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| <div>Form 5500</div> <div>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security<br/>Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div> | <div>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</div> <div>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).</div> <div>▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</div> | <div>OMB Nos. 1210-0110<br/>1210-0089</div> <div>2023</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div> |
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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: <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the final return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)</div></div> |
| C                                                                                          | If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. .... ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| D                                                                                          | Check box if filing under: <div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 5558</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description)</div></div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| E                                                                                          | If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. .... ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| Part II | Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 1a      | Name of plan<br>SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 1b      | Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 1c      | Effective date of plan<br>01/01/2003                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2a      | Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)<br>Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)<br>City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)<br>SMART SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED<br><br>9 GOODYEAR<br>IRVINE, CA 92618-2001 |
| 2b      | Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>33-0858975                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2c      | Plan Sponsor's telephone number<br>949-367-9375                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 2d      | Business code (see instructions)<br>238900                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

|           |                                                   |            |                                                              |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| SIGN HERE | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 10/14/2024 | GREGORY VALDOVINOS                                           |
|           | Signature of plan administrator                   | Date       | Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator       |
| SIGN HERE | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 10/14/2024 | GREGORY VALDOVINOS                                           |
|           | 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                      |

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| <b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN<br><br><b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number<br><br><div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>                                                                                      |
| <b>4</b> 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:<br><b>a</b> Sponsor's name<br><b>c</b> Plan Name                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>4b</b> EIN<br><br><b>4d</b> PN                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>5</b> 316                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ).<br><b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year .....<br><b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year .....<br><b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits .....<br><b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits .....<br><b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> . .....<br><b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits .....<br><b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> . .....<br><b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) .....<br><b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) .....<br><b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested ..... | <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <b>6a(1)</b> 288<br><b>6a(2)</b> 238<br><b>6b</b> 0<br><b>6c</b> 35<br><b>6d</b> 273<br><b>6e</b> 0<br><b>6f</b> 273<br><b>6g(1)</b> 205<br><b>6g(2)</b> 188<br><b>6h</b> 7 |
| <b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>7</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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

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

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

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| <b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)<br>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance<br>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts<br>(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust<br>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor | <b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)<br>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance<br>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts<br>(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust<br>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> 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 0
- (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 1
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☒ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code \_\_\_\_\_

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| <div>SCHEDULE A</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury</div> <div>Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor</div> <div>Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div> | <div>Insurance Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> <div>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</div> | <div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2023</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div> |
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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<br>SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN                                                    |  | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001                 |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>SMART SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED |  | D Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>33-0858975 |

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

(a) Name of insurance carrier  
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| (b) EIN    | (c) NAIC code | (d) Contract or identification number | (e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year | Policy or contract year |            |
|------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|
|            |               |                                       |                                                                             | (f) From                | (g) To     |
| 42-0127290 | 61271         | 451636                                | 273                                                                         | 01/01/2023              | 12/31/2023 |

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

|                                              |                                    |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (a) Total amount of commissions paid<br>8226 | (b) Total amount of fees paid<br>0 |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|

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

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid  
LPL FINANCIAL LLC  
ATTN ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE  
4707 EXECUTIVE DR  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121-3091

| (b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |             | (e) Organization code |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
|                                               | (c) Amount                      | (d) Purpose |                       |
| 8226                                          | 0                               |             | 3                     |

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

| (b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |             | (e) Organization code |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
|                                               | (c) Amount                      | (d) Purpose |                       |
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**(a)** Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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| <b>(b)</b> Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |                    | <b>(e)</b><br>Organization code |
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|                                                      | <b>(c)</b> Amount               | <b>(d)</b> Purpose |                                 |
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**(a)** Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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| <b>(b)</b> Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |                    | <b>(e)</b><br>Organization code |
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|                                                      | <b>(c)</b> Amount               | <b>(d)</b> Purpose |                                 |
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**(a)** Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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| <b>(b)</b> Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |                    | <b>(e)</b><br>Organization code |
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|                                                      | <b>(c)</b> Amount               | <b>(d)</b> Purpose |                                 |
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**(a)** Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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| <b>(b)</b> Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |                    | <b>(e)</b><br>Organization code |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
|                                                      | <b>(c)</b> Amount               | <b>(d)</b> Purpose |                                 |
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**(a)** Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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| <b>(b)</b> Amount of sales and base commissions paid | Fees and other commissions paid |                    | <b>(e)</b><br>Organization code |
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|                                                      | <b>(c)</b> Amount               | <b>(d)</b> Purpose |                                 |
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**Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information**

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

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| <b>4</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end ..... | <b>4</b> | 0       |
| <b>5</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....    | <b>5</b> | 4021588 |

**6** Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶**b** Premiums paid to carrier .....**6b****c** Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year.....**6c****d** If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. ....**6d**

Specify nature of costs ▶

**e** Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶**f** If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ☐**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)**a** Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶**b** Balance at the end of the previous year .....**7b****c** Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year .....**7c(1)**

(2) Dividends and credits .....

**7c(2)**

(3) Interest credited during the year .....

**7c(3)**

(4) Transferred from separate account.....

**7c(4)**

(5) Other (specify below) .....

