

<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><input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the final return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)</div></div>
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. .... ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>
D	Check box if filing under: <div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 5558</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description)</div></div>
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. .... ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(K) PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 07/01/1995
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) BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC.  PO BOX 1204 CHEHALIS, WA 98532  150 NORTHSTAR ROAD CHEHALIS, WA 98532
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1344619
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 360-748-0195
2d	Business code (see instructions) 336100

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	NICHOLE SEICK
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN  <b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number  <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
<b>4</b> 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: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN  <b>4d</b> PN
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b> 178
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits ..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> . ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits ..... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> . ..... <b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>h</b> 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> <b>6a(1)</b> 156 <b>6a(2)</b> 183 <b>6b</b> 0 <b>6c</b> 24 <b>6d</b> 207 <b>6e</b> 0 <b>6f</b> 207 <b>6g(1)</b> 142 <b>6g(2)</b> 162 <b>6h</b> 4
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>

**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 3D

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

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

**a Pension Schedules**

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

**b General Schedules**

- (1) ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) ☐ **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) ☐ **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☐ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code \_\_\_\_\_

<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> <div>Name of plan</div> <div>BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(K) PLAN</div>	<div>B</div> <div>Three-digit plan number (PN)</div> <div>▶</div> <div>001</div>
<div>C</div> <div>Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500</div> <div>BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC.</div>	<div>D</div> <div>Employer Identification Number (EIN)</div> <div>91-1344619</div>

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).....

X

YesNo
- 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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04-2647786	

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
60 64 65	RECORDKEEPER	6838	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

**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
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
AS EMRG MKTS EQ A - DST ASSET MANA 430 W 7TH STREET STE 219432 KANSAS CITY, MO 64105	0.30%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
DODGE & COX STOCK I - SS&C GIDS, I 2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE QUINCY, MA 02169	0.10%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
FKLN SM CAP VALUE A - FRANKLIN TEM 94-3167260	0.25%	

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

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FKLN SMMIDCAP GRTH A - FRANKLIN TE  94-3167260	0.25%

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
INVS EQV INTL EQ A - INVESCO INVES      11 GREENWAY PLAZA, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77046	0.35%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
J H TRITON S - JANUS HENDERSON SER      151 DETROIT STREET DENVER, CO 80206	0.25%



**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

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JPM EQUITY INCOME A - DST ASSET MA      430 W 7TH STREET STE 219432 KANSAS CITY, MO 64105	0.25%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
MFS MA INV GRTH R3 - MFS SERVICE C  04-2865649	0.25%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
NATIXIS AEW GF RE A - SS&C GLOBAL      2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE QUINCY, MA 02169	0.20%	

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
PGIM HIGH YIELD A - PRUDENTIAL MUT  22-3703799	0.25%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
PIF INTL EQ IDX R3 - PRINCIPAL SHA 711 HIGH STREET DES MOINES, IA 50392	0.30%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
PIM REAL RETURN A - SS&C GLOBAL IN 2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE QUINCY, MA 02169	0.20%	

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
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PIM STKPLUS SM A - SS&C GLOBAL INV      2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE QUINCY, MA 02169	0.20%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
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PIM TOTAL RETURN A - SS&C GLOBAL I      2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE QUINCY, MA 02169	0.20%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

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(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.	
VRTS NFJ INTL VAL A - VIRTUS FUND      4400 COMPUTER DRIVE WESTBOROUGH, MA 01581	0.25%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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**Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information**

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

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

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
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<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service  Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration  Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	<b>Financial Information</b>  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).  <b>► File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110
		<b>2023</b>
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
<b>A</b> Name of plan BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(K) PLAN	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC.	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1344619	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Asset and Liability Statement</b>
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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
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	0	0
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	0	0
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	0	0
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>	0	0
<b>c</b> General investments:			
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	248464	725481
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>	0	0
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>	0	0
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	0	0
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	0	0
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	0	0
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>	0	0
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>	0	0
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>	0	0
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	0	0
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>	0	0
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>	0	0
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>	0	0
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>	0	0
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>	9083466	10648541
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>	0	0
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>	0	0

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities .....	<b>1d(1)</b>	0	0
(2) Employer real property .....	<b>1d(2)</b>	0	0
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation .....	<b>1e</b>	0	0
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e) .....	<b>1f</b>	9331930	11374022
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable .....	<b>1g</b>	0	0
<b>h</b> Operating payables .....	<b>1h</b>	0	0
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness .....	<b>1i</b>	0	0
<b>j</b> Other liabilities .....	<b>1j</b>	0	0
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j) .....	<b>1k</b>	0	0
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f) .....	<b>1l</b>	9331930	11374022

