

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 CONTINENTAL BATTERY 401(K) PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/2000
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) CONTINENTAL BATTERY COMPANY 8585 N STEMMONS FWY SUITE 600 DALLAS, TX 75247
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-0942847
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 214-347-4321
2d	Business code (see instructions) 423990

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	01/02/2025	TWILA DEKRUYF
	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 1664
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) 1495 6a(2) 1461 6b 3 6c 233 6d 1697 6e 1 6f 1698 6g(1) 1037 6g(2) 995 6h 54
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

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

2F 2G 2J 2K 2E 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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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan	B Three-digit plan number (PN)	001
CONTINENTAL BATTERY 401(K) PLAN		
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	D Employer Identification Number (EIN)	
CONTINENTAL BATTERY COMPANY		
75-0942847		

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
LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
35-0472300	65676	897236 087	211	01/01/2023	12/31/2023

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

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

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

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
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(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	
6	Contracts With Allocated Funds:		
a	State the basis of premium rates ▶		
b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year.....	6c	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	
e	Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity (3) ☐ other (specify) ▶		
f	If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐		
7	Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)		
a	Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee (3) ☒ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶		
b	Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	0
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	-42826
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)	
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	76746
	(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	0
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	5647915
	▶ OTHER INCOME		
	(6) Total additions.....	7c(6)	5681835
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	5681835
e	Deductions:		
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	681467
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	7829
	(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	83531
	▶ OTHER EXPENSES		
	(5) Total deductions.....	7e(5)	772827
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	4909008

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)	0
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)	0
(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)	0
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.).....		9c(2)	0
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves.....		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CONTINENTAL BATTERY COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-0942847	

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
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL
04-2647786

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
37 64 65	RECORDKEEPER	89252	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

LPL FINANCIAL LLC

04-3046611

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	ADVISOR	30670	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
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

a Name:	LANE GORMAN TRUBITT, LLC	b EIN:	75-1044330
c Position:	ASSURANCE SERVICES		
d Address:	2626 HOWELL STREET SUITE 700 DALLAS, TX 75204	e Telephone:	214-461-1403

Explanation: THE AUDITING FIRM RESIGNED

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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a Name:		b EIN:	
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Explanation:

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	0	0
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	0
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	5447181	0
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	0	0
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	0	0
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)	0	0
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	0	0
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	0	0
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	0	0
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	0	0
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	0	0
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	1158936	1101751
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	0	0
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	0	0
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	0	0
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	0	0
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	36003772	42637848
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	0	4909008
(15) Other	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	42609889	48648607
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
h Operating payables	1h	0	0
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	0	0
j Other liabilities	1j	0	0
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	42609889	48648607

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)	1138998	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	4005092	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	158250	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		5302340
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	70104	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	132182	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	76751	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		279037
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	1306825	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		1306825
(3) Rents	2b(3)		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	0	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	0	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		0
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		5560233
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		12448435

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	6090262	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		6090262
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		22841
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		176692
h Interest expense	2h		0
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	600	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	88652	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	0	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	30670	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	0	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	0	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	0	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)	0	
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)	0	
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	0	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		119922
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		6409717

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		6038718
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		0

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **WITHUMSMITH&BROWN, PC**

(2) EIN: **22-2027092**

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.)	☒	☐	47735
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?	☒	☐	3000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	☐	☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	☐	☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒	☐	
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	☐	☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	☐	☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	☐	☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	☐	☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	☐	☐	

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation		Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.		OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.	
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023					
A Name of plan CONTINENTAL BATTERY 401(K) PLAN				B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CONTINENTAL BATTERY COMPANY				D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-0942847	
Part I Distributions					
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.					
1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....				1	
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 04-6568107					
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.					
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year				3	
Part II Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)					
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					
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					
Part IV ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.					
10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No					
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) ☐ Yes ☐ No					
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.				Schedule R (Form 5500) 2023 v. 230707	

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Financial Statements
December 31, 2023 and 2022
With Independent Auditor's Report**

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator of
Continental Battery 401(k) Plan:

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) ("ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit"). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis as of December 31, 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements - modified cash basis.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's ("DOL") 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA ("qualified institution").

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023, and for the year 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 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 accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.
- The information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Continental Battery 401(k) 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 the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 2; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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.