**7c(5)**

▶

(6) Total additions.....

**7c(6)****d** Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**) .....**7d****e** Deductions:

(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year

**7e(1)**

(2) Administration charge made by carrier .....

**7e(2)**

(3) Transferred to separate account.....

**7e(3)**

(4) Other (specify below) .....

**7e(4)**

▶

(5) Total deductions.....

**7e(5)****f** Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**) .....**7f**

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**Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information**

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

**8** Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

**9** Experience-rated contracts:

|                                                                                                                                                   |                 |                 |  |
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| <b>a</b> Premiums: (1) Amount received .....                                                                                                      | <b>9a(1)</b>    |                 |  |
| (2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid.....                                                                                             | <b>9a(2)</b>    |                 |  |
| (3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve .....                                                                                         | <b>9a(3)</b>    |                 |  |
| (4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....                                                                                                                 |                 | <b>9a(4)</b>    |  |
| <b>b</b> Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....                                                                                                     | <b>9b(1)</b>    |                 |  |
| (2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves .....                                                                                                   | <b>9b(2)</b>    |                 |  |
| (3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....                                                                                                        |                 | <b>9b(3)</b>    |  |
| (4) Claims charged .....                                                                                                                          |                 | <b>9b(4)</b>    |  |
| <b>c</b> Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --                                                                     |                 |                 |  |
| (A) Commissions .....                                                                                                                             | <b>9c(1)(A)</b> |                 |  |
| (B) Administrative service or other fees .....                                                                                                    | <b>9c(1)(B)</b> |                 |  |
| (C) Other specific acquisition costs .....                                                                                                        | <b>9c(1)(C)</b> |                 |  |
| (D) Other expenses .....                                                                                                                          | <b>9c(1)(D)</b> |                 |  |
| (E) Taxes .....                                                                                                                                   | <b>9c(1)(E)</b> |                 |  |
| (F) Charges for risks or other contingencies.....                                                                                                 | <b>9c(1)(F)</b> |                 |  |
| (G) Other retention charges .....                                                                                                                 | <b>9c(1)(G)</b> |                 |  |
| (H) Total retention .....                                                                                                                         |                 | <b>9c(1)(H)</b> |  |
| (2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)..... |                 | <b>9c(2)</b>    |  |
| <b>d</b> Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement .....                               |                 | <b>9d(1)</b>    |  |
| (2) Claim reserves .....                                                                                                                          |                 | <b>9d(2)</b>    |  |
| (3) Other reserves.....                                                                                                                           |                 | <b>9d(3)</b>    |  |
| <b>e</b> Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).) .....                                          |                 | <b>9e</b>       |  |

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |            |  |
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| <b>a</b> Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier .....                                                                                                                                                           | <b>10a</b> |  |
| <b>b</b> If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount ..... | <b>10b</b> |  |

Specify nature of costs.

**Part IV Provision of Information**

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

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

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| <div>SCHEDULE C</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div> | <div>Service Provider Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> | OMB No. 1210-0110                       |
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| <div>A</div> <div>Name of plan</div> <div>SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN</div>                                                    | <div>B</div> <div>Three-digit plan number (PN)</div> <div>▶</div> <div>001</div>   |
| <div>C</div> <div>Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500</div> <div>SMART SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED</div> | <div>D</div> <div>Employer Identification Number (EIN)</div> <div>33-0858975</div> |

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

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Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a

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

X

YesNo
- 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

PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

42-0127290

(b)

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

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

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

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

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| (b)<br>Service Code(s) | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>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)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
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| 13 37 50<br>64         | CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR                                                                            | 28192                                                                  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                                            | 0                                                                                                                                                                               | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                          |

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

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| (b)<br>Service Code(s) | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>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)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
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| 49 55                  | OTHER SERVICES                                                                                    | 0                                                                      | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                                            | 4288                                                                                                                                                                            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                          |

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

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

**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<br>(see instructions) | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| LPL FINANCIAL LLC                                       | 49 55                                   | 4288                                      |

| (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. |
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| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2 | (b) Service Codes<br>(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. |
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| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2 | (b) Service Codes<br>(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. |
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**Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information**

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

| (a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions) | (b) Nature of Service Code(s) | (c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide |
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|                                                                          |                               |                                                                                     |
| (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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| (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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| (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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| (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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| (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)

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| <b>a</b> Name:     | <b>b</b> EIN:       |
| <b>c</b> Position: |                     |
| <b>d</b> Address:  | <b>e</b> Telephone: |
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| <b>a</b> Name:     | <b>b</b> EIN:       |
| <b>c</b> Position: |                     |
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| <b>SCHEDULE D</b><br><b>(Form 5500)</b><br><br><small>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</small><br><br><small>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> | <b>DFE/Participating Plan Information</b><br><br>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).<br><br><b>► File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | OMB No. 1210-0110<br><br><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">2023</div><br><br><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b> |
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

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| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><u>SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN</u>                                                           | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) <span style="float: right;">►</span> | <u>001</u> |
| <b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><u>SMART SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED</u> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><u>33-0858975</u>         |            |

