

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

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan SOJITZ GROUP 401(K) PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/1996
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) SOJITZ CORPORATION OF AMERICA 1120 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS 7TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10036
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-5610360
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 212-704-6927
2d	Business code (see instructions) 423990

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.	10/15/2024	DANIEL ESTEBANEZ
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 493
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6a(1) 331 6a(2) 311 6b 8 6c 141 6d 460 6e 0 6f 460 6g(1) 424 6g(2) 403 6h 8
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

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

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

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

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

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

A Name of plan SOJITZ GROUP 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 SOJITZ CORPORATION OF AMERICA	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-5610360

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
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	
04-2647786	

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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)

UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

13-2638166

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	ADVISOR	109990	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

BENCIVENGA WARD & COMPANY, CPAS, P

13-3274930

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10	ACCOUNTANT/AUDITOR	47632	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL

04-2647786

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
37 60 64 65	RECORDKEEPER	17850	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

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

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

STRATEGIC ADVISORS, INC.

04-2654524

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	ADVISOR	12164	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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

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

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
AS SPL SM CAP VAL IS - SS&C GIDS, 2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE, QUINCY, 14785 PRESTON ROAD, SUITE 1000 DALLAS, TX 75254	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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 (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
JPM MIDCAP VALUE L - DST ASSET MAN 430 W 7TH STREET STE 219432 KANSAS CITY, MO 64105	0.15%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
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MSIF INTL ADV PTF I - SS&C GLOBAL 2000 CROWN COLONY DRIVE QUINCY, MA 02169	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
PARNASSUS MID CAP - ULTIMUS FUND S 31-1663251	0.40%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
PGIM GLB TOT RTN Z - PRUDENTIAL MU 22-3703799	0.25%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
PGIM J GROWTH Z - PRUDENTIAL MUTUA 22-3703799	0.25%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
PGIM TOTAL RTN BD Z - PRUDENTIAL M 22-3703799	0.25%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2005 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2010 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2015 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0
(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.	
TRP RETIREMENT 2020 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%	

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2025 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2030 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2035 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2040 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2045 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2050 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2055 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL	60	0

(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.
TRP RETIREMENT 2060 - T. ROWE PRIC 52-2269240	0.15%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

a Name:	BENCIVENGA WARD AND COMPANY CPAS PC	b EIN:	13-3274930
c Position:	AUDITOR		
d Address:	420 COLUMBUS AVENUE SUITE 304 VALHALLA, NY 10595	e Telephone:	914-769-5005

Explanation: CHANGE IN AUDITOR AS A RESULT OF THE PRIOR CPA FIRM NO LONGER PERFORMING EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN AUDITS.

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

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

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Explanation:

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
code**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or
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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

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

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection

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

A Name of plan SOJITZ GROUP 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 SOJITZ CORPORATION OF AMERICA	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-5610360

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	0	0
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	15423	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	40035	0
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	0	303704
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	0	0
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	0	0
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)	0	0
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	0	0
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	0	0
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	0	0
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	0	0
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	0	0
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	325121	313094
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	5188290	5412735
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	0	0
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	0	0
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	0	0
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	70137765	78656182
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	0	0
(15) Other	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	75706634	84685715
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
h Operating payables	1h	0	0
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	0	0
j Other liabilities	1j	0	0
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	75706634	84685715

Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	1420800	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	3044308	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	336745	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		4801853
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	1110	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	15287	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		16397
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	3406627	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		3406627
(3) Rents	2b(3)		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	0	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	0	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		138889
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		10224422
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		18588188

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	9393866	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		9393866
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		0
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		27606
h Interest expense	2h		0
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	0	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	17850	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	47632	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	122153	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	0	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	0	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	0	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)	0	
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)	0	
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	0	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		187635
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		9609107

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		8979081
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		0

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: **MCKONLY & ASBURY LLP**

(2) EIN: **23-1909723**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)	☒	☐	136006
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	☐	☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒	☐	2000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	☐	☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒	☐	
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	☐	☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	☐	☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	☐	☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	☐	☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	☐	☒	

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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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 SOJITZ GROUP 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 SOJITZ CORPORATION OF AMERICA	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-5610360

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

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 04-6568107 Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.	
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.	
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)	6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.	
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.	☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes ☐ No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes ☐ No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes ☐ No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.

