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.**

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1210-0089

2023

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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.)
- [X] 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:
- [X] 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
AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(K) PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2011

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)
AVALON APPAREL, LLC

2520 W. 6TH STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90057

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
20-1310042

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
323-581-3511

2d Business code (see instructions)
448130

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.	10/09/2024	SUSAN FISHER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/09/2024	JASON SCHUTZER
	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 [X] 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

4b EIN

c Plan Name

4d PN

5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	267
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	**6a(1)**	147
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	138
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	118
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	256
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	256
g(1)	Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(1)**	221
g(2)	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	216
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	0
7	Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	**7**	

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

2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 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)** [X] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [X] 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)** [X] Trust
- **(4)** [ ] General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- **(1)** [X] **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)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- **(3)** [X] **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 1
- **(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 A (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

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Insurance 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.**

▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).

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A Name of plan
AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(K) PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
AVALON APPAREL, LLC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
20-1310042

Part I **Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions** Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
AMERITAS LIFE INSURANCE CORP.

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
47-0098400	61301	337721		01/01/2023	12/31/2023

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
10457	0

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

JOSHUA ORONCE
4675 MACARTHUR CT #725
NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	(e) Organization code
4183			4

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

FIX, KENNETH OWENS
6703 GLORYWHITE ST
LAKEWOOD, CA 90713

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	(e) Organization code
2091			4

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

SOUCIER, JONATHAN P

15520 ROCKFIELD BLVD, SUITE G
IRVINE, CA 92618

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	
4183			4

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

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	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	**4**	
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end	**5**	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b	Premiums paid to carrier	**6b**	
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	**6c**	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.	**6d**	

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity

(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee

(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			**7b**	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	**7c(1)**			
	(2) Dividends and credits	**7c(2)**			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	**7c(3)**			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	**7c(4)**			
	(5) Other (specify below)	**7c(5)**			
	▶				
	(6) Total additions			**7c(6)**	
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**)			**7d**	
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	**7e(1)**			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	**7e(2)**			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	**7e(3)**			
	(4) Other (specify below)	**7e(4)**			
	▶				
	(5) Total deductions			**7e(5)**	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			**7f**	

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- **a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
- **b** ☐ Dental
- **c** ☐ Vision
- **d** ☐ Life insurance
- **e** ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
- **f** ☐ Long-term disability
- **g** ☐ Supplemental unemployment
- **h** ☐ Prescription drug
- **i** ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
- **j** ☐ HMO contract
- **k** ☐ PPO contract
- **l** ☐ Indemnity contract
- **m** ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**			
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	**9b(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	**9b(2)**			
(3) Incurred claims (add **(1)** and **(2)**)			**9b(3)**	
(4) Claims charged			**9b(4)**	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
(A) Commissions	**9c(1)(A)**			
(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
(2) Claim reserves			**9d(2)**	
(3) Other reserves			**9d(3)**	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:				
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier			**10a**	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.			**10b**	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☐ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
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Financial Information

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AVALON APPAREL, LLC

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Part I Asset and Liability Statement

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	5433	29392
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	3900741	4673981
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

			(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d	Employer-related investments:			
	(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	3906174	4703373
	Liabilities			
g	Benefit claims payable	1g		
h	Operating payables	1h		
i	Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j	Other liabilities	1j	39388	3579
k	Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	39388	3579
	Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	3866786	4699794

Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

	Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a	**Contributions:**			
	(1) Received or receivable in cash from: **(A)** Employers	2a(1)(A)		
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	467295	
	(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
	(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
	(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		467295
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)	1473	
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
	(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		1473
	(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
	(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
	(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)		
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		
	(3) Rents	2b(3)		
	(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
	(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
	(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
	(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
	(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
	(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	**2b(6)**		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	**2b(7)**		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	**2b(8)**		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	**2b(9)**		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	**2b(10)**		652550
c Other income	**2c**		-39
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	**2d**		1121279
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	**2e(1)**	284537	
(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)**		284537
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	**2f**		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	**2g**		
h Interest expense	**2h**		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	**2i(1)**		
(2) Contract administrator fees	**2i(2)**		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	**2i(3)**		
(4) IQPA audit fees	**2i(4)**		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	**2i(5)**		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	**2i(6)**		
(7) Actuarial fees	**2i(7)**		
(8) Legal fees	**2i(8)**		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	**2i(9)**		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	**2i(10)**		
(11) Other expenses	**2i(11)**	3734	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	**2i(12)**		3734
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	**2j**		288271
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	**2k**		833008
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) [X] 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) [X] 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: FINEMAN WEST & COMPANY, LLP **(2)** EIN: 95-4427433

