

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

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information	
1a	Name of plan BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
		1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1997
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) BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE, LLC 2301 LOU MENK DR. FORT WORTH, TX 76131	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 27-1754839 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 817-352-1667 2d Business code (see instructions) 551112

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

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☐ Same as Plan Sponsor SVP & CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTE FE LLC 2301 LOU MENK DRIVE FORT WORTH, TX 76131		3b Administrator's EIN 06-1795272	
		3c Administrator's telephone number 817-352-1667	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name		4b EIN 4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year		5	8961
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested		6a(1) 6a(2) 6b 6c 6d 6e 6f 6g(1) 6g(2) 6h	6551 6424 269 2263 8956 75 9031 8553 8503 263
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)		7	
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2G 2I 2J 2K 2O 2T 3F 3H b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:			
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor		9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	
10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)			
a Pension Schedules (1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (4) ☐ DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____ (5) ☐ MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)		b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached _____ (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)	

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

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

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

A Name of plan BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 27-1754839

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

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Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a

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

No

Yes

☒
- b

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

(b)

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

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 25 37 52 99	NONE	64272	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
16	NONE	7050	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

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SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration		DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.		OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.	
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023					
A Name of plan BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN				B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002	
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE, LLC				D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 27-1754839	
Part I Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)					
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: BNSF 401K PLANS MASTER TRUST					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTE FE, LLC/BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY					
c EIN-PN 27-1754839-003		d Entity code M		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2253842352	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):					
c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):					
c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):					
c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):					
c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	

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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

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

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2023</u> and ending <u>12/31/2023</u>		
A Name of plan <u>BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>002</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE, LLC</u>		
		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>27-1754839</u>

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)	<u>26798248</u>	<u>28921405</u>
(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)	<u>1951248683</u>	<u>2253842352</u>
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	1978046931	2282763757
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	40650	135629
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	40650	135629
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	1978006281	2282628128

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)	49921968	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	61175014	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	2187451	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B), (C), and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		113284433
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)	1597280	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		1597280
(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)		0
(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)		334370727
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		449252440

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	146563646	
(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)		146563646
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		36351
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		55079
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	11722	
(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)	7050	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		18772
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		146673848

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		302578592
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		4492748
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		2449493

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **WHITLEY PENN LLP**

(2) EIN: **75-2393478**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		☒	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒		5000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

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

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)
BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY NON-SALARIED EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN	41-6034000	006

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 BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE, LLC		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 27-1754839
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): 23-2186884		
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		
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.		
Schedule R (Form 5500) 2023 v. 230707		

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

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

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

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

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:		
a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14b	
c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14c	

15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	

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

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

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment. ☐

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

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

☐ Yes.

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

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

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation. _____

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

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

☐ Design-based safe harbor method

☐ "Prior year" ADP test

☒ "Current year" ADP test

☐ N/A

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

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Participants and Administrator of the
Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan (the "Plan") 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 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Plan's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Plan in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Supplemental Information

The supplemental information in the accompanying schedule of Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023, has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Plan's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the supplemental information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the supplemental information. In forming our opinion on the supplemental information, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. In our opinion, the supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Whitley Penn

We have served as the Plan's auditor since 2006.

Fort Worth, Texas
June 14, 2024

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement No. 333-164961 on Form S-8 of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. of our report dated June 14, 2024, with respect to the statements of net assets available for benefits of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related supplemental schedule of Schedule H, Line 4i- Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023, which report appears in the December 31, 2023 annual report on Form 11-K of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Whitley Penn

Fort Worth, Texas
June 14, 2024

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 11-K

**FOR ANNUAL REPORTS OF EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE, SAVINGS AND SIMILAR PLANS PURSUANT TO
SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

(Mark One)

☒ ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023

OR

☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission file number 001-14905

**Burlington Northern Santa Fe
Investment and Retirement Plan**

**2650 Lou Menk Drive
Fort Worth, Texas 76131-2830**

(Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below)

**BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC.
3555 Farnam Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68131**

(Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office)

**BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE
INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN**

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Participants and Administrator of the
Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan

Opinion on the Financial Statements

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/s/ Whitley Penn LLP

We have served as the Plan’s auditor since 2006.