Schedule R (Form 5500) 2023
v. 230707

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for: a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment) c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14a 14b 14c	
15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15a 15b	
16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16a 16b	
17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐	
19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b): a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____% b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: ☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more	
20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20. a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box: ☐ Yes. ☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date. ☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date. ☐ No. Other. Provide explanation: _____	

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No 21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2). ☐ Design-based safe harbor method ☒ "Prior year" ADP test ☐ "Current year" ADP test ☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q702438A</u> .	

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WITH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022
AND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

To the Participants, Plan Administrator and Retirement Committee of the
Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan:

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit for the 2023 Financial Statements

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of the Sojitz 401(k) Plan (the “Plan”), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement 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 ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the Plan’s financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our 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 a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023, and for the year then ended, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 8 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 Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements section:

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

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 ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the 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 the 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.

Auditor's 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 for 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 auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a

substantial likelihood that, individually or in aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our 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 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 Matter - 2023 Supplemental Information Required by ERISA

The supplemental information noted in the table of contents, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosures 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 information, 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 GAAS. For information included in the supplemental information 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 information, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

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

Other Matter – Auditor's Report on the 2022 Financial Statements

Predecessor auditors performed an audit of the 2022 financial statements of the Plan. In accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL'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 13, 2023, indicated that (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 U.S. GAAP, 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 information, other than the information in the 2022 supplemental information that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, was presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA; and the information in the 2022 supplemental information 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).

McKonly & Asbury, LLP

Camp Hill, Pennsylvania
October 14, 2024

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STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Investments, at fair value (Notes 3 and 8)	\$ 84,699,359	\$ 75,701,644
Receivables		
Participant contributions	-	40,035
Employer contributions	-	15,423
Notes receivable from participants	<u>313,094</u>	<u>375,327</u>
Total receivables	<u>313,094</u>	<u>430,785</u>
Total assets	<u>85,012,453</u>	<u>76,132,429</u>
Liabilities		
Excess contribution payable	<u>9,502</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	<u>9,502</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 85,002,951</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 76,132,429</u></u>

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>2023</u>
Additions	
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	\$ 15,958
Contributions	
Participant	3,034,806
Rollovers	336,745
Employer	<u>1,420,800</u>
Total contributions	<u>4,792,351</u>
Total additions	<u>4,808,309</u>
Investment income	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	10,224,422
Dividends and interest	<u>3,497,775</u>
Total investment income	<u>13,722,197</u>
Deductions	
Benefits paid to participants	9,472,349
Administrative expenses (Note 5)	<u>187,635</u>
Total deductions	<u>9,659,984</u>
Net increase	8,870,522
Net assets available for benefits	
Beginning of year	<u>76,132,429</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 85,002,951</u></u>

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

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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of The Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan (Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established on January 1, 1994, as the NIAC Group Savings Plan and merged with the Nichimen America 401(k) Plan in 2004 and changed its name to The Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Fidelity Management Trust Company (FMTTC) is the trustee of the Plan and Fidelity Workplace Services LLC (FWS) is the recordkeeper of the Plan. The Plan is sponsored by Sojitz Corporation of America (the Company or Plan Sponsor). The Plan covers eligible employees of the Company and specific subsidiaries (Participating Employers) that have adopted the Plan with the consent of the Company. The Pension and 401(k) Committee (Committee) determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance, and reports to the Plan's Sponsor's Board of Directors.

Contributions/Eligibility

Deferred Contributions

Employees are eligible to make contributions to the Plan upon attainment of age 21 and after completion of three months of service. Current employees of newly established subsidiaries are immediately eligible to participate.

Participating employees contribute from 1% to 100% of their eligible pre-tax compensation not to exceed the maximum limit established by the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The Plan also allows Roth elective deferrals and Roth rollover contributions into the Plan once eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Catch-up Contributions

Participating employees who have attained age 50 may contribute an additional percentage of eligible compensation as catch-up contributions (up to the annual federal dollar limit for these contributions). Catch-up contributions are eligible for Company Matching Contributions.

Company Contributions

During the Plan year, the Company matches ("Matching Contributions") 75% of the first 6% of a participant's compensation subject to a maximum percentage of compensation limits as defined in the Plan. The Company has the discretion to increase or decrease this match percentage. Participants are eligible for Matching Contributions only if deferral contributions are made.

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The Participating Employers may also decide to make discretionary nonelective contributions on behalf of eligible participants. Participants must be employed on the last day of the Plan year in order to receive the discretionary nonelective contribution. There were no such contributions made for the Plan year ended December 31, 2023.

