

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 U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC. 401(K) PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003
1c	Effective date of plan 06/01/2006
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) U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC. P.O. BOX 440 1041 LAKE GULCH RD. WALLACE, ID 83873-0440
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-3804631
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 208-556-4100
2d	Business code (see instructions) 212200

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	CHERI BAYER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 407
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) 256 6a(2) 262 6b 0 6c 181 6d 443 6e 0 6f 443 6g(1) 388 6g(2) 429 6h 0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

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

2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 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 0
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☐ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC. 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	003
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-3804631	

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
CHARLES SCHWAB & CO, INC.
94-1737782

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

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

PINKERTON RETIREMENT SERVICES

82-0494854

(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?
26 27	NONE	59101	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

RANDALL & HURLEY, INC.

91-1661080

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 17 37 38 60 64	NONE	40841	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

82-3967259

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
21 19	NONE	5440	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	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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(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

Explanation:

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-3804631	

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	85803	102701
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	68983	82613
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	1986	1313
(3) Other	1b(3)	42	1588
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	133435	321496
(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)	555317	732726
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	13175016	15397859
(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	14020582	16640296
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	1852	7713
h Operating payables	1h	6954	7508
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	885	104
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	9691	15325
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	14010891	16624971

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)	978573	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	1286142	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	26152	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		2290867
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	3023	
(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)	37497	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		40520
(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)	393693	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		393693
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		1990543
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		4715623

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	1996161	
(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)		1996161
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	40841	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	59101	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	5440	
(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)		105382
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		2101543

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		2614080
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: **DECORIA, BLAIR & TEAGUE, PS**

(2) EIN: **26-0152208**

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 U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC. 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	003
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-3804631	

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

1	Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
2	Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 13-3804631		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.			
3	Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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 _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

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c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:		
a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14b	
c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14c	

15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	

16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	

17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%

High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:

☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more

20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation. _____

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

☒ Design-based safe harbor method

☐ "Prior year" ADP test

☐ "Current year" ADP test

☐ N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q703945A.

**U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc.
401(k) Plan
EIN 13-3804631, Plan No. 003**

***Financial Statements
and Supplemental Schedule***

December 31, 2023 and 2022

U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
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Independent Auditor's Report

Trustees and Participants
U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
Wallace, Idaho

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan (“the Plan”), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) [ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit]. The financial statements are comprised of the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 6 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of 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 the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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

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

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

Other Matter –Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule, Schedule H, line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), as of December 31, 2023, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion—

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

DeCoria, Blair & Teague, PS

DeCoria, Blair & Teague, P.S.
Spokane, Washington

October 15, 2024

U.S. Silver - Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Investments (all participant directed) (Note 3):		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ 15,397,859	\$ 13,175,016
Money market fund	321,496	133,435
Total investments	<u>15,719,355</u>	<u>13,308,451</u>
Cash, non-interest bearing	102,701	85,803
Employer contributions receivable	82,613	68,983
Participant contributions receivable	1,313	1,986
Other receivables	1,588	42
Notes receivable from participants	<u>732,726</u>	<u>555,317</u>
Total assets	<u>16,640,296</u>	<u>14,020,582</u>
Liabilities		
Benefits payable	7,713	1,852
Fees payable	7,508	6,954
Other liabilities	<u>104</u>	<u>885</u>
Total liabilities	<u>15,325</u>	<u>9,691</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 16,624,971</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 14,010,891</u></u>

U.S. Silver - Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Additions

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments (Note 3)	\$ 1,990,543
Interest and dividend income from investments	396,716
Interest from notes receivable from participants	<u>37,497</u>

Total investment income	<u>2,424,756</u>
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Contributions (Note 1):

Employer contributions	978,573
Employee contributions	1,286,142
Employee rollover contributions	<u>26,152</u>

Total contributions	<u>2,290,867</u>
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Total additions	<u>4,715,623</u>
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Deductions

Benefit payments to participants	1,996,161
Administrative expenses (Note 7)	<u>105,382</u>

Total deductions	<u>2,101,543</u>
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Increase in net assets available for benefits	2,614,080
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Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	<u>14,010,891</u>
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Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u><u>\$ 16,624,971</u></u>
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U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2023 and 2022