Fort Worth, Texas
June 14, 2024

**BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE
INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN**

**STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(In thousands)**

	As of December 31,	
	2023	2022
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value:		
Investment in BNSF 401(k) Plans Master Trust (Note 4)	\$ 1,989,807	\$ 1,656,956
Investments, at contract value:		
Investment in BNSF 401(k) Plans Master Trust relating to fully benefit-responsive contracts (Note 4)	264,035	294,292
Total investments	2,253,842	1,951,248
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	30,015	28,101
Total assets	2,283,857	1,979,349
LIABILITIES		
Contributions owed to participants	136	40
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 2,283,721	\$ 1,979,309

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

**BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE
INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(In thousands)**

	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Additions to net assets:	
Plan interest in BNSF 401(k) Plans Master Trust investment income (Note 4)	\$ 334,370
Interest income from notes receivable from participants	1,597
Contributions:	
Employer	49,922
Participant	63,363
Total contributions	113,285
Asset transfers from other plans, net	2,043
Total additions to net assets	451,295
Deductions from net assets:	
Benefit payments to participants	146,865
Administrative expenses	18
Total deductions from net assets	146,883
Net increase in net assets	304,412
Net assets available for benefits:	
Beginning of year	1,979,309
End of year	\$ 2,283,721

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

**BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE
INVESTMENT AND RETIREMENT PLAN**

**Notes to Financial Statements
As of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the Year Ended December 31, 2023**

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The purpose of the Plan, which is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), is to offer eligible employees of Burlington Northern Santa Fe, LLC and certain affiliated companies (collectively, BNSF) an opportunity to invest a portion of their income on a regular basis through payroll deductions. These amounts, supplemented by BNSF's matching contributions, may be invested at the participant's direction in various investment funds.

Administration

The Plan is administered by BNSF's Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer (the Plan Administrator). Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company (the Trustee) is responsible for the custody and management of the Plan's assets, and an affiliate of the Trustee provides recordkeeping services to the Plan. BNSF's Employee Benefits Committee is responsible for appointing and removing the Trustee, specifying the investment options available under the Plan (if not otherwise mandated by the Plan), and reviewing benefit claims appeals.

Master Trust

The Plan participates in the BNSF 401(k) Plans Master Trust (the Master Trust) and, along with the BNSF Railway Company Non-Salaried Employees 401(k) Retirement Plan (the Non-Salaried Plan), owns a percentage of the assets in the Master Trust.

Eligibility

Effective October 1, 2015, any salaried employee regularly assigned to a salaried position, except a non-resident alien, of BNSF who is not subject to a collective bargaining agreement is eligible to participate in the Plan immediately upon hire.

Also effective October 1, 2015, the Plan provides for the automatic enrollment of employees who become newly eligible to participate in the Plan at a rate of six percent of their base salary. For employees already eligible, they may become participants in the Plan by authorizing regular payroll deductions and designating an allocation method for such deductions.

During 2023, BNSF Railway completed a business combination with the Montana Rail Link (MRL) in accordance with ASC Topic 805 (ASC 805). The transaction resulted in an amendment to the Plan allowing certain former MRL employees to enter the Plan effective January 1, 2024. Former MRL employees were automatically enrolled into the Plan as applicable, unless elected otherwise. Additionally, these participants received credit for vesting service and the core contribution determination based on their tenure at MRL.

Contributions

Compensation, as generally defined under the Plan, is the total of base salary, commissions and Incentive Compensation Plan bonuses. The Plan provides that the annual compensation of each employee taken into account under the Plan for any year may not exceed a limitation pursuant to requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). During 2023, the limitation was \$330

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thousand. The maximum limitation on combined total before-tax and after-tax employee contributions (other than catch-up contributions) is 50% of a participant's base salary, commissions and Incentive Compensation Plan bonus award with separate elections for each, not to exceed certain limits as described in the Plan document. All employee-elected contributions are made by means of regular payroll deductions.

BNSF matches 75% of the first 6% of employee-elected before-tax contributions and/or Roth contributions for each pay period. BNSF matching contributions are made in cash, as soon as practicable after the end of each pay period.

Effective April 1, 2019, the Plan was amended to include an additional, non-matching employer contribution (the Core Contribution). Non-union employees hired on or after April 1, 2019 are eligible to receive the Core Contribution, as are existing employees who have transitioned away from active participation in BNSF's defined benefit pension plan. The amount of the Core Contribution is based on the eligible participant's compensation and a percentage determined by the participant's age plus Core Contribution service as of December 31 of each plan year.

