plan. The Plan covers all employees of participating GROWMARK Member Cooperatives, subsidiaries or limited liability companies (collectively, the Employers), other than those excluded because of coverage under a collective bargaining agreement. The Plan was adopted effective April 1, 1988. The Plan was restated effective January 1, 2003.

Eligible employees become participants on the first day of the first full payroll immediately after or coincident with the employees' hire date.

Employees are automatically enrolled at 5% pre-tax contributions. Employees may elect not to participate within 45 days of the beginning eligibility period. Participants who are automatically enrolled will have their deferral percentage automatically increased annually by 1% of compensation up to a maximum deferral percentage of 10% of compensation unless those participants request that such automatic increases cease.

The Plan is funded by: (1) salary reduction contributions, on behalf of participants, (2) participating Employers matching contributions at a percent of employee contributions, up to a maximum annual amount per eligible employee, as determined by each participating Employer; employees must be nonseasonal and employed on the last day of the Plan year, as determined by the Employers, and (3) profit sharing and supplemental contributions, as determined by each participating Employer's Board of Directors. An individual's salary reduction may not exceed 75% of compensation (as defined by the Plan), determined annually. Participants may elect to designate a portion of their contributions as pre-tax and/or a portion as Roth contributions. The maximum allowable annual contribution (excluding catch-up contributions) is \$22,500 per employee for 2023 (adjusted for inflation in future years, as provided by Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations). Participants age 50 or older, who are making contributions to the Plan, are allowed to make catch-up contributions. Participants may elect to make rollover contributions from qualified plans. The Employers matching contribution to the Plan in 2023 was \$4,721,405. The profit sharing and discretionary contributions were \$1,127,942 in 2023.

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Plan Termination

While the participating Employers have not expressed any intent to terminate the Plan, they are free to do so at any time in accordance with the terms of ERISA. In the event the Plan is terminated, participants are entitled to receive the fully vested value of their separate accounts in the manner specified in the Plan Document.

Description Of Investments

The investments of the Plan are held and transactions are executed under the GROWMARK 401(k) Plan and GROWMARK Member Cooperative 401(k) Savings Plan Master Trust (GROWMARK Master Trust) agreement with Fidelity Management Trust Company (Fidelity), who has investment responsibility with respect to the assets and is the Trustee for the Plan. See Note 5.

Participants may elect to invest in 1% increments in one or a combination of the investment funds provided by the Plan.

Participant Accounts

A separate account is maintained for each participant, which includes: (1) salary reduction contributions, (2) participating Employers matching, discretionary, and profit sharing contributions on behalf of the participant, and (3) the participant's share of income and gains or losses from investment of participant and participating Employers contributions.

Net investment activity is allocated to each participant's account daily. Participants share only in the income, gains and losses of the investment funds in which their equity is invested.

Administration

The Plan is administered by the Plan Administrative Committee which is appointed by GROWMARK, Inc., the Servicing Agent, and which serves without compensation. The Servicing Agent has responsibility for performing regularly recurring administrative duties of the Plan. GROWMARK, Inc. is reimbursed for its expenses as Servicing Agent. The majority of administrative expenses of the Plan are allocated to each participant's account.

Vesting And Benefit Payments

Voluntary contributions of participants and net investment activity earned thereon are fully vested at all times. Participating Employers contributions and investment income earned thereon are also vested at all times, except if the Employer elects a graduated vesting schedule with 100% vesting occurring at five or six years of service or cliff vesting after 2 years of service, as prescribed by the Plan.

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Upon termination of the participant's employment (whether by reason of retirement, death, disability, or other reasons), participants, or their beneficiaries, may request full or partial payment of the vested value of their separate account, as a lump sum payment or in installments. Annual or more frequent installments (over a period as limited by the Plan) may be made if the participant's vested account balance exceeds \$1,000.

Notes Receivable From Participants

Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 and up to a maximum equal to lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Participants may only have one loan outstanding at any given time. Loans are for a period not exceeding five years, unless used to acquire a primary residence, in which case the term is not to exceed 10 years. Interest on loans is fixed and charged at the prime rate as of the first day of the month of issuance plus 2%. Loans are secured by participants' vested account balances and principal and interest are repaid through payroll withholdings.

Withdrawals

A participant may, under certain circumstances and with the approval of the Plan Administrator, make a partial withdrawal of his or her account balance while actively employed by the Employers, subject to various limitations specified in the Plan.

2. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis Of Accounting

The financial statements are accounted for on the modified cash basis of accounting. Investments are stated at fair value, with the corresponding unrealized net change in fair value reflected in the financial statements. All other transactions are recognized when cash is received and distributed. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements are not intended to present net assets available for benefits and changes in net assets available for benefits in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Notes Receivable From Participants

The Plan follows accounting guidance, which requires that participant loans be classified as notes receivable from participants and measured at unpaid principal balance plus accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent notes receivable are recorded as a distribution based on the terms of the Plan document.

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Investment Valuation And Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value, which 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.

Interest income is recorded as earned on the accrual basis. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net change in fair value of investments represents the difference between the aggregate fair value of investments at the end of the year and the values at the beginning of the year, and includes any realized gains and losses and unrealized appreciation or depreciation on those investments.

Fair Value Measurement Policy

The GROWMARK Master Trust follows Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, which establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework 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 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the GROWMARK Master Trust has the ability to access.
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:
 - Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
 - Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
 - Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
 - Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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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's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of 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 valuation methodologies used at December 31, 2023 or 2022.

Mutual Funds

Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the mutual funds. Mutual funds held by the GROWMARK Master Trust 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 GROWMARK Master Trust are deemed to be actively traded.