1. Description of the Plan

The following description of the U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the “Plan”) is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the trust agreement and official plan document for more complete information of the Plan’s provisions. U.S. Silver-Idaho, Inc. (the “Company”) is the Plan Sponsor.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan which became effective July 1, 2006 and was most recently restated on January 1, 2022 to incorporate language from past legislation. The purpose of the Plan is to provide retirement and associated benefits for employees and their beneficiaries under a profit-sharing plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

In 2019, the Plan was amended to replace the discretionary match with a required match of 100% of an employee’s deferral to up to the first 4% of pay for the hourly employees. In addition, the Company acquired Gold Acquisition Corporation (“Gold Acquisition”). The Plan was amended to cover Gold Acquisition’s employees effective June 1, 2019. In 2023, the Plan was amended to increase the 100% required match of an employee’s deferral to up to the first 5% of pay for all employees.

The Plan is administered by the Company in the form of an advisory committee consisting of Company officers. Charles Schwab Bank (“Schwab”) is the Trustee of the Plan and the custodian of the assets. Randall and Hurley, Inc. (“R&H”) are the record keepers as well as the third-party administrator of the Plan. Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Plan Sponsor. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan. The Plan pays substantially all administrative expenses associated with the administration of the Plan.

Eligibility

All employees, excluding leased employees, are eligible to participate in the Plan on their date of hire. Employees can start making contributions immediately following their hire date.

Employee Contributions

Participants may make voluntary tax-deferred and/or taxed (Roth) contributions to the Plan through payroll deductions of a minimum of 1% up to 100% of annual W-2 compensation subject to Internal Revenue Service maximum limitations. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. For 2023, the elective deferral limit is \$22,500 for individuals under the age of 50 and \$30,000 for individuals who attained the age of 50 prior to or during 2023. Participants may also contribute (rollover) amounts representing distributions from other qualified benefit or defined contribution plans. During the year ended December 31, 2023, total employee contributions, including rollovers, were \$1,312,294.

Employer Contributions

The Plan’s provisions permit the Company to make two types of employer discretionary contributions. The first is a Safe Harbor Employer Discretionary Matching Contribution, which may be made each Plan year to eligible participants. The formula for the Safe Harbor Employer Discretionary Matching Contribution is based on employee elective deferral contributions and is equal to 100% of employee contributions to the Plan up to 5% of compensation for the pay period.

U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
Notes to Financial Statements, Continued
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1. Description of the Plan, Continued

Employer Contributions, Continued

The second type of employer discretionary contribution is an Employer Profit-Sharing Contribution. Such contributions are determined annually and are allocated to participant accounts at the end of the Plan year. Only participants with more than 1,000 hours of service and one year of employment are eligible for these contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Plan Sponsor authorized a profit-sharing contribution of \$81,487, which is included in employer contributions receivable at December 31, 2023. The total employer contributions receivable balance was paid by the Company subsequent to year-end.

Participants direct the investment of their total contribution, including the Plan Sponsor's portion, into various investment options offered by the Plan.

Participant Accounts

Individual accounts are maintained for each participant of the Plan. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and the Plan Sponsor's matching contributions as well as allocation of the Plan's earnings or losses. The Plan Sponsor's profit-sharing contributions are allocated to eligible employees in a manner determined by the Plan Sponsor. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting of Contributions

Participants are immediately 100% vested in their elective deferral, rollover contributions to the Plan and employer matching contributions, plus earnings thereon. Employer discretionary profit-sharing contributions vest at the graduated rate of 20% per year beginning with the third year of service, and become 100% vested after six years of service, as follows:

<u>Years of Service (1,000 hours or more)</u>	<u>Vesting Percentage</u>
Less than 2 years	0%
2 years	20%
3 years	40%
4 years	60%
5 years	80%
6 or more years	100%

All employer contributions and earnings thereon, become 100% vested for a participant who terminates employment with the employer due to death or disability while an employee.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts up to a maximum of the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of the participant's vested account balance and a minimum of \$1,000. Loan terms cannot exceed five years except for the purchase of a primary residence, which cannot exceed fifteen years. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at 1% above the prime rate. A participant may only have one loan outstanding at any time. Principal and interest payments are paid through periodic payroll deductions.