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.)	**4a**	X		1000
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.)	**4b**		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	**4c**		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	**4d**		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	**4e**	X		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?	**4f**		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4g**		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4h**		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4i**	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4j**		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	**4k**		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	**4l**		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	**4m**		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	**4n**			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? [ ] Yes [X] 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
AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(K) PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
AVALON APPAREL, LLC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
20-1310042

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**

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): 47-0098400

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**

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):

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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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): _____

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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

a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	**14a**	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	**14b**	
c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	**14c**	

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

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	**15a**	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	**15b**	

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

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	**16a**	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	**16b**	

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

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

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

19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%
High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:
☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more

20 **PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation._____

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

☐ Design-based safe harbor method

☐ "Prior year" ADP test

☐ "Current year" ADP test

☐ N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter ___/___/_____ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number_____.

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
AND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

FINEMAN WEST & COMPANY

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FINEMAN WEST & COMPANY

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator of
Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan

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

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

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

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 6 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

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Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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 Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

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

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

Other Matters - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023 and Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) 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 audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agree 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, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- the form and content of the supplemental 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).



Los Angeles, California
September 23, 2024

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
ASSETS		
Investments		
Money market fund	$ 5,698	$ 5,772
Mutual funds, at fair market value	4,421,649	3,846,673
Stable value fund	246,634	48,296
Total investments	4,673,981	3,900,741
Notes receivable from participants	29,392	5,433
Total assets	4,703,373	3,906,174
LIABILITIES		
Liabilities		
Excess participants contribution payable	3,579	39,388
Net assets available for benefits	$ 4,699,794	$ 3,866,786

See accompanying independent auditors' report
and notes to financial statements

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Additions to net assets attributed to:		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$	652,550
Interest income on notes receivable from participants		1,473
Contributions:		
Participants		467,295
Total contributions		467,295
Total additions		1,121,318
Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to participants		284,537
Administrative expenses		3,734
Other		39
Total deductions		288,310
Net increase		833,008
Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year		3,866,786
End of year	$	4,699,794

See accompanying independent auditors' report
and notes to financial statements

1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) 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 was established as a defined contribution plan for the benefit of the employees of Avalon Apparel, LLC (the "Company" or "Plan Sponsor") under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"). The Plan covers substantially all employees of the Company, who have completed at least one year of service and are 18 years of age or over. The entry dates are the first day of January or July following the date the employee meets the eligibility requirements. The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for oversight of the Plan.

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (“Ameritas” or “Asset Custodian”) is the Plan’s asset custodian.

The recordkeeping functions are performed by Hicks Pension Services (“Third Party Administrator” or “Record Keeper”).

Contributions

Participants may elect to make pre-tax 401(k) and/or after-tax Roth IRA contributions between 1% and 100% of their eligible compensation to the Plan each year; however, the total amount of the contribution generally may not exceed the IRS limit of $22,500 for the year ended December 31, 2023. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions of up to $7,500 in addition to the IRS limit for the year ended December 31, 2023. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans.

The Plan's provisions allow the Company to make discretionary, non-elective, and matching contributions, although it is not required to do so. The non-elective and discretionary matching contributions will be allocated to all employees eligible to participate in the Plan at the end of each Plan year based on eligible earnings within the computation period. All employer contributions are invested in the same manner that the participant directs his or her investments. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company made $0 in discretionary contributions to the Plan.

Participant Accounts

Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contributions and allocations of (a) the Company’s contributions and, (b) Plan earnings, and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

Investment Options

Participants must direct their salary deferral contributions to selected investments as made available and determined by the Plan Administrator. Participants may change their investment options at any time throughout the year.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon.

