

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) _____
B	This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☒
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan BIERLEIN 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
1c	Effective date of plan 10/01/1974
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) BIERLEIN COMPANIES, INC. 2000 BAY CITY ROAD MIDLAND, MI 48642
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 38-1940783
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 989-496-0066
2d	Business code (see instructions) 238900

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.	10/07/2024	KEN LECUREUX
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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	5 364
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) 266 6a(2) 271 6b 11 6c 74 6d 356 6e 0 6f 356 6g(1) 348 6g(2) 350 6h 11
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

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

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

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

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 BIERLEIN 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BIERLEIN COMPANIES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 38-1940783

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

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Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a

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

Yes

x

No
- b

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

(b)

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

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

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

NEWPORT GROUP, INC.

27-2037969

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 16 50 59 64 65 70	RECORD-KEEPER	5900	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
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
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SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration		DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.		OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.	
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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BIERLEIN COMPANIES, INC.				D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 38-1940783	
Part I Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)					
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: RELIANCE TRUST STABLE VALUE 25157					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): RELIANCE TRUST COMPANY					
c EIN-PN 46-6625485-002		d Entity code C		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: RELIANCE TRUST STABLE VALUE 25053					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): RELIANCE TRUST COMPANY					
c EIN-PN 46-6625485-001		d Entity code C		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2491659	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):					
c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

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

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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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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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)	162500	162500
(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)	2557670	2491659
(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)	51861783	62521099
(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	54581953	65175258
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	54581953	65175258

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)	635567	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	2388460	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	78564	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		3102591
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)		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)	1807977	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		1807977
(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)		71607
(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)		8115898
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		13098073

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	2498868	
(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)		2498868
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)	1586	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	4314	
(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)		5900
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		2504768

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		10593305
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: **REHMANN ROBSON, LLC**

(2) EIN: **38-3635706**

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.)	☒	☐	16506
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.
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan BIERLEIN 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BIERLEIN COMPANIES, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 38-1940783
Part I	Distributions	
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.		
1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....		1 0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 75-3182674		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year		3
Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)	
4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.		
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____		
If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.		
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)		6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year		6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)		6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.		
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
Part III	Amendments	
9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box. ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No		
Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.	
10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) ☐ Yes ☐ No		
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
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Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for: a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) 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) 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)	14a 14b 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 b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15a 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 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	16a 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>Q702826A</u> .	

SCHEDULE MEP (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN INFORMATION This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and Section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code) ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan BIERLEIN 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN	B Three-digit Plan number (PN) ►	002
C Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF BIERLEIN COMPANIES, INC.	D Administrator's EIN 38-1940783	

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

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

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

2a Name of Participating Employer BIERLEIN COMPANIES, INC.	2b EIN 38-1940783	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 95.58	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 60802801
2a Name of Participating Employer BIERLEIN SERVICES, INC.	2b EIN 38-3114746	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 4.42	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 4187305

CAUTION Do not individually list information for working owners (see instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-55(d)(2)) or other individuals who are participants or beneficiaries in the plan or arrangement that are no longer associated with a particular participating employer or participating employer plan (see instructions). Providing identifying information for individuals may result in rejection of this filing. If there are any such individuals in the plan, answer "Yes" to line 2e and provide the total information for all such individuals, without providing names or other identifying information.

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

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Part III

Pooled Employer Plan Information

Line 3. All Pooled employer plans must answer all of the questions in Part III, in addition to completing all of Parts I and II.

- 3a

Is the pooled plan provider (identified as the plan sponsor and administrator in Part II of the Form 5500) currently in compliance with the Form PR (Pooled Plan Provider Registration Statement) requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-44)

☐ Yes ☐ No
- 3b

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

ACK ID

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Employees'
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Note: Other schedules required by Section 2520.103.10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA have been omitted because they are not applicable.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

September 19, 2024

Trustees
Bierlein Employees' 401(k)
and Profit Sharing Plan
2000 Bay City Road
Midland, Michigan 48642

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of ***Bierlein Employees' 401(k) and Profit Sharing 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 (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 Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan ("investment information") by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA ("qualified institution").

