

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____ ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401K PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/2020
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) STRYKER STANDARD LLC 1425 HANDY'S BEND RD WILMORE, KY 40390
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 83-1038762
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 859-881-0777
2d	Business code (see instructions) 722513

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	JEFF STRYKER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/04/2024	JEFF STRYKER
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 283
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1) 200 6a(2) 169 6b 0 6c 146 6d 315 6e 0 6f 315 6g(1) 239 6g(2) 293 6h 0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

2A 2S 2E 3D 2G 2J 2K 2F 2T

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
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A Name of plan STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401K PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 STRYKER STANDARD LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 83-1038762	

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

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

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

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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?
99 64 50 15 52 68	NONE	15118	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

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

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 STRYKER STANDARD LLC		
D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 83-1038762		

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	3974	4355
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	7523	8578
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	666945	1040173
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	678442	1053106
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	678442	1053106

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	114641	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	212201	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		326842
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	0	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		0
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	22472	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		22472
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		126411
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		475725

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	85943	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		85943
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	15118	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		15118
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		101061

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		374664
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **MONROE SHINE AND COMPANY**

(2) EIN: **35-1515068**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		☒	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒		500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan	B Three-digit plan number (PN)	
STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401K PLAN	001	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	D Employer Identification Number (EIN)	
STRYKER STANDARD LLC	83-1038762	

Part I	Distributions
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.	
1	Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....
2	Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):
EIN(s): 45-0404698	
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.	
3	Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
4	Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.	
5	If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.	
6 a	Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived).....
6 b	Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year.....
6 c	Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.	
7	Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
8	If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
9	If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box..... ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No

Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
10	Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
11 a	Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ☐ Yes ☐ No
11 b	If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) ☐ Yes ☐ No
12	Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:		
a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14b	
c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14c	
15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	
16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	
17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐	
19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):	
a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%	
b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: ☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more	
20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.	
a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:	
☐ Yes.	
☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.	
☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.	
☐ No. Other. Provide explanation. _____	

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No	
21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).	
☒ Design-based safe harbor method	
☐ "Prior year" ADP test	
☐ "Current year" ADP test	
☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q703678A</u> .	



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October 2, 2024

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We have audited the financial statements of the **Stryker Standard LLC 401(k) 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”] for the year ended December 31, 2023 and we will issue our report thereon dated October 2, 2024. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (“investment information”) by Ascensus Trust Company and Newport Trust Company, the trustee/custodian, which is a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, that prepared and certified the statements or information regarding assets so held in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5. Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”). 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 GAAP. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our engagement letter to you dated May 8, 2024. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the **Stryker Standard LLC 401(k) Plan** are described in Note 2 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing accounting policies was not changed during 2023. We noted no transactions entered into by the Plan during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. However, due to the nature of the Plan's assets, we do not believe the Plan's financial statements include any significant accounting estimates.

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The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent and clear.

Form 5500 Procedures

We are required to obtain and read a substantially complete draft of Form 5500 prior to dating our auditor's report. The purpose of this procedure is to identify any material inconsistencies between the draft Form 5500 and the Plan's financial statements. We identified no material inconsistencies in performing and completing our audit.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. No misstatements were identified during the audit.

Reportable Findings

For purposes of this letter, a reportable finding is a matter that includes one or more of the following: (1) noncompliance or suspected noncompliance with laws and regulations, (2) a finding that in our professional judgment is significant and relevant to you regarding your responsibility to oversee the financial reporting process, and (3) an indication of internal control deficiencies identified during the audit that have not been previously communicated to management by other parties and that we determined are sufficiently important to merit management's attention.

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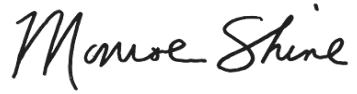
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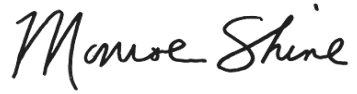
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**STRYKER STANDARD LLC
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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

**YEARS ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022**

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Committee of the
Stryker Standard LLC 401(k) Plan
Wilmore, Kentucky

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of the **Stryker Standard LLC 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 statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan’s financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s (“DOL’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 DOL’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (“qualified institution”).