Participant Accounts

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

Investments

All investments are administered by FMTC. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual and money market funds, and a common collective trust.

Vesting

Employee pre-tax contributions, Roth contributions, catch-up contributions, and their related earnings are immediately vested and non-forfeitable. Vesting in Company Matching Contributions and Company discretionary contributions is determined as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
1	20%
2	40%
3	60%
4	80%
5	100%

Forfeited Accounts

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited non-vested amounts totaled \$61,237 and \$139,769, respectively. Forfeitures are first used to pay administrative expenses, if so directed by the Company, and then to reduce future Company contributions. During the year ended, December 31, 2023, administrative expenses were reduced by \$47,767 and employer contributions were reduced by \$84,500.

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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, reduced by the highest outstanding note balance in their account. Participants may only apply for one note each calendar year and may only have two notes outstanding at any given time. The notes are secured by the balances in the participant's account. Generally, notes must be repaid within 5 years for general purpose notes and up to 25 years for the purchase of a primary residence. The term may not extend beyond the participant's employment with the Participating Employer. Notes shall bear a reasonable rate of interest as determined by the Plan Administrator based on the prevailing interest rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for notes that would be made under similar circumstances. Interest rates on outstanding notes were 3.25% to 8.50% at December 31, 2023.

Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant will receive a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account. Certain exceptions exist per the Plan document.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires Plan management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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 Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisors and trustee. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains

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and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year, and indirect investment expenses.

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 charged directly to the borrowing participant's account and are included in administrative expenses when incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. If a participant does not make loan repayments and the plan administrator considers the participant loan to be in default, the loan balance is reduced, and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a benefit payment based on the terms of the Plan document.

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 participant contributions. The Plan distributed the 2023 excess contributions to the applicable participants during the following year. There were no excess contributions at December 31, 2022.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

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

Subsequent Events

The Plan's management evaluated subsequent events through October 14, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. See Note 11.

3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to

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unobservable inputs (level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, are described as follows:

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| Level 1 | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access. |
| Level 2 | <p>Inputs to the valuation methodology include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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.

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| Level 3 | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. |
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The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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.

Mutual and money market funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual and money market funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual and money market funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Common collective trust: A commingled pool that invests in benefit responsive investment contracts issued by insurance companies and other financial institutions, fixed income securities, and money market funds that is valued at the NAV of units of the commingled pool. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV.

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

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual and money market funds	\$ 78,959,886	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 78,959,886
Investment measured at NAV ^a	-	-	-	5,739,473
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 78,959,886</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 84,699,359</u>

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

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 70,137,765	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70,137,765
Investment measured at NAV ^a	-	-	-	5,563,879
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 70,137,765</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 75,701,644</u>

^a In accordance with Topic 820-10, certain investments that were measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Investment Measured Using the NAV per Share Practical Expedient

The following table summarizes investments measured at fair value based on NAV per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption period is applicable to the Plan in the event of complete liquidation.

December 31, 2023	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency (If currently eligible)	Redemption Notice Period
Common collective trust	<u>\$ 5,739,473</u>	N/A	Daily	12 months

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December 31, 2022	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency (If currently eligible)	Redemption Notice Period
Common collective trust	<u>\$ 5,563,879</u>	N/A	Daily	12 months

4. TAX STATUS

The Company has adopted a prototype plan sponsored by FMR, LLC. The prototype plan received an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, in which the IRS stated that the prototype plan was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. In addition, the opinion letter stated that an employer who adopts this prototype plan may rely on the prototype plan opinion letter with respect to the qualification of its plan under the IRC. Although the Plan has been amended since the prototype plan received the opinion letter, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax-exempt.

GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION AND PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan invests in shares of mutual and money market funds and a common collective trust managed by FMTC. FMTC is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

The Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the participant's account balance. These transactions qualify as party in interest transactions.

Certain administrative functions of the Plan are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan.

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6. PLAN TERMINATION

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

7. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

8. INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY A QUALIFIED INSTITUTION

Certain information summarized below related to the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule was obtained by Plan management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by FMTC, the trustee of the Plan:

- Investment and notes receivable from participants balances included in the statements of net assets available for benefits at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and in the notes to the financial statements.
- Investment income and interest income on notes receivable from participants balances included in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, and in the notes to the financial statements.
- Information, exclusive of the fair value of the common collective trust per the Form 5500, included in the accompanying schedule of assets (held at end of year).