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



Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the *Independent Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section:

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

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Independent Auditors' 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 that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Independent Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

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

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) and delinquent participant contributions as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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

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BIERLEIN EMPLOYEES' 401(k) AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

	December 31	
	2023	2022
ASSETS		
Investments at fair value	\$ 65,012,758	\$ 54,419,453
Receivables		
Employer contribution	162,500	162,500
Total assets (equal to net assets available for benefits)	\$ 65,175,258	\$ 54,581,953

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

BIERLEIN EMPLOYEES' 401(k) AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

	Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Additions to net assets attributed to		
Investment income (loss)		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 8,187,505	\$ (13,027,100)
Investment income - dividends	1,807,977	1,701,687
	<u>9,995,482</u>	<u>(11,325,413)</u>
Total investment income (loss)		
	9,995,482	(11,325,413)
Contributions		
Employer	635,567	609,290
Participant	2,388,460	2,285,582
Rollover	78,564	168,372
	<u>3,102,591</u>	<u>3,063,244</u>
Total contributions		
	3,102,591	3,063,244
Total additions (deductions)	13,098,073	(8,262,169)
Deductions from net assets attributed to		
Benefits paid to participants	2,498,868	5,015,200
Administrative expenses	5,900	11,484
	<u>2,504,768</u>	<u>5,026,684</u>
Total deductions		
	2,504,768	5,026,684
Net change in net assets available for benefits	10,593,305	(13,288,853)
Net assets available for benefits		
Beginning of year	54,581,953	67,870,806
	<u>54,581,953</u>	<u>67,870,806</u>
End of year	\$ 65,175,258	\$ 54,581,953

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

BIERLEIN EMPLOYEES' 401(k) AND PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of ***Bierlein Employees' 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan*** (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of ***Bierlein Companies, Inc.*** (the "Company" or "Plan Sponsor") and affiliated entities who are 18 years or older and have completed sixty days of service. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Newport Trust Company, LLC is the custodian and Newport Group, Inc. (collectively, "Newport") is the recordkeeper of the Plan. The Company is the administrator of the Plan (the "Plan Administrator"). Newport Trust Company, LLC holds all assets of the Plan in accordance with the service provider contract with the Company. Management of the Plan Sponsor along with a nondiscretionary Trustee of the Plan, Tri-Star Trust Bank (the "Trustee"), are responsible for oversight of the Plan and the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

Contributions

Each year participants may defer up to 100% of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan subject to certain IRS limitations. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to contribute to the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 9% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated balanced fund until changed by the participant. During 2023 and 2022, the Company contributed 25% of the first 9% of annual compensation that a participant contributed to the Plan for those employees that are 18 years or older and have completed sixty days of service. Additional profit sharing plan amounts may be contributed at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors for those participants who have completed at least 1,000 hours of service and are employed as of the last day of the Plan year. Participants direct the investment of contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and the Company's matching contributions and an allocation of (a) the Company's profit sharing contribution (when made), (b) Plan earnings, and (c) forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses, if any. Participants who initiate a benefit payment are charged a fee for that transaction. Allocations are based on participant compensation, account balances or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

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Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their 401(k) voluntary contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company matching and profit sharing contributions portion of their account plus earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after six years of credited service.

Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service due to death, disability, financial hardship, retirement or any other distributive event, as defined in the Plan agreement, participants or their beneficiaries may receive an amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in their account in a lump-sum payment or in various installment annuities. The Plan also allows distributions on attainment of 59-1/2 years of age equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in their account.

Forfeited Accounts

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$16,348 and \$12,495, respectively. These amounts will be reallocated to participants in the same manner as Company profit sharing contributions. Forfeited nonvested accounts in the amount of \$15,992 and \$42,985 in 2023 and 2022, respectively, were reallocated to participants.

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 ("GAAP").

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP requires Plan management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Plan management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the Trustee and custodian. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The net change in fair value of investments includes the Plan's aggregate gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Contributions

Participant contributions are recorded weekly or bi-weekly when withheld from compensation. Employer contributions are recorded in the period in which they become obligations of the Company.

Benefits Paid to Participants

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

The Plan's administrative expenses are paid by the Company, as provided by the Plan document. Certain administrative expenses, including an allocation of salaries related to Plan administration, accounting, financial audit, tax return fees, legal costs, trustee and investment advisory fees are paid by the Company and qualify as party-in-interest transactions which are exempt from prohibited transaction rules. Fees for custodial and record keeping services are also paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Participants are charged directly for fees related to certain distribution types.