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| Part I | <b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b><br>(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs) |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRINCIPAL STABLE VALUE FUND</u>            |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO</u> |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>93-6274328-001</u>                                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>1842082</u> |  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN U.S. PROPERTY SEP ACCT-R1</u>         |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>    |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-027</u>                                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>87972</u>   |  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN CORE PLUS BOND SEP ACT-R1</u>         |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>    |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-005</u>                                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>49411</u>   |  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LGCAP S&amp;P 500 INDEX SA-R1</u>     |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>    |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-016</u>                                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>719623</u>  |  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN MIDCAP VALUE I SA-R1</u>              |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>    |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-043</u>                                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>325526</u>  |  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN INTL I SEPARATE ACCT-R1</u>           |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>    |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-048</u>                                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>133530</u>  |  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN SMCAP S&amp;P 600 INDEX SA-R1</u>     |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>    |                               |                                                                                                                    |  |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-028</u>                                                        | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>86542</u>   |  |

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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN MIDCAP S&P 400 IDX SA-R1       |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-023                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 190475 |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN MIDCAP GROWTH III SA-R1        |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-026                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 134708 |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN SMALLCAP GROWTH I SA-R1        |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-070                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 224908 |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LARGE CAP GROWTH I SA-R1       |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-066                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 660288 |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LARGE CAP VALUE III SA-R1      |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-068                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 32116  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2010 SEP ACCT-R1      |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-075                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0      |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2020 SEP ACCT-R1      |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-076                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 68621  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2030 SEP ACCT-R1      |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-077                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 84946  |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2040 SEP ACCT-R1      |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-078                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 150266 |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2050 SEP ACCT-R1      |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY |                        |                                                                                                            |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-079                                                     | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 110998 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME STRAT INC SA-R1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-080 | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 59734 |
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN REAL ESTATE SECS SA-R1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-095 | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 48341 |
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN SMALLCAP VALUE II SA-R1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-096 | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 44848 |
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN CAPITAL APPR SA-R1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-119 | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 260756 |
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME 2060 SEP ACCT-R1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-130 | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 143797 |
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN BLUE CHIP SA-R1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

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| <b>c</b> EIN-PN 42-0127290-133 | <b>d</b> Entity code P | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 404182 |
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

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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  
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| <b>SCHEDULE H</b><br><b>(Form 5500)</b><br>Department of the Treasury<br>Internal Revenue Service<br>Department of Labor<br>Employee Benefits Security Administration<br>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | <b>Financial Information</b><br>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).<br>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | OMB No. 1210-0110                             |
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| For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning <b>01/01/2023</b> and ending <b>12/31/2023</b>        |                                                                    |            |
| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><b>SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN</b>                                                    | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                            | <b>001</b> |
|                                                                                                                 |                                                                    |            |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><b>SMART SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED</b> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>33-0858975</b> |            |

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

| Assets                                                                                             |                 | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....                                                      | <b>1a</b>       |                       |                 |
| <b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):                                       |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....                                                            | <b>1b(1)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....                                                         | <b>1b(2)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>(3)</b> Other .....                                                                             | <b>1b(3)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>c</b> General investments:                                                                      |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....   | <b>1c(1)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....                                                        | <b>1c(2)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):                            |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....                                                                         | <b>1c(3)(A)</b> |                       |                 |
| <b>(B)</b> All other .....                                                                         | <b>1c(3)(B)</b> |                       |                 |
| <b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):                                      |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....                                                                         | <b>1c(4)(A)</b> |                       |                 |
| <b>(B)</b> Common .....                                                                            | <b>1c(4)(B)</b> |                       |                 |
| <b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....                                               | <b>1c(5)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....                                   | <b>1c(6)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....                                                | <b>1c(7)</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....                                                                 | <b>1c(8)</b>    | 182819                | 287659          |
| <b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....                                     | <b>1c(9)</b>    | 1623350               | 1842082         |
| <b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....                                    | <b>1c(10)</b>   | 3033924               | 4021588         |
| <b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....                            | <b>1c(11)</b>   |                       |                 |
| <b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....                                  | <b>1c(12)</b>   |                       |                 |
| <b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....        | <b>1c(13)</b>   |                       |                 |
| <b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) ..... | <b>1c(14)</b>   |                       |                 |
| <b>(15)</b> Other .....                                                                            | <b>1c(15)</b>   |                       |                 |

|                                                                           |              |                       |                 |
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| <b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:                                   |              | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
| (1) Employer securities .....                                             | <b>1d(1)</b> |                       |                 |
| (2) Employer real property .....                                          | <b>1d(2)</b> |                       |                 |
| <b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation .....        | <b>1e</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e) .....      | <b>1f</b>    | 4840093               | 6151329         |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                                                        |              |                       |                 |
| <b>g</b> Benefit claims payable .....                                     | <b>1g</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>h</b> Operating payables .....                                         | <b>1h</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness .....                                   | <b>1i</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>j</b> Other liabilities .....                                          | <b>1j</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j) ..... | <b>1k</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                                                         |              |                       |                 |
| <b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f) .....                 | <b>1l</b>    | 4840093               | 6151329         |