During the 2023 Plan year, in accordance with the provisions of the IRC, no participant could elect more than \$30 thousand in before-tax and/or Roth after-tax contributions, which included a \$7.5 thousand limit for catch-up contributions for participants age 50 or older before the close of the Plan year. This limitation does not include BNSF's matching contributions. In addition, the Plan provides that annual contributions for highly-compensated employees (as defined by the IRC) may be limited based on the average rate of contributions for lower-compensated employees. In no event may the total of employee-elected pre-tax contributions, employee after-tax contributions, and BNSF's matching contributions exceed the lesser of \$66 thousand (\$73.5 thousand including catch-up contributions) or 100% of a participant's compensation, as defined in IRC Section 415(c)(3), for any participant in a calendar year, subject to certain cost-of-living adjustments. Contributions with respect to any participant may be further reduced to the extent necessary to prevent disqualification of the Plan under Section 415 of the IRC, which imposes additional limitations on contributions and benefits with regard to employees who participate in other qualified plans.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's elective contributions, BNSF's employer contributions, interest, dividends and gains and losses attributable to such contributions. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is limited to the participant's vested account balance.

Participants may direct the investment of their account balances into investment options offered by the Plan. At December 31, 2023, the Plan offers a company stock fund (the Company Stock Fund) which consists of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (Berkshire) Class B common stock (BNSF is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Berkshire), four mutual funds, eighteen common / collective trusts and a stable value fund as investment options for participants, all of which are held by the Master Trust.

Participants may allocate both employee elective and employer contributions to any or all of the investment options in multiples of 1%. Participants may reallocate amounts from one investment option to another on a daily basis within certain guidelines as described in the Plan document and the relevant investment prospectus.

No investment election or interfund transfer may result in the investment of more than 20% of the value of a participant's account in the Company Stock Fund. Investment election funds that exceed the 20% limit are invested in a target retirement trust designed for investors planning to retire on a date closest to the participant's 65th birthday.

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Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their elective contributions plus any income or loss thereon. BNSF matching contributions become fully vested in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Number of Years of Vesting Service*</u>	<u>Vested Percentage</u>
Less than 1 year	0%
1 year but less than 2 years	20%
2 years but less than 3 years	40%
3 years but less than 4 years	60%
4 years but less than 5 years	80%
5 years or more	100%

Core Contributions amounts vest 100% to the participant after 3 years of Vesting Service*.

* The term “Vesting Service” is defined as the number of plan years in which the participant is compensated for at least 1,000 hours of work by BNSF, in any capacity.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1 thousand up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50 thousand or 50% of their vested account balance. Participants may have up to two loans outstanding at any time. Loan transactions are treated as a transfer to (from) the investment fund from (to) the participant loan account. Loan terms can be up to five years, or fifteen years for the purchase of a primary residence. The loans are collateralized by the balance in the participant’s account and bear fixed interest at the prime rate as of the first business day of the quarter in which the loan is made plus 1%. Interest rates on loans outstanding as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 range from 4.25% to 10.00%. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions for active employees.

Benefit Payments to Participants

Subject to certain Plan and IRC restrictions, a participant may, at any time, elect to withdraw all or a specified portion of the value of the participant’s account in the Plan, including vested employer contributions. Both the Plan and the IRC allow a participant who has not attained age 59 ½ to withdraw the participant’s pre-tax and Roth after-tax contributions only in the event of hardship (as defined in the Plan). Earnings on pre-tax contributions credited after December 31, 1988, are not available for withdrawal for hardship.

No distribution from the Plan, unless in the event of hardship, attainment of age 59 ½, or the withdrawal of rollover contributions, will be made until a participant retires, dies (in which case, payment shall be made to his or her beneficiary), becomes disabled or otherwise terminates employment with BNSF.

By law, a distribution of benefits must occur or commence no later than April 1 of the calendar year following the latter of the year when a participant attains age 73 or retires. In the event of the death of a participant, the participant’s account is distributed to their beneficiary. Immediate lump-sum distributions are required in the case of accounts valued at up to \$5 thousand. Mandatory lump-sum distributions which are greater than \$1 thousand will be transferred to an individual retirement account for

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the benefit of the participant unless the participant elects to receive the distribution directly or roll-over the distribution into another eligible retirement plan.

