

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 REPUBLIC STEEL 401(K) PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 08/16/2002
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) REPUBLIC STEEL 2633 EIGHTH STREET, N.E. CANTON, OH 44704-2311
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 20-0485783
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 330-670-7078
2d	Business code (see instructions) 331110

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.	10/11/2024	ROBERT KOURY
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 1027
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) 628 6a(2) 32 6b 0 6c 431 6d 463 6e 7 6f 470 6g(1) 621 6g(2) 460 6h 9
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 2R 2T

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		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 REPUBLIC STEEL 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 REPUBLIC STEEL	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 20-0485783

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.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
CHARLES SCHWAB & CO. INC. AND AFFIL
94-1737782

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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)

HIGHLAND CONSULTING ASSOCIATES

34-1753575

(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?
28 50	NONE	37215	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

SCHWAB RETIREMENT PLAN SERVICES, INC.

34-1479833

(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 50 64	NONE	10935	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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94-1737782

(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?
33 50 59 62 71	NONE	55	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

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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82-3967259

(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?
25 52 59 62	NONE	0	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

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

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

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
SEE ATTACHMENT 90-0924512	SEE ATTACHMENT	

(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.	

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:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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

Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan <u>REPUBLIC STEEL 401(K) PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	<u>001</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>REPUBLIC STEEL</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>20-0485783</u>	

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)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>Schwab Managed Ret Tr Fund 2010</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>Charles Schwab Trust Bank</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>81-0625169-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>353865</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>Schwab Managed Ret Tr Fund 2020</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>Charles Schwab Trust Bank</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>81-0625169-002</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>2387540</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>Schwab Managed Ret Tr Fund 2030</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>Charles Schwab Trust Bank</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>81-0625169-003</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>2647471</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>Schwab Managed Ret Tr Fund 2040</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>Charles Schwab Trust Bank</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>81-0625169-004</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>2602516</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>Schwab Managed Ret Tr Fund 2050</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>Charles Schwab Trust Bank</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>81-0625169-010</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>1330232</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>Schwab Managed Ret Tr Fund 2060</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>Charles Schwab Trust Bank</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>81-0625169-022</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>54065</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>Schwab Managed Ret Tr Fund - Income</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>Charles Schwab Trust Bank</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>81-0625169-005</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>397765</u>

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SCHWAB INST LRG CAP VAL TR FUND

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

c EIN-PN 81-0625170-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1265154
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: MELLON STABLE VALUE FD CL M

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON

c EIN-PN 11-3152987-000	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 5057906
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SCHWAB MANAGED RET TR FUND 2015

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

c EIN-PN 81-0625169-012	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 49146
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SCHWAB MANAGED RET TR FUND 2025

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

c EIN-PN 81-0625169-014	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 296639
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SCHWAB MANAGED RET TR FUND 2035

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

c EIN-PN 81-0625169-016	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 183521
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SCHWAB MANAGED RET TR FUND 2045

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

c EIN-PN 81-0625169-018	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 321090
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SCHWAB MANAGED RET TR FUND 2055

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

c EIN-PN 81-0625169-021	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 59310
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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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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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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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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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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 REPUBLIC STEEL		
		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 20-0485783

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)	70611	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	106630	0
(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)	679792	449681
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	16786288	17006220
(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)	26218358	24482481
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)	3137690	993729

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	46999369	42932111
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	0	
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	46999369	42932111

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)	754921	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	1091882	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	50204	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		1897007
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)	29598	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	172007	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		201605
(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)	1060801	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		1060801
(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)		7503496
c Other income	2c		46027
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		10708936

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	14728894	
(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)		14728894
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)	350	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	9735	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	37215	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		47300
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		14776194

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-4067258
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **DOEREN MAYHEW ASSURANCE**

(2) EIN: **38-2492570**

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.)	☒	☐	218989
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☐	☒	
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	☐	☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒	☐	
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	☐	☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	☐	☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	☐	☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	☐	☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	☐	☐	

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year 0.

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan REPUBLIC STEEL 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 REPUBLIC STEEL	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 20-0485783

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

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 82-3967259 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.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
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
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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
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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.
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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 _____

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:		
a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q703868A.



