

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 CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 10/01/2005
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) CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 607 HERNDON PKWY STE 201 HERNDON, VA 20170-5481
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 02-0625788
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 703-787-0088
2d	Business code (see instructions) 517000

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	LISA C. GRAY
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/15/2024	LISA C. GRAY
	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	5 283
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) 160 6a(2) 138 6b 0 6c 133 6d 271 6e 0 6f 271 6g(1) 264 6g(2) 258 6h 10
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 2T 3D

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

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 CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 02-0625788

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
JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (USA)

(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
01-0233346	65838	113869	264	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 42452	(b) Total amount of fees paid 9898
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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
CAPITAL SECURITIES MANAGEMENT 4050 INNSLAKE DR, STE 250
GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
42452		BROKER COMMISSION	3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
THE ROSE FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC 6602 EAST 75TH STREET, SUITE 200
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
	1400	TPA FEES PAID	5

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

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6602 EAST 75TH STREET, SUITE 200
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
	8498	TPA COMPENSATION	5

(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	0
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	19415320

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

Specify nature of costs ▶

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

(2) Dividends and credits

7c(2)

(3) Interest credited during the year

7c(3)

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

7c(4)

(5) Other (specify below)

7c(5)

▶

(6) Total additions.....

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

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

7e(1)

(2) Administration charge made by carrier

7e(2)

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

7e(3)

(4) Other (specify below)

7e(4)

▶

(5) Total deductions.....

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

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation	
JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	PO BOX 600 BUFFALO, NY 14201
01-0233346	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

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Explanation:

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

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

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 02-0625788	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.			
Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions.....	1b(1)		13813
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		5263
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	803	
(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)	34218	7784
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts.....	1c(10)	15371070	19415320
(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	15406091	19442180
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	15406091	19442180

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)	354126	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	1679261	
(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)		2033387
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)	1234	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		1234
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		0
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		2971052
(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		5005673

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	959613	
(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)		959613
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)	9971	
(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)		9971
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		969584

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		4036089
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: **LONG & ASSOCIATES**

(2) EIN: **35-2009629**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		☒	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒		500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) 001	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 02-0625788	

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No 21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2). ☐ Design-based safe harbor method ☐ "Prior year" ADP test ☒ "Current year" ADP test ☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q702751A</u> .	

CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS CORPORATION 401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2023 and 2022

**China Telecom Americas Corporation 401(k) Retirement Plan
Audited Financial Statements**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
China Telecom Americas Corporation 401(k) Retirement Plan
Indianapolis, Indiana

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

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of China Telecom Americas Corporation 401(k) Retirement Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) [ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit]. The financial statements comprise the statement of net asset available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the related statement of changes in net assets available or 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 audit of China Telecom Americas Corporation 401(k) Retirement Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

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

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audit 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 financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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 generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Company 401(k) Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Company 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets at the end of the period under audit are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is

derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion—

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

Long and Associates, P.C.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Greg Williams".

Fishers, Indiana
September 15, 2024

China Telecom Americas Corporation
401(K) Retirement Plan
Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits
As of December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Cash	\$ -	\$ 803
Investments, at Fair Value	<u>19,415,320</u>	<u>15,371,070</u>
Receivables:		
Contribution From Participants	5,263	-
Contribution From Employer	13,813	-
Notes Receivable from Participants	<u>7,784</u>	<u>34,218</u>
Total receivables	<u>26,860</u>	<u>34,218</u>
Total Assets	<u>19,442,180</u>	<u>15,406,091</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u>19,442,180</u>	<u>15,406,091</u>
Total Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 19,442,180</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,406,091</u></u>

China Telecom Americas Corporation
401(K) Retirement Plan
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Additions to Net Assets Attributed to:		
Investment Income:		
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 2,955,775	\$ (3,275,389)
Interest Income on Notes Receivable From Participants	<u>1,234</u>	<u>2,610</u>
Contributions:		
Participants	1,679,261	1,804,113
Employer Matching	368,748	376,798
Employee Rollovers-During Plan Year	-	46,474
Custodian Credits	<u>15,277</u>	<u>9,080</u>
Total Contributions	<u>2,063,286</u>	<u>2,236,465</u>
Total Additions	<u>5,020,295</u>	<u>(1,036,314)</u>
Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to:		
Benefits Paid to Participants	974,235	1,733,332
Administrative Expenses	<u>9,971</u>	<u>3,261</u>
Total Deductions	<u>984,206</u>	<u>1,736,593</u>
Net Change	4,036,089	(2,772,907)
Net Assets Available for Benefits:		
Beginning of period	<u>15,406,091</u>	<u>18,178,998</u>
End of period	<u>\$ 19,442,180</u>	<u>\$ 15,406,091</u>

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NOTE A – DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the China Telecom Americas Corporation 401(k) Retirement Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Specific inquiries regarding plan provisions should refer to the summary Plan description. Copies of this publication are available from China Telecom Americas Corporation (the “Plan Sponsor”).