**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.

<b>Income</b>		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers .....	<b>2a(1)(A)</b>	315940	
<b>(B)</b> Participants .....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>	705933	
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers) .....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>	5013	
(2) Noncash contributions .....	<b>2a(2)</b>	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		1026886
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
(1) Interest:			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) .....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>	15786	
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments .....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>	0	
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>	0	
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>	0	
<b>(F)</b> Other .....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>	0	
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		15786
(2) Dividends: <b>(A)</b> Preferred stock .....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>	0	
<b>(B)</b> Common stock .....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>	221873	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		221873
(3) Rents .....	<b>2b(3)</b>		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: <b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds .....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>	0	
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions) .....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result .....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: <b>(A)</b> Real estate .....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>	0	
<b>(B)</b> Other .....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>	0	
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		



		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	<b>2b(6)</b>		0
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	<b>2b(7)</b>		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	<b>2b(8)</b>		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	<b>2b(9)</b>		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		1178026
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		0
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		2442571

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	392088	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	<b>2e(2)</b>	0	
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		392088
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		0
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		0
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		0
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	<b>2i(2)</b>	0	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	<b>2i(3)</b>	6838	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	<b>2i(4)</b>	0	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	1553	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>	0	
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>	0	
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>	0	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>	0	
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>	0	
(11) Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>	0	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		8391
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		400479

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		2042092
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		0
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		0

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: SWEENEY CONRAD, P.S.

(2) EIN: 91-1301672

**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
<b>a</b> 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.) .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>b</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.) .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>c</b> 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.) .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>d</b> 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.) .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		500000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty? .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>g</b> 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? .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>h</b> 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? .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.) .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<b>j</b> 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.) .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC? .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan? .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.) .....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>n</b> 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.)

<b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s)	<b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s)	<b>5b(3)</b> 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 \_\_\_\_\_.

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service  Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration  Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  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).  ▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <b>2023</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(K) PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1344619</u>

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

<b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> 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): <u>04-6568107</u>		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
<b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....	<b>3</b>	

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (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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<b>4</b> Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.			
<b>5</b> 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. <b>Date:</b> 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.			
<b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....	<b>6a</b>		
<b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year.....	<b>6b</b>		
<b>c</b> 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) .....	<b>6c</b>		
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.			
<b>7</b> Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<b>8</b> 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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

<b>Part III</b>	<b>Amendments</b>
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<b>9</b> 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. ....	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	<input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Part IV</b>	<b>ESOPs</b> (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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<b>10</b> Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>11 a</b> Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</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.) .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>12</b> Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

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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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer

**b** EIN

**c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer

**b** EIN

**c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

- 14** Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

**a** The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) .....

**14a**

**b** The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) .....

**14b**

**c** The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) .....

**14c**

- 15** Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

**a** The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year .....

**15a**

**b** The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year .....

**15b**

- 16** Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

**a** Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....

**16a**

**b** If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers .....

**16b**

- 17** If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

## **Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

- 18** If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

- 19** If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) 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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702438A.

# **BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**

EIN: 91-1344619

PLAN NO. 001

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

December 31, 2023 and 2022

**BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**  
**Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule**  
**December 31, 2023 and 2022**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator of  
Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) Plan

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits 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 Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) 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 4 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 financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- The information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

#### **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 the 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 GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if, there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) 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 Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) 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.

#### **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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. 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, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental 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).

*Sweeney Conrad, P.S.*

Sweeney Conrad, P.S.  
Kirkland, Washington  
September 30, 2024

**BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**  
**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits**

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	December 31,	
	2023	2022
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Investments at fair value	\$ 11,374,022	\$ 9,331,930
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 11,374,022	\$ 9,331,930

See accompanying notes to financial statements

**BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**  
**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits**  
**Year ended December 31, 2023**

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Additions:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 1,178,026
Dividends and interest	<u>237,659</u>
Total investment income	<u>1,415,685</u>

Contributions:

Participant	705,933
Employer	315,940
Rollovers	<u>5,013</u>
Total contributions	<u>1,026,886</u>

Total additions	<u>2,442,571</u>
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Deductions:

Benefits paid to participants	392,088
Administrative expenses	<u>8,391</u>
Total deductions	<u>400,479</u>

Net increase in net assets available for benefits	2,042,092
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Net assets available for benefits:

Beginning of year	<u>9,331,930</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 11,374,022</u>

# **BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

**December 31, 2023 and 2022**

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### **NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN**

The provisions of the Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the Plan) were effective July 1, 1995. The Plan has been amended and restated to comply with current legislation. The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

#### **General**

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of Braun Northwest, Inc. (the Company). Employees become eligible for participation after one year of service (with a minimum of 1,000 hours) and the attainment of age 21. Employees are eligible to receive matching contributions at the time they begin deferring compensation. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Plan Administrator is responsible for oversight of the Plan, determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, and monitors investment performance.