REPUBLIC STEEL 401(k) PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
(With Independent Auditor's Report Thereon)

REPUBLIC STEEL 401(k) PLAN

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator and Participants
Republic Steel 401(k) Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of the Republic Steel 401(k) Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). 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 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 a certification 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 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Emphasis of Matter - Plan Sponsor Status of Operations

As discussed in Note 9 of the financial statements, the Plan Sponsor has historically incurred losses from operations and has been dependent on related parties through common ownership to fund their operations. In addition, the Plan Sponsor announced the decision of ceasing manufacturing operations indefinitely during the year ended December 31, 2023. Management's evaluation of the events and conditions and management's plans to mitigate these matters are also described in Note 9.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements

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

In performing audits in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- 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 audits in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Republic Steel 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 the Republic Steel 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 audits, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audits.

Other Matters - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of delinquent participant contributions 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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified 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).

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doeren Mayhew Assurance".

Troy, Michigan
October 9, 2024

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STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 42,482,430	\$ 46,142,336
Receivables		
Participant contributions	-	106,630
Employer contributions	-	70,611
Notes receivable from participants	<u>449,681</u>	<u>679,792</u>
Total receivables	<u>449,681</u>	<u>857,033</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 42,932,111</u>	<u>\$ 46,999,369</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Additions	
Investment income	
Interest and dividend income	\$ 1,232,808
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	<u>7,549,523</u>
Net investment income	8,782,331
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	29,598
Contributions	
Participants	1,091,882
Rollovers	50,204
Employer	<u>754,921</u>
Total contributions	<u>1,897,007</u>
Total additions	10,708,936
Deductions	
Distributions to participants	14,728,894
Administrative fees	<u>47,300</u>
Total deductions	<u>14,776,194</u>
Net decrease in assets	(4,067,258)
Net assets available for benefits - January 1, 2023	<u>46,999,369</u>
Net assets available for benefits - December 31, 2023	<u><u>\$ 42,932,111</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

Note 1 – Description of the Plan

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan that was established on August 16, 2002 by Republic Steel (the Company/Employer). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). The following description of the Plan is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Summary Plan Description or the plan document, including amendments thereto, for a complete description of the Plan's provisions.

Administration

The Plan Sponsor and named Plan Administrator is Republic Steel. The Plan Administrator is responsible for oversight of the Plan. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance and fees, and reports to the Plan's Trustee. The Plan's Trustee and Investment Custodian is Charles Schwab Trust Bank. The Investment Custodian holds all of the Plan's assets and executes all of the Plan's transactions. The Investment Custodian has also retained Charles Schwab Retirement Plan Services to provide participant recordkeeping and administration services.

Eligibility

The Plan covers all salaried employees of the Employer who are not represented for purposes of collective bargaining ("salaried non-union"); employees who are represented by the International Union of United Plant Guard Workers of America, Local 224 ("guards"); employees who are represented by the Bricklayers and Allied Craftsmen, Local No. 6 ("bricklayers"); employees of the Republic N&T Railroad, Inc. ("N&T hourly"); hourly employees represented by the United Steel Workers of America ("USWA hourly"); and the salaried non-bargaining unit employees of Solon Wire Processing, LLC ("Solon Wire"). Eligibility requirements vary based on the employee's status, which are described in the Summary Plan Description and the plan document.

Contributions to the Plan

Each year, participants may contribute up to 80% of eligible pre-tax compensation, as defined in the plan document, through payroll withholdings. The Plan also allows participants to make after-tax Roth contributions. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make additional 'catch-up' contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollovers).

The Plan contains a safe harbor matching contribution provision whereby the Company contributes a matching contribution equal to 3% of eligible compensation for all salaried non-union employees.

For salaried non-union employees, the Company may contribute a discretionary matching contribution, which was equal to 25% of the first 5% of eligible compensation for 2023. For Solon Wire employees, the Company may contribute a discretionary matching contribution, which was equal to 100% of the first 4% of eligible compensation for 2023.

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The Company contributes an additional non-elective (profit sharing) contribution on behalf of salaried non-union employees, guards, bricklayers and N&T hourly employees based on either: (1) an age and service formula (salaried non-union) or (2) hours worked (N&T hourly). The Company made non-elective contributions for 2023 which are shown as net with all other employer contributions on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Participants direct the investment of both their individual contributions plus their share of employer contributions into the various investment options offered by the Plan. The Company's contributions are allocated in the same manner as that of the participant's elective contributions.

Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and employer contributions as well as plan earnings. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum of the lesser of \$50,000 or the greater of 50% of their vested account balance, subject to certain Department of Labor and IRS requirements. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account. The loan interest rate, determined quarterly, is set at a reasonable interest rate, as defined in the plan document. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions each pay period.

Distribution of Benefits

On termination of service, participants with vested account balances greater than \$5,000 may elect to receive a lump sum distribution, rollover their account balance to another qualified account, receive periodic equal installments or receive partial payments. Those participants whose account balances exceed \$5,000 may also elect to defer the distribution of their plan balance. Participants who elect to have their benefit payments deferred continue to share in allocations of investment income and losses but do not share in subsequent allocations of employer contributions. Special rules apply to distributions due to death, disability, and retirement. Participants should refer to the full plan document for details.

On termination of service, participant account balances between \$1,000 and \$5,000 will automatically be rolled over into an individual retirement plan determined by the Company unless the participant affirmatively elects otherwise. Participants with balances less than \$1,000 will receive a lump sum cash distribution.

The Plan allows for in-service distributions upon attainment of age 59 1/2 for all deferral contributions, discretionary employer matching contributions, and rollover contributions for any reason. The Plan also allows for in-service distributions prior to attainment of the Plan's normal retirement age due to financial hardship, as defined in the plan document, from vested account balances.

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Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions (deferrals and rollovers), Company safe harbor matching contributions and Company discretionary matching contributions plus actual earnings or losses thereon. Vesting in Company non-elective (profit-sharing) contributions are based on years of continuous service. A participant is vested in Company non-elective contributions as follows:

For participants who complete an hour of service on or after January 1, 2007, the following vesting schedule applies:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vesting</u>
1	0%
2	0%
3	100%

For Participants who do not complete an hour of service on or after January 1, 2007, the following vesting schedule applies:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vesting</u>
1	0%
2	0%
3	0%
4	0%
5	100%

Forfeitures

Forfeitures can be used to offset plan administration expenses and reduce employer contributions. Unallocated forfeiture balances as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 were \$36,256 and \$30,016, respectively. Forfeitures of \$26,710 were used to offset plan administrative expenses during the year ended December 31, 2023.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Income from investments is recorded when it is earned. Expenses are recorded in the accounting period in which they are incurred.

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Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 revenues and expenses 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 market participants at the measurement date. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisor, Custodian, and insurance company. See Note 4 for a discussion of fair value measurements.

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 fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses have been recorded as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. If a participant ceases to make repayments on a note receivable and the Plan Administrator deems the note receivable to be uncollectible, the balance on the note receivable from the participant is reclassified to benefits paid to participants.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Fees and Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the 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 of fair value of investments.

Subsequent Events

The financial statements and related disclosures include evaluation of events up through and including October 9, 2024 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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Note 3 – Unaudited Investment Information Certified by the Custodian

Plan management has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted under such election, the following information has been certified by Charles Schwab Trust Bank as to its completeness and accuracy and was not subjected to any auditing procedures performed by the Plan's independent auditors:

1. All investment balances reflected in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022;
2. All investment activity reflected in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023;
3. All investment-related information included in the Supplemental Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023; and
4. Notes receivable from participants as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the related income on notes receivable from participants for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Note 4 – Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) 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; 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 following is a description of the valuation methods used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing prices as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the SEC. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

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Self-directed brokerage accounts: Valued at the daily closing prices as reported by the fund. Self-directed brokerage accounts primarily consist of mutual funds, unit investment trusts, and common stocks. The self-directed brokerage accounts held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Common/collective trust funds: Valued at fair value based on the Net Asset Value (NAV) of units held of the collective fund. The NAV, as provided by the Custodian, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the observable market prices of the underlying investments within the fund less liabilities. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

As of December 31, 2023				
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mutual funds	\$ 24,482,481	\$ 24,482,481	\$ -	\$ -
Self-directed brokerage accounts	993,729	993,729	-	-
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	25,476,210	<u>\$ 25,476,210</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Investments measured at net asset value ^(a)	<u>17,006,220</u>			
Investments, at fair value	<u>\$ 42,482,430</u>			
As of December 31, 2022				
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mutual funds	\$ 26,218,358	\$ 26,218,358	\$ -	\$ -
Self-directed brokerage accounts	3,137,690	3,137,690	-	-
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	29,356,048	<u>\$ 29,356,048</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Investments measured at net asset value ^(a)	<u>16,786,288</u>			
Investments, at fair value	<u>\$ 46,142,336</u>			