Subsequent Events

In preparing these financial statements, Plan management has evaluated, for potential recognition or disclosure, significant events or transactions that occurred during the period subsequent to December 31, 2023, the most recent statement of net assets available for benefits presented herein, through the date of the accompanying Independent Auditors' Report, the date these financial statements were available to be issued. No such significant events or transactions were identified, with the exception of the matter disclosed in Note 8.

3. CERTIFIED INVESTMENTS

Certain information related to investments, as disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and net change in fair value of investments, and dividends for the years then ended, was obtained by management and agreed to and derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Newport Trust Company, LLC.

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4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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

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

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

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

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

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. For financial assets recorded at fair value, the description includes an indication of the level of the fair value hierarchy in which the assets are classified. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Mutual funds: Shares held in mutual funds are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund and are classified as Level 1. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). These funds are required to publish their daily Net Asset Value ("NAV") and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

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Stable value common collective trust: A stable value fund that is composed primarily of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is valued at the NAV of units of the collective trust, is classified as "other" and is not assigned a level in the fair value hierarchy. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust, the issuer reserves the right to require a 12 month notification in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although Plan management believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments measured at fair value at December 31:

2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Other (1)	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 62,521,099	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,521,099
Stable value common collective trust	-	-	-	2,491,659	2,491,659
Total investments at fair value	\$ 62,521,099	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,491,659	\$ 65,012,758
2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Other (1)	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 51,861,783	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,861,783
Stable value common collective trust	-	-	-	2,557,670	2,557,670
Total investments at fair value	\$ 51,861,783	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,557,670	\$ 54,419,453

(1) Certain investments are measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) on a non-active market and have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy and are presented in the column titled "Other" above. The fair value amounts presented in these tables are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. Plan management evaluates the significance of transfers between levels based upon the nature of the financial instrument and size of the transfer relative to total net assets available for benefits. There were no transfers of assets into or out of Level 3 in 2023 and 2022.

The following tables set forth additional disclosures for the fair value measurement of investments in certain entities that calculate NAV per share (or its equivalent) as of December 31:

Investment Type	2023			
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Stable value common collective trust	\$ 2,491,659	\$ -	Daily	Daily

Investment Type	2022			
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Stable value common collective trust	\$ 2,557,670	\$ -	Daily	Daily

5. RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are in funds and accounts that are managed by Newport or their subsidiaries and affiliates. Distribution processing fees are paid to Newport Group, Inc. by participants, which qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Certain management fees in the form of an expense ratio charged to each investment option are paid by the Plan and deducted from earnings on investments. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from prohibited transaction rules. In addition, the Plan received 12b(1) and finder's fees in the amount of \$10,826 and \$10,894 during 2023 and 2022, respectively, that were used to reduce Plan recordkeeping service fees paid by the Plan Sponsor.

The President of the Plan Sponsor, Bierlein Companies, Inc., is a shareholder and member of the Board of Directors of Tri-Star Trust Bank, a Plan Trustee. There were no trustee or investment advisory fees paid by the Plan to Tri-Star Trust Bank during 2023 or 2022.

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6. TAX STATUS

The Plan uses a prototype plan document sponsored by Newport Group, Inc. The prototype plan document has received an opinion letter from the IRS dated June 30, 2020, stating that the written form of the underlying prototype plan document is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and that any employer adopting this form of the plan will be considered to have a plan qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code. The Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualification. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt.

US GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. While the Plan may be subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

7. PLAN TERMINATION

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

8. DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

During the Plan year ended December 31, 2022, participant contributions totaling \$16,506 were not remitted to the Plan within the period prescribed by DOL regulations. These transactions constitute prohibited transactions as defined by ERISA. The contributions were remitted to the Plan during 2022 and 2023 and the related lost earnings were remitted to the Plan during 2024.

9. RISKS AND ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities with the underlying assets consisting of any combination of stocks, bonds, fixed income securities, and other investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Market risks include global events which could impact the value of investment securities, such as a pandemic or international conflict. Due to the level of interest rate, market, and credit risks inherent with certain of the Plan's investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the fair values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits and changes in net assets available for benefits.



ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedules

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Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Plan #002

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Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total That Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside of Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program (VFCP)	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are included: ☐				
March 25, 2022	\$ 16,236	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
December 31, 2022	270	-	-	-
Total	\$ 16,506	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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

December 31, 2023

Plan #002

EIN 38-1940783

(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
	Mutual funds		
	Vanguard	Equity-Income Fund Admiral	\$ 8,715,770
	Harbor Capital	Appreciation Fund Institutional	7,170,282
	Vanguard	500 Index Admiral	6,079,163
	American Funds	EuroPacific Growth Fund R-6	6,011,651
	Dodge and Cox	Income Fund Class I	4,948,689
	Vanguard	Mid-Cap Value Index Fund Admiral	3,732,907
	Vanguard	Total Bond Market Index Fund Admiral	3,633,202
	Vanguard	Mid-Cap Growth Index Fund Admiral	3,052,853
	Vanguard	Small-Cap Growth Index Fund Admiral	1,774,918
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2035	1,734,962
	Vanguard	GNMA Fund Admiral	1,501,385
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2045	1,474,382
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2040	1,363,426
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2055	1,295,144
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2030	1,187,294
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2025	1,124,285
	Dimensional Fund Advisor	Real Estate Securities Portfolio Institutional	1,120,574
	Vanguard	Small-Cap Value Index Fund Admiral	1,101,646
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2060	1,084,114
	Principal	High Yield Fund Institutional	1,076,804
	Dimensional Fund Advisor	International Small Company Institutional	840,988
	PIMCO	International Bond Fund Institutional	836,433
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2050	805,872
	Vanguard	Inflation-Protected Securities Fund Admiral	447,385
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2065	371,841
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2020	34,639
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement Income	337
	American Funds	International Growth and Income Fund Class R-6	153
	Total mutual funds		62,521,099
	Reliance Trust Company	MetLife Stable Value Fund Series 25053	2,491,659
	Total investment at fair value		\$ 65,012,758

(a) An asterisk in this column identifies a person known to be a party-in-interest.

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Note: Other schedules required by Section 2520.103.10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA have been omitted because they are not applicable.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

September 19, 2024

Trustees
Bierlein Employees' 401(k)
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Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the financial statements of ***Bierlein Employees' 401(k) and Profit Sharing 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 (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 Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan ("investment information") by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA ("qualified institution").

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



Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the *Independent Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section:

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

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Independent Auditors' 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 that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Independent Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of 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 certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

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

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) and delinquent participant contributions as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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

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Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

	December 31	
	2023	2022
ASSETS		
Investments at fair value	\$ 65,012,758	\$ 54,419,453
Receivables		
Employer contribution	162,500	162,500
Total assets (equal to net assets available for benefits)	\$ 65,175,258	\$ 54,581,953

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

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Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

	Year Ended December 31	
	2023	2022
Additions to net assets attributed to		
Investment income (loss)		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 8,187,505	\$ (13,027,100)
Investment income - dividends	1,807,977	1,701,687
	<u>9,995,482</u>	<u>(11,325,413)</u>
Total investment income (loss)	9,995,482	(11,325,413)
Contributions		
Employer	635,567	609,290
Participant	2,388,460	2,285,582
Rollover	78,564	168,372
	<u>3,102,591</u>	<u>3,063,244</u>
Total contributions	3,102,591	3,063,244
Total additions (deductions)	13,098,073	(8,262,169)
Deductions from net assets attributed to		
Benefits paid to participants	2,498,868	5,015,200
Administrative expenses	5,900	11,484
	<u>2,504,768</u>	<u>5,026,684</u>
Total deductions	2,504,768	5,026,684
Net change in net assets available for benefits	10,593,305	(13,288,853)
Net assets available for benefits		
Beginning of year	54,581,953	67,870,806
	<u>54,581,953</u>	<u>67,870,806</u>
End of year	\$ 65,175,258	\$ 54,581,953

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

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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of ***Bierlein Employees' 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan*** (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of ***Bierlein Companies, Inc.*** (the "Company" or "Plan Sponsor") and affiliated entities who are 18 years or older and have completed sixty days of service. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Newport Trust Company, LLC is the custodian and Newport Group, Inc. (collectively, "Newport") is the recordkeeper of the Plan. The Company is the administrator of the Plan (the "Plan Administrator"). Newport Trust Company, LLC holds all assets of the Plan in accordance with the service provider contract with the Company. Management of the Plan Sponsor along with a nondiscretionary Trustee of the Plan, Tri-Star Trust Bank (the "Trustee"), are responsible for oversight of the Plan and the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