#### **Contributions**

Participants may elect to contribute up to 100% of their pre-tax eligible compensation to the Plan, within statutory limits. These contributions are paid to the Plan after each pay period. Participants may elect to change or stop the payroll deductions at any time. Participants who have attained the age of 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans.

The Company makes discretionary matching contributions which are funded at the end of each pay period. During 2023, the Company made matching contributions of 50% of the participant contributions up to a maximum Company match of 5% of compensation. At its discretion the Company may also make an annual profit sharing contribution each year. No profit sharing contribution was made in 2023.

#### **Participant Accounts**

Individual participant accounts are maintained by the Plan's third party administrator. Each participant's account is credited or charged with the participant's contribution, the Company's contributions, if any, allocations of investment income and losses on the individual account balances, and administrative expenses, if any. Participant distribution transaction fees are deducted from the respective participant's account. Allocations are based on participant compensation, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined in the Plan document. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account balance.

## **NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN (continued)**

### **Investment Options**

Participants direct employee and employer contributions among various mutual funds.

### **Vesting**

Participants are immediately vested in their own contributions, plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's matching and discretionary profit sharing contributions is based on years of credited service, as defined in the Plan document, with 20% vesting each year after two years, and 100% vesting after six years of service. Upon normal retirement (65), death, or disability, participants become fully vested in all benefits.

### **Payment of Benefits**

Benefits may be distributed upon retirement, death, disability, or other termination of employment. Benefits equal to the value of the participants vested account are paid in a lump sum. For participant and participant rollover contributions and under certain hardship circumstances, participants may request a lump-sum distribution of certain vested account balances prior to retirement.

### **Forfeited Accounts**

Upon termination, participants' non-vested account balances are forfeited. Forfeitures may be used to pay administrative expenses or reduce employer contributions. During 2023, \$15,450 of forfeitures were used to reduce employer matching contributions. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$3,130 and \$11,310, respectively.

### **Subsequent Events**

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through September 30, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

## **NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The following are significant accounting policies used by the Plan:

### **Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Plan to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan Administrator determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisor and trustee. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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

### Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

### Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Revenue sharing credits received by the Plan reduce the amount of administrative expenses presented in the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Fees for individual transactions such as distributions are deducted from the respective participant's account. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

## NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GAAP 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 that the Plan has the ability to access (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements).

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

**Mutual funds** – Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

The Plan's investments consist solely of mutual funds, which are valued as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 using level one measurement.



#### **NOTE 4 - CERTIFIED INFORMATION**

Certain information related to investments that is disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, dividends, and interest for the year ended December 31, 2023, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Fidelity Management Trust Company (Fidelity), the custodian of the Plan.

#### **NOTE 5 - RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

Certain Plan investments are shares of mutual funds managed by Fidelity, the custodian. Therefore, transactions with Fidelity and its affiliates qualify as related party transactions. Fees are paid by the Plan to these parties for administrative services. Additionally, Fidelity and its affiliates receive revenue sharing fees from various investments to offset their Plan administration costs.

#### **NOTE 6 - PLAN TERMINATION**

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts.

#### **NOTE 7 - TAX STATUS**

The Plan operates under provisions of a Pre-Approved plan which received an opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) dated June 30, 2020, which stated that the Pre-Approved plan, as then designed, was acceptable under the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) for use by employers for the benefit of their employees. The Plan has been amended since the date of the opinion letter. The Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt.

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

#### **NOTE 8 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The Plan allows participants to invest in investment securities that 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 financial statements.