9. NONEXEMPT TRANSACTIONS

Title I of ERISA requires that all employee contributions be submitted to the Plan as soon as administratively possible. Failure to remit employee contributions into the Plan on a timely basis is considered a nonexempt prohibited transaction with a party in interest. Contributions from various pay periods during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, were remitted to the Plan after the normal remittance period and were therefore considered to be nonexempt prohibited transactions pursuant to ERISA Section 406. Interest will be allocated to affected participant accounts to compensate

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for the delinquent participant contributions, if not corrected as of the report date. These late remittances are reported on the Form 5500 for the plan year ended December 31, 2023. See supplemental Schedule H, Line 4a – Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions.

10. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2023 and 2022, to the Form 5500:

	2023	2022
Net assets available for benefits per financial statements	\$ 85,002,951	\$ 76,132,429
Excess contribution payable	9,502	-
Deemed loans	-	(50,206)
Fair value adjustment	(326,738)	(375,589)
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 84,685,715</u>	<u>\$ 75,706,634</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to net income per the Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2023:

	2023
Net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 8,870,522
Excess contribution payable	9,502
Change in deemed loans	50,206
Change in fair value adjustment	48,851
Net income per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 8,979,081</u>

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The Securing a Strong Retirement Act (SECURE 2.0 Act) was signed into law on December 29, 2022, and includes mandatory and optional provisions with varying effective dates in 2024 and later. Plan management is evaluating these provisions and will update the Plan's governance and operations.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Schedule H, Part IV. Line 4a – Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions
 Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan
 Employer Identification Number: 13-5610360
 Plan Number: 002
 December 31, 2023

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan	Total that Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002- 51
Check Here If Late Participant Loan Repayments Are Included: N/A	Contributions not Corrected*	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
\$ 102,986		\$ 104,048		
\$ 4,100	\$ 4,100			
\$ 5,278	\$ 5,278			
\$ 2,460	\$ 2,460			
\$ 2,460	\$ 2,460			
\$ 2,566		\$ 2,704		
\$ 5,942	\$ 5,942			
\$ 5,913	\$ 5,913			
\$ 4,301		\$ 4,301		
* As of the date of this report, management is working with service providers to make appropriate corrections related to these late remittances.				

Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
 Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan
 Employer Identification Number: 13-5610360
 Plan Number: 002
 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
	AB Large Cap Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**	\$ 4,995,130
	Allspring Special Small Cap Value Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,074,708
	American Funds Balanced Fund	Mutual fund	**	3,561,109
	American Funds Income Fund of America	Mutual fund	**	341,846
	American Funds Washington Mutual Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,712,233
	Delaware Ivy Emerging Markets Fund	Mutual fund	**	557,095
*	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	5,738,852
*	Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,400,901
*	Fidelity Mid-Cap Stock Fund	Mutual fund	**	676,094
	First Eagle Small Cap Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**	3,050,617
	JH Triton Fund	Mutual fund	**	718,966
	JH Enterprise Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,724,637
	JPMorgan U.S. Equity Fund	Mutual fund	**	3,392,936
	JPMorgan Mid Cap Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,536,210
	MFS Value Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,255,657
	Morgan Stanley Institutional Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,797,846
	PIMCO Real Return Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,339,162
	PGIM Global Total Return Fund	Mutual fund	**	463,622
	PGIM Jennison Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**	5,248,935
	PGIM Total Return Bond Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,639,763
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2005 Fund	Mutual fund	**	478,626
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2015 Fund	Mutual fund	**	299,081
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2020 Fund	Mutual fund	**	396,115
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2025 Fund	Mutual fund	**	6,893,659
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2030 Fund	Mutual fund	**	7,588,296
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2035 Fund	Mutual fund	**	7,540,254
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2040 Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,667,181
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2045 Fund	Mutual fund	**	4,226,909
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2050 Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,645,646
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2055 Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,313,326
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2060 Fund	Mutual fund	**	380,770
*	Fidelity Government Money Market Fund	Money market fund	**	9,207
	Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund	Money market fund	**	294,497
	Total mutual and money market funds			<u>\$ 78,959,886</u>
*	Fidelity Managed Income Portfolio I	Commingled Pool	**	<u>\$ 5,412,735 ***</u>
*	Notes receivable from participants (participant loans)	3.25% - 8.50%	-0-	<u>\$ 313,094</u>

* - A party-in-interest as defined by ERISA.