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 Continental Battery 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 Continental Battery 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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and, as a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matter - 2022 Financial Statements

Predecessor auditors performed an audit of the 2022 financial statements of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan. In accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the prior year audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan that were certified by a qualified institution. Their report dated October 1, 2024 indicated that (a) the amounts and disclosures in the 2022 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, and (b) the information in the 2022 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). Their report also indicated that the form and content of the 2022 supplemental schedules, other than the information in the 2022 supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, were presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA; and the information in the 2022 supplemental schedule(s) 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 determines meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

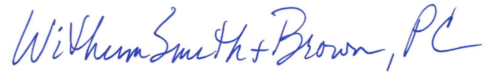
Other Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules - modified cash basis of Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023 and Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), as of December 31, 2023 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis 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 - modified cash basis, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Withum Smith & Brown, PC'.

January 2, 2025

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits - Modified Cash Basis
December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Investments at fair value		
Interest bearing cash	\$ -	\$ 5,447,181
Mutual funds	42,637,848	36,003,772
Total investments at fair value	<u>42,637,848</u>	<u>41,450,953</u>
 Investments at contract value	 4,909,008	 -
 Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	1,101,751	1,158,936
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 48,648,607</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 42,609,889</u></u>

The Notes to Financial Statements - Modified Cash Basis are an integral part of these statements.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits - Modified Cash Basis
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Additions

Investment income

Interest and dividends	\$ 1,453,680
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	5,560,233
Total investment income	<u>7,013,913</u>

Interest income on notes receivable from participants	132,182
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Contributions

Participant contributions	4,005,092
Employer contributions	1,138,998
Rollovers	158,250

Total contributions	<u>5,302,340</u>
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Total additions	<u>12,448,435</u>
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Deductions

Benefits paid to participants	6,289,795
Administrative expenses	119,922

Total deductions	<u>6,409,717</u>
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Net change in net assets available for benefits	6,038,718
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Net assets available for benefits

Beginning of year	42,609,889
End of year	<u><u>\$ 48,648,607</u></u>

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan

Notes to Financial Statements - Modified Cash Basis

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1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Continental Battery 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established effective January 1, 2000, and restated May 1, 2022. The Plan covers all employees, excluding employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement, leased employees, interns, and nonresident aliens who do not receive any earned income from the Company which constitutes United States sourced income, of Continental Battery Company (the "Company") who have completed 1 month of eligibility service requirement and are age 18 or older. Entry dates to the Plan are the first day of the month following the month of hire. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA").

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute a percentage of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the plan document, up to the maximum limits of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). Participants also may designate all or a portion of their deferral contributions as after-tax contributions into a Roth account. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants also may contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Company may make matching contributions equal to a discretionary percentage of the participant's elective deferral. In determining the matching contribution, only elective deferrals up to a discretionary dollar amount will be matched, with the dollar amount to be determined by the Company on a uniform basis to all participants. Additional profit sharing amounts may be contributed at the option of the Investment Committee. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no profit sharing contributions to the Plan. Additional discretionary amounts may be contributed by the Company at the option of the Investment Committee. Included in employer contributions is a \$1,349 discretionary contribution to the Plan that the Company made during the year ended December 31, 2023.

Participant Accounts

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

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 20% vested after one year of credited service and continues to vest in increments of 20% until 100% vested after five years of credited service, unless they do not have an hour of service on or after March 1, 2019, which will result in a six-year vesting period.

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 vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account. The loan interest rate is set at the prevailing interest rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for loans which would be made under similar circumstances, as defined. Principal and interest are paid ratably through monthly payroll deductions. Terms range up to five or 10 years for the purchase of a primary residence.

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Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, or installment payments as provided in the plan document. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump sum distribution. If a terminated participant's vested balance is less than or equal to \$5,000, the amount may be automatically distributed in the form of lump sum payments, installment payments, and partial withdrawals. In addition, the Plan allows for hardship distributions if certain criteria are met.

Forfeited Accounts

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$11,844 and \$290,497, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions or to pay plan administrative expenses. During 2023, employer contributions receivable were reduced by \$393,206 and plan administrative expenses were reduced by \$2,370, from forfeited nonvested accounts, in accordance with plan provisions.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). Accordingly, additions are included in the year in which they are collected and deductions are included in the year in which they are disbursed; however, earnings on investments include adjustments to fair value.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value or net asset value ("NAV"), which approximates fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract value). Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers, custodians and insurance company, as applicable. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

The Plan's investments in fully benefit-responsive investment contracts are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for the portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

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

Notes Receivable from Participants

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

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Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

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

Subsequent Events

The Plan's management evaluated events that occurred after December 31, 2023 through January 2, 2025, the date when the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no material subsequent events that required recognition or additional disclosure in these financial statements.