(a) The common/collective trust funds are measured using NAV as a practical expedient. These investments have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy table. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	As of December 31,		Unfunded	Redemption	Redemption
	2023	2022	Commitment	Frequency	Notice Period
	Fair Value	Fair Value			
Mellon Stable Value Fund CL I ^(b)	\$ 5,057,906	\$ 6,609,546	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Instl LC Val Trust CL R	\$ 1,265,154	\$ 1,177,758	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2010 CL II	\$ 353,865	\$ 482,289	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2020 CL II	\$ 2,387,540	\$ 2,162,234	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2030 CL II	\$ 2,647,471	\$ 2,308,331	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2040 CL II	\$ 2,602,516	\$ 2,373,278	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2050 CL II	\$ 1,330,232	\$ 1,201,820	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2060 CL II	\$ 54,065	\$ 96,647	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret Income II	\$ 397,765	\$ 374,385	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2015 CL II	\$ 49,146	\$ -	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2025 CL II	\$ 296,639	\$ -	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2035 CL II	\$ 183,521	\$ -	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2045 CL II	\$ 321,090	\$ -	\$ -	Daily	Daily
Schwab Managed Ret 2055 CL II	\$ 59,310	\$ -	\$ -	Daily	Daily

- (b) The objective of the Mellon Stable Value Fund CL I is to provide a moderate total return over a full market cycle with commensurate risk. The fund pursues its investment objective by investing primarily in guaranteed investment contracts, repurchase agreements, U.S. treasury and agency securities, high quality debt securities including mortgage-backed, commercial mortgage-backed, asset-backed and corporate securities held by the fund within contracts intended to minimize market volatility, and cash and cash equivalents, including certificates of deposit and money market instruments. The fund may also invest in affiliated and unaffiliated bank collective funds and money market funds.

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Note 5 – Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain plan investments are managed by Charles Schwab Trust Bank, who is the Plan's Trustee and Investment Custodian. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Plan paid direct compensation to the Investment Custodian for services rendered. Indirect compensation (that is netted against investment income on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits) is paid to the Investment Custodian from total annual operating expenses charged on the balance of fund investments, depending on the particular fund. Transactions involving these investments are considered party-in-interest transactions; however, these transactions are not considered prohibited transactions under 29 CFR 408(b) of the ERISA regulations.

Note 6 – Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions and to terminate the Plan at any time subject to the provisions of ERISA. Upon termination, all participant accounts become 100% vested.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, a partial plan termination occurred as a result of events described in Note 9 regarding the Plan Sponsor. At the time the partial plan termination occurred, all participant accounts became 100% vested.

Note 7 – Plan Amendment and Tax Status

The Plan utilizes a non-standardized pre-approved plan document, which has been filed with the IRS and has received a favorable opinion letter dated September 21, 2020 from the IRS. The Plan Sponsor has not elected to apply for an individual IRS Determination Letter on the adoption of the Plan. However, the Plan Sponsor believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, that the Plan is qualified under Section 401(a) and that the related Trust is tax-exempt as of December 31, 2023.

The Plan permitted provisions of SECURE Act 2.0 during the year ended December 31, 2023. Written amendments to the plan document to reflect these operational changes will be adopted at a later date in accordance with the deadlines pursuant to applicable laws and IRS guidance.

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. As of December 31, 2023, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan has no uncertain tax positions that qualify for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, the Plan is currently not being examined. The Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2020.

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Note 8 – Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan invests in various 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 statements of net assets available for benefits.

Note 9 – Plan Sponsor Status of Operations

In August 2023, the Company announced the decision of idling all manufacturing operations indefinitely. The Company has historically incurred losses from operations and has been dependent on related parties through common ownership to fund their operations. The Canton, Ohio steel producing plant and rolling mill in Lackawanna, New York and the processing facilities in Solon, Ohio and Massillon, Ohio were idled until economic conditions change. The Company continues to service customers with existing bar and coil inventory along with support from the parent company's SBQ mill in Tlaxcala, Mexico for new production. The Company continues to incur costs to maintain the idled facilities. For the foreseeable future, both the Company and parent company intend to continue to operate in this manner.