** Historical cost information has not been provided for these participant-directed investments.

*** - Fair value per financial statements = \$5,739,473



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT

To the Participants, Plan Administrator and Retirement Committee of the
Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan:

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit for the 2023 Financial Statements

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of the Sojitz 401(k) Plan (the “Plan”), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement 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 ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the Plan’s financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our 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 a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023, and for the year then ended, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 8 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 Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2023 Financial Statements section:

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

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 ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the 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 the 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.

Auditor's 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 for 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 auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a

substantial likelihood that, individually or in aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our 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 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 Matter - 2023 Supplemental Information Required by ERISA

The supplemental information noted in the table of contents, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosures 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 information, 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 GAAS. For information included in the supplemental information 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 information, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

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

Other Matter – Auditor's Report on the 2022 Financial Statements

Predecessor auditors performed an audit of the 2022 financial statements of the Plan. In accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL'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 13, 2023, indicated that (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 U.S. GAAP, 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 information, other than the information in the 2022 supplemental information that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, was presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA; and the information in the 2022 supplemental information 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).

McKonley & Asbury, LLP

Camp Hill, Pennsylvania
October 14, 2024

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STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Investments, at fair value (Notes 3 and 8)	\$ 84,699,359	\$ 75,701,644
Receivables		
Participant contributions	-	40,035
Employer contributions	-	15,423
Notes receivable from participants	<u>313,094</u>	<u>375,327</u>
Total receivables	<u>313,094</u>	<u>430,785</u>
Total assets	<u>85,012,453</u>	<u>76,132,429</u>
Liabilities		
Excess contribution payable	<u>9,502</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	<u>9,502</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 85,002,951</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 76,132,429</u></u>

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	<u>2023</u>
Additions	
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	\$ 15,958
Contributions	
Participant	3,034,806
Rollovers	336,745
Employer	<u>1,420,800</u>
Total contributions	<u>4,792,351</u>
Total additions	<u>4,808,309</u>
Investment income	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	10,224,422
Dividends and interest	<u>3,497,775</u>
Total investment income	<u>13,722,197</u>
Deductions	
Benefits paid to participants	9,472,349
Administrative expenses (Note 5)	<u>187,635</u>
Total deductions	<u>9,659,984</u>
Net increase	8,870,522
Net assets available for benefits	
Beginning of year	<u>76,132,429</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 85,002,951</u></u>

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

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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of The Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan (Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established on January 1, 1994, as the NIAC Group Savings Plan and merged with the Nichimen America 401(k) Plan in 2004 and changed its name to The Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Fidelity Management Trust Company (FMTTC) is the trustee of the Plan and Fidelity Workplace Services LLC (FWS) is the recordkeeper of the Plan. The Plan is sponsored by Sojitz Corporation of America (the Company or Plan Sponsor). The Plan covers eligible employees of the Company and specific subsidiaries (Participating Employers) that have adopted the Plan with the consent of the Company. The Pension and 401(k) Committee (Committee) determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance, and reports to the Plan's Sponsor's Board of Directors.

Contributions/Eligibility

Deferred Contributions

Employees are eligible to make contributions to the Plan upon attainment of age 21 and after completion of three months of service. Current employees of newly established subsidiaries are immediately eligible to participate.

Participating employees contribute from 1% to 100% of their eligible pre-tax compensation not to exceed the maximum limit established by the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The Plan also allows Roth elective deferrals and Roth rollover contributions into the Plan once eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Catch-up Contributions

Participating employees who have attained age 50 may contribute an additional percentage of eligible compensation as catch-up contributions (up to the annual federal dollar limit for these contributions). Catch-up contributions are eligible for Company Matching Contributions.

Company Contributions

During the Plan year, the Company matches ("Matching Contributions") 75% of the first 6% of a participant's compensation subject to a maximum percentage of compensation limits as defined in the Plan. The Company has the discretion to increase or decrease this match percentage. Participants are eligible for Matching Contributions only if deferral contributions are made.

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The Participating Employers may also decide to make discretionary nonelective contributions on behalf of eligible participants. Participants must be employed on the last day of the Plan year in order to receive the discretionary nonelective contribution. There were no such contributions made for the Plan year ended December 31, 2023.

Participant Accounts

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

Investments

All investments are administered by FMTC. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual and money market funds, and a common collective trust.