The portion of the participant's account attributable to the Company's non-elective profit-sharing contributions, plus actual earnings, becomes 20% vested following two years of service as defined, and continues to vest at the rate of 20% for each successive year of service until 100% vested after six years of service, attaining normal retirement age, death, or disability.

Non-elective safe harbor contributions are 100% vested immediately.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of $1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of $50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Notes receivable from participants are secured by the balance of the participant's account and bear fixed rates of interest of 2% over the Prime Rate. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. The maximum term for a loan is for five years, except if the loan is used to acquire a principal residence, then the term of the loan is for 30 years. As of December 31, 2023, loans bear interest at the rates of 5.25% - 10.50% with maturity dates through October 2028.

Payment of Benefits

If a participant's employment with the company ceases as a result of termination, normal retirement, death or disability, the participant or the participant's beneficiaries are entitled to the participant's vested account balance. Participants or their beneficiaries may receive benefit payments in a lump-sum distribution or in installments not to exceed the participant's or beneficiary's life expectancy.

In-service distributions may be made from any of the participants' vested accounts at any time for a hardship. Events that qualify for a hardship withdrawal are as follows: to cover necessary medical expenses, for costs directly related to the purchase of the participant's primary residence, for expenses related to post-secondary education, for payments necessary to prevent the participant's eviction from or foreclosure of the primary residence, burial or funeral expenses for deceased family members, or expenses for repair or damage of participant's primary residence.

Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Sponsor has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. Upon termination of the Plan, further contributions to the Plan shall cease and all participants who are affected by such termination shall become 100% vested. Net assets available for benefits would be distributed to the participants based on each participant's account balance in the Plan.

1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

Forfeited Accounts

If an employee terminates before his or her account becomes fully vested, the unvested portion of the account is forfeited. Forfeitures may first be used to pay for the Plan's administrative expenses, and any remaining amount will be used to reduce future employer matching contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2023, no amount was used to reduce employer matching contributions from forfeited non-vested accounts. The forfeiture account balance totaled $5,698 and $5,772 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

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

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Plan's financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of additions and deductions during the reporting period. 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 the market participants at the measurement date.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation or depreciation in the fair value of investments consists of both realized gains or losses, and unrealized appreciation and depreciation of those investments.

The Plan's indirect investment in the stable value fund is valued at the net unit value ("NUV") of units held by the Plan at year-end based on information reported in the stable fund's audited financial statements at year-end. The NUV is determined by the total contract value of fund assets divided by the total number of outstanding units of the fund. The Plan uses a practical expedient permitting a reporting entity to measure certain investments using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) of the investment. Since the Plan has an indirect investment in the contracts held by the stable value fund, they are not considered fully benefit responsive.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Loans to participants are reported at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest earned on notes receivable from participants was $1,473 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Benefits Paid

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

Certain administration and recordkeeping expenses incurred are paid by the Plan. Fees related to administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation or depreciation in fair value of investments. Expenses paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements.

3 - 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), and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 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 or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant 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. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023, and 2022.

- *Registered Investment Companies (Mutual funds)*: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value ("NAV") and transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded and are classified as Level 1 investments.

3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

- *Money Market Fund:* The money market account is a public investment vehicle valued using $1 as the unit for the NAV and classified as a Level 1 investment.

- *Stable Value Fund:* The stable value fund is valued based on the NUV. The NUV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023, and 2022.

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 4,421,649	$ -	$ -	$ 4,421,649
Money market fund	5,698	-	-	5,698
	$ 4,427,347	$ -	$ -	4,427,347
Stable value fund*				246,634
Total investments, at fair value				$ 4,673,981

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 3,846,673	$ -	$ -	$ 3,846,673
Money market fund	5,772	-	-	5,772
	$ 3,852,445	$ -	$ -	3,852,445
Stable value fund*				48,296
Total investments, at fair value				$ 3,900,741

* In accordance with ASC 820-10, certain investments are measured at fair value using the net value per unit practical expedient and have been excluded from the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the above table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

4 - TAX STATUS

The Plan document is a volume submitter defined contribution plan that received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service on June 30, 2020, which stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2023, there were no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability or disclosure in the financial statements.