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan (401(k)), effective October 1, 2005, as restated August 1, 2022, covering all eligible employees of China Telecom Americas Corporation (the “Company”). The Company does not have an age or service requirement. Employees of the Company who are members of a union, are interns or hold student visas are not eligible for participation. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Contributions

Each year, eligible participants may make salary deferrals up to the maximum amount allowed by the Internal Revenue Service under IRC Section 402(g). The Company may elect to make discretionary matching contributions or profit-sharing contributions to all eligible participants. The Company elected discretionary matching to eligible participants of 50% up to 6% of participant contributions for Plan years 2023 and 2022. Participants who have attained age 50 by the last day of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also make rollover contributions representing distributions from other qualified plans.

Per regulations, participant contributions to the Plan are to be paid by the Company by the 15th business day of the month following the month in which the participant contributions are deducted from the pay. There may be instances when participant contributions are paid after the 15th business day of the month following the month in which the participant contributions are deducted from the pay.

Participant Accounts

Each Participant’s account is credited with (a) the participant’s salary deferral contribution and related employer matching contribution, (b) an allocation of the Company’s discretionary contribution, if any, and (c) plan earnings (losses), and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant eligible compensation or account balances, as defined under the Plan. The participant eligible for a distribution of their account balance under the Plan is entitled to no more than their vested account balance.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their salary deferral contributions plus earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company’s matching contributions, plus earnings thereon is based on a four-year graduated vesting schedule. Vesting in the Company’s profit-sharing contribution, plus earnings thereon is based on a six-year graduated vesting schedule. A participant is fully vested after six years of credited service.

Investment Options

Upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant may direct their entire account balance among any of the pre-selected investment options offered by the Plan.

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NOTE A – DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (Continued)

Distribution of Benefits

The benefit to which a participant is entitled is equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in their account. Benefits may be distributed to participants upon termination of service by reason of retirement, disability, death, or other separation from service. Upon reaching 59½ Years of age, participants may elect to receive in-service withdrawals. The Plan also maintains a provision for hardship withdrawals.

Forfeited Accounts

Forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested accounts are used to reduce employer contributions or administrative fees. Forfeitures totaled \$14,622 and \$27,250 for the plan years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their eligible account balance, reduced by any outstanding note balance. Notes must be repaid within five years unless it is for the purchase of a primary residence. The participant loans are secured by the vested balance in the participant's account and bear an interest rate equal to 1% over the prime interest rate. Principal and interest payments are made through payroll deductions.

Participant loans are measured at the participant loans' unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent participant loans are reclassified as distributions based on the terms of the plan document.

NOTE B – SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Reclassifications

Certain items in the prior year financial statements have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits or Statement of Net Assets of the Plan.

Investment Valuation

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Plan management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers and trustee. See Fair Value of Plan Assets and Liabilities.

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NOTE B – SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Income Recognition

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are not reflected within the financial statements. Fees related to the administration of a Plan service for a participant are assessed directly to that participant's account. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation/(depreciation) of the fair value of investments.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

NOTE C – PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right to terminate the Plan. In the event of plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their employer contributions.

NOTE D – TAX STATUS

The Plan adopted a standardized form of prototype plan sponsored by The Rose Financial Group, LLC. The prototype plan has received an opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated June 30, 2020, as to the prototype plan's qualified status. The prototype plan opinion letter has been relied upon by this Plan. The Plan administrator believes the Plan is designed and is being operated in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. 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 (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax period in progress. Plan tax filings are subject to examination for three years.