3. Fair Value Measurements

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

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

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation technique include:

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

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

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

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

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

Interest-Bearing Cash: These investments are stated at cost, which approximates fair value.

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 U.S. 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.

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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 evaluation 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. There have been no changes in the techniques used as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The following tables set 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
Investments at fair value				
Mutual funds	\$ 42,637,848	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,637,848
Total investments at fair value	\$ 42,637,848	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,637,848

December 31, 2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 36,003,772	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,003,772
Interest bearing cash	5,447,181	-	-	5,447,181
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	41,450,953	-	-	41,450,953
Total investments at fair value	\$ 41,450,953	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 41,450,953

4. Fully Benefit-Responsive Investment Contracts

The Plan holds a traditional fully benefit-responsive guaranteed investment contract, for which contributions are maintained in a general account. The account is credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses.

This contract meets the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore is reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by the sponsoring trustee, represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value. The investment contract held by the Plan was \$4,909,008 and none at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The traditional investment contract held by the Plan is a guaranteed investment contract. The contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and interest at the specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The crediting rate is based on a formula established by the contract issuer but may not be less than 1%. The crediting rate is reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting. The contract cannot be terminated before the scheduled maturity date.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due is dependent on the issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

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Certain events might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuer. These events may be different under each contract. Such events include:

1. Amendments to the Plan documents (including complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan);
2. Changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions;
3. Bankruptcy of the Plan sponsor or other Plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan;
4. The failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA; or,
5. Premature termination of the contract.

No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuers that also would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. These events may be different under each contract. Such events include:

1. An uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines;
2. A breach of material obligation under the contract;
3. A material misrepresentation; or,
4. A material amendment to the agreement without the consent of the issuer.

5. Party-In-Interest Transactions

Certain Plan investments are managed by the custodian, and therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in the fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity") receives revenue from investment fund service providers for services Fidelity provides to the funds. This revenue is used to offset certain amounts owed to Fidelity for its administrative services to the Plan. If the revenue received by Fidelity from such investment fund service providers exceeds the amount owed for its services, Fidelity remits the excess to the Plan's trust on a quarterly basis. The Plan or Plan sponsor may make a payment to Fidelity for administrative expenses not covered by revenue sharing.

Additionally, the Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the participants' account balances. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

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

6. Information Certified by Custodian

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA for 2023 and 2022. Accordingly, Fidelity Management Trust Company, the Custodian of the Plan, has certified the completeness and accuracy of all investments and notes receivable from participants reported in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits - Modified Cash Basis as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the supplemental Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023, and the related investment activity and interest income on notes receivable from participants reported in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits - Modified Cash Basis for the year ended December 31, 2023.

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7. Plan Termination

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

8. Tax Status

The Plan adopted a pre-approved plan offered by Fidelity. The pre-approved plan received an IRS Opinion Letter dated June 30, 2020, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and, therefore believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax exempt.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

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

10. Delinquent Participant Contributions

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company did not remit certain participant contributions to the Plan on a timely basis as defined by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Untimely remittances identified on the Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions, which totaled \$688, were not corrected in 2023. Untimely remittances of \$47,047 were identified on the Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions in a prior year and were not corrected prior to January 1, 2023. The prior year untimely remittances were not corrected in 2023. Additionally, the Company will be compensating participants for lost earnings resulting from the delay in contributions.