Self-Directed Brokerage Accounts

Self-directed brokerage accounts are comprised of money market funds, common stocks, exchange traded funds, and mutual funds. The mutual funds and money market funds held by the GROWMARK Master Trust are open-end investment funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These investment funds are required to publish their daily NAV and transact at that price. The investment funds held by the GROWMARK Master Trust are deemed to be actively traded. Common stocks and exchange traded funds are valued at the closing market price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Pooled Separate Account

Valued at the stated NAV of shares held in the pooled account at New York Life. There are no unfunded commitments relating to this investment or any significant restrictions on redemptions. The NAV is used as a practical expedient for estimating fair value. The pooled separate account may generally be redeemed daily, and it files an annual report on Form 5500 as a direct filing entity.

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The methods described above may produce fair value calculations that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the GROWMARK Master Trust believes their 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.

Use Of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated the impact of material subsequent events through the date of the Independent Auditors' Report, which is the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

3. Certified Investment Information

The Plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, the Trustee has certified that the following investment information included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate:

- Investments and notes receivable from participants as shown on the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022;
- Net investment activity and interest income on notes receivable from participants as shown in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023;
- Investment information included in the footnotes as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and investment information on the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2023.

The Plan's independent auditors did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule.

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4. Investments In The GROWMARK Master Trust

The Plan's investments are held in the GROWMARK Master Trust, which was established in 2012 for the investment of assets of the Plan and the GROWMARK 401(k) Plan. Each participating retirement plan has an interest in the GROWMARK Master Trust. The assets of the GROWMARK Master Trust are held by Fidelity.

The following table presents net assets held in the GROWMARK Master Trust and the Plan's share of ownership in each underlying investment as of December 31:

	2023		2022	
	Master Trust Balances	Plan's Interest In Master Trust Balances	Master Trust Balances	Plan's Interest In Master Trust Balances
Assets				
Investments - at fair value				
Mutual Funds	\$ 619,974,384	\$ 382,672,520	\$ 509,947,658	\$ 309,975,124
Self-Directed Brokerage				
Account - BrokerageLink	1,683,738	888,458	1,328,429	666,496
Pooled Separate Account	31,392,809	20,881,865	35,879,587	22,722,401
GROWMARK Master Trust Net Assets				
Available For Benefits	\$ 653,050,931	\$ 404,442,843	\$ 547,155,674	\$ 333,364,021

Net investment activity for the GROWMARK Master Trust for the year ended December 31, 2023 is as follows:

Net Investment Activity	
Interest and dividends	\$ 7,193,697
Net change in fair value of investments	105,510,622
Net Investment Activity	<u>\$ 112,704,319</u>
Plan's Interest In Net Investment Activity	<u>\$ 68,458,325</u>

5. Risks And Uncertainties

The GROWMARK Master Trust 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 statement of net assets available for benefits.

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6. Fair Value Measurements Of The GROWMARK Master Trust

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the GROWMARK Master Trust's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. Refer to Note 2 for a description of the valuation methodologies used.

	Assets At Fair Value As Of December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	\$ 619,974,384	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 619,974,384
Self-Directed Brokerage Account - BrokerageLink	1,683,738	—	—	1,683,738
Total Investments In The Fair Value Hierarchy	\$ 621,658,122	\$ —	\$ —	621,658,122
Investments measured at net asset value (a)				31,392,809
Total Assets at Fair Value				\$ 653,050,931

	Assets At Fair Value As Of December 31, 2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	\$ 509,947,658	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 509,947,658
Self-Directed Brokerage Account - BrokerageLink	1,328,429	—	—	1,328,429
Total Investments In The Fair Value Hierarchy	\$ 511,276,087	\$ —	\$ —	511,276,087
Investments measured at net asset value (a)				35,879,587
Total Assets at Fair Value				\$ 547,155,674

(a) Certain investments that are measured at fair value using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the GROWMARK Master Trust in Note 4.

7. Asset Transfers

Asset transfers during the year ended December 31, 2023 included transfers for employees transferring from GROWMARK Member Cooperatives to GROWMARK, Inc.

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8. Income Tax Status

The IRS issued a letter of determination dated November 20, 2013, advising that the Plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (Code) and therefore the trust is exempt from taxation. Subsequent to this issuance of the determination letter, the Plan was amended. Once qualified, the Plan is required to be operated in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualification. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan, as amended, is qualified and the related trust is tax exempt.

The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

9. Transactions With Parties In Interest

Certain GROWMARK Master Trust investments consisted of mutual funds managed by Fidelity Investments Institutional Operations Companies, Inc., an affiliate of Fidelity. Also, certain participants have outstanding loans with the Plan as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. These transactions qualify as party in interest transactions allowable under ERISA guidelines.

Supplemental Schedule

**GROWMARK MEMBER COOPERATIVE
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**EIN: 37-0815318 PLAN: 333
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD AT END OF YEAR
December 31, 2023**

Description Of Investment	Current Value
Notes Receivable From Participants * (5.25% - 10.50% with due dates through April 2033)	\$ 3,997,198

* Represents party in interest allowable under ERISA.

The above information is a required disclosure for IRS Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, line 4i.

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GROWMARK, INC.
EIN : 37-0815318 PN : 333
ATTACHMENT TO FORM 5500, SCH H, 4i
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES
12/31/2023

(A)	(B) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(C) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(D) Current Value
*	Participant Loans	Participant Loans	3,997,198
	Interest Held in Master Trust	Various (includes Registered Investment Companies, Self Directed Brokerage, etc.)	404,442,843
		TOTAL	\$408,440,041

* Investment with party-in-interest to the Plan