Vesting

Employee pre-tax contributions, Roth contributions, catch-up contributions, and their related earnings are immediately vested and non-forfeitable. Vesting in Company Matching Contributions and Company discretionary contributions is determined as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
1	20%
2	40%
3	60%
4	80%
5	100%

Forfeited Accounts

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited non-vested amounts totaled \$61,237 and \$139,769, respectively. Forfeitures are first used to pay administrative expenses, if so directed by the Company, and then to reduce future Company contributions. During the year ended, December 31, 2023, administrative expenses were reduced by \$47,767 and employer contributions were reduced by \$84,500.

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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, reduced by the highest outstanding note balance in their account. Participants may only apply for one note each calendar year and may only have two notes outstanding at any given time. The notes are secured by the balances in the participant's account. Generally, notes must be repaid within 5 years for general purpose notes and up to 25 years for the purchase of a primary residence. The term may not extend beyond the participant's employment with the Participating Employer. Notes shall bear a reasonable rate of interest as determined by the Plan Administrator based on the prevailing interest rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for notes that would be made under similar circumstances. Interest rates on outstanding notes were 3.25% to 8.50% at December 31, 2023.

Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant will receive a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account. Certain exceptions exist per the Plan document.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires Plan management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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 Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisors and trustee. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains

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and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year, and indirect investment expenses.

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 charged directly to the borrowing participant's account and are included in administrative expenses when incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. If a participant does not make loan repayments and the plan administrator considers the participant loan to be in default, the loan balance is reduced, and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a benefit payment based on the terms of the Plan document.

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 participant contributions. The Plan distributed the 2023 excess contributions to the applicable participants during the following year. There were no excess contributions at December 31, 2022.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

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

Subsequent Events

The Plan's management evaluated subsequent events through October 14, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. See Note 11.

3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to

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unobservable inputs (level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, are described as follows:

- Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.
- Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:
- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets.
 - Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets.
 - Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability.
 - Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

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.

Mutual and money market funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual and money market funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual and money market funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Common collective trust: A commingled pool that invests in benefit responsive investment contracts issued by insurance companies and other financial institutions, fixed income securities, and money market funds that is valued at the NAV of units of the commingled pool. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV.

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

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual and money market funds	\$ 78,959,886	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 78,959,886
Investment measured at NAV ^a	-	-	-	5,739,473
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 78,959,886</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 84,699,359</u>

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

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 70,137,765	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70,137,765
Investment measured at NAV ^a	-	-	-	5,563,879
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 70,137,765</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 75,701,644</u>

^a In accordance with Topic 820-10, certain investments that were measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Investment Measured Using the NAV per Share Practical Expedient

The following table summarizes investments measured at fair value based on NAV per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption period is applicable to the Plan in the event of complete liquidation.

December 31, 2023	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency (If currently eligible)	Redemption Notice Period
Common collective trust	<u>\$ 5,739,473</u>	N/A	Daily	12 months

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December 31, 2022	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency (If currently eligible)	Redemption Notice Period
Common collective trust	<u>\$ 5,563,879</u>	N/A	Daily	12 months

4. TAX STATUS

The Company has adopted a prototype plan sponsored by FMR, LLC. The prototype plan received an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, in which the IRS stated that the prototype plan was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. In addition, the opinion letter stated that an employer who adopts this prototype plan may rely on the prototype plan opinion letter with respect to the qualification of its plan under the IRC. Although the Plan has been amended since the prototype plan received the opinion letter, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax-exempt.

GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION AND PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan invests in shares of mutual and money market funds and a common collective trust managed by FMTC. FMTC is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

The Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the participant's account balance. These transactions qualify as party in interest transactions.

Certain administrative functions of the Plan are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan.

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6. PLAN TERMINATION

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

7. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

8. INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY A QUALIFIED INSTITUTION

Certain information summarized below related to the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule was obtained by Plan management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by FMTC, the trustee of the Plan:

- Investment and notes receivable from participants balances included in the statements of net assets available for benefits at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and in the notes to the financial statements.
- Investment income and interest income on notes receivable from participants balances included in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, and in the notes to the financial statements.
- Information, exclusive of the fair value of the common collective trust per the Form 5500, included in the accompanying schedule of assets (held at end of year).