**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.

|                                                                                                            |                 |            |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>Income</b>                                                                                              |                 | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
| <b>a</b> Contributions:                                                                                    |                 |            |           |
| (1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers .....                                               | <b>2a(1)(A)</b> | 394136     |           |
| (B) Participants .....                                                                                     | <b>2a(1)(B)</b> | 653419     |           |
| (C) Others (including rollovers) .....                                                                     | <b>2a(1)(C)</b> |            |           |
| (2) Noncash contributions .....                                                                            | <b>2a(2)</b>    |            |           |
| (3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> ..... | <b>2a(3)</b>    |            | 1047555   |
| <b>b</b> Earnings on investments:                                                                          |                 |            |           |
| (1) Interest:                                                                                              |                 |            |           |
| (A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) .....              | <b>2b(1)(A)</b> |            |           |
| (B) U.S. Government securities .....                                                                       | <b>2b(1)(B)</b> |            |           |
| (C) Corporate debt instruments .....                                                                       | <b>2b(1)(C)</b> |            |           |
| (D) Loans (other than to participants) .....                                                               | <b>2b(1)(D)</b> |            |           |
| (E) Participant loans .....                                                                                | <b>2b(1)(E)</b> | 16672      |           |
| (F) Other .....                                                                                            | <b>2b(1)(F)</b> |            |           |
| (G) Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....                                     | <b>2b(1)(G)</b> |            | 16672     |
| (2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock .....                                                                   | <b>2b(2)(A)</b> |            |           |
| (B) Common stock .....                                                                                     | <b>2b(2)(B)</b> |            |           |
| (C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds) .....                                         | <b>2b(2)(C)</b> |            |           |
| (D) Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....                         | <b>2b(2)(D)</b> |            | 0         |
| (3) Rents .....                                                                                            | <b>2b(3)</b>    |            |           |
| (4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds .....                                        | <b>2b(4)(A)</b> |            |           |
| (B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions) .....                                                     | <b>2b(4)(B)</b> |            |           |
| (C) Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result .....                         | <b>2b(4)(C)</b> |            |           |
| (5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate .....                                | <b>2b(5)(A)</b> |            |           |
| (B) Other .....                                                                                            | <b>2b(5)(B)</b> |            |           |
| (C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....                | <b>2b(5)(C)</b> |            |           |

|                                                                                                 |        | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------------|-----------|
| (6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....                               | 2b(6)  |            | 37272     |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....                               | 2b(7)  |            | 679943    |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....                       | 2b(8)  |            |           |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....                             | 2b(9)  |            |           |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) ..... | 2b(10) |            |           |
| c Other income .....                                                                            | 2c     |            |           |
| d Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....               | 2d     |            | 1781442   |

**Expenses**

|                                                                                      |        |        |        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:                                  |        |        |        |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....      | 2e(1)  | 442013 |        |
| (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)  |        | 442013 |
| 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)  | 28193  |        |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees.....                                                          | 2i(3)  |        |        |
| (4) IQPA audit fees.....                                                             | 2i(4)  |        |        |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....                         | 2i(5)  |        |        |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....                               | 2i(6)  |        |        |
| (7) Actuarial fees .....                                                             | 2i(7)  |        |        |
| (8) Legal fees .....                                                                 | 2i(8)  |        |        |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....                                                   | 2i(9)  |        |        |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....                                           | 2i(10) |        |        |
| (11) Other expenses .....                                                            | 2i(11) |        |        |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) .....               | 2i(12) |        | 28193  |
| j Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total ..... | 2j     |        | 470206 |

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

|                                                          |       |  |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|--|---------|
| k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d ..... | 2k    |  | 1311236 |
| 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: **JANOWICZ & BJORKLUND LLP**

(2) EIN: **93-4805712**

**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 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| <b>a</b> 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.) .....                 |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>b</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.) ..... |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>c</b> 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.) .....                                                                                                                             |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>d</b> 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.) .....                                                                                                                  |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond? .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                     | 500000 |
| <b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty? .....                                                                                                                                                                          |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>g</b> 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? .....                                                                                                                                       |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>h</b> 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? .....                                                                                                                             |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.) .....                                                                                                                                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                     |        |
| <b>j</b> 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.) .....                                                                                     |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC? .....                                                                                                                                              |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan? .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.) .....                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |        |
| <b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3. ....                                                                                                                         |                                     |                                     |        |

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

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

| <b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s) | <b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s) | <b>5b(3)</b> PN(s) |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
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**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 \_\_\_\_\_.