5 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rates, market volatility, and credit risk. It is reasonably possible, given the level of risks associated with investment securities, that changes in value may result in the near term which could materially affect a participant's account balance, and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

6 - INVESTMENTS CERTIFIED BY THE ASSET CUSTODIAN (UNAUDITED)

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, the Plan's Asset Custodian has certified to the completeness and accuracy of:

- Investments reported on the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.
- Notes receivable from participants on the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and interest earned for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments reported on the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- Investments reported on the supplemental Schedule of Assets (held at end of year).

7 - PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

A party-in-interest is defined as a fiduciary or employee of the Plan, any person who provides services to the Plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan, an employee organization whose members are covered by the Plan, a person who owns 50% or more of such an employer or employee organization, or a relative of such persons mentioned.

The Plan Sponsor, administrator and asset custodian are parties-in-interest.

Fees paid by the Plan to the third party administrator were $3,734 for the year ended December 31, 2023, and are included in administrative expenses. The investments are managed by the asset custodian and transactions with the custodian qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions.

There were no transactions with the Plan Sponsor.

Notes receivable from participants qualify as party-in-interest transactions but are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

8 - COVID - 19

The COVID-19 pandemic has waned, but economic uncertainties caused by the pandemic remain, which could potentially have negative impacts on investment markets. The Plan Sponsor continues to monitor its impact as consumer purchasing activities and the Plan Sponsor’s supply chain management capabilities may have been negatively impacted. The related financial impact cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

9 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through September 23, 2024, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
EIN: 20-13100042 PLAN NO. 001
FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4a
SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan *	Total That Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP And Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments Are Included: ☐	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program ("VFCP")	Contributions Pending Correction In VFCP	
$ 1,000	$ -	$ 1,000	$ -	$ -

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AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
EIN: 20-1310042 PLAN NO. 001
FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Money Market Fund:			
	Fidelity	Government Money Market Portfolio	**	$ 5,698
	Total money market fund		**	5,698
	Registered investment companies (mutual funds):			
	Vanguard	Target Retirement Income	**	168,214
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2020	**	234,972
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2025	**	906,653
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2030	**	778,829
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2035	**	638,497
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2040	**	330,796
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2045	**	270,670
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2050	**	425,399
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2055	**	142,281
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2060	**	71,277
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2065	**	1,370
	Vanguard	Balanced Index Fund	**	56,690
	Vanguard	High Yield Corporate Fund	**	16,967
	MFS	MFS Value, Class R3		4,818
	Vanguard	500 Index Fund	**	76,365
	American Century	American Century Growth Fund, R6 Class		44,159
	Vanguard	Selected Value		2,418
	Vanguard	Mid-Cap Index Fund	**	49,450
	JP Morgan	Mid-Cap Growth Fund	**	22,916
	American Beacon	Small Cap Value Fund	**	2,255
	Vanguard	Small Cap Index Fund	**	97,221
	Vanguard	Small Cap Growth Index Fund	**	35,894
	American Funds	New Perspective Fund	**	9,113
	Vanguard	Total International Stock Index Fund	**	16,762
	American Funds	International Growth and Income		2,248
	DFA Investment Trust Company	Emerging Markets Core Equity	**	13,829
	Vanguard	Real Estate Index Fund	**	1,586
	Total mutual funds, at fair value			4,421,649
	Stable value fund			
	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.			246,634
	Total stable value fund			246,634
*	Notes receivable from participants	5.25% - 10.50% maturing through October 2028	**	29,392

Column (a) - * party-in-interest transactions $ 4,703,373

Column (d) - ** cost information may be omitted for participant-directed transactions under an individual account plan.

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AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
AND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator of
Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan

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

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

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

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 6 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

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Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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 Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

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

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

Other Matters - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023 and Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) 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 audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agree 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, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- the form and content of the supplemental 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).