NOTE E – FAIR VALUE OF PLAN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) *Accounting Standards Codification* (ASC) 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Topic 820 also specifies a fair value hierarchy which requires a plan to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The standard describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

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NOTE E – FAIR VALUE OF PLAN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (Continued)

- Level 1 – Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 – Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities
- Level 3 – Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

Non-Registered Accounts: Participant loans are valued at their outstanding balances, which approximates fair value.

Pooled separate accounts: Are valued at the net asset value (NAV) based on units of the pooled separate accounts. The NAV is provided by the trustee and is used a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the pooled separate account less its liabilities. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the pooled separate account will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. Redemptions are permitted daily with no restrictions or notice periods. There are no unfunded commitments.

Registered Investment Companies and Money Market Funds: Registered investment companies (or mutual funds) and money market fund are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. These funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are also required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds and money market fund held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Registered Investment Companies: Registered investment companies (or mutual funds) are 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. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Common/Collective Trust: Collective trust funds represent investments held in pooled funds. The Plan's interests in the collective trust funds are valued based on the net asset value (NAV) provided by the fund sponsor. The accuracy of the NAV is verified using the audited financial statements of the collective trust funds. The NAV, as provided by the custodian, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying

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NOTE E – FAIR VALUE OF PLAN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (Continued)

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. Were the Plan to initiate a full redemption of the collective trust, the investment advisor reserves the right to temporarily delay withdrawal from the trust in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner. There are no significant redemption restrictions or unfunded commitments on these investments.

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

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

December 31, 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Non-Register Accounts	\$ 19,415,320	-	-	\$ 19,415,320
Total Assets in the Fair Value Hierarchy	19,415,320	-	-	19,415,320
Pooled Separate Accounts				-
Total Investments Measured at Fair Value				\$ 19,415,320

December 31, 2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Non-Register Accounts	\$ 15,371,070	-	-	\$ 15,371,070
Total Assets in the Fair Value Hierarchy	15,371,070	-	-	15,371,070
Pooled Separate Accounts				-
Total Investments Measured at Fair Value				\$ 15,371,070

NOTE F – INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY JOHN HANCOCK

The Plan Administrator has elected the method of compliance as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the United States Department of Labor's rules and regulations for reporting and disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, as permitted under such election, the plan administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the following information certified by John Hancock Life Insurance Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing such information certified by the trustee to information included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule of assets (held at the end of year).

The trustee has supplied the plan administrator with a certification as to the completeness and accuracy of certain investment information presented in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the statement of changes

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NOTE F – INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY JOHN HANCOCK (Continued)

in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the supplemental schedule of assets held at end of years as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

NOTE G – RISKS AND UNCERTANTIES

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 statement of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE H – PARTY-IN-INTEREST

Party-in-interest transactions include those with fiduciaries or employees of the Plan, and person who provides services to the Plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan, an employee organization whose employees are covered by the Plan, a person who owns 50 percent or more of such an employer or employee association, or relatives of such persons.

The Company provides certain administrative services at no cost to the Plan.

NOTE I – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through September 15, 2024, the date these financial statements were issued. Based on the results of our audit procedures, inquiry of Plan management, discussion with Rose Financial Group (third party administrator), we found no other subsequent events requiring disclosure as of December 31, 2023.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

China Telecom Americas Corporation 401(k) Retirement Plan
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Schedule H, Line 41 - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Fair Value
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2010	**	\$ 39,674
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2015	**	142,980
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2020	**	279,662
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2025	**	478,436
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2030	**	583,736
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2035	**	2,576,280
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2040	**	3,103,888
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2045	**	778,996
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2050	**	1,057,872
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2055	**	811,838
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2060	**	649,452
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2065	**	31,593
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-CONSERVATIVE	**	88,877
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-MODERATE	**	4,331
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-BALANCE	**	492,753
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-GROWTH	**	549,849
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-AGGRESSIVE	**	628,731
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SELECT BALANCE	**	182,149
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	STABLE VALUE	**	985,087
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	TOTAL BMKT	**	35,530
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS STR INC	**	87,414
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS GL BD	**	85,734
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS HIYLD	**	38,526
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	DFAINFLPRO	**	105,175
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS CORP BND	**	134,820
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MFS EM DEB	**	12,750
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF AM BAL	**	123,237
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VALUE INDEX	**	489,124
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	GRTH INDEX	**	978,775
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX TOTAL	**	135,126
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL GRW	**	20,113
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX INTL	**	50,695
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	FIDLEVCO	**	14,980
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL VAL	**	44,955
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS BLUCP	**	605,677
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF WASHMUT	**	74,415
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF NEW PER	**	108,944
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EUROPAC	**	24,857
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF CAP WGI	**	59,023
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX 500	**	2,257,641
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	WIS MC DIV	**	20,766
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMC VA IN	**	70,216
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMCP GR IN	**	23,079
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC VL ETF	**	93,985
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC GW ETF	**	118,911
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	ICX SMALL	**	23,318
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS RESTS	**	2,011
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX MID	**	30,535
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMALL GROWTH	**	11,324
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	US SML CAP	**	13,057
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EMERG MKT	**	42,540
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SC WORLD	**	6,206
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	NEW WORLD	**	5,677
				19,415,320
*	Participant Loans	Various Maturities & Interest Rates	**	
				7,784
	Total Investments			
				\$ 19,423,104