The vast majority of the Company's employees were laid off and/or severed throughout the fourth quarter of 2023. At December 31, 2023 and as of the date these financial statements were available to be issued, the Company has a minimum level of staffing to facilitate the aforementioned sale of inventory and to maintain the existing assets and secure various premises. Both the Company and parent company anticipate that either all or most of that staffing will remain in place for the foreseeable future. However, as a result of the significant termination of employees, a partial plan termination occurred during the fourth quarter of 2023. As such, all participants were immediately vested in all employer contributions.

At December 31, 2023 and as of the date these financial statements were available to be issued, company management has not determined whether its assets will be sold, leased, relocated and/or repurposed, or if the facilities will restart when economic conditions improve. Company management is currently in the process of gathering and analyzing preliminary information which is needed to make such decision.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

REPUBLIC STEEL 401(k) PLAN

SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 - Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4a - EIN #20-0485783/PLAN 001

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan			Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments Are Included	Total That Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program and PTE 2002-51
Amount Withheld	Date Withheld	Date Remitted		Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Corrections in VFCP	
\$ 106,630	5/25/2022	*		\$ 106,630	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
9,997	7/6/2023	7/24/2023	X	9,997 **	-	-	-
13,104	9/5/2023	9/25/2023	X	13,104 **	-	-	-
1,710	9/28/2023	10/16/2023	X	1,710 **	-	-	-
20,488	9/29/2023	10/16/2023	X	20,488 **	-	-	-
5,492	10/5/2023	11/17/2023	X	5,492 **	-	-	-
1,497	10/12/2023	11/17/2023	X	1,497 **	-	-	-
18,652	10/15/2023	11/17/2023	X	18,652 **	-	-	-
4,306	10/19/2023	11/17/2023	X	4,306 **	-	-	-
1,751	10/26/2023	11/17/2023	X	1,751 **	-	-	-
10,550	10/31/2023	11/17/2023	X	10,550 **	-	-	-
3,925	11/2/2023	11/17/2023	X	3,925 **	-	-	-
8,786	11/15/2023	12/15/2023	X	8,786 **	-	-	-
3,888	11/16/2023	12/15/2023	X	3,888 **	-	-	-
434	11/23/2023	12/15/2023	X	434 **	-	-	-
1,036	11/30/2023	12/15/2023	X	1,036 **	-	-	-
6,445	11/30/2023	12/15/2023	X	6,445 **	-	-	-
298	12/28/2023	1/29/2024	X	298 **	-	-	-

* Participant contributions and the related lost earnings have not been deposited as of the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

** Participant contributions were remitted on the "Date Remitted"; however, the related lost earnings have not been deposited as of the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

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SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

DECEMBER 31, 2023

- Form 5500, Schedule H, Line 4i -

EIN #20-0485783/PLAN 001

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(e) Current Value
	Artisan	Artisan Midcap Fund	\$ 829,504
	Dodge	Dodge & Cox Intl Stock	723,715
	Europacific	Europacific Growth R5	948,760
	Harbor	Harbor Small Cap Growth	961,768
	Mainstay	Mainstay Winslow Large Cap Growth I	4,111,088
	Northern	Northern Small Cap Value	666,200
*	Schwab	Schwab S&P Index Fund	4,349,086
	Vanguard	Vanguard Inflation Protect ADM	867,142
	Vanguard	Vanguard Mid Cap Index Admiral	1,310,024
	Vanguard	Vanguard Small Cap Index Admiral	888,307
	Vanguard	Vanguard Total Intl Stk Idx Adm	734,763
	Vanguard	Vanguard Wellington Admiral SH	5,617,702
	Victory	Victory Established Value I	1,491,159
	Western	Western Asset Core Plus Bond I	983,263
	Mellon	Mellon Stable Value Fund CL I	5,057,906
*	Schwab	Schwab Inst LC Val Trust CL R	1,265,154
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2010 CL II	353,865
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2020 CL II	2,387,540
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2030 CL II	2,647,471
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2040 CL II	2,602,516
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2050 CL II	1,330,232
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2060 CL II	54,065
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret Income II	397,765
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2015 CL II	49,146
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2025 CL II	296,639
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2035 CL II	183,521
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2045 CL II	321,090
*	Schwab	Schwab Managed Ret 2055 CL II	59,310
*	Schwab	Self-Directed Brokerage Accounts (Personal Choice Retirement - PCRA)	993,729
		Investments, at fair value	42,482,430
*	Participants	Loans to participants, interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 9.25%, with various maturities	449,681
		Total assets (held at end of year)	\$ 42,932,111

Note: Information provided related to investments is based on reports certified by the Plan's Custodian. Column (d), "Cost" is omitted as the cost of participant-directed investments is not required to be disclosed.