Contributions

Each year participants may defer up to 100% of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan subject to certain IRS limitations. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to contribute to the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 9% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated balanced fund until changed by the participant. During 2023 and 2022, the Company contributed 25% of the first 9% of annual compensation that a participant contributed to the Plan for those employees that are 18 years or older and have completed sixty days of service. Additional profit sharing plan amounts may be contributed at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors for those participants who have completed at least 1,000 hours of service and are employed as of the last day of the Plan year. Participants direct the investment of contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and the Company's matching contributions and an allocation of (a) the Company's profit sharing contribution (when made), (b) Plan earnings, and (c) forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses, if any. Participants who initiate a benefit payment are charged a fee for that transaction. Allocations are based on participant compensation, account balances or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

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Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their 401(k) voluntary contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company matching and profit sharing contributions portion of their account plus earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after six years of credited service.

Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service due to death, disability, financial hardship, retirement or any other distributive event, as defined in the Plan agreement, participants or their beneficiaries may receive an amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in their account in a lump-sum payment or in various installment annuities. The Plan also allows distributions on attainment of 59-1/2 years of age equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in their account.

Forfeited Accounts

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$16,348 and \$12,495, respectively. These amounts will be reallocated to participants in the same manner as Company profit sharing contributions. Forfeited nonvested accounts in the amount of \$15,992 and \$42,985 in 2023 and 2022, respectively, were reallocated to participants.

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 ("GAAP").

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP requires Plan management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Plan management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the Trustee and custodian. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The net change in fair value of investments includes the Plan's aggregate gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Contributions

Participant contributions are recorded weekly or bi-weekly when withheld from compensation. Employer contributions are recorded in the period in which they become obligations of the Company.

Benefits Paid to Participants

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

The Plan's administrative expenses are paid by the Company, as provided by the Plan document. Certain administrative expenses, including an allocation of salaries related to Plan administration, accounting, financial audit, tax return fees, legal costs, trustee and investment advisory fees are paid by the Company and qualify as party-in-interest transactions which are exempt from prohibited transaction rules. Fees for custodial and record keeping services are also paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Participants are charged directly for fees related to certain distribution types.

Subsequent Events

In preparing these financial statements, Plan management has evaluated, for potential recognition or disclosure, significant events or transactions that occurred during the period subsequent to December 31, 2023, the most recent statement of net assets available for benefits presented herein, through the date of the accompanying Independent Auditors' Report, the date these financial statements were available to be issued. No such significant events or transactions were identified, with the exception of the matter disclosed in Note 8.

3. CERTIFIED INVESTMENTS

Certain information related to investments, as disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and net change in fair value of investments, and dividends for the years then ended, was obtained by management and agreed to and derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Newport Trust Company, LLC.

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4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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

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

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

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

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

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. For financial assets recorded at fair value, the description includes an indication of the level of the fair value hierarchy in which the assets are classified. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Mutual funds: Shares held in mutual funds are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund and are classified as Level 1. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). These funds are required to publish their daily Net Asset Value ("NAV") and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

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Stable value common collective trust: A stable value fund that is composed primarily of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is valued at the NAV of units of the collective trust, is classified as "other" and is not assigned a level in the fair value hierarchy. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust, the issuer reserves the right to require a 12 month notification in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although Plan management believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments measured at fair value at December 31:

2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Other (1)	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 62,521,099	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,521,099
Stable value common collective trust	-	-	-	2,491,659	2,491,659
Total investments at fair value	\$ 62,521,099	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,491,659	\$ 65,012,758
2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Other (1)	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 51,861,783	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51,861,783
Stable value common collective trust	-	-	-	2,557,670	2,557,670
Total investments at fair value	\$ 51,861,783	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,557,670	\$ 54,419,453

(1) Certain investments are measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) on a non-active market and have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy and are presented in the column titled "Other" above. The fair value amounts presented in these tables are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. Plan management evaluates the significance of transfers between levels based upon the nature of the financial instrument and size of the transfer relative to total net assets available for benefits. There were no transfers of assets into or out of Level 3 in 2023 and 2022.