Los Angeles, California
September 23, 2024

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
ASSETS		
Investments		
Money market fund	$ 5,698	$ 5,772
Mutual funds, at fair market value	4,421,649	3,846,673
Stable value fund	246,634	48,296
Total investments	4,673,981	3,900,741
Notes receivable from participants	29,392	5,433
Total assets	4,703,373	3,906,174
LIABILITIES		
Liabilities		
Excess participants contribution payable	3,579	39,388
Net assets available for benefits	$ 4,699,794	$ 3,866,786

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and notes to financial statements

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Additions to net assets attributed to:		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$	652,550
Interest income on notes receivable from participants		1,473
Contributions:		
Participants		467,295
Total contributions		467,295
Total additions		1,121,318
Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to participants		284,537
Administrative expenses		3,734
Other		39
Total deductions		288,310
Net increase		833,008
Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year		3,866,786
End of year	$	4,699,794

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1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) 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 was established as a defined contribution plan for the benefit of the employees of Avalon Apparel, LLC (the "Company" or "Plan Sponsor") under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"). The Plan covers substantially all employees of the Company, who have completed at least one year of service and are 18 years of age or over. The entry dates are the first day of January or July following the date the employee meets the eligibility requirements. The Company's Board of Directors is responsible for oversight of the Plan.

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp (“Ameritas” or “Asset Custodian”) is the Plan’s asset custodian.

The recordkeeping functions are performed by Hicks Pension Services (“Third Party Administrator” or “Record Keeper”).

Contributions

Participants may elect to make pre-tax 401(k) and/or after-tax Roth IRA contributions between 1% and 100% of their eligible compensation to the Plan each year; however, the total amount of the contribution generally may not exceed the IRS limit of $22,500 for the year ended December 31, 2023. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions of up to $7,500 in addition to the IRS limit for the year ended December 31, 2023. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans.

The Plan's provisions allow the Company to make discretionary, non-elective, and matching contributions, although it is not required to do so. The non-elective and discretionary matching contributions will be allocated to all employees eligible to participate in the Plan at the end of each Plan year based on eligible earnings within the computation period. All employer contributions are invested in the same manner that the participant directs his or her investments. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company made $0 in discretionary contributions to the Plan.

Participant Accounts

Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contributions and allocations of (a) the Company’s contributions and, (b) Plan earnings, and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

Investment Options

Participants must direct their salary deferral contributions to selected investments as made available and determined by the Plan Administrator. Participants may change their investment options at any time throughout the year.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon.

The portion of the participant's account attributable to the Company's non-elective profit-sharing contributions, plus actual earnings, becomes 20% vested following two years of service as defined, and continues to vest at the rate of 20% for each successive year of service until 100% vested after six years of service, attaining normal retirement age, death, or disability.

Non-elective safe harbor contributions are 100% vested immediately.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of $1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of $50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Notes receivable from participants are secured by the balance of the participant's account and bear fixed rates of interest of 2% over the Prime Rate. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. The maximum term for a loan is for five years, except if the loan is used to acquire a principal residence, then the term of the loan is for 30 years. As of December 31, 2023, loans bear interest at the rates of 5.25% - 10.50% with maturity dates through October 2028.

Payment of Benefits

If a participant's employment with the company ceases as a result of termination, normal retirement, death or disability, the participant or the participant's beneficiaries are entitled to the participant's vested account balance. Participants or their beneficiaries may receive benefit payments in a lump-sum distribution or in installments not to exceed the participant's or beneficiary's life expectancy.

In-service distributions may be made from any of the participants' vested accounts at any time for a hardship. Events that qualify for a hardship withdrawal are as follows: to cover necessary medical expenses, for costs directly related to the purchase of the participant's primary residence, for expenses related to post-secondary education, for payments necessary to prevent the participant's eviction from or foreclosure of the primary residence, burial or funeral expenses for deceased family members, or expenses for repair or damage of participant's primary residence.

Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Sponsor has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. Upon termination of the Plan, further contributions to the Plan shall cease and all participants who are affected by such termination shall become 100% vested. Net assets available for benefits would be distributed to the participants based on each participant's account balance in the Plan.