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

# BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN

EIN - 91-1344619

Plan Number - 001

Schedule H, Line 4i

## Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

December 31, 2023

(a) Party- in- interest	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or other similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(e) Current value
	Fidelity Advisor funds:		
*	Freedom 2035 Fund	Mutual Fund	\$ 2,908,418
*	Freedom 2030 Fund	Mutual Fund	1,638,177
*	Freedom 2045 Fund	Mutual Fund	1,245,519
*	Freedom 2050 Fund	Mutual Fund	809,594
*	Government Money Market Fund	Mutual Fund	725,481
*	Freedom 2055 Fund	Mutual Fund	664,684
*	Freedom 2025 Fund	Mutual Fund	550,321
*	Freedom 2010 Fund	Mutual Fund	458,363
*	Freedom 2005 Fund	Mutual Fund	389,480
*	Freedom 2040 Fund	Mutual Fund	302,257
*	Freedom 2020 Fund	Mutual Fund	255,110
*	Freedom 2060 Fund	Mutual Fund	109,529
*	Freedom 2015 Fund	Mutual Fund	40,671
*	Freedom 2065 Fund	Mutual Fund	28,485
	Fidelity Large Cap Growth Index Fund	Mutual Fund	455,802
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund	306,349
	Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund	171,315
	Dodge & Cox Stock Fund	Mutual Fund	114,076
	Fidelity Global ex US Index Fund	Mutual Fund	82,639
	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	Mutual Fund	63,005
	Fidelity Emerging Markets Index Fund	Mutual Fund	22,603
	Fidelity Long-Term Treasury Bond Index Fund	Mutual Fund	16,443
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual Fund	13,167
	Fidelity Real Estate Index Fund	Mutual Fund	1,979
	Fidelity Freedom Index Income Investor Fund	Mutual Fund	370
	Fidelity Large Cap Value Index Fund	Mutual Fund	185

This schedule was derived from data certified by Fidelity Management Trust Company

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# BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN

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### Opinion

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### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) 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.

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- 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 Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) 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.

#### **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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. 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, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental 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).

*Sweeney Conrad, P.S.*

Sweeney Conrad, P.S.  
Kirkland, Washington  
September 30, 2024

**BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**  
**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits**

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	December 31,	
	2023	2022
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Investments at fair value	\$ 11,374,022	\$ 9,331,930
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 11,374,022	\$ 9,331,930

See accompanying notes to financial statements

**BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**  
**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits**  
**Year ended December 31, 2023**

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Additions:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 1,178,026
Dividends and interest	<u>237,659</u>
Total investment income	<u>1,415,685</u>

Contributions:

Participant	705,933
Employer	315,940
Rollovers	<u>5,013</u>
Total contributions	<u>1,026,886</u>

Total additions	<u>2,442,571</u>
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Deductions:

Benefits paid to participants	392,088
Administrative expenses	<u>8,391</u>
Total deductions	<u>400,479</u>

Net increase in net assets available for benefits	2,042,092
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Net assets available for benefits:

Beginning of year	<u>9,331,930</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 11,374,022</u>

# **BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN**

## **Notes to Financial Statements**

**December 31, 2023 and 2022**

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### **NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN**

The provisions of the Braun Northwest, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the Plan) were effective July 1, 1995. The Plan has been amended and restated to comply with current legislation. The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

#### **General**

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of Braun Northwest, Inc. (the Company). Employees become eligible for participation after one year of service (with a minimum of 1,000 hours) and the attainment of age 21. Employees are eligible to receive matching contributions at the time they begin deferring compensation. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Plan Administrator is responsible for oversight of the Plan, determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, and monitors investment performance.

#### **Contributions**

Participants may elect to contribute up to 100% of their pre-tax eligible compensation to the Plan, within statutory limits. These contributions are paid to the Plan after each pay period. Participants may elect to change or stop the payroll deductions at any time. Participants who have attained the age of 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans.

The Company makes discretionary matching contributions which are funded at the end of each pay period. During 2023, the Company made matching contributions of 50% of the participant contributions up to a maximum Company match of 5% of compensation. At its discretion the Company may also make an annual profit sharing contribution each year. No profit sharing contribution was made in 2023.

#### **Participant Accounts**

Individual participant accounts are maintained by the Plan's third party administrator. Each participant's account is credited or charged with the participant's contribution, the Company's contributions, if any, allocations of investment income and losses on the individual account balances, and administrative expenses, if any. Participant distribution transaction fees are deducted from the respective participant's account. Allocations are based on participant compensation, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined in the Plan document. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account balance.

## **NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN (continued)**

### **Investment Options**

Participants direct employee and employer contributions among various mutual funds.