This schedule was derived from data certified by John Hancock Life Insurance Company.

* Represents a party-in-interest.

** Cost omitted for participant directed investments.

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Schedule H, Line 4I - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
December 31, 2022

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				Fair Value
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2010	**	\$ 26,095
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2015	**	131,138
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2020	**	224,978
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2025	**	325,921
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2030	**	1,132,120
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2035	**	2,004,207
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2040	**	2,010,440
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2045	**	635,565
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2050	**	775,593
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2055	**	560,924
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2060	**	459,777
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2065	**	55,797
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-CONSERVATIVE	**	56,481
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-MODERATE	**	2,467
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-BALANCE	**	397,422
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-GROWTH	**	529,749
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-AGGRESSIVE	**	472,303
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SELECT BALANCE	**	142,210
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	STABLE VALUE	**	1,122,032
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	TOTAL BMKT	**	26,361
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS STR INC	**	72,326
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS GL BD	**	3,843
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS HIYLD	**	29,631
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	DRAINFLPRO	**	70,136
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS COR BND	**	100,477
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MFS EM DEB	**	9,611
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF AM BAL	**	94,110
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VALUE INDEX	**	437,338
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	GROWTH INDEX	**	719,313
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX TOTAL	**	105,520
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL GRW	**	15,188
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX INTL	**	42,938
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	FIDLEVCO	**	10,800
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL VAL	**	40,037
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS BLUE CHIP	**	540,059
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF WASHMUY	**	55,030
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF NEW PER	**	102,113
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EUROPAC	**	19,072
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AP CAP WGI	**	47,450
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX 500	**	1,291,057
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	WIS MC DIV	**	18,324
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMCP VA IN	**	61,645
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMCP GR IN	**	19,594
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC VL ETF	**	82,237
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC GW ETF	**	98,795
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX SMALL	**	18,039
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS RESTS	**	998
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX MID	**	134,902
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMALL GRTH	**	9,931
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	US SML CAP	**	11,155
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EMERG MK	**	7,954
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SC WORD	**	5,228
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	NEW WORLD	**	4,638
				15,371,070
*	Participant Loans	Various Maturities & Interest Rates	**	34,218
	Total Investments			<u><u>\$ 15,405,288</u></u>

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	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	TOTAL BMKT	**	35,530
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS STR INC	**	87,414
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS GL BD	**	85,734
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS HIYLD	**	38,526
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	DFAINFLPRO	**	105,175
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS CORP BND	**	134,820
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MFS EM DEB	**	12,750
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF AM BAL	**	123,237
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VALUE INDEX	**	489,124
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	GRTH INDEX	**	978,775
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX TOTAL	**	135,126
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL GRW	**	20,113
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX INTL	**	50,695
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	FIDLEVCO	**	14,980
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL VAL	**	44,955
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS BLUCP	**	605,677
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF WASHMUT	**	74,415
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF NEW PER	**	108,944
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EUROPAC	**	24,857
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF CAP WGI	**	59,023
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX 500	**	2,257,641
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	WIS MC DIV	**	20,766
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMC VA IN	**	70,216
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMCP GR IN	**	23,079
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC VL ETF	**	93,985
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC GW ETF	**	118,911
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	ICX SMALL	**	23,318
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS RESTS	**	2,011
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX MID	**	30,535
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMALL GROWTH	**	11,324
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	US SML CAP	**	13,057
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EMERG MKT	**	42,540
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SC WORLD	**	6,206
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	NEW WORLD	**	5,677
				19,415,320
*	Participant Loans	Various Maturities & Interest Rates	**	
				7,784
	Total Investments			
				\$ 19,423,104

This schedule was derived from data certified by John Hancock Life Insurance Company.