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 8 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certifications, 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with 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 DOL'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 DOL'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).

Monroe Shine & Co., Inc.

New Albany, Indiana
October 2, 2024

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
Investments:		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ 1,040,173	\$ 666,945
Total investments	<u>1,040,173</u>	<u>666,945</u>
Receivables:		
Employer contributions	4,355	3,974
Participant contributions	8,578	7,523
	<u>12,933</u>	<u>11,497</u>
Total Assets	<u>1,053,106</u>	<u>678,442</u>
 Net Assets Available for Benefits	 <u><u>\$ 1,053,106</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 678,442</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Additions to (deductions from) net assets attributed to:		
Investment income (loss):		
Interest and dividends	\$ 22,857	\$ 19,353
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	126,026	(126,321)
	<u>148,883</u>	<u>(106,968)</u>
Contributions:		
Employer	114,641	105,699
Participant	212,201	204,212
	<u>326,842</u>	<u>309,911</u>
 Total Additions	 <u>475,725</u>	 <u>202,943</u>
 Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to participants	85,943	87,905
Administrative fees	15,118	13,358
Total Deductions	<u>101,061</u>	<u>101,263</u>
 Net Increase	 374,664	 101,680
 Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year	<u>678,442</u>	<u>576,762</u>
 End of Year	 <u><u>\$ 1,053,106</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 678,442</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

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(1) DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the **Stryker Standard LLC 401(k) Plan** (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document and Summary Plan Description for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established by Stryker Standard LLC (the “Company”) effective as of January 1, 2020, covering substantially all employees of the Company who have completed three months of service (minimum of 120 hours). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”).

Contributions

Participants may make pre-tax and after-tax Roth elective salary deferrals up to 100% of eligible compensation, as defined in the plan document, subject to limitations imposed by Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) regulations. Eligible participants are also permitted to make special catch-up contributions in accordance with IRC regulations, and rollover contributions representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit plans, defined contribution plans or individual retirement accounts.

The Plan is a safe harbor plan that requires non-elective salary deferral matching Company contributions, limited to 100% of employee salary deferrals up to the first 3% of eligible plan compensation plus 50% of employee salary deferrals up to the next 2% of eligible plan compensation. Company contributions may also include additional discretionary employer profit sharing contributions, but the Company made no discretionary employer profit sharing contributions in 2023 or 2022.

The Plan automatically withholds 5% of each eligible employee’s pay on a pre-tax basis. Employees can opt out of the Plan’s automatic enrollment provisions by providing written notice to the plan administrator. Automatically enrolled participants have their contributions invested in a designated target date retirement fund until the investment election is changed by the participant.

Participants direct the investment of their contributions and employer contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual funds as investment options for participants. Participants may change their investment elections at any time.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, employer contributions, and an allocation of plan earnings, and charged with an allocation of plan losses and administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant compensation, account balances or specific 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.

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Vesting

Participants are immediately 100% vested in their contributions and Company safe harbor salary deferral matching contributions, plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in discretionary employer profit sharing contributions is based on years of continuous service as defined in the plan document. Participants are 100% vested in their discretionary employer profit sharing contributions after six years of credited service.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability, retirement or other reasons, participants may elect to receive a lump sum amount equal to the value of their vested account balance. The Plan also provides for in-service distributions for participants who have attained age 59½ and for financial hardships. Separated participants with vested account balances exceeding \$5,000 may elect to defer benefits until reaching normal retirement age.

(2) **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP").