9. NONEXEMPT TRANSACTIONS

Title I of ERISA requires that all employee contributions be submitted to the Plan as soon as administratively possible. Failure to remit employee contributions into the Plan on a timely basis is considered a nonexempt prohibited transaction with a party in interest. Contributions from various pay periods during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, were remitted to the Plan after the normal remittance period and were therefore considered to be nonexempt prohibited transactions pursuant to ERISA Section 406. Interest will be allocated to affected participant accounts to compensate

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for the delinquent participant contributions, if not corrected as of the report date. These late remittances are reported on the Form 5500 for the plan year ended December 31, 2023. See supplemental Schedule H, Line 4a – Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions.

10. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2023 and 2022, to the Form 5500:

	2023	2022
Net assets available for benefits per financial statements	\$ 85,002,951	\$ 76,132,429
Excess contribution payable	9,502	-
Deemed loans	-	(50,206)
Fair value adjustment	(326,738)	(375,589)
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 84,685,715</u>	<u>\$ 75,706,634</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to net income per the Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2023:

	2023
Net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 8,870,522
Excess contribution payable	9,502
Change in deemed loans	50,206
Change in fair value adjustment	48,851
Net income per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 8,979,081</u>

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The Securing a Strong Retirement Act (SECURE 2.0 Act) was signed into law on December 29, 2022, and includes mandatory and optional provisions with varying effective dates in 2024 and later. Plan management is evaluating these provisions and will update the Plan's governance and operations.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Schedule H, Part IV. Line 4a – Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions
 Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan
 Employer Identification Number: 13-5610360
 Plan Number: 002
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Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan	Total that Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002- 51
Check Here If Late Participant Loan Repayments Are Included: N/A	Contributions not Corrected*	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
\$ 102,986		\$ 104,048		
\$ 4,100	\$ 4,100			
\$ 5,278	\$ 5,278			
\$ 2,460	\$ 2,460			
\$ 2,460	\$ 2,460			
\$ 2,566		\$ 2,704		
\$ 5,942	\$ 5,942			
\$ 5,913	\$ 5,913			
\$ 4,301		\$ 4,301		
* As of the date of this report, management is working with service providers to make appropriate corrections related to these late remittances.				

Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
 Sojitz Group 401(k) Plan
 Employer Identification Number: 13-5610360
 Plan Number: 002
 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
	AB Large Cap Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**	\$ 4,995,130
	Allspring Special Small Cap Value Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,074,708
	American Funds Balanced Fund	Mutual fund	**	3,561,109
	American Funds Income Fund of America	Mutual fund	**	341,846
	American Funds Washington Mutual Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,712,233
	Delaware Ivy Emerging Markets Fund	Mutual fund	**	557,095
*	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	5,738,852
*	Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,400,901
*	Fidelity Mid-Cap Stock Fund	Mutual fund	**	676,094
	First Eagle Small Cap Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**	3,050,617
	JH Triton Fund	Mutual fund	**	718,966
	JH Enterprise Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,724,637
	JPMorgan U.S. Equity Fund	Mutual fund	**	3,392,936
	JPMorgan Mid Cap Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,536,210
	MFS Value Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,255,657
	Morgan Stanley Institutional Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,797,846
	PIMCO Real Return Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,339,162
	PGIM Global Total Return Fund	Mutual fund	**	463,622
	PGIM Jennison Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**	5,248,935
	PGIM Total Return Bond Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,639,763
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2005 Fund	Mutual fund	**	478,626
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2015 Fund	Mutual fund	**	299,081
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2020 Fund	Mutual fund	**	396,115
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2025 Fund	Mutual fund	**	6,893,659
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2030 Fund	Mutual fund	**	7,588,296
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2035 Fund	Mutual fund	**	7,540,254
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2040 Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,667,181
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2045 Fund	Mutual fund	**	4,226,909
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2050 Fund	Mutual fund	**	2,645,646
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2055 Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,313,326
	T. Rowe Price Retirement 2060 Fund	Mutual fund	**	380,770
*	Fidelity Government Money Market Fund	Money market fund	**	9,207
	Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund	Money market fund	**	294,497
	Total mutual and money market funds			<u>\$ 78,959,886</u>
*	Fidelity Managed Income Portfolio I	Commingled Pool	**	<u>\$ 5,412,735 ***</u>
*	Notes receivable from participants (participant loans)	3.25% - 8.50%	-0-	<u>\$ 313,094</u>

* - A party-in-interest as defined by ERISA.

** Historical cost information has not been provided for these participant-directed investments.

*** - Fair value per financial statements = \$5,739,473



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