Supplementary Information - Modified Cash Basis

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions
EIN: 75-0942847 Plan Number: 001
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Plan Year	Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions					Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
	Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan (1)	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP		
2023	\$ 688	\$ 688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2022	15,489	15,489	-	-	-	
2021	23,714	23,714	-	-	-	
2020	7,668	7,668	-	-	-	
2019	176	176	-	-	-	

(1) Amounts do not include participant loan repayments.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
EIN: 75-0942847, Plan Number: 001
December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost**	(e) Current Value
	American Century Investments	Ultra Fund Class R-6	\$ -	\$ 1,973,015
	American Funds	2010 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	238,285
	American Funds	2015 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	841,261
	American Funds	2020 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,082,490
	American Funds	2025 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,899,963
	American Funds	2030 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	4,251,782
	American Funds	2035 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,601,723
	American Funds	2040 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,920,005
	American Funds	2045 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,088,780
	American Funds	2050 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,779,600
	American Funds	2055 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,746,603
	American Funds	2060 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	844,012
	American Funds	2065 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	135,666
	American Funds	Capital World Growth and Income Fund Class R-6	-	2,355,884
	American Funds	EuroPacific Growth Fund Class R-6	-	141,645
	American Funds	High-Income Trust Class R-6	-	251,151
	American Funds	Intermediate Bond Fund of America Class R-6	-	31,449
	American Funds	The Growth Fund of America Class R-6	-	1,229,491
	Dimensional Fund Advisor	US Targeted Value Portfolio Institutional Class	-	1,935,018
*	Fidelity	500 Index Fund	-	6,874,083
*	Fidelity	Select Technology	-	132,387
	Goldman Sachs	Mid Cap Value Fund Class R-6	-	1,413,935
	Invesco	Developing Markets Fund Class R-6	-	103,049
	Janus Henderson	Balanced Fund Class N	-	512,090
	Janus Henderson	Flexible Bond Fund Class N	-	1,104,897
	JP Morgan	Mid Cap Growth R-6	-	1,302,180
	Massachusetts Financial Services	Mid Cap Value Fund Class R-6	-	548,873
	Pimco	Real Return Fund, Institutional	-	453
	Pioneer	Equity Income Fund Class K	-	276,112
	T. Rowe Price	Equity Income Fund Class I	-	1,021,966
	Total funds at fair value		-	42,637,848
	Lincoln	Stable Value Fund	-	4,909,008
	Notes Receivable from Participants	Interest rates of 3.00% - 9.50% with maturity date through July 2042	-	1,101,751
	Total assets held for investment purposes		\$ -	\$ 48,648,607

*Denotes a party-in-interest.

**Cost information is omitted as all investments are participant directed.

See Independent Auditor's Report.

**Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Financial Statements
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With Independent Auditor's Report**

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator of
Continental Battery 401(k) Plan:

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) ("ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit"). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis as of December 31, 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements - modified cash basis.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's ("DOL") 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA ("qualified institution").

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023, and for the year 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 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 accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.
- The information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Continental Battery 401(k) 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 the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 2; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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.

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 Continental Battery 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 Continental Battery 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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and, as a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matter - 2022 Financial Statements

Predecessor auditors performed an audit of the 2022 financial statements of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan. In accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the prior year audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan that were certified by a qualified institution. Their report dated October 1, 2024 indicated that (a) the amounts and disclosures in the 2022 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, and (b) the information in the 2022 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). Their report also indicated that the form and content of the 2022 supplemental schedules, other than the information in the 2022 supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, were presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA; and the information in the 2022 supplemental schedule(s) 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 determines meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

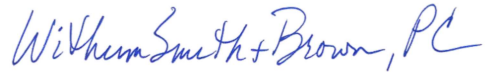
Other Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules - modified cash basis of Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023 and Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), as of December 31, 2023 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis 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 - modified cash basis, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

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

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January 2, 2025

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits - Modified Cash Basis
December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Investments at fair value		
Interest bearing cash	\$ -	\$ 5,447,181
Mutual funds	42,637,848	36,003,772
Total investments at fair value	<u>42,637,848</u>	<u>41,450,953</u>
 Investments at contract value	 4,909,008	 -
 Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	1,101,751	1,158,936
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 48,648,607</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 42,609,889</u></u>

The Notes to Financial Statements - Modified Cash Basis are an integral part of these statements.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits - Modified Cash Basis
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Additions

Investment income

Interest and dividends	\$ 1,453,680
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	5,560,233
Total investment income	<u>7,013,913</u>

Interest income on notes receivable from participants	132,182
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Contributions

Participant contributions	4,005,092
Employer contributions	1,138,998
Rollovers	158,250

Total contributions	<u>5,302,340</u>
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Total additions	<u>12,448,435</u>
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Deductions

Benefits paid to participants	6,289,795
Administrative expenses	119,922

Total deductions	<u>6,409,717</u>
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Net change in net assets available for benefits	6,038,718
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Net assets available for benefits

