

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 UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 006
1c	Effective date of plan 05/01/1976
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) UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC PO BOX 268 LANCASTER, NY 14086
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 16-0845625
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 716-892-3156
2d	Business code (see instructions) 311500

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	MICHAEL FUCHS
	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 1412
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) 984 6a(2) 1004 6b 4 6c 340 6d 1348 6e 0 6f 1348 6g(1) 1349 6g(2) 1296 6h 38
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Insurance Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500. ▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 16-0845625

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

(a) Name of insurance carrier
THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
22-1211670	68241	062116	130	01/01/2023	12/31/2023

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

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

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

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

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity
(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

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

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

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee
(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	17384030
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	1548796
(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)	
(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	404716
(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	
(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	1953512
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	19337542
e Deductions:		
(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	
(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	
(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	3176915
▶ COMBINATION OF BENEFITS PAID, DISBURSEMENTS FOR ADMINISTRATION AND TRANSFERS OUT.		
(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	3176915
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	16160627

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

9 Experience-rated contracts:

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

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE 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
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 16-0845625

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

ALLIANZ GLOBAL INVESTORS DISTRIBUTO1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS
NEW YORK, NY 10105

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

AMERICAN FUNDS DISTRIBUTORS, INC.

95-2769620

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

BAIRD777 WISCONSIN AVENUE
MILWAUKEE, WI 53202

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

CHARLES SCHWAB & CO., INC.211 MAIN STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

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

COHEN & STEERS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

280 PARK AVENUE - 10TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10017

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

FIDELITY DISTRIBUTORS CORP.

500 SALEM STREET
MAIL ZONE O3N
SMITHFIELD, RI 02917

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

J.P. MORGAN INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

13-3200244

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

PRUDENTIAL TRUST COMPANY

30 ED PREATE DRIVE
SCRANTON, PA 18507

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

T. ROWE PRICE

100 EAST PRATT STREET
BALTIMORE, MD 21202

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

VANGUARD

455 DEVON PARK DRIVE
WAYNE, PA 19087

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

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

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)

ADP, INC.

13-3036745

(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 50 15 64 21 49 99	RECORD KEEPER	55539	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE CO

22-1211670

(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	INVESTMENT MANAGER	41383	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☐

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

PRUDENTIAL TRUST CO

23-6994310

(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	INVESTMENT MANAGER	17736	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☐

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

TD AMERITRADE, INC.

82-0543156

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
33 63	SECURITIES BROKER	7	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

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

ADP BROKER-DEALER

22-3319984

(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?
60 59	RECORD KEEPER	0	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	0	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
ADP BROKER-DEALER	60 59	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.	
COHEN & STEERS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT 280 PARK AVENUE - 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	ANNUAL RATE 0.00100 OF AVERAGE DAILY ASSETS	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
TD AMERITRADE, INC.	63	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.	
UNAVAILABLE UNAVAILABLE UNAVAILABLE, CA 91367	INCOME FROM MARKET PER QUALIFIED TRADE, BPS ON SWE EP FUNDS, AND MUTUAL FUND FEES DISCLOSED IN TD AME RITRADES 408B2	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

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Explanation:

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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC				D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 16-0845625	
Part I Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)					
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRUDENTIAL CORE CONSERV BOND					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRUDENTIAL TRUST CO.					
c EIN-PN 23-6994310-126		d Entity code C		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 14336881	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM STABLE VALUE 25					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM FIDUCIARY TRUST COMPANY					
c EIN-PN 40-3159710-202		d Entity code C		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:					
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):					
c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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c EIN-PN		d Entity code		e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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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 UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	006
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 16-0845625	

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		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	219805	205470
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		0
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	1474195	2153458
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	15180198	14336881
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	89911061	102851962
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)	1258711	1354541

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	108043970	120902312
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
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	108043970	120902312

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)	4176464	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	4208835	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	623613	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		9008912
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	104388	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		104388
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	2810424	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		2810424
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		883574
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		12883525
c Other income	2c		9212
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		25700035

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	12781347	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		12781347
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		5546
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		52180
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	55539	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	0	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		55539
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		12894612

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		12805423
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		52919
(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: **DOPKINS & COMPANY LLP**

(2) EIN: **16-0929175**

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.)	☒	☐	291
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.

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	006
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 16-0845625	

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

1	Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
2	Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 57-1198022		
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)?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.				
5	If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.			
6	a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a		
	b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b		
	c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)	6c		
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.				
7	Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A
8	If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for: a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment) 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>10 / 06 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q704162A</u> .	

**UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC.
RETIREMENT PLAN**

**Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedules
With Independent Auditor's Report**

December 31, 2023 and 2022

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. 401(k) Committee
Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the years then ended, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the 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 audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, 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 within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued or 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 Financial Statements

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

In performing 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 audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of U.S. GAAP.

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 U.S. GAAP.

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 – Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules: (1) Schedule H, Line 4a – Schedule of delinquent participant contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023, and (2) Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2023, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental schedules related to assets held by and certified to by qualified institutions agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by institutions that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Dopkins & Company, LLP

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

October 11, 2024

UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN**STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS****December 31, 2023 and 2022**

ASSETS	2023	2022
Investments:		
At fair value:		
Mutual funds	\$ 102,851,962	\$ 89,911,061
Collective trust fund	-	2,888
Self-directed brokerage accounts	1,354,541	1,258,711
	<u>104,206,503</u>	<u>91,172,660</u>
At contract value:		
Synthetic guaranteed investment contract	16,160,627	17,384,030
	<u>120,367,130</u>	<u>108,556,690</u>
Receivables:		
Employer	205,470	219,805
Notes receivable from participants	2,153,458	1,474,195
	<u>2,358,928</u>	<u>1,694,000</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 122,726,058</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 110,250,690</u></u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
Additions:		
Additions to net assets attributed to:		
Investment income (loss):		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 12,979,409	\$ (15,990,709)
Interest credited on synthetic guaranteed investment contract	404,716	396,289
Dividends and interest	2,810,424	4,005,785
	<u>16,194,549</u>	<u>(11,588,635)</u>
Interest on notes receivable from participants	<u>104,388</u>	<u>30,103</u>
Contributions:		
Employer	4,176,464	3,167,623
Participants	4,208,835	3,099,237
Rollovers	623,613	191,547
	<u>9,008,912</u>	<u>6,458,407</u>
Other income	9,212	-
Total additions	<u>25,317,061</u>	<u>(5,100,125)</u>
Deductions:		
Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to participants or beneficiaries	12,781,347	15,364,559
Corrective distributions	5,546	-
Deemed distributions of notes receivable from participants	52,180	2,997
Administrative expenses	55,539	112,462
Total deductions	<u>12,894,612</u>	<u>15,480,018</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits	12,422,449	(20,580,143)
Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year	110,250,690	87,789,530
Transfer of assets from O-AT-KA Milk Products Cooperative, Inc. 401(k) Plan for Union Employees (Note 1)	-	21,579,774
Transfer of assets from O-AT-KA Milk Products Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan (Note 1)	-	21,251,332
Transfer of assets from Upstate Farms Dairy, LLC Retirement Plan	<u>52,919</u>	<u>210,197</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 122,726,058</u>	<u>\$ 110,250,690</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Plan Description

The following description of Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General:

The Plan is a defined contribution retirement plan sponsored by Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. (the Cooperative) and is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc. 401(k) Committee (the Committee) is responsible for oversight of the Plan. The Committee determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

The Board of Directors of the Cooperative voted on July 26, 2022 to merge the O-AT-KA Milk Products Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan and the O-AT-KA Milk Products Cooperative, Inc. 401(k) Plan for Union Employees (O-AT-KA Plans) into the Plan effective November 1, 2022. The O-AT-KA Plans were sponsored by O-AT-KA Milk Products, LLC, a related employer wholly owned by the Cooperative. All plan assets were transferred to the control of the Plan on November 1, 2022.

Eligibility:

Upon hire, non-union and certain union employees of the Cooperative and employees of its subsidiaries North Country Dairy, LLC (NCD), Valley Farms Dairy, LLC (VFD), and beginning November 1, 2022 O-AT-KA Milk Products, LLC are eligible to participate in the Plan unless they are a leased employee or classified as a casual employee with less than one year of credited service, as defined (Eligible Employees). The Plan provides non-elective safe harbor, profit sharing and matching Cooperative contributions to certain participants with eligible service, as defined. Participants who are no longer employees of Upstate Farms Dairy, LLC or Upstate Farms Logistics, LLC, a related employer wholly owned by the Cooperative, and are employed by the Cooperative or another subsidiary of the Cooperative, are required to transfer their account balance to the Plan.

Contributions:

Unless otherwise directed by the participant, Eligible Employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement (CBA) are automatically enrolled in salary reduction contributions equal to 4% of eligible compensation, as defined. These pre-tax contributions are invested in a designated balanced fund until changed by the participant. Participants may elect an alternate salary reduction amount, up to 90% of eligible compensation, on a pre-tax and/or Roth basis. Participants who are fifty years and older are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified retirement plans (rollover).

UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Plan Description (Continued)

Contributions (continued):

The Plan provides Cooperative matching contributions to non-union Eligible Employees equal to 50% of their salary reduction contributions limited to 4% of eligible compensation. The Plan provides non-union Eligible Employees with Cooperative profit-sharing contributions and non-elective safe harbor contributions equal to 5% and 3%, respectively, of eligible compensation. Eligible Employees that are covered by a CBA with Teamsters Local No. 687 are provided with Cooperative matching contributions equal to 50% of their salary reduction contributions up to 6% of eligible compensation, and Cooperative profit-sharing contributions equal to 5% of eligible compensation. Beginning November 1, 2022, Eligible Employees that are covered by a CBA with Teamsters Local No. 118 are provided with Cooperative discretionary profit-sharing contributions equal to \$1.42 per hour for each paid hour of eligible service, as defined, up to a maximum of forty hours per week.

Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Code (the Code) limitations. Participants direct the investment of contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Participant accounts:

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, Cooperative contributions, an allocation of Plan earnings (losses) and administrative expenses, reduced for benefits paid and charged directly for loan origination and benefit processing fees, if applicable. Plan earnings (losses) are allocated based on the investments held by the participant. Administrative expenses are allocated based on participant account balances. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is limited to that which can be provided from the participant's vested account balance.

The Plan permits participants to convert all or a portion of the employee's pre-tax portion of their account to an after-tax basis, subject to the participant paying the related income taxes as prescribed by the Code.

Vesting:

Each participant is fully vested to the extent of participant and Cooperative safe harbor contributions. The Cooperative's matching, profit sharing, and non-safe harbor/non-elective contributions become 20% vested after 2 years of service, with vesting increasing at 20% increments each year, thereafter, to 100% after 6 years of credited service, as defined. Vesting is immediate upon death, termination of employment due to disability or attainment of retirement age, as defined.

UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Plan Description (Continued)

Forfeitures:

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$58 and \$41,159, respectively. Forfeitures of nonvested Cooperative contributions are used to pay administrative expenses of the Plan or to reduce the Cooperative's contributions. Forfeited non-vested amounts of \$-0- and \$31,313 were used to reduce Plan administrative expenses and \$166,732 and \$121,977 were used to reduce Cooperative contributions for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Payment of benefits:

On termination of employment with the Plan Sponsor, death, disability, or retirement, a participant or a participant's beneficiary may elect to receive either a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, or periodic payments. Distributions are also permitted in the event of financial hardship, as defined by the Plan, and for participants who have attained age 59½.

Notes receivable from participants:

Participants may borrow from their account a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum loan equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their elective deferral account balance. A participant may not have more than two loans outstanding at any given time. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest equal to 1% over the prime rate. Loans must be repaid in at least monthly installments over a maximum term of five years for personal loans and thirty years for the purchase of a participant's primary residence. Principal and interest are paid ratably through monthly payroll deductions.

Administrative expenses:

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

Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting:

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Investment valuation and income recognition:

Investments held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value, except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

Investments are reported at fair value (except for the fully benefit-responsive contract, which is reported at contract value). Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset 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, custodians, and insurance company. See Note 4 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 (depreciation) in fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Synthetic guaranteed investment contract:

The Plan's investment in the synthetic guaranteed investment contract with Prudential Insurance Company of America (Prudential Insurance) is a synthetic fully benefit-responsive investment contract (the Contract) and is, therefore, reported at contract value. Contract value represents Plan contributions plus earnings at crediting rates and reduced by participant withdrawals and administrative expenses as applicable.

Pursuant to the Contract, the Plan owns the underlying collective trust fund, the Prudential Core Conservative Bond Fund (the Investment Account), which is managed by Prudential Trust Company (Prudential Trust), an affiliate of Prudential Insurance. The Contract also includes a wrapper contract that provides payments to the Plan by Prudential Insurance if the fair value of the Investment Account is not sufficient to fund the contract value for qualified participant withdrawals.

The Contract accrues interest based on crediting rates in accordance with a formula that considers many factors including the fair value of the Investment Account and Contract fees. The crediting interest rate is applied using a single portfolio rate for all contributions made during a quarter and is guaranteed not to fall below 0%. Crediting rates are reviewed quarterly for resetting.