The following tables set forth additional disclosures for the fair value measurement of investments in certain entities that calculate NAV per share (or its equivalent) as of December 31:

Investment Type	2023			
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Stable value common collective trust	\$ 2,491,659	\$ -	Daily	Daily

Investment Type	2022			
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Stable value common collective trust	\$ 2,557,670	\$ -	Daily	Daily

5. RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are in funds and accounts that are managed by Newport or their subsidiaries and affiliates. Distribution processing fees are paid to Newport Group, Inc. by participants, which qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Certain management fees in the form of an expense ratio charged to each investment option are paid by the Plan and deducted from earnings on investments. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from prohibited transaction rules. In addition, the Plan received 12b(1) and finder's fees in the amount of \$10,826 and \$10,894 during 2023 and 2022, respectively, that were used to reduce Plan recordkeeping service fees paid by the Plan Sponsor.

The President of the Plan Sponsor, Bierlein Companies, Inc., is a shareholder and member of the Board of Directors of Tri-Star Trust Bank, a Plan Trustee. There were no trustee or investment advisory fees paid by the Plan to Tri-Star Trust Bank during 2023 or 2022.

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6. TAX STATUS

The Plan uses a prototype plan document sponsored by Newport Group, Inc. The prototype plan document has received an opinion letter from the IRS dated June 30, 2020, stating that the written form of the underlying prototype plan document is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and that any employer adopting this form of the plan will be considered to have a plan qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code. The Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualification. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt.

US GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. While the Plan may be subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

7. PLAN TERMINATION

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

8. DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

During the Plan year ended December 31, 2022, participant contributions totaling \$16,506 were not remitted to the Plan within the period prescribed by DOL regulations. These transactions constitute prohibited transactions as defined by ERISA. The contributions were remitted to the Plan during 2022 and 2023 and the related lost earnings were remitted to the Plan during 2024.

9. RISKS AND ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities with the underlying assets consisting of any combination of stocks, bonds, fixed income securities, and other investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Market risks include global events which could impact the value of investment securities, such as a pandemic or international conflict. Due to the level of interest rate, market, and credit risks inherent with certain of the Plan's investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the fair values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits and changes in net assets available for benefits.



ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedules

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Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions

For the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Plan #002

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Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total That Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside of Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program (VFCP)	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are included: ☐				
March 25, 2022	\$ 16,236	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
December 31, 2022	270	-	-	-
Total	\$ 16,506	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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

December 31, 2023

Plan #002

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(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
	Mutual funds		
	Vanguard	Equity-Income Fund Admiral	\$ 8,715,770
	Harbor Capital	Appreciation Fund Institutional	7,170,282
	Vanguard	500 Index Admiral	6,079,163
	American Funds	EuroPacific Growth Fund R-6	6,011,651
	Dodge and Cox	Income Fund Class I	4,948,689
	Vanguard	Mid-Cap Value Index Fund Admiral	3,732,907
	Vanguard	Total Bond Market Index Fund Admiral	3,633,202
	Vanguard	Mid-Cap Growth Index Fund Admiral	3,052,853
	Vanguard	Small-Cap Growth Index Fund Admiral	1,774,918
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2035	1,734,962
	Vanguard	GNMA Fund Admiral	1,501,385
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2045	1,474,382
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2040	1,363,426
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2055	1,295,144
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2030	1,187,294
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2025	1,124,285
	Dimensional Fund Advisor	Real Estate Securities Portfolio Institutional	1,120,574
	Vanguard	Small-Cap Value Index Fund Admiral	1,101,646
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2060	1,084,114
	Principal	High Yield Fund Institutional	1,076,804
	Dimensional Fund Advisor	International Small Company Institutional	840,988
	PIMCO	International Bond Fund Institutional	836,433
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2050	805,872
	Vanguard	Inflation-Protected Securities Fund Admiral	447,385
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2065	371,841
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement 2020	34,639
	Vanguard	Investment Target Retirement Income	337
	American Funds	International Growth and Income Fund Class R-6	153
	Total mutual funds		62,521,099
	Reliance Trust Company	MetLife Stable Value Fund Series 25053	2,491,659
	Total investment at fair value		\$ 65,012,758

(a) An asterisk in this column identifies a person known to be a party-in-interest.