Beginning of year	42,609,889
End of year	<u><u>\$ 48,648,607</u></u>

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan

Notes to Financial Statements - Modified Cash Basis

December 31, 2023 and 2022

1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Continental Battery 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established effective January 1, 2000, and restated May 1, 2022. The Plan covers all employees, excluding employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement, leased employees, interns, and nonresident aliens who do not receive any earned income from the Company which constitutes United States sourced income, of Continental Battery Company (the "Company") who have completed 1 month of eligibility service requirement and are age 18 or older. Entry dates to the Plan are the first day of the month following the month of hire. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA").

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute a percentage of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the plan document, up to the maximum limits of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). Participants also may designate all or a portion of their deferral contributions as after-tax contributions into a Roth account. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants also may contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Company may make matching contributions equal to a discretionary percentage of the participant's elective deferral. In determining the matching contribution, only elective deferrals up to a discretionary dollar amount will be matched, with the dollar amount to be determined by the Company on a uniform basis to all participants. Additional profit sharing amounts may be contributed at the option of the Investment Committee. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no profit sharing contributions to the Plan. Additional discretionary amounts may be contributed by the Company at the option of the Investment Committee. Included in employer contributions is a \$1,349 discretionary contribution to the Plan that the Company made during the year ended December 31, 2023.

Participant Accounts

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

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 20% vested after one year of credited service and continues to vest in increments of 20% until 100% vested after five years of credited service, unless they do not have an hour of service on or after March 1, 2019, which will result in a six-year vesting period.

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 vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account. The loan interest rate is set at the prevailing interest rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for loans which would be made under similar circumstances, as defined. Principal and interest are paid ratably through monthly payroll deductions. Terms range up to five or 10 years for the purchase of a primary residence.

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Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, or installment payments as provided in the plan document. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump sum distribution. If a terminated participant's vested balance is less than or equal to \$5,000, the amount may be automatically distributed in the form of lump sum payments, installment payments, and partial withdrawals. In addition, the Plan allows for hardship distributions if certain criteria are met.

Forfeited Accounts

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$11,844 and \$290,497, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions or to pay plan administrative expenses. During 2023, employer contributions receivable were reduced by \$393,206 and plan administrative expenses were reduced by \$2,370, from forfeited nonvested accounts, in accordance with plan provisions.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). Accordingly, additions are included in the year in which they are collected and deductions are included in the year in which they are disbursed; however, earnings on investments include adjustments to fair value.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value or net asset value ("NAV"), which approximates fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract value). Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers, custodians and insurance company, as applicable. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

The Plan's investments in fully benefit-responsive investment contracts are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for the portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

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

Notes Receivable from Participants

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

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Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

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

Subsequent Events

The Plan's management evaluated events that occurred after December 31, 2023 through January 2, 2025, the date when the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no material subsequent events that required recognition or additional disclosure in these financial statements.

3. Fair Value Measurements

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

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

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation technique include:

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

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

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

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

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

Interest-Bearing Cash: These investments are stated at cost, which approximates fair value.

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 U.S. 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.

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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 evaluation 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. There have been no changes in the techniques used as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The following tables set 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
Investments at fair value				
Mutual funds	\$ 42,637,848	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,637,848
Total investments at fair value	\$ 42,637,848	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,637,848

December 31, 2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 36,003,772	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,003,772
Interest bearing cash	5,447,181	-	-	5,447,181
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	41,450,953	-	-	41,450,953
Total investments at fair value	\$ 41,450,953	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 41,450,953

4. Fully Benefit-Responsive Investment Contracts

The Plan holds a traditional fully benefit-responsive guaranteed investment contract, for which contributions are maintained in a general account. The account is credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses.

This contract meets the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore is reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by the sponsoring trustee, represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value. The investment contract held by the Plan was \$4,909,008 and none at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The traditional investment contract held by the Plan is a guaranteed investment contract. The contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and interest at the specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The crediting rate is based on a formula established by the contract issuer but may not be less than 1%. The crediting rate is reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting. The contract cannot be terminated before the scheduled maturity date.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due is dependent on the issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

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Certain events might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuer. These events may be different under each contract. Such events include:

1. Amendments to the Plan documents (including complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan);
2. Changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions;
3. Bankruptcy of the Plan sponsor or other Plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan;
4. The failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA; or,
5. Premature termination of the contract.