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| <div>SCHEDULE R<br/>(Form 5500)<br/><br/>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service<br/><br/>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration<br/><br/>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>                                                                                                                            | <div>Retirement Plan Information</div> <div>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).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> | <div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2023</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</div> |
| For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| A Name of plan<br>SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001                                                            |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>SMART SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | D Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>33-0858975                                            |
| Part I                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Distributions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                 |
| All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1 0                                                                                             |
| 2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):<br><br>EIN(s): 42-0127290                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 3                                                                                               |
| Part II                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                 |
| 4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 6a                                                                                              |
| b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 6b                                                                                              |
| c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount) .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 6c                                                                                              |
| If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> 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? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Part III                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Amendments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                 |
| 9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box. .... <input type="checkbox"/> Increase <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> No         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| Part IV                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                 |
| 10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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.) ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                 |
| 12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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

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

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| <b>14</b> 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:<br><b>a</b> The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) .....<br><b>b</b> The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) .....<br><b>c</b> The second preceding plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) ..... | <b>14a</b><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><b>14b</b><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><b>14c</b> |  |
| <b>15</b> 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:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                        |  |
| <b>a</b> The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>15a</b>                                                                             |  |
| <b>b</b> The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>15b</b>                                                                             |  |
| <b>16</b> Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                        |  |
| <b>a</b> Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>16a</b>                                                                             |  |
| <b>b</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 .....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>16b</b>                                                                             |  |
| <b>17</b> 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..... <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                        |  |

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| <b>Part VI</b> | <b>Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans</b> |
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| <b>18</b> 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..... <input type="checkbox"/>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |
| <b>19</b> If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):<br><b>a</b> Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:<br>Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%<br>High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%<br><b>b</b> Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:<br><input type="checkbox"/> 0-5 years <input type="checkbox"/> 5-10 years <input type="checkbox"/> 10-15 years <input type="checkbox"/> 15 years or more                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |
| <b>20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.</b> If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.<br><b>a</b> Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><b>b</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:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes.<br><input type="checkbox"/> 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.<br><input type="checkbox"/> 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.<br><input type="checkbox"/> No. Other. Provide explanation: _____ |  |

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| <b>Part VII</b> | <b>IRS Compliance Questions</b> |
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| <b>21a</b> 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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No<br><b>21b</b> 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).<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Design-based safe harbor method<br><input type="checkbox"/> "Prior year" ADP test<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> "Current year" ADP test<br><input type="checkbox"/> N/A |  |
| <b>22</b> If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q702476A</u> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |

**SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF  
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022, AND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023,  
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE AS OF  
DECEMBER 31, 2023, AND  
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator and Trustees  
SST Employee Retirement Plan

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

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of SST Employee Retirement 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 the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the 2023 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 audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

***Opinion on the 2023 Financial Statements***

In our opinion, based on our audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements section:

- the amounts and disclosures in the 2023 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 2023 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

***Basis for Opinion on the 2023 Financial Statements***

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of SST Employee Retirement Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

***Responsibilities of Management for the 2023 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 SST Employee Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

### ***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements***

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of SST Employee Retirement 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 SST Employee Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the 2023 financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

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

### ***Other Matters***

#### ***2023 Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA***

The supplemental schedule of Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the 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 schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures,

including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is 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 to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

*Auditors' Report on the 2022 Financial Statements*

The financial statements of SST Employee Retirement Plan as of December 31, 2022, were audited by predecessor auditors. 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, the prior year audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan that were certified by a qualified institution. Their report dated October 6, 2023 indicated that in their opinion (a) the amounts and disclosures in the 2022 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and (b) the information in the 2022 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). Their report also indicated that the form and content of the 2022 supplemental schedule, other than the information in the 2022 supplemental schedule that agrees to or is derived from the certified investment information, were presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, and the information in the 2022 supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

*Janowicz & Bjorklund LLP*

Brea, California  
October 14, 2024

SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
December 31, 2023 and 2022

|                                                 | <u>2023</u>         | <u>2022</u>         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS                                          |                     |                     |
| Investments at fair value, participant directed | \$ 5,863,670        | \$ 4,657,274        |
| Receivables:                                    |                     |                     |
| Notes receivable from participants              | <u>287,659</u>      | <u>185,297</u>      |
| Total assets                                    | <u>6,151,329</u>    | <u>4,842,571</u>    |
| NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS               | <u>\$ 6,151,329</u> | <u>\$ 4,842,571</u> |

See Independent Auditors' Report.  
See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
Year Ended December 31, 2023

ADDITIONS:

Investment income/(loss):

|                                                              |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Net appreciation/(depreciation) in fair value of investments | \$ 717,215 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------|

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Total investment income/(loss) | 717,215 |
|--------------------------------|---------|

|                                                       |        |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Interest income on notes receivable from participants | 16,672 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------|

Contributions:

|          |         |
|----------|---------|
| Employer | 394,136 |
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|             |         |
|-------------|---------|
| Participant | 653,419 |
|-------------|---------|

|                 |           |
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| Total additions | 1,781,442 |
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DEDUCTIONS:

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Benefits paid to participants | 444,491 |
|-------------------------------|---------|

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Administrative expenses | 28,193 |
|-------------------------|--------|

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|------------------|---------|
| Total deductions | 472,684 |
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|--------------|-----------|
| Net increase | 1,308,758 |
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Beginning of Year | 4,842,571 |
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|             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| End of Year | \$ 6,151,329 |
|-------------|--------------|

See Independent Auditors' Report.  
See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Description of the Plan

The following description of the SST Employee Retirement Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