1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

Forfeited Accounts

If an employee terminates before his or her account becomes fully vested, the unvested portion of the account is forfeited. Forfeitures may first be used to pay for the Plan's administrative expenses, and any remaining amount will be used to reduce future employer matching contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2023, no amount was used to reduce employer matching contributions from forfeited non-vested accounts. The forfeiture account balance totaled $5,698 and $5,772 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

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

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Plan's financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of additions and deductions during the reporting period. 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 the market participants at the measurement date.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation or depreciation in the fair value of investments consists of both realized gains or losses, and unrealized appreciation and depreciation of those investments.

The Plan's indirect investment in the stable value fund is valued at the net unit value ("NUV") of units held by the Plan at year-end based on information reported in the stable fund's audited financial statements at year-end. The NUV is determined by the total contract value of fund assets divided by the total number of outstanding units of the fund. The Plan uses a practical expedient permitting a reporting entity to measure certain investments using the NAV per share (or its equivalent) of the investment. Since the Plan has an indirect investment in the contracts held by the stable value fund, they are not considered fully benefit responsive.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Loans to participants are reported at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest earned on notes receivable from participants was $1,473 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Benefits Paid

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

Certain administration and recordkeeping expenses incurred are paid by the Plan. Fees related to administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation or depreciation in fair value of investments. Expenses paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements.

3 - 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), and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 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 or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant 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. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023, and 2022.

- *Registered Investment Companies (Mutual funds)*: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value ("NAV") and transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded and are classified as Level 1 investments.

3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

- *Money Market Fund:* The money market account is a public investment vehicle valued using $1 as the unit for the NAV and classified as a Level 1 investment.

- *Stable Value Fund:* The stable value fund is valued based on the NUV. The NUV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023, and 2022.

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 4,421,649	$ -	$ -	$ 4,421,649
Money market fund	5,698	-	-	5,698
	$ 4,427,347	$ -	$ -	4,427,347
Stable value fund*				246,634
Total investments, at fair value				$ 4,673,981

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 3,846,673	$ -	$ -	$ 3,846,673
Money market fund	5,772	-	-	5,772
	$ 3,852,445	$ -	$ -	3,852,445
Stable value fund*				48,296
Total investments, at fair value				$ 3,900,741

* In accordance with ASC 820-10, certain investments are measured at fair value using the net value per unit practical expedient and have been excluded from the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the above table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the amounts presented in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

4 - TAX STATUS

The Plan document is a volume submitter defined contribution plan that received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service on June 30, 2020, which stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2023, there were no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability or disclosure in the financial statements.

5 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rates, market volatility, and credit risk. It is reasonably possible, given the level of risks associated with investment securities, that changes in value may result in the near term which could materially affect a participant's account balance, and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

6 - INVESTMENTS CERTIFIED BY THE ASSET CUSTODIAN (UNAUDITED)

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, the Plan's Asset Custodian has certified to the completeness and accuracy of:

- Investments reported on the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.
- Notes receivable from participants on the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and interest earned for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments reported on the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- Investments reported on the supplemental Schedule of Assets (held at end of year).

7 - PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

A party-in-interest is defined as a fiduciary or employee of the Plan, any person who provides services to the Plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan, an employee organization whose members are covered by the Plan, a person who owns 50% or more of such an employer or employee organization, or a relative of such persons mentioned.

The Plan Sponsor, administrator and asset custodian are parties-in-interest.

Fees paid by the Plan to the third party administrator were $3,734 for the year ended December 31, 2023, and are included in administrative expenses. The investments are managed by the asset custodian and transactions with the custodian qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions.

There were no transactions with the Plan Sponsor.

Notes receivable from participants qualify as party-in-interest transactions but are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

8 - COVID - 19

The COVID-19 pandemic has waned, but economic uncertainties caused by the pandemic remain, which could potentially have negative impacts on investment markets. The Plan Sponsor continues to monitor its impact as consumer purchasing activities and the Plan Sponsor’s supply chain management capabilities may have been negatively impacted. The related financial impact cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.