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from these estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated 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. See Note 3 for additional discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Capital gain distributions from mutual funds are included in dividend income. Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Management fees and operating expenses charged to the Plan for investments in mutual funds are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not separately reflected. Consequently, management fees and operating expenses are reflected as a reduction of investment return for these investments.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
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Administrative Expenses

Some administrative expenses are paid by the Company, and some are paid by the Plan. Those that were paid by the Plan are reflected in the accompanying financial statements. Employees of the Company perform certain administrative functions for the Plan. Neither the Company nor its employees receive compensation from the Plan.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no allocated amounts to participants who had elected to withdraw from the Plan, but had not yet been paid.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated whether any subsequent events that require recognition or disclosure in the accompanying financial statements and related notes thereto have taken place through October 2, 2024, the date these financial statements were available to be issued.

Effective January 1, 2024, the Plan provisions were amended as follows:

- The minimum service period was changed from three months of service (minimum 120 hours) to 12 months of service (minimum 1,000 hours).
- The minimum age for participation was changed to 21 years.
- Entry dates were changed from the first day of each quarter to the first day of each month.
- The qualified automatic contribution arrangement ("QACA") initial deferral rate was changed from 5% to 3%. Also, beginning in 2024 the automatic deferral rate will increase by 1% at the beginning of each plan year up to a maximum of 6%.
- The QACA safe harbor matching contributions were replaced by a 3% QACA safe harbor nonelective contribution for all eligible participants.
- Vesting in the QACA safe harbor nonelective contributions will be based on a cliff vesting schedule, and participants will be 100% vested in these contributions after two years of service (minimum 1,000 hours each year).

In addition, the Plan's assets were transferred from Ascensus to Alerus in June 2024.

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(3) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurement*, provides the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC Topic 820 are described as follows:

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

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observed for the asset; or inputs that are derived principally from or can be corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

The Plan uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. When available, the Plan measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. Level 2 inputs are used for investments for which Level 1 inputs are not available. Level 3 inputs are used only if Level 1 or Level 2 inputs are not available. There are no plan assets requiring the use of Level 3 inputs for the periods presented.

The following table presents the balances of the Plan's investments within the fair value hierarchy measured at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2023:				
Mutual funds	\$ 1,040,173	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,040,173
December 31, 2022:				
Mutual funds	\$ 666,945	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 666,945

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

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Mutual Funds

The fair value of mutual funds is based on the quoted net asset value ("NAV") of the shares as reported by the fund. The mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. The funds must publish their daily NAV and transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are considered to be actively traded.

Gains and losses included in changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, are reported in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments.

(4) RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan's investments include mutual funds managed by Vanguard, the custodian of the Plan's assets. Transactions in such investments qualify as party-in-interest transactions which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules. Administrative fees paid by the Plan to Vanguard were \$15,118 and \$13,358 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

(5) PLAN TERMINATION

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

(6) TAX STATUS

The Plan is based on a pre-approved plan which has received a favorable opinion letter from the IRS dated June 30, 2020, that the pre-approved plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC. The plan sponsor has not separately applied for a determination letter from the IRS. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and therefore believe that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax exempt. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

U.S. GAAP requires the plan administrator to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability for any uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by tax authorities; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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(7) RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in mutual funds that are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with the investments, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

(8) INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY THE TRUSTEE/CUSTODIAN

The Plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Management has obtained certifications from Ascensus Trust Company and Newport Trust Company, the trustee/custodian, as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the years then ended, stating that the certified investment information is complete and accurate. The following is a summary of the information included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule that was obtained from data prepared and certified to as complete and accurate by the trustee/custodian.

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Investments:		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ 1,040,173	\$ 666,945
Investment income (loss):		
Interest and dividends	22,857	19,353
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	126,026	(126,321)

Note 3: All investment balances included in the note.

Supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year): All investment balances included in the schedule.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 83-1038762, PLAN NUMBER (PN): 001
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(e) Current Value
*	Vanguard 500 Index Fund	Mutual fund	\$ 29,029
*	Vanguard ESG U.S. Stock ETF Fund	Mutual fund	5,603
*	Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF Fund	Mutual fund	6,295
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2022 Fund	Mutual fund	1,314
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	Mutual fund	26,015
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	Mutual fund	267,435
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	Mutual fund	45,477
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	Mutual fund	16,292
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	Mutual fund	33,696
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	Mutual fund	3,812
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund	Mutual fund	59,254
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	Mutual fund	119,895
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2065 Fund	Mutual fund	337,622
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2070 Fund	Mutual fund	81,830
*	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	Mutual fund	248
*	Vanguard Long-Term Bond Index ETF	Mutual fund	864
*	Vanguard Inter-Term Corp Bond ETF	Mutual fund	847
*	Vanguard ESG International Stock ETF Fund	Mutual fund	2,074
*	Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index Fund	Mutual fund	2,456
*	Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund	Mutual fund	115
			<u><u>\$ 1,040,173</u></u>

* Denotes party in interest

**STRYKER STANDARD LLC
401(K) PLAN -
WILMORE, KENTUCKY**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

**YEARS ENDED
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STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN

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* All other supplemental schedules required by Section 2520.103-10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 have been omitted because they are not applicable.



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Committee of the
Stryker Standard LLC 401(k) Plan
Wilmore, Kentucky

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of the **Stryker Standard LLC 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 statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan’s financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s (“DOL’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 DOL’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (“qualified institution”).

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 8 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certifications, 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with 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 DOL'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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
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Monroe Shine & Co., Inc.

New Albany, Indiana
October 2, 2024

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Investments:		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ 1,040,173	\$ 666,945
Total investments	<u>1,040,173</u>	<u>666,945</u>
Receivables:		
Employer contributions	4,355	3,974
Participant contributions	8,578	7,523
	<u>12,933</u>	<u>11,497</u>
 Total Assets	 <u>1,053,106</u>	 <u>678,442</u>
 Net Assets Available for Benefits	 <u><u>\$ 1,053,106</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 678,442</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Additions to (deductions from) net assets attributed to:		
Investment income (loss):		
Interest and dividends	\$ 22,857	\$ 19,353
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	126,026	(126,321)
	<u>148,883</u>	<u>(106,968)</u>
Contributions:		
Employer	114,641	105,699
Participant	212,201	204,212
	<u>326,842</u>	<u>309,911</u>
 Total Additions	 <u>475,725</u>	 <u>202,943</u>
 Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to participants	85,943	87,905
Administrative fees	15,118	13,358
Total Deductions	<u>101,061</u>	<u>101,263</u>
 Net Increase	 374,664	 101,680
 Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year	<u>678,442</u>	<u>576,762</u>
 End of Year	 <u><u>\$ 1,053,106</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 678,442</u></u>

See notes to financial statements.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

(1) DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the **Stryker Standard LLC 401(k) Plan** (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document and Summary Plan Description for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established by Stryker Standard LLC (the “Company”) effective as of January 1, 2020, covering substantially all employees of the Company who have completed three months of service (minimum of 120 hours). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”).

Contributions

Participants may make pre-tax and after-tax Roth elective salary deferrals up to 100% of eligible compensation, as defined in the plan document, subject to limitations imposed by Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) regulations. Eligible participants are also permitted to make special catch-up contributions in accordance with IRC regulations, and rollover contributions representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit plans, defined contribution plans or individual retirement accounts.

The Plan is a safe harbor plan that requires non-elective salary deferral matching Company contributions, limited to 100% of employee salary deferrals up to the first 3% of eligible plan compensation plus 50% of employee salary deferrals up to the next 2% of eligible plan compensation. Company contributions may also include additional discretionary employer profit sharing contributions, but the Company made no discretionary employer profit sharing contributions in 2023 or 2022.

The Plan automatically withholds 5% of each eligible employee’s pay on a pre-tax basis. Employees can opt out of the Plan’s automatic enrollment provisions by providing written notice to the plan administrator. Automatically enrolled participants have their contributions invested in a designated target date retirement fund until the investment election is changed by the participant.