Forfeited Accounts

The Plan provides for the forfeiture of nonvested BNSF matching contributions related to terminated employees. Forfeitures shall be used in the following order (as described by the Plan document):

- First, to restore previously forfeited amounts of other participants who have resumed employment with BNSF;
- Second, to offset future BNSF matching contributions; and
- Finally, to pay administrative expenses of the Plan.

Forfeitures of \$871 thousand were used to offset BNSF matching contributions in 2023. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, unused forfeited balances totaled \$170 thousand and \$271 thousand, respectively.

Plan Amendment and Termination

The Plan may be amended at any time. No such amendment, however, may adversely affect the rights of participants in the Plan with respect to contributions made prior to the date of the amendment. BNSF matching contributions may be discontinued and participation by BNSF in the Plan may be terminated at any time at the election of BNSF. In the event the Plan is terminated, each participant shall receive the full amount of Plan assets in their respective accounts.

The Plan is subject to the provisions of ERISA applicable to defined contribution plans. The Plan provides for an individual account for each participating employee. Plan benefits are based solely on the amount contributed to the participating employee's account plus any income, expenses, gains and losses attributed to such account. Consequently, Plan benefits are not insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation pursuant to Title IV of ERISA.

Voting Rights

Each participant is entitled to exercise voting rights attributable to the shares of Berkshire's Class B common stock allocated to the participant's account.

NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies, which conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) and with the requirements of ERISA, have been used consistently in the preparation of the Plan's financial statements:

Basis of Accounting

The Plan's financial statements have been prepared under the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with GAAP.

Investments held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits attributable to the contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate a permitted withdrawal transaction under the terms of the Plan. The Plan holds investments, including fully benefit-responsive investment contracts through the Master Trust. The Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits and the

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits present the fair value of the investment in the Master Trust as well as the contract value relating to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the 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 these estimates.

Income Recognition

Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded when earned. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Capital gain distributions are included in dividend income. Net appreciation or depreciation in the fair value of investments consists of realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments.

Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan provides for various investment options that include stocks, mutual funds, common / collective investment trusts and other investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Plan's financial statements.

Benefit Payments to Participants

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Transfers

BNSF Railway sponsors the Non-Salaried Plan that also participates in the Master Trust along with the Plan. If a participant's union status changes, they may elect to transfer their account balance into the corresponding plan.

NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Plan's interest in the Master Trust is stated at fair value for all investments other than fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are stated at contract value. Various inputs are used to determine the fair value of the Plan's investments which can be categorized into the following three levels:

Level 1 - Quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 - Other inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, and model-derived valuations in which all significant inputs are observable.

Level 3 - Valuations derived from valuation techniques in which one or more significant inputs are unobservable.

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The fair value of the Plan's interest in the Master Trust is based on the underlying participant-directed investment options. The investments held by the Master Trust are valued as follows:

(1) Investments in mutual funds are valued based on quoted prices from the public exchanges on which the funds are actively traded, which is classified as Level 1 in the hierarchy.

(2) The Company Stock Fund is a unitized stock fund and operates similar to a mutual fund in that the value of a unit reflects the combined value of underlying stock and a small amount of cash equivalents that are included to allow for the regular processing of transactions. The common stock portion of the fund is valued based on the closing price as reported on the New York Stock Exchange, which is classified as a Level 1 in the hierarchy. The cash equivalent portion is held in a money market fund and is also classified as Level 1 in the hierarchy.

(3) Common / collective trusts are valued based on the calculated net asset value of the respective investment entity. Although the trusts themselves are not publicly traded, the underlying assets are traded on exchanges and on other markets, and price quotes for the assets held by these trusts are readily available. Additionally, the net asset value per share is determined and published daily and is the basis for current transactions. These investments are classified as Level 2 in the hierarchy.