There are no reserves against contract value for the credit risk of Prudential Insurance. Generally, there are no events that limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with Prudential Insurance. The Contract does not permit Prudential Insurance to terminate the agreement at an amount less than contract value. The Plan may terminate the Contract with a thirty-day notice and would receive the assets of the Investment Account at fair value.

UPSTATE NIAGARA COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Notes receivable from participants:

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit loss has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. Delinquent participant loans are recorded as distributions on the basis of the terms of the Plan document.

Benefits:

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent events:

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 11, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3. Information Certified

The following is a summary of the Plan's asset information as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the years then ended, included throughout the Plan's financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedules, obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified by Reliance Trust Company (Reliance), the trustee of the Plan, Prudential Insurance, or prior to November 1, 2022, Charles Schwab Trust Bank (Charles Schwab), the Plan's custodians. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from Reliance, Charles Schwab and Prudential Insurance that information provided to the Plan Administrator by Reliance, Charles Schwab and Prudential Insurance related to the following assets is complete and accurate. Accordingly, as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the Plan Administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to information which appears throughout the financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedules related to the following assets:

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Note 3. Information Certified (Continued)

	2023	2022
Investments, at fair value:		
Mutual funds (certified by Reliance)	\$ 102,851,962	\$ 89,911,061
Collective trust fund (certified by Reliance)	-	2,888
Self-directed brokerage accounts (certified by Reliance)	1,354,541	1,258,711
	<u>\$ 104,206,503</u>	<u>\$ 91,172,660</u>
Synthetic guaranteed investment contract (Certified by Prudential Insurance), at contract value	\$ 16,160,627	\$ 17,384,030
Notes receivable from participants (Certified by Reliance)	<u>\$ 2,153,458</u>	<u>\$ 1,474,195</u>

Reliance, Charles Schwab and Prudential Insurance also certified to the completeness and accuracy of the following financial information related to the aforementioned assets for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	2023	2022
Investment income (loss):		
Net depreciation in fair value of investments (Certified by Charles Schwab)	\$ -	\$ (14,533,571)
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments (Certified by Reliance)	12,979,409	(1,457,138)
Interest credited on synthetic guaranteed investment contract (Certified by Prudential Insurance)	404,716	396,289
Dividends and interest (Certified by Charles Schwab)	-	625,408
Dividends and interest (Certified by Reliance)	2,810,424	3,380,377
	<u>\$ 16,194,549</u>	<u>\$ (11,588,635)</u>
Interest on notes receivable from participants (Certified by Charles Schwab)	\$ -	\$ 18,423
Interest on notes receivable from participants (Certified by Reliance)	104,388	11,680
	<u>\$ 104,388</u>	<u>\$ 30,103</u>

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Note 4. Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority level to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

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

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

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Note 4. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Self-directed brokerage accounts: Primarily consist of common stocks, exchange traded funds (ETF), and certificates of deposit. Common stocks are valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded (Level 1). ETFs are traded at quoted prices throughout the day and valued at the end of the day at NAV as determined by the fund based upon the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. The ETFs are registered with the SEC and are deemed to be actively traded (Level 1). Certificates of deposit are valued at the net present value of the expected cash flows assuming no unusual market conditions or discount for the creditworthiness of the issuer (Level 2).

Collective trust fund: Valued at the NAV of units of a collective trust. The NAV, as provided by the trustee, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is primarily based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily.

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

	2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 102,851,962	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 102,851,962
Self-directed brokerage accounts	856,543	497,998	-	1,354,541
	<u>\$ 103,708,505</u>	<u>\$ 497,998</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 104,206,503</u>

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Note 4. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

	2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 89,911,061	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89,911,061
Self-directed brokerage accounts	506,994	751,717	-	1,258,711
	<u>\$ 90,418,055</u>	<u>\$ 751,717</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	91,169,772
Collective trust fund Measured at NAV (a)				<u>2,888</u>
				<u><u>\$ 91,172,660</u></u>

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

Note 5. Plan Termination

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

Note 6. Tax Status

The Plan adopted a non-standardized form of a prototype plan sponsored by ADP, LLC (ADP) on November 1, 2022. The prototype plan has received an opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the prototype plan's qualified status dated October 6, 2020. The prototype plan opinion letter has been relied upon by this Plan. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Code. Prior to November 1, 2022, the Plan was established pursuant to a non-standardized form of a prototype plan sponsored by Schwab Retirement Plan Services, Inc. which had received an opinion letter from the IRS as to the prototype plan's qualified status dated September 21, 2020.