Participants direct the investment of their contributions and employer contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual funds as investment options for participants. Participants may change their investment elections at any time.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, employer contributions, and an allocation of plan earnings, and charged with an allocation of plan losses and administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant compensation, account balances or specific 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.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
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DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

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Vesting

Participants are immediately 100% vested in their contributions and Company safe harbor salary deferral matching contributions, plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in discretionary employer profit sharing contributions is based on years of continuous service as defined in the plan document. Participants are 100% vested in their discretionary employer profit sharing contributions after six years of credited service.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability, retirement or other reasons, participants may elect to receive a lump sum amount equal to the value of their vested account balance. The Plan also provides for in-service distributions for participants who have attained age 59½ and for financial hardships. Separated participants with vested account balances exceeding \$5,000 may elect to defer benefits until reaching normal retirement age.

(2) **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP").

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from these estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated 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. See Note 3 for additional discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Capital gain distributions from mutual funds are included in dividend income. Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Management fees and operating expenses charged to the Plan for investments in mutual funds are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not separately reflected. Consequently, management fees and operating expenses are reflected as a reduction of investment return for these investments.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

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Administrative Expenses

Some administrative expenses are paid by the Company, and some are paid by the Plan. Those that were paid by the Plan are reflected in the accompanying financial statements. Employees of the Company perform certain administrative functions for the Plan. Neither the Company nor its employees receive compensation from the Plan.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no allocated amounts to participants who had elected to withdraw from the Plan, but had not yet been paid.

Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated whether any subsequent events that require recognition or disclosure in the accompanying financial statements and related notes thereto have taken place through October 2, 2024, the date these financial statements were available to be issued.

Effective January 1, 2024, the Plan provisions were amended as follows:

- The minimum service period was changed from three months of service (minimum 120 hours) to 12 months of service (minimum 1,000 hours).
- The minimum age for participation was changed to 21 years.
- Entry dates were changed from the first day of each quarter to the first day of each month.
- The qualified automatic contribution arrangement ("QACA") initial deferral rate was changed from 5% to 3%. Also, beginning in 2024 the automatic deferral rate will increase by 1% at the beginning of each plan year up to a maximum of 6%.
- The QACA safe harbor matching contributions were replaced by a 3% QACA safe harbor nonelective contribution for all eligible participants.
- Vesting in the QACA safe harbor nonelective contributions will be based on a cliff vesting schedule, and participants will be 100% vested in these contributions after two years of service (minimum 1,000 hours each year).

In addition, the Plan's assets were transferred from Ascensus to Alerus in June 2024.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
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DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

(3) FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurement*, provides the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC Topic 820 are described as follows:

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

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observed for the asset; or inputs that are derived principally from or can be corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

The Plan uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. When available, the Plan measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. Level 2 inputs are used for investments for which Level 1 inputs are not available. Level 3 inputs are used only if Level 1 or Level 2 inputs are not available. There are no plan assets requiring the use of Level 3 inputs for the periods presented.

The following table presents the balances of the Plan's investments within the fair value hierarchy measured at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2023:				
Mutual funds	\$ 1,040,173	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,040,173
December 31, 2022:				
Mutual funds	\$ 666,945	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 666,945

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

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Mutual Funds

The fair value of mutual funds is based on the quoted net asset value ("NAV") of the shares as reported by the fund. The mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds registered with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. The funds must publish their daily NAV and transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are considered to be actively traded.

Gains and losses included in changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, are reported in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments.