The following table summarizes the Plan's investments at fair and contract value as of December 31, 2023, based on the valuation inputs (in thousands):

	Total	Level 1 Inputs	Level 2 Inputs
Mutual Funds	\$ 470,585	\$ 470,585	\$ —
Company Stock Fund	209,427	209,427	—
Common / Collective Trusts	1,309,795	—	1,309,795
Total investments at fair value	\$ 1,989,807	\$ 680,012	\$ 1,309,795
Investments at contract value	264,035		
Total investments	\$ 2,253,842		

The following table summarizes the Plan's investments at fair and contract value as of December 31, 2022, based on the valuation inputs (in thousands):

	Total	Level 1 Inputs	Level 2 Inputs
Mutual Funds	\$ 452,336	\$ 452,336	\$ —
Company Stock Fund	190,010	190,010	—
Common / Collective Trusts	1,014,610	—	1,014,610
Total investments at fair value	\$ 1,656,956	\$ 642,346	\$ 1,014,610
Investments at contract value	294,292		
Total investments	\$ 1,951,248		

NOTE 4 - INVESTMENT IN MASTER TRUST

All of the Plan's investments are in the Master Trust, which was established for the investment of assets of the Plan and of the Non-Salaried Plan of BNSF Railway. Each participating retirement plan has an undivided interest in the Master Trust. The assets of the Master Trust are held by the Trustee.

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The following table presents the total of investments in the Master Trust (in thousands):

	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
	Master Trust	Plan's Investment	Master Trust	Plan's Investment
Investments:				
Mutual Funds	\$ 1,330,084	\$ 470,585	\$ 1,234,793	\$ 452,336
Company Stock Fund	588,976	209,427	531,542	190,010
Common / Collective Trusts	3,592,427	1,309,795	2,819,930	1,014,610
Total investments measured at fair value	5,511,487	1,989,807	4,586,265	1,656,956
Investments measured at contract value	752,527	264,035	822,228	294,292
Total	\$ 6,264,014	\$ 2,253,842	\$ 5,408,493	\$ 1,951,248
Plan's Percentage of Investment in Master Trust Net Assets		36%		36%

Investment income for the Master Trust was as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Investment income:	
Net investment appreciation	\$ 846,136
Interest and dividend income	78,851
Total	\$ 924,987
Plan's percentage of investment income from the Master Trust	36 %

The Master Trust's investment at contract value is a stable-value fund, which invests in traditional and alternative guaranteed investment contracts (GICs). GICs are contracts between an issuer and the Plan that provide for a fixed return on principal amounts invested over a fixed period of time. As described in Note 2, because the investment contracts are fully benefit-responsive, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits attributable to the investment contracts. Contract value represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. Net assets and net investment income/loss are allocated to participating plans based on number of units owned. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value.

Alternative GICs (a form of wrap contract) are typically paired with an underlying single or multiple high-quality fixed income investments, fixed income mutual funds, or with units of a collective trust bond portfolio. The wrap contract is owned by the Plan while the underlying investments may or may not be owned by the Plan, depending on the contract. Wrap contracts are issued by insurance or financial services institutions. Investment gains and losses are amortized over the expected duration of the underlying investments of that contract through the calculation of an interest rate applicable to the contract on a prospective basis. The wrap contracts provide for a variable crediting rate, which typically resets quarterly, and the issuer of the wrap contract provides assurance that future adjustments to the crediting rate cannot result in a crediting rate less than zero.

The wrap contract crediting rate is typically based on the current yield-to-maturity of the covered investments, plus or minus an amortization of the difference between the market value and contract value of the covered investments over the duration of the covered investments at the time of computation. The crediting rate is affected by the change in the annual effective yield-to-

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maturity of the underlying securities, and is also affected by the differential between the contract value and the market value of the covered investments. In addition, changes in duration from reset period to reset period can affect the crediting rate.

Certain events can limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value. Such events can include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan; (ii) changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions; (iii) bankruptcy of BNSF or other BNSF events (e.g., divestitures or spin-off of a subsidiary) which cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan; or (iv) the failure of the Plan or Master Trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA. The Plan Administrator does not believe that the occurrence of any such event, which would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with participants, is probable.

Investment contracts generally impose conditions on the Plan. If an event of default occurs and is not cured, the issuer may terminate the contract. These events may include: (i) a breach of material obligation under the contract; (ii) a material misrepresentation; or (iii) a material amendment to the Plan agreement that is not approved and accepted by the issuer. The Plan may terminate wrap contracts at any time with notice, subject to certain conditions. Other than for reasons of Plan default, wrap contract issuers may generally only terminate contracts upon the completion of certain contract requirements, such as completion of a specified period of time.