### **Vesting**

Participants are immediately vested in their own contributions, plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's matching and discretionary profit sharing contributions is based on years of credited service, as defined in the Plan document, with 20% vesting each year after two years, and 100% vesting after six years of service. Upon normal retirement (65), death, or disability, participants become fully vested in all benefits.

### **Payment of Benefits**

Benefits may be distributed upon retirement, death, disability, or other termination of employment. Benefits equal to the value of the participants vested account are paid in a lump sum. For participant and participant rollover contributions and under certain hardship circumstances, participants may request a lump-sum distribution of certain vested account balances prior to retirement.

### **Forfeited Accounts**

Upon termination, participants' non-vested account balances are forfeited. Forfeitures may be used to pay administrative expenses or reduce employer contributions. During 2023, \$15,450 of forfeitures were used to reduce employer matching contributions. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$3,130 and \$11,310, respectively.

### **Subsequent Events**

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through September 30, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

## **NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The following are significant accounting policies used by the Plan:

### **Basis of Accounting**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Plan to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

## NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan Administrator determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisor and trustee. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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

### Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

### Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Revenue sharing credits received by the Plan reduce the amount of administrative expenses presented in the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Fees for individual transactions such as distributions are deducted from the respective participant's account. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

## NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GAAP 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 that the Plan has the ability to access (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements).

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

**Mutual funds** – Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

The Plan's investments consist solely of mutual funds, which are valued as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 using level one measurement.

#### **NOTE 4 - CERTIFIED INFORMATION**

Certain information related to investments that is disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, dividends, and interest for the year ended December 31, 2023, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Fidelity Management Trust Company (Fidelity), the custodian of the Plan.

#### **NOTE 5 - RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

Certain Plan investments are shares of mutual funds managed by Fidelity, the custodian. Therefore, transactions with Fidelity and its affiliates qualify as related party transactions. Fees are paid by the Plan to these parties for administrative services. Additionally, Fidelity and its affiliates receive revenue sharing fees from various investments to offset their Plan administration costs.

#### **NOTE 6 - PLAN TERMINATION**

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts.

#### **NOTE 7 - TAX STATUS**

The Plan operates under provisions of a Pre-Approved plan which received an opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) dated June 30, 2020, which stated that the Pre-Approved plan, as then designed, was acceptable under the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) for use by employers for the benefit of their employees. The Plan has been amended since the date of the opinion letter. The Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt.

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

#### **NOTE 8 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The Plan allows participants to invest in investment securities that 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 financial statements.

**SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**



# BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC. 401(k) PLAN

EIN - 91-1344619

Plan Number - 001

Schedule H, Line 4i

## Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

December 31, 2023

(a) Party- in- interest	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or other similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(e) Current value
	Fidelity Advisor funds:		
*	Freedom 2035 Fund	Mutual Fund	\$ 2,908,418
*	Freedom 2030 Fund	Mutual Fund	1,638,177
*	Freedom 2045 Fund	Mutual Fund	1,245,519
*	Freedom 2050 Fund	Mutual Fund	809,594
*	Government Money Market Fund	Mutual Fund	725,481
*	Freedom 2055 Fund	Mutual Fund	664,684
*	Freedom 2025 Fund	Mutual Fund	550,321
*	Freedom 2010 Fund	Mutual Fund	458,363
*	Freedom 2005 Fund	Mutual Fund	389,480
*	Freedom 2040 Fund	Mutual Fund	302,257
*	Freedom 2020 Fund	Mutual Fund	255,110
*	Freedom 2060 Fund	Mutual Fund	109,529
*	Freedom 2015 Fund	Mutual Fund	40,671
*	Freedom 2065 Fund	Mutual Fund	28,485
	Fidelity Large Cap Growth Index Fund	Mutual Fund	455,802
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund	306,349
	Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund	171,315
	Dodge & Cox Stock Fund	Mutual Fund	114,076
	Fidelity Global ex US Index Fund	Mutual Fund	82,639
	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	Mutual Fund	63,005
	Fidelity Emerging Markets Index Fund	Mutual Fund	22,603
	Fidelity Long-Term Treasury Bond Index Fund	Mutual Fund	16,443
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual Fund	13,167
	Fidelity Real Estate Index Fund	Mutual Fund	1,979
	Fidelity Freedom Index Income Investor Fund	Mutual Fund	370
	Fidelity Large Cap Value Index Fund	Mutual Fund	185

This schedule was derived from data certified by Fidelity Management Trust Company

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