9 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through September 23, 2024, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
EIN: 20-13100042 PLAN NO. 001
FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4a
SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan *	Total That Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP And Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments Are Included: ☐	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program ("VFCP")	Contributions Pending Correction In VFCP	
$ 1,000	$ -	$ 1,000	$ -	$ -

See accompanying independent auditors' report

AVALON APPAREL, LLC 401(k) PLAN
EIN: 20-1310042 PLAN NO. 001
FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Money Market Fund:			
	Fidelity	Government Money Market Portfolio	**	$ 5,698
	Total money market fund		**	5,698
	Registered investment companies (mutual funds):			
	Vanguard	Target Retirement Income	**	168,214
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2020	**	234,972
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2025	**	906,653
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2030	**	778,829
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2035	**	638,497
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2040	**	330,796
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2045	**	270,670
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2050	**	425,399
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2055	**	142,281
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2060	**	71,277
	Vanguard	Target Retirement 2065	**	1,370
	Vanguard	Balanced Index Fund	**	56,690
	Vanguard	High Yield Corporate Fund	**	16,967
	MFS	MFS Value, Class R3		4,818
	Vanguard	500 Index Fund	**	76,365
	American Century	American Century Growth Fund, R6 Class		44,159
	Vanguard	Selected Value		2,418
	Vanguard	Mid-Cap Index Fund	**	49,450
	JP Morgan	Mid-Cap Growth Fund	**	22,916
	American Beacon	Small Cap Value Fund	**	2,255
	Vanguard	Small Cap Index Fund	**	97,221
	Vanguard	Small Cap Growth Index Fund	**	35,894
	American Funds	New Perspective Fund	**	9,113
	Vanguard	Total International Stock Index Fund	**	16,762
	American Funds	International Growth and Income		2,248
	DFA Investment Trust Company	Emerging Markets Core Equity	**	13,829
	Vanguard	Real Estate Index Fund	**	1,586
	Total mutual funds, at fair value			4,421,649
	Stable value fund			
	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.			246,634
	Total stable value fund			246,634
*	Notes receivable from participants	5.25% - 10.50% maturing through October 2028	**	29,392

Column (a) - * party-in-interest transactions $ 4,703,373

Column (d) - ** cost information may be omitted for participant-directed transactions under an individual account plan.

See accompanying independent auditors' report

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

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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
Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 001

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2011

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)

Avalon Apparel, LLC

2520 W. 6th Street

US Los Angeles CA 90057

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
20-1310042

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
(323) 581-3511

2d Business code (see instructions)
448130

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	[signature]	10-09-24	SUSAN FISHER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	[signature]	10-09-24	JASON SCHUTZER
	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 [X] 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 and 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**	267
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	**6a(1)**	147
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	138
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	118
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2), 6b,** and **6c**	**6d**	256
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**	**6f**	256
g(1)	Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(1)**	221
g(2)	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	216
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	0
7	Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	**7**	

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

2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 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)		**9b** Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)	
(1)	[X] Insurance	**(1)**	[ ] Insurance
(2)	[ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	**(2)**	[ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3)	[X] Trust	**(3)**	[X] Trust
(4)	[ ] General assets of the sponsor	**(4)**	[ ] General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- **(1)** [X] **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)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information - Small Plan)
- **(3)** [X] **A** (Insurance Information) - Number Attached 1
- **(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 A (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance 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.**

▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).

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2023

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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan
Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
Avalon Apparel, LLC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
20-1310042

Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year (f) From	Policy or contract year (g) To
47-0098400	61301	337721		1/1/2023	12/31/2023

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
10,457	0

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

Joshua Oronce
4675 Macarthur CT #725

US Newport Beach CA 92660

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid (c) Amount	Fees and other commissions paid (d) Purpose	(e) Organization code
4,183			4

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

Fix, Kenneth Owens
6703 Glorywhite St

US Lakewood CA 90713

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid (c) Amount	Fees and other commissions paid (d) Purpose	(e) Organization code
2,091			4

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

Soucier, Jonathan P
15520 Rockfield Blvd, Suite G

US Irvine CA 92618

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	
4,183			**4**

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ►

b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	6c	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount	6d	

Specify nature of costs ►

e Type of contract (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity

(3) ☐ other (specify) ►

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan check here ► ☐

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type on contract (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee

(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ►

b	Balance at the end of the previous year		7b	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)		
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)		
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)		
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)		
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)		
	►			
	(6) Total additions		7c(6)	
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).		7d	
e	Deductions:			
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)		
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)		
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)		
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)		
	►			
	(5) Total deductions		7e(5)	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)		7f	