During 2023 the Plan Sponsor inadvertently failed to deposit \$291 of participant deferrals within the required timeframe as stated by the United States Department of Labor's (DOL) regulations. The Plan Sponsor intends to reimburse the Plan for lost interest, file Form 5330, and pay the applicable excise tax in 2024. The excise tax payments will be made from the Plan Sponsor's assets and not from assets of the Plan.

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Note 6. Tax Status (Continued)

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Plan Administrator believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2020.

Note 7. Party-in-Interest Transactions

A party-in-interest is defined under the DOL's regulations as any fiduciary of the Plan, any party rendering services to the Plan, the Cooperative, certain participants, and others. The Plan allows participants to take loans from their account in the Plan. Certain notes receivable from participants and income thereon qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Prudential Insurance, Prudential Trust and prior to November 1, 2022 Charles Schwab, are/were the trustee and custodians as defined by the Plan and, therefore, transactions within funds managed by these parties or their affiliates qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Prior to November 1, 2022, Charles Schwab provided recordkeeping services and Charles Schwab and Co. provided brokerage services to the Plan. Therefore, transactions within applicable investments and transactions with the custodians qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Beginning November 1, 2022, ADP became the Plan's recordkeeper and, therefore, transactions with ADP qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Fees were paid by the Plan to ADP for loan origination and recordkeeping services. Charles Schwab provides brokerage services to the Plan. Fees incurred by the Plan for fund management services are included in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment from the Plan and qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan paid Westminster Consulting, LLC and Resources Investment Advisors for investment advisory services. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Plan paid Dopkins & Company, LLP for audit services. Transactions with these service providers qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

The Plan paid Prudential Insurance and Prudential Trust for contract and investment management services and PGIM, Inc. for securities and lending fees from the assets of the Investment Account.

Note 8. Risks and Uncertainties

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

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Note 9. Reconciliation between these Financial Statements and Form 5500

	As of December 31, 2023	As of December 31, 2022
Net assets available for benefits as presented in these financial statements	\$ 122,726,058	\$ 110,250,690
Difference in reporting methodology of the synthetic guaranteed investment contract between these financial statements and Form 5500	<u>(1,823,746)</u>	<u>(2,206,720)</u>
Net assets available for benefits as presented on Form 5500	<u>\$ 120,902,312</u>	<u>\$ 108,043,970</u>
	Year Ended December 31, 2023	Year Ended December 31, 2022
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits as presented in these financial statements	\$ 12,422,449	\$ (20,580,143)
Net change resulting from the difference in reporting methodology of the synthetic guaranteed investment contract	382,974	(2,668,055)
Net change in benefit payable recorded on Form 5500	<u>-</u>	<u>10,250</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits as presented on Form 5500	<u>\$ 12,805,423</u>	<u>\$ (23,237,948)</u>

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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4a - SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Year Ended December 31, 2023

EIN: 16-0845625

PLAN NUMBER: 006

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan				Total That Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			
Amount Withheld	Date Withheld	Date Remitted	Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are Included	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program	Contributions Pending Correction in Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program	Total Fully Corrected Under Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program and PTE 2002-51
\$ 40	2/8/2023	2/17/2023		\$ 40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 30	2/15/2023	2/24/2023		\$ 30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 32	2/15/2023	2/24/2023		\$ 32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 125	3/17/2023	3/31/2023		\$ 125	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 64	7/20/2023	8/2/2023		\$ 64	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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