(4) **RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

The Plan's investments include mutual funds managed by Vanguard, the custodian of the Plan's assets. Transactions in such investments qualify as party-in-interest transactions which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules. Administrative fees paid by the Plan to Vanguard were \$15,118 and \$13,358 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

(5) **PLAN TERMINATION**

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

(6) **TAX STATUS**

The Plan is based on a pre-approved plan which has received a favorable opinion letter from the IRS dated June 30, 2020, that the pre-approved plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC. The plan sponsor has not separately applied for a determination letter from the IRS. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and therefore believe that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax exempt. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

U.S. GAAP requires the plan administrator to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability for any uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by tax authorities; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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(7) RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in mutual funds that are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with the investments, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

(8) INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY THE TRUSTEE/CUSTODIAN

The Plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Management has obtained certifications from Ascensus Trust Company and Newport Trust Company, the trustee/custodian, as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the years then ended, stating that the certified investment information is complete and accurate. The following is a summary of the information included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule that was obtained from data prepared and certified to as complete and accurate by the trustee/custodian.

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Investments:		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ 1,040,173	\$ 666,945
Investment income (loss):		
Interest and dividends	22,857	19,353
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	126,026	(126,321)

Note 3: All investment balances included in the note.

Supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year): All investment balances included in the schedule.

STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401(K) PLAN
EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 83-1038762, PLAN NUMBER (PN): 001
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(e) Current Value
*	Vanguard 500 Index Fund	Mutual fund	\$ 29,029
*	Vanguard ESG U.S. Stock ETF Fund	Mutual fund	5,603
*	Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF Fund	Mutual fund	6,295
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2022 Fund	Mutual fund	1,314
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	Mutual fund	26,015
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	Mutual fund	267,435
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	Mutual fund	45,477
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	Mutual fund	16,292
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	Mutual fund	33,696
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	Mutual fund	3,812
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund	Mutual fund	59,254
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	Mutual fund	119,895
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2065 Fund	Mutual fund	337,622
*	Vanguard Target Retirement 2070 Fund	Mutual fund	81,830
*	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	Mutual fund	248
*	Vanguard Long-Term Bond Index ETF	Mutual fund	864
*	Vanguard Inter-Term Corp Bond ETF	Mutual fund	847
*	Vanguard ESG International Stock ETF Fund	Mutual fund	2,074
*	Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index Fund	Mutual fund	2,456
*	Vanguard Inflation-Protected Securities Fund	Mutual fund	115
			<u><u>\$ 1,040,173</u></u>

* Denotes party in interest

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning		and ending	
A Name of plan		B Three-digit plan number (PN)	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500		D Employer Identification Number (EIN)	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.			
Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f		

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k		

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l		
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income

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

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

Expenses

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

Net Income and Reconciliation

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

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name:

(2) EIN:

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. 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:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)

	Yes	No	Amount
4a			
4b			
4c			
4d			
4e			
4f			
4g			
4h			
4i			
4j			
4k			
4l			
4m			
4n			

b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)

c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)

d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)

e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?

f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?

g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?

h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?

i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)

j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)

k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?

l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?

m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)

n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.

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

Attachment to 2023 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

Plan Name STRYKER STANDARD LLC 401K PLAN

EIN: 83-1038762

Plan Sponsor's Name Stryker Standard LLC

PN: 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	Vanguard	Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	0	6,295
	Vanguard	Vanguard Emerging Mkts Stock Idx In	0	2,456
	Vanguard	Vanguard 500 Index Inv	0	29,029
	Vanguard	Vanguard Inflation-Protected Sec Adm	0	115
	Vanguard	Vanguard Long-Term Bond Index ETF	0	864
	Vanguard	Vanguard Inter-Term Corp Bond ETF	0	847
	Vanguard	Vanguard ESG International Stock ETF	0	2,074

Attachment to 2023 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

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	Vanguard	Vanguard ESG U.S. Stock ETF	0	5,603
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2070 Fund	0	81,830
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2065 Fund	0	337,622
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	0	119,895
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund	0	59,254
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	0	3,812
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	0	33,696

Attachment to 2023 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

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	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	0	16,292
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	0	45,477
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	0	267,435
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	0	26,015
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund	0	1,314
	Vanguard	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	0	248