- A. General - The Plan is a defined contribution plan with a 401(k)-arrangement covering substantially all employees of Smart System Technologies, Inc., (the "Company or the "Employer" or the "Plan Sponsor") and employees of Smart System Technologies Arizona Inc. (an affiliate and adopting employer under this single plan) who elect for plan entry regardless of age and without minimum years of service requirements. Eligible participants may enter the plan upon their first payday of the first pay period following the hire date or thereafter on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of each calendar quarter. Effective December 1, 2022, eligible participants entry date will be their hire date, changes to participants' elective deferral contributions can be made at any time, and such changes will be implemented as soon as administratively feasible. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).
- B. Contributions - Participants may elect to contribute from 0% to 100% of their eligible compensation for the year subject to overall limitations permitted by code section 402(g). Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute rollover amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans. Starting January 1, 2021, the Company contributed a Safe Harbor Matching Contribution equal to 100% of each participant's elective deferral contribution up to 4% of the participant's eligible compensation. Before 2021, the Company made a matching contribution equal to 100% of each participant's elective deferral contribution up to 3% of the participant's eligible compensation. The total employer matching contribution was \$394,136 for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- C. Participants Accounts - Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, an allocation of the Company's discretionary matching and discretionary non-matching contributions, and an allocation of Plan earnings. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account balance.
- D. Vesting - Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the employer discretionary matching and non-matching contributions made before January 1, 2021 is based on years of continuous service. Participants vest in these accounts at a rate of 20% per year of service after the first year of vesting service and are fully vested after five years of service. Participants are fully vested in all employer contributions received on or after January 1, 2021.
- E. Notes Receivable from Participants - Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a rate commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest are paid through payroll deductions. As of December 31, 2023, participant loans have maturities through 2028 and interest rates ranging from 3.25% to 8.5%.
- F. Forfeited Accounts – Forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested accounts arising from Company contributions and related Plan earnings may be first used to pay plan expenses. Any forfeiture left after paying plan expenses is used to offset the employer's matching contributions. Forfeitures of \$-0- and \$908 were available for such purpose as of the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively. Also, for the year ended December 31, 2023, employer contributions were reduced by \$2,425 from forfeited nonvested accounts.

SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Description of the Plan (continued)

- G. Participant Investment options – Upon enrollment in the Plan, participants must direct their salary deferral contributions and their allocated share of employer contributions into various investment options as made available and determined by the Plan administrator. The investment options are more fully described in the Plan's literature.
- H. Payment of Benefits - Upon termination of service, participants with a vested account balance of less than \$1,000 will receive their vested benefits through a single lump-sum payment or may elect a rollover into another qualified plan. A participant with a vested account balance of at least \$1,000 but less than \$5,000 will receive their vested balances in a direct rollover to an individual retirement account unless the participant elects to receive a single lump-sum payment. Participants with vested account balances greater than \$5,000 excluding rollovers may leave their account in the Plan and continue to participate in the Plan's investments or may elect to receive their vested balances in a direct rollover to an individual retirement account unless the participant elects to receive a single lump-sum payment, periodic installment payments or a rollover into another qualified plan or receive periodic payments as permitted by the Plan. Upon termination of service due to disability, a participant may receive benefits through a single lump-sum payment or periodic installments. If a participant's service is terminated due to death, the participant's beneficiary may receive the value of the participant's account through a single lump-sum payment or periodic installments.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

- A. Basis of Accounting - The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.
- B. Estimates - The preparation of the Plan financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of additions and deductions during the reporting periods. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.
- C. Investment Valuation and Income Recognition - The Plan's 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 investments in collective trusts and pooled separate accounts are valued daily based on the respective fund's net asset value.  
  
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/(depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.
- D. Contributions – Contributions from Plan participants and the matching contributions from the Employer are recorded in the year in which the employee contributions are withheld from compensation.
- E. Notes Receivable from Participants – Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance 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 has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.
- F. Excess Contributions Payable – Amounts payable to participants for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the IRS are recorded as a liability with a corresponding reduction to contributions. As of December 31, 2023, the Plan did not have any excess contributions.

SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

- G. Payment of Benefits - Benefits are recorded when paid.
- H. 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 and distributions are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.
- I. Subsequent Events – The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 14, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 - Plan Termination

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

Note 4 – Information Certified by Principal Life Insurance Company

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the United States Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, as permitted under such election, the Plan administrator instructed the Plan's independent accountants not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the following information certified by Principal Life and Principal Global (jointly, Principal Group), custodian of the Plan, except for comparing such information certified by the custodian to information included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule.

The following table presents the fair value of the participant-directed investments in this Plan that was certified by Principal Group as complete and accurate.

|                                                              | <u>2023</u>         | <u>2022</u>         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits:             |                     |                     |
| Investments, participant directed (at fair value)            |                     |                     |
| Collective Investment Trust                                  | \$ 1,842,082        | \$ 1,623,350        |
| Pooled Separate Accounts                                     | 4,021,588           | 3,033,924           |
|                                                              | <u>\$ 5,863,670</u> | <u>\$ 4,657,274</u> |
| Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits:   |                     |                     |
| Net appreciation/(depreciation) in fair value of investments | <u>\$ 717,215</u>   |                     |

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Note 5 - Tax Status

The Company has adopted a non-standardized form of a prototype plan sponsored by Principal Financial Life Insurance Company. The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated June 30, 2020, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC).