December 31, 2023

EIN: 16-0845625

PLAN NUMBER: 006

(a) or similar party	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, (c) Description of investments including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity date	(e) Current Value
Mutual Funds:		
* Schwab Funds	Schwab S&P 500 Index Fund - 190,373 shares	\$ 13,916,284
American	American Funds 2030 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 755,999 shares	12,262,301
American	American Funds 2035 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 647,676 shares	11,431,481
American	American Funds 2025 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 599,224 shares	8,778,628
T. Rowe Price	T. Rowe Price All-Cap Opportunities Fund I - 125,719 shares	8,034,705
American	American Funds 2045 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 363,994 shares	6,941,371
American	American Funds 2040 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 335,967 shares	6,242,273
American	American Funds 2050 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 211,018 shares	3,956,579
Vanguard	Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund Admiral - 111,212 shares	3,462,022
American	American Funds 2055 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 136,342 shares	3,224,477
Vanguard	Vanguard Mid Cap Index Admiral - 11,080 shares	3,191,898
Baird	Baird Core Plus Bond Institutional Fund - 310,365 shares	3,156,410
Vanguard	Vanguard Small Cap Index Admiral - 27,556 shares	2,815,961
American	American Funds 2020 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 202,202 shares	2,634,691
JPMorgan	JPMorgan Mid Cap Growth Fund R6 - 47,910 shares	2,307,831
American	American Funds 2015 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 159,051 shares	1,895,885
American	American Funds 2060 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 114,739 shares	1,838,122
PIMCO Funds	PIMCO Real Return Fund Institutional - 129,147 shares	1,295,342
T. Rowe Price	T. Rowe Price QM U.S. Small-Cap Growth Equity Fund - 27,193 shares	1,124,984
Vanguard	Vanguard International Growth Admiral - 10,260 shares	1,044,619
American	American Funds 2010 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 88,518	1,002,908
Vanguard	Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index Admiral - 28,180 shares	962,918
Fidelity	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund - 63,019 shares	657,291
Baird	Short Term Bond Institutional Fund - 45,253 shares	425,831
American	American Funds 2065 Target Date Retirement Fund R6 - 15,184 shares	235,965
Cohen and Steers	Cohen and Steers Institutional Realty - 241 shares	11,185
		<u>\$ 102,851,962</u>
Self-directed brokerage accounts:		
* Charles Schwab	Primarily individual equity investment selected by Plan participants	\$ 856,573
* Charles Schwab	Certificates of deposit selected by Plan participants	497,968
		<u>\$ 1,354,541</u>
Synthetic guaranteed investment contract:		
Collective trust fund:		
* Prudential Trust Company	Prudential Core Conservative Bond Fund - 1,733,775 units (1)	<u>\$ 14,336,881</u>
Notes receivable from participants:		
* Participants	Notes receivable from participants with interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 9.50%, with various maturity dates	<u>\$ 2,153,458</u>

(1) The audited report for the Prudential Core Conservative Bond Fund has been filed with the Department of Labor by the Prudential Insurance Company of America. The entity's tax identification number is 22-1211670.

The above information has been certified by Reliance Trust Company, the trustee, as complete and accurate.

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
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning		and ending	
A Name of plan		B Three-digit plan number (PN)	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500		D Employer Identification Number (EIN)	

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

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f		

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k		

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l		
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income

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

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

Expenses

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

Net Income and Reconciliation

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

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name:

(2) EIN:

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

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.)

	Yes	No	Amount
4a			
4b			
4c			
4d			
4e			
4f			
4g			
4h			
4i			
4j			
4k			
4l			
4m			
4n			

b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)

c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)

d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)

e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?

f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?

g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?

h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?

i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)

j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)

k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?

l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?

m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)

n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.

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

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(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	PARTICIPANT LOANS	INTEREST RATES (4.25% TO 9.50%)		2,097,710
	TROWE PRICE ALLCAP OPPS I	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		8,034,705
	JPMORGAN MID CAP GROWTH R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		2,307,831
	AMERFUNDS 2040 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		6,242,273
	BAIRD SHORT TERM BOND INST	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		425,831
	AMERFUNDS 2030 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		12,262,301
	VANGUARD INTL GRTH ADM	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		1,044,619

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	Schwab S&P 500 Index Fund	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		13,916,284
	AMERFUNDS 2015 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		1,895,885
	AMERFUNDS 2060 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		1,838,122
	PIMCO REAL RETURN FUND - INSTL	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		1,295,342
	VANGUARD TOT INTL STK IND ADM	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		3,462,022
	AMERFUNDS 2050 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		3,956,579
	AMERFUNDS 2065 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		235,965

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	AMERFUNDS 2025 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		8,778,628
	AMERFUNDS 2035 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		11,431,481
	VANGUARD SMALL CAP INDEX ADMRL	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		2,815,961
	VANGUARD EMG MKTS STK IDX ADM	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		962,918
	VANGUARD MID CAP INDEX - ADM	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		3,191,898
	COHEN & STEERS INST REALTY	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		11,185
	FID US BOND IND	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		657,291

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	AMERFUNDS 2020 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		2,634,691
	TRP INTEGRATED US SC GR EQ I	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		1,124,984
	AMERICAN FUNDS 2055 TARGET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		3,224,477
	AMERFUNDS 2010 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		1,002,908
	BAIRD CORE PLUS BOND INSTL	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		3,156,410
	AMERFUNDS 2045 TARG DATERET R6	REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANY		6,941,371
	SELF-DIRECTED BROKERAGE ACCT	BROKERAGE FUND OPTIONS		1,347,004

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