U.S. Silver – Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
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1. Description of the Plan, Continued

Payment of Benefits

Participants are eligible to receive 100% of their vested account balance at normal retirement (age 65), death, or permanent disability. Participants who terminate employment are eligible to receive their vested account balance after separation from service. On termination of service for any reason other than death, a participant receives the value of the vested interest in his or her account in a lump-sum payment or under a continuous right of withdrawal elected by the participant. Upon death of a participant, distributions to beneficiaries are made in accordance with IRS regulations. If the vested amount in a participant's account does not exceed \$5,000, the payment must be a lump-sum distribution.

Forfeitures

To the extent attributable to non-vested participant account balances, forfeitures are used to reduce the Plan Sponsor's matching contributions for the Plan year in which the forfeiture occurs or to pay reasonable Plan expenses.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, no forfeitures were used for reinstating forfeited balances of re-hired employees or were used to pay administrative expenses. In addition, no forfeitures were used to reduce employer profit-sharing contributions. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no remaining unallocated forfeitures.

Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right to terminate the Plan at any time subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of a Plan termination, all participants would become 100% vested in their portion of employer contributions, and benefits under the Plan would be distributed based upon participant account balances accumulated on the date of termination of the Plan.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The Plan's financial statements have been prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

The Plan presents in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits the net appreciation or depreciation in the fair value of its investments, which consist of realized gains (losses) and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on those investments.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Fair Value Measurements

ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a fair value hierarchy for those assets and liabilities measured at fair value, that distinguishes between assumptions based on market data (observable inputs) and the Plan's own assumptions (unobservable inputs). The hierarchy consists of: Level 1 – quoted market prices in active markets for identical instruments; Level 2 – inputs other than Level 1 inputs that are observable; and Level 3 – unobservable inputs developed using estimates and assumptions determined by the Plan.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publicly list their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded and therefore are included in Level 1 of the hierarchy.

Money market: Interest-bearing cash equivalents are recorded at fair value, which approximates cost.

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, the assets or liabilities of the Plan that were measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized as follows:

December 31, 2023

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ 15,397,859	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 15,397,859
Money market fund	321,496	--	--	321,496

December 31, 2022

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ 13,175,016	\$ --	\$ --	\$ 13,175,016
Money market fund	133,435	--	--	133,435

Certain assets and liabilities are measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis; that is, the instruments are not measured at fair value on an ongoing basis, but are subject to fair value adjustments only in certain circumstances (for example, when there is evidence of impairment). The Plan had no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis during 2023 or 2022.

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, Continued

Benefit Payments to Participants

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when processed for payment. Benefit payments that have been processed, but not yet remitted to, or on behalf of, participants are reported as benefits payable.

Administrative Expenses

Participant loan fees are paid by the participant, through a reduction of the proceeds of the loan. Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Plan Sponsor. Expenses that are paid by the Plan Sponsor are excluded from these financial statements. All other costs associated with administering the Plan are charged to all individual participant accounts, based on the individual participants' account balances at the date of payment.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are stated at their outstanding balances, including any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis, and related fees are recorded as administrative expenses as incurred. Delinquent notes receivable are reclassified as distributions based upon the terms of the Plan document. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates and affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Subsequent Events

The Plan's management has evaluated subsequent events through October 15, 2024, the date as of which these financial statements were available to be issued. With the exception of the matters described in Note 1, Employer Contributions, no material subsequent events have occurred since December 31, 2023 that required recognition or disclosure in these financial statements.

3. Investments

All investment information disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and interest and dividend income and net appreciation in the fair value of investments for the year ended December 31, 2023, was obtained or derived from information supplied to the plan administrator and certified as complete and accurate by the custodian, Schwab, as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's *Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974*.

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3. Investments, Continued

The fair value of individual investments that represented 5% or more of the Plan's net assets at December 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Investments representing 5% or more of the Plan's net assets:		
Mutual funds:		
Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	\$ 2,104,943	\$ 2,238,933
Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	2,419,354	2,152,217
Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	902,451	810,198
Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	2,028,330	1,623,332
Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	3,800,900	3,510,648
Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund	920,327	*
Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	<u>954,751</u>	<u>*</u>
	13,131,056	10,335,328
Other mutual funds (less than 5% of net assets individually)	2,266,803	2,839,688
Money market fund	<u>321,496</u>	<u>133,435</u>
Total investments	<u>\$ 15,719,355</u>	<u>\$ 13,308,451</u>

* Investment is not 5% or more of the Plan's net assets at this date.