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the plan and recognize a tax liability if the plan has taken an uncertain tax position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the taxing authorities. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

Note 6 – 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 investments securities will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

Note 7 – Fair Value Measurements

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

*Level 1 Fair Value Measurements*

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 Fair Value Measurements*

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 Fair Value Measurements*

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

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

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Note 7 – Fair Value Measurements – (continued)

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

*Pooled Separate Accounts:* Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of the accounts underlying investments. Such accounts contain synthetic investment contracts comprised of both underlying investment and contractual components which have observable level 1 or level 2 pricing inputs, including quoted prices for similar assets in active or non-active markets. The Plan also holds an account that invests mainly in commercial real estate and includes mortgage loans which are backed by the associated properties. These underlying real estate investments have observable level 2 pricing inputs and are valued utilizing evaluated pricing models.

*Collective Investment Trust:* Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of the accounts underlying investments. Such accounts contain synthetic investment contracts comprised of both underlying investment and contractual components which have observable level 1 or level 2 pricing inputs, including quoted prices for similar assets in active or non-active markets.

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

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

December 31, 2023

|                                 | <i>Level 1</i> | <i>Level 2</i> | <i>Level 3</i> | <i>Total Fair Value</i> |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Collective Investment Trust (1) | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ 1,842,082            |
| Pooled Separate Accounts (1)    | -              | -              | -              | 4,021,588               |
| Total assets at fair value      | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ 5,863,670            |

December 31, 2022

|                                 | <i>Level 1</i> | <i>Level 2</i> | <i>Level 3</i> | <i>Total Fair Value</i> |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Collective Investment Trust (1) | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ 1,623,350            |
| Pooled Separate Accounts (1)    | -              | -              | -              | 3,033,924               |
| Total assets at fair value      | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ -           | \$ 4,657,274            |

(1) Amounts are comprised of investments that are measured at fair value using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient have not been classified within the fair value hierarchy.

The following table provides information regarding redemption of investments where NAV has been used to measure fair value as of December 31, 2023.

|                             | <i>Fair Value</i> | <i>Redemption Frequency</i> | <i>Redemption Period</i> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Collective Investment Trust | \$ 1,842,082      | Daily                       | 1 Day                    |
| Pooled Separate Accounts    | 4,021,588         | Daily                       | 1 Day                    |

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Note 7 – Fair Value Measurements – (continued)

The following table provides information regarding redemption of investments where NAV has been used to measure fair value as of December 31, 2022.

|                             | <i>Fair Value</i> | <i>Redemption<br/>Frequency</i> | <i>Redemption<br/>Period</i> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Collective Investment Trust | \$ 1,623,350      | Daily                           | 1 Day                        |
| Pooled Separate Accounts    | 3,033,924         | Daily                           | 1 Day                        |

Note 8 – Related-Party Transactions and Party in Interest Transactions

The Plan allows for transactions with certain parties who may perform services or have fiduciary responsibilities to the Plan, including the Company. Certain Plan investments are managed by Principal Life Insurance Company. Principal Life Insurance Company is the custodian and recordkeeper for the Plan. The Company paid certain administrative expenses of the Plan including the audit fee. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions for which a statutory exemption applies.

Note 9 – Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Schedule H of Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Schedule H of Form 5500:

|                                                                   | 2023                | 2022                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements    | \$ 6,151,329        | \$ 4,842,571        |
| Deemed distributed loans                                          | -                   | (2,478)             |
| Net assets available for benefits per Schedule H to the Form 5500 | <u>\$ 6,151,329</u> | <u>\$ 4,840,093</u> |

The following is a reconciliation of distributions and interest income per the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 to Schedule H of Form 5500:

|                                 | Distributions     |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Per the financial statements    | \$ 444,491        |
| Plus: Deemed distributed loans  | (2,478)           |
| Per Schedule H to the Form 5500 | <u>\$ 442,013</u> |

Note 10 – Plan Amendments

The Plan was amended effective December 1, 2022, to change the Plan entrance date to the employees hire date and allow employees to make changes to or stop their elective deferral at any time. Employee contributions and changes will begin as soon as administratively feasible. Additionally, the Plan's only employer contribution will be the Safe Harbor Matching Contribution.

## SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

SST EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN  
EIN: 33-0858975  
Plan Number: 001  
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (Held at End of Year)  
December 31, 2023

| (a)                                    | (b) Identity of Issue, borrower, lessor, or similar Party | (c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value | (d) Cost | (e) Current Value   |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------------------|
| * Principal Global Investors Trust Co. |                                                           |                                                                                                             |          |                     |
|                                        | Principal Stable Value Fund                               | Common/collective trust                                                                                     | **       | \$ 1,842,082        |
| * Principal Life Insurance Co.         |                                                           |                                                                                                             |          |                     |
|                                        | Principal Blue Chip                                       | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 404,182             |
|                                        | Principal Capital Appreciation                            | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 260,756             |
|                                        | Principal Core Plus Bond                                  | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 49,411              |
|                                        | Principal International I                                 | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 133,530             |
|                                        | Principal LargeCap Growth I                               | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 660,288             |
|                                        | Principal LargeCap Value III                              | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 32,116              |
|                                        | Principal LGCP S&P 500 IDX                                | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 719,623             |
|                                        | Principal LifeTM STR Income                               | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 59,734              |
|                                        | Principal LifeTM 2020                                     | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 68,621              |
|                                        | Principal LifeTM 2030                                     | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 84,946              |
|                                        | Principal LifeTM 2040                                     | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 150,266             |
|                                        | Principal LifeTM 2050                                     | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 110,998             |
|                                        | Principal LifeTM 2060                                     | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 143,797             |
|                                        | Principal MIDCAP Growth III                               | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 134,708             |
|                                        | Principal MIDCAP S&P 400 Index                            | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 190,475             |
|                                        | Principal MidCap Value I                                  | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 325,526             |
|                                        | Principal Real Estate Securities                          | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 48,341              |
|                                        | Principal SmallCap Gth I                                  | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 224,908             |
|                                        | Principal SmallCap Value II                               | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 44,848              |
|                                        | Principal SMALLCAP S&P 600 Index                          | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 86,542              |
|                                        | Principal U.S. Property                                   | Pooled separate account                                                                                     | **       | 87,972              |
|                                        |                                                           |                                                                                                             |          | 5,863,670           |
| * Participant Loans                    |                                                           |                                                                                                             |          |                     |
|                                        |                                                           | Loans secured by participant's account; interest rates, 3.25% to 8.5%, maturing 2024 - 2028                 |          | 287,659             |
|                                        |                                                           |                                                                                                             |          | <u>\$ 6,151,329</u> |

\* Party in interest

\*\* Disclosure of this information is not required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA when the account is participant directed.

See Independent Auditors' Report.  
See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statement.

**SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**

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EIN 33 0858975  
 PLAN NUMBER 001  
 PLAN YEAR 01/01/2023 TO 12/31/2023

**SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**

| (A) | (B)<br>Identity of issuer, borrower,<br>lessor or similar party. | (C)<br>Description of investment including maturity date,<br>rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value. | (D)<br>Cost | (E)<br>Current Value |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin Blue Chip SA-R1                                                                  | \$ 0.00     | \$ 404,182.26        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin Capital Appr SA-R1                                                               | \$ 0.00     | \$ 260,755.89        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin Core Plus Bond Sep Act-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 49,410.90         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin Intl I Separate Acct-R1                                                          | \$ 0.00     | \$ 133,530.42        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LargeCap Growth I SA-R1                                                          | \$ 0.00     | \$ 660,287.82        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LargeCap Value III SA-R1                                                         | \$ 0.00     | \$ 32,115.50         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LgCap S&P 500 Index SA-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 719,623.27        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LifeTime Strat Inc SA-R1                                                         | \$ 0.00     | \$ 59,734.20         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LifeTime 2020 Sep Acct-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 68,620.61         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LifeTime 2030 Sep Acct-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 84,945.96         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LifeTime 2040 Sep Acct-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 150,265.69        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LifeTime 2050 Sep Acct-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 110,997.84        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin LifeTime 2060 Sep Acct-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 143,796.51        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin MidCap Growth III SA-R1                                                          | \$ 0.00     | \$ 134,708.33        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin MidCap S&P 400 Idx SA-R1                                                         | \$ 0.00     | \$ 190,475.15        |

## SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

SST E R P

EIN 33 0858975  
 PLAN NUMBER 001  
 PLAN YEAR 01/01/2023 TO 12/31/2023

| (A) | (B)<br>Identity of issuer, borrower,<br>lessor or similar party. | (C)<br>Description of investment including maturity date,<br>rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value. | (D)<br>Cost | (E)<br>Current Value |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin MidCap Value I SA-R1                                                             | \$ 0.00     | \$ 325,526.03        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin Real Estate Secs SA-R1                                                           | \$ 0.00     | \$ 48,341.26         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin SmallCap Growth I SA-R1                                                          | \$ 0.00     | \$ 224,907.81        |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin SmallCap Value II SA-R1                                                          | \$ 0.00     | \$ 44,847.76         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin SmCap S&P 600 Index SA-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 86,542.29         |
| *   | Principal Life Insurance Company                                 | Pooled Separate Accounts<br>Prin U.S. Property Sep Acct-R1                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 87,972.30         |
| *   | Principal Global Investors Trust Co                              | Common/Collective Trust<br>Principal Stable Value Fund                                                            | \$ 0.00     | \$ 1,842,082.00      |
| *   | Participant Loans                                                | Range of Interest Rates<br>Rates Range From 3.25% To 8.50%                                                        | \$ 0.00     | \$ 287,659.00        |
|     |                                                                  |                                                                                                                   |             |                      |
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