If, in the event of default of an issuer, the Plan was unable to obtain a replacement investment contract, the Plan may experience losses if the value of the Plan's assets no longer covered by the contract is below contract value. The Plan may seek to add additional issuers over time to diversify the Plan's exposure to such risk, but there is no assurance that the Plan may be able to do so. The combination of the default of an issuer and an inability to obtain a replacement agreement could render the Plan unable to achieve its objective of maintaining a stable contract value. Contract termination occurs whenever the contract value or market value of the covered investments reaches zero or upon certain events of default. If the contract terminates due to issuer default, the issuer will generally be required to pay to the Plan the excess, if any, of contract value over market value on the date of termination. If the contract terminates when the market value equals zero, the issuer will pay the excess of contract value over market value to the Plan to the extent necessary for the Plan to satisfy outstanding contract value withdrawal requests.

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

Certain Plan investments held in the Master Trust are shares of mutual funds or common / collective trusts managed by the Trustee. The Plan also invests in the Class B common stock of Berkshire, a related party, through the Company Stock Fund, which is also held in the Master Trust. The Master Trust recorded purchases of \$31 million and sales of \$61 million of Berkshire Class B common stock during the year ended December 31, 2023. Transactions in such investments qualify as party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules.

Notes receivable from participants are also considered party-in-interest transactions.

Administrative expenses of the Plan, except for certain participant loan fees and Qualified Domestic Relations Order fees, are paid by BNSF. For the year ended December 31, 2023, BNSF paid \$310 thousand in administrative expenses on behalf of the Plan.

NOTE 6 - INCOME TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service determined and informed BNSF by letter dated May 21, 2018 that the Plan was qualified under IRC Section 401(a). The Plan has subsequently been amended and restated since receiving the determination letter; however, the

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Plan Administrator and tax counsel believe the Plan is designed and is currently operating in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

In accordance with IRC Section 401(k), amounts deducted from participants' salaries as before-tax contributions are not income taxable to the participants until withdrawn or distributed. Non-Roth after-tax contributions are not subject to taxation upon withdrawal or distribution. Roth after-tax contributions and earnings are not subject to taxation upon withdrawal or distribution.

GAAP requires management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan sponsor has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan and has concluded that as of December 31, 2023, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE 7 - RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The financial statements of the Plan include distributions to participants as deductions when paid. The Department of Labor requires participant loans that violate the IRC to be recorded as deemed distributions on the Form 5500, although the Plan still holds the participant loans as an asset.

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits from the financial statements to the Form 5500 (in thousands):

	As of December 31,	
	2023	2022
Net assets available for benefits from the financial statements	\$ 2,283,721	\$ 1,979,309
Participant loans reduced by current year deemed distributions	(55)	(193)
Participant loans reduced by deemed distributions in prior years and currently outstanding	(1,039)	(1,111)
Net assets available for benefits from the Form 5500	<u>\$ 2,282,627</u>	<u>\$ 1,978,005</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the change in net assets available for benefits from the financial statements to the Form 5500 (in thousands):

	Year Ended December 31, 2023
Net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 304,412
Deemed distributions of participant loans for the current year	(55)
Deemed distributions of participant loans for the prior year	265
Net increase in net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 304,622</u>

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**SCHEDULE H, Line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023
(Dollars in thousands)**

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Attachment to Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i:
(in thousands)

(a)	(b)	(c)	(e)
	Identity of Issuer, Borrower or Similar Party	Description of Investment, including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	Current Value
*	BNSF 401(k) Plans Master Trust	Investment in Master Trust	\$ 2,253,842
*	Notes receivable from participants	Interest rates of 4.25% - 10.00% with maturities from less than one year to fifteen years	28,921
	Total assets held for investment purposes		\$ 2,282,763

* Represents a party-in-interest, as defined by ERISA.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan

By: /s/ Judy K. Carter

Judy K. Carter
Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer

Date: June 14, 2024

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement No. 333-164961 on Form S-8 of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. of our report dated June 14, 2024, with respect to the statements of net assets available for benefits of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related supplemental schedule of Schedule H, Line 4i- Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023, which report appears in the December 31, 2023 annual report on Form 11-K of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Investment and Retirement Plan for the year ended December 31, 2023.

/s/ Whitley Penn LLP

Fort Worth, Texas
June 14, 2024

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