* Represents a party-in-interest.

** Cost omitted for participant directed investments.

China Telecom Americas Corporation 401(k) Retirement Plan
02-0625788
Schedule H, Line 4I - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
December 31, 2022

(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) Fair Value
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2010	**	\$ 26,095
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2015	**	131,138
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2020	**	224,978
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2025	**	325,921
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2030	**	1,132,120
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2035	**	2,004,207
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2040	**	2,010,440
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2045	**	635,565
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2050	**	775,593
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2055	**	560,924
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2060	**	459,777
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF 2065	**	55,797
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-CONSERVATIVE	**	56,481
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-MODERATE	**	2,467
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-BALANCE	**	397,422
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-GROWTH	**	529,749
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	LS-AGGRESSIVE	**	472,303
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SELECT BALANCE	**	142,210
*	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	STABLE VALUE	**	1,122,032
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	TOTAL BMKT	**	26,361
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS STR INC	**	72,326
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS GL BD	**	3,843
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS HIYLD	**	29,631
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	DRAINFLPRO	**	70,136
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS COR BND	**	100,477
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MFS EM DEB	**	9,611
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF AM BAL	**	94,110
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VALUE INDEX	**	437,338
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	GROWTH INDEX	**	719,313
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX TOTAL	**	105,520
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL GRW	**	15,188
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX INTL	**	42,938
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	FIDLEVCO	**	10,800
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	INTL VAL	**	40,037
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS BLUE CHIP	**	540,059
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF WASHMUY	**	55,030
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AF NEW PER	**	102,113
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EUROPAC	**	19,072
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	AP CAP WGI	**	47,450
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX 500	**	1,291,057
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	WIS MC DIV	**	18,324
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMCP VA IN	**	61,645
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMCP GR IN	**	19,594
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC VL ETF	**	82,237
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	MC GW ETF	**	98,795
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX SMALL	**	18,039
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	VS RESTS	**	998
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	IDX MID	**	134,902
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SMALL GRTH	**	9,931
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	US SML CAP	**	11,155
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	EMERG MK	**	7,954
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	SC WORD	**	5,228
	John Hancock Life Insurance Company	NEW WORLD	**	4,638
				15,371,070
*	Participant Loans	Various Maturities & Interest Rates	**	34,218
	Total Investments			\$ 15,405,288

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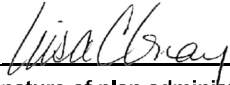
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Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee 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 single-employer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B	This return/report is: ☐ 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 CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 10/01/2005
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) CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 607 HERNDON PKWY STE 201 HERNDON, VA 20170-5481
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 02-0625788
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 703-787-0088
2d	Business code (see instructions) 517000

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		10/15/2024	Lisa C. Gray
	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

**Application for Extension of Time
To File Certain Employee Plan Returns**Go to www.irs.gov/Form5558 for the latest information.**File With IRS Only****Part I Identification**

A	Name of filer, plan administrator, or plan sponsor (see instructions) China Telecom Americas Number, street, and room or suite no. (If a P.O. box, see instructions.) 607 Herndon Pkwy, Ste 201 City or town, state, and ZIP code Herndon, VA 20170-5481	B	Employer identification number (EIN) 02-0625788
C	Name of plan China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan	D	Three-digit plan number (PN) 001
E	Plan year end date 12/31/2023		

Part II Extension of Time To File Form 5500 Series, and/or Form 8955-SSA

- 1 ☒ Check this box if you are requesting an extension of time on line 2 to file the first Form 5500 series return/report for the plan listed in Part I, item C, above.
- 2 I request an extension of time until 1 0 / 1 5 / 2 0 2 4 to file Form 5500 series. See instructions.
- 3 I request an extension of time until 1 0 / 1 5 / 2 0 2 4 to file Form 8955-SSA. See instructions.

The application **is automatically approved** to the date shown on line 2 and/or line 3 (above) if (a) the Form 5558 is filed on or before the normal due date of Form 5500 series, and/or Form 8955-SSA for which this extension is requested; and (b) the date on line 2 and/or line 3 (above) is not later than the 15th day of the 3rd month after the normal due date.