* Party-in-interest as defined by ERISA.

Plan Name: Republic Steel 401(k) Plan

Plan Year Ending: 12/31/2023

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Republic Steel 401(k) Plan
Schedule C, Part I, Line 3 - Service Provider Indirect Compensation Information
December 31, 2023

EIN: 20-0485783
Plan Number: 001

Received By Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. (EIN: 94-1737782)

Fund Family/Provider	EIN	Formula
American Funds	90-0924512	Rate of 0.03% of average daily balance of asset(s)
Artisan Partners Funds	Not Available	Rate of 0.23% of average daily balance of asset(s)
Dodge & Cox	Not Available	Rate of 0.06% of average daily balance of asset(s)
Harbor	04-2679462	Rate of 0.25% of average daily balance of asset(s)
Legg Mason	Not Available	Rate of 0.06% of average daily balance of asset(s)
New York Life Investment Management LLC	13-5582869	Rate of 0.12% of average daily balance of asset(s)
Northern Funds	36-3608252	Rate of 0.23% of average daily balance of asset(s)
ProFunds	52-2035197	Rate of 0.40% of average daily balance of asset(s)
Veracity Funds	20-0872988	Rate of 0.09% of average daily balance of asset(s)

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Fund Family/Provider	EIN	Formula
BNY Mellon Funds	Not Available	Rate of 0.20% of average daily balance of asset(s)
Schwab Funds	94-3106735	Range of 0.14 - 0.15% of average daily balance of assets

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

NAME OF PLAN SPONSOR: Republic Steel
NAME OF PLAN: Republic Steel 401(k) Plan
EIN: 20-0485783
PLAN NUMBER: 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
*	PARTICIPANT LOANS	Loans (4.25% - 9.25%)		449,681
	BNYM STABLE VALUE FUND CL I	Common Collective Trust Fund		1,011,581
*	SCHWAB INST LC VAL TRUST CL R	Common Collective Trust Fund		126,515
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2010 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		353,865
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2015 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		49,146
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2020 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		238,754
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2025 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		296,639
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2030 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		264,741
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2035 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		183,521
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2040 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		260,251
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2045 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		321,090
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2050 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		1,330,232
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2055 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		593,101
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET 2060 CL II	Common Collective Trust Fund		54,065
*	SCHWAB MANAGED RET INCOME II	Common Collective Trust Fund		397,765
	PCRA	Self-Directed Brokerage Account		991,878
	ARTISAN MIDCAP FUND	Registered Investment Company		829,504
	DODGE & COX INTL STOCK	Registered Investment Company		723,715
	EUROPACIFIC GROWTH R5	Registered Investment Company		948,760
	HARBOR SMALL CAP GROWTH INVEST	Registered Investment Company		961,768
	MAINSTAY WINSLOW LGCAP GRTH I	Registered Investment Company		4,111,088
	NORTHERN SMALL CAP VALUE	Registered Investment Company		666,200
*	SCHWAB S&P 500 INDEX FUND	Registered Investment Company		4,349,086
	VANGUARD INFLATION PROTECT ADM	Registered Investment Company		867,142
	VANGUARD MID CAP INDEX ADMIRAL	Registered Investment Company		1,310,024
	VANGUARD SMALL CAP INDEX ADMRL	Registered Investment Company		888,307
	VANGUARD TOT INTL STK IDX ADM	Registered Investment Company		734,763
	VANGUARD WELLINGTON ADMIRAL SH	Registered Investment Company		5,617,702
	VICTORY ESTABLISHED VALUE I	Registered Investment Company		1,491,159
	WESTERN ASSET CORE PLUS BOND I	Registered Investment Company		983,263
	OUTSIDE ASSET - US Gov't Securities	US Gov't Securities		(1,234,129)
	OUTSIDE ASSET - Partnerships	Partnerships		(1,851)
	LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	Limited Partnership		1,851

* Party-in-interest