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organization(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- **a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
- **b** ☐ Dental
- **c** ☐ Vision
- **d** ☐ Life insurance
- **e** ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
- **f** ☐ Long-term disability
- **g** ☐ Supplemental unemployment
- **h** ☐ Prescription drug
- **i** ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
- **j** ☐ HMO contract
- **k** ☐ PPO contract
- **l** ☐ Indemnity contract
- **m** ☐ Other (specify) ►

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)			
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)			
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)			
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))			9a(4)	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	9b(1)			
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)			
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))			9b(3)	
(4) Claims charged			9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)			
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)			
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)			
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)			
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)			
(H) Total retention			9c(1)(H)	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves			9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves			9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			9e	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:				
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier			10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount			10b	

Specify nature of costs

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☐ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ►

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)	Financial Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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.	2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection

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A Name of plan	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan		

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
Avalon Apparel, LLC	20-1310042

Part I Asset and Liability Statement

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	5,433	29,392
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	3,900,741	4,673,981
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(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	3,906,174	4,703,373
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	39,388	3,579
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	39,388	3,579
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	3,866,786	4,699,794

Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: **(A)** Employers	2a(1)(A)		
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	467,295	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		467,295
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)	1,473	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		1,473
(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A), (B),** and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		652,550
c Other income	2c		(39)
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		1,121,279
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	284,537	
(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)		284,537
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	3,734	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	2i(12)		3,734
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		288,271
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		833,008
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) [X] Unmodified **(2)** [ ] Qualified **(3)** [ ] Disclaimer **(4)** [ ] Adverse

b Check the appropiate 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) [X] 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: **Fineman West & Company, LLP** **(2)** EIN: **95-4427433**

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, 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.)	4a	X		1,000
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of 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.)	4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X		500,000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	4n			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? [ ] Yes [X] 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
Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
Avalon Apparel, LLC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
20-1310042

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**

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): 47-0098400

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**

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 _____

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information *(if more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the begining 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 attachment)	**14a**	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	**14b**	
c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	**14c**	

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

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	**15a**	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	**15b**	

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

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	**16a**	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	**16b**	

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

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

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

19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b)

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Public Equity: _____ % Private Equity: _____ % Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____ %

High-Yield Debt: _____ % Real Assets: _____ % Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____ % Other: _____ %

Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:

☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more

20 **PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation _____

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☐ No

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

☐ Design-based safe harbor method

☐ "Prior year" ADP test

☐ "Current year" ADP test

☐ N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter ___/___/_____ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number _____.

E-SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION

for

Avalon Apparel, LLC 401(k) Plan

20-1310042/001

For Plan Year 01/01/2023 through 12/31/2023

I/We, the undersigned, understand that a 5500 Series filing for the plan listed above must be prepared, electronically signed and electronically transmitted to the EBSA Electronic Filing Acceptance System (EFAST).

I/We authorize Hicks Pension Services to electronically sign the 5500 Series filing on my/our behalf and to transmit that signed form to EFAST on or before the filing due date.

I/We understand that by granting this authority:

- A manually signed and dated Form 5500 that has been provided must be returned to Hicks Pension Services before they can begin the electronic filing process. I/We will retain a copy of this manually signed form and any schedules and attachments in the plan records.
- Hicks Pension Services will not be responsible for any late filing penalty assessed under ERISA should I/we not return the manually signed and dated Form 5500 prior to the filing due date.
- An electronic copy of the manually signed and dated Form 5500 showing my/our signatures will be included in the electronic filing and will be posted by the EBSA to the Internet for public disclosure.
- Hicks Pension Services will maintain a copy of this written authorization in its records.
- Hicks Pension Services will notify all signers about any inquiries and correspondence it receives about this filing from EFAST, EBSA, IRS or PBGC.
- Hicks Pension Services shall not be deemed to be a plan fiduciary with respect to this plan solely on account of providing the electronic signature and filing of the 5500 for the plan year listed above.

Plan Administrator

10-09-24

Date

Plan Sponsor

10-09-24

Date