During 2023, the Plan's investments (including investments purchased, sold and held during the year) appreciated (depreciated) in fair value as follows:

Mutual funds	\$ 1,990,543
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4. Plan Tax Status

The Trust established under the Plan to hold the Plan's assets is qualified pursuant to the appropriate section of the Internal Revenue Code as a tax-exempt organization. The Plan has obtained a favorable tax determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated March 31, 2014. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the last letter, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. 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 Sponsor has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2023, 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.

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5. Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan provides options for 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 and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities may occur and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits.

6. Information Certified by the Custodian

The Plan administrator has received certification from Schwab (see Note 3) that the following information is complete and accurate:

- Investments reflected on the accompanying Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments and interest and dividend income from investments reflected on the accompanying Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023.
- Investments reflected on the supplemental Schedule H, line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023.

7. Party-in-Interest Transactions

Schwab is the Plan's custodian and trustee and, therefore, investment in funds and transactions with Schwab qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The Plan occasionally has funds in money market and cash accounts that are administered by Schwab. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the balance of the Plan's investment in the Schwab Bank Savings money market account was \$321,496 and \$133,435, respectively. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan also had a non-interest bearing cash account with Schwab with a balance of \$102,701 and \$85,803, respectively. Fees paid by the Plan to Schwab for plan administration services totaled \$5,440 during 2023.

Pinkerton Retirement Specialists (Pinkerton) provides third-party investment advisory services to the Plan and is considered to be a party-in-interest to the Plan. Investment advisory fees for services provided by Pinkerton paid by the Plan totaled \$59,101 during 2023.

R&H provides third-party administrator services to the Plan and is considered to be a party-in-interest to the Plan. Fees paid by the Plan to R&H for plan administration services totaled \$40,841 during 2023.

8. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

There were no differences in net assets available for benefits or net change in net assets available for benefits between the financial statements and the Form 5500 as of or for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Supplemental Schedule

U.S. Silver - Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan
EIN 13-3804631, Plan No. 003
Schedule H, line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment, Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(e) Current Value
*	Charles Schwab	American Funds New World R6 - 1,017.953 shares	\$ 76,306
*	Charles Schwab	DFA Global Real Estate Securiteis Port - 1,766.803 shares	18,145
*	Charles Schwab	Dodge & Cox Income Fund - 1.682 shares	21
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*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Admiral - 997.704 shares	15,365
*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Equity-Income Admiral - 62.781 shares	5,291
*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Growth Index Admiral - 2,121.974 shares	339,516
*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Mid Cap Index Admiral - 238.451 shares	68,691
*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Small Cap Index Admiral - 48.377 shares	4,944
*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Target - 2,858.930 shares	67,757
*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund - 12,171.315 shares	327,043
*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund - 114,523.569 shares	2,104,943
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*	Charles Schwab	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund - 40,797.975 shares	902,451
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*	Charles Schwab	Money Market Account	321,496
*	Notes receivable from participants	Interest at 4.25% to 9.50%, maturing from 2024 through 2036	
*			732,726
*	Charles Schwab	Non-interest bearing cash account	102,701
			<u>\$ 16,554,782</u>

* Indicates party-in-interest to the Plan.

Column (d), Cost, is not required because all investments are participant directed.

The information in this schedule has been certified as to its completeness and accuracy by the custodian.

Form 5500Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceDepartment 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****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) _____
- 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 U.S. Silver-Idaho, Inc. 401(k) Plan	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003
	1c Effective date of plan 06/01/2006
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) U.S. SILVER-IDAHO, INC. P.O. BOX 440 1041 LAKE GULCH RD. WALLACE ID 83873-0440	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 13-3804631
	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 208-556-4100
	2d Business code (see instructions) 212200

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	<i>Cheri L. Bayer</i>	<i>10/15/2024</i>	CHERI BAYER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	<i>Cheri L. Bayer</i>	<i>10/15/2024</i>	CHERI BAYER
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
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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	5 407
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) 256 6a(2) 262 6b 0 6c 181 6d 443 6e 0 6f 443 6g(1) 388 6g(2) 429 6h 0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 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 _____
- (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.)

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