No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuers that also would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. These events may be different under each contract. Such events include:

1. An uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines;
2. A breach of material obligation under the contract;
3. A material misrepresentation; or,
4. A material amendment to the agreement without the consent of the issuer.

5. Party-In-Interest Transactions

Certain Plan investments are managed by the custodian, and therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in the fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity") receives revenue from investment fund service providers for services Fidelity provides to the funds. This revenue is used to offset certain amounts owed to Fidelity for its administrative services to the Plan. If the revenue received by Fidelity from such investment fund service providers exceeds the amount owed for its services, Fidelity remits the excess to the Plan's trust on a quarterly basis. The Plan or Plan sponsor may make a payment to Fidelity for administrative expenses not covered by revenue sharing.

Additionally, the Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the participants' account balances. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

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

6. Information Certified by Custodian

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA for 2023 and 2022. Accordingly, Fidelity Management Trust Company, the Custodian of the Plan, has certified the completeness and accuracy of all investments and notes receivable from participants reported in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits - Modified Cash Basis as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the supplemental Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023, and the related investment activity and interest income on notes receivable from participants reported in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits - Modified Cash Basis for the year ended December 31, 2023.

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7. Plan Termination

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

8. Tax Status

The Plan adopted a pre-approved plan offered by Fidelity. The pre-approved plan received an IRS Opinion Letter dated June 30, 2020, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and, therefore believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax exempt.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

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

10. Delinquent Participant Contributions

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company did not remit certain participant contributions to the Plan on a timely basis as defined by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Untimely remittances identified on the Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions, which totaled \$688, were not corrected in 2023. Untimely remittances of \$47,047 were identified on the Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions in a prior year and were not corrected prior to January 1, 2023. The prior year untimely remittances were not corrected in 2023. Additionally, the Company will be compensating participants for lost earnings resulting from the delay in contributions.

Supplementary Information - Modified Cash Basis

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions
EIN: 75-0942847 Plan Number: 001
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Plan Year	Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions					Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
	Participant Contributions		Contributions	Contributions		
	Transferred Late	Contributions	Corrected	Pending		
	to Plan (1)	Not Corrected	Outside VFCP	Correction in VFCP		
2023	\$ 688	\$ 688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2022	15,489	15,489	-	-	-	
2021	23,714	23,714	-	-	-	
2020	7,668	7,668	-	-	-	
2019	176	176	-	-	-	

(1) Amounts do not include participant loan repayments.

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Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
EIN: 75-0942847, Plan Number: 001
December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost**	(e) Current Value
	American Century Investments	Ultra Fund Class R-6	\$ -	\$ 1,973,015
	American Funds	2010 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	238,285
	American Funds	2015 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	841,261
	American Funds	2020 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,082,490
	American Funds	2025 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,899,963
	American Funds	2030 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	4,251,782
	American Funds	2035 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,601,723
	American Funds	2040 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,920,005
	American Funds	2045 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,088,780
	American Funds	2050 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,779,600
	American Funds	2055 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,746,603
	American Funds	2060 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	844,012
	American Funds	2065 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	135,666
	American Funds	Capital World Growth and Income Fund Class R-6	-	2,355,884
	American Funds	EuroPacific Growth Fund Class R-6	-	141,645
	American Funds	High-Income Trust Class R-6	-	251,151
	American Funds	Intermediate Bond Fund of America Class R-6	-	31,449
	American Funds	The Growth Fund of America Class R-6	-	1,229,491
	Dimensional Fund Advisor	US Targeted Value Portfolio Institutional Class	-	1,935,018
*	Fidelity	500 Index Fund	-	6,874,083
*	Fidelity	Select Technology	-	132,387
	Goldman Sachs	Mid Cap Value Fund Class R-6	-	1,413,935
	Invesco	Developing Markets Fund Class R-6	-	103,049
	Janus Henderson	Balanced Fund Class N	-	512,090
	Janus Henderson	Flexible Bond Fund Class N	-	1,104,897
	JP Morgan	Mid Cap Growth R-6	-	1,302,180
	Massachusetts Financial Services	Mid Cap Value Fund Class R-6	-	548,873
	Pimco	Real Return Fund, Institutional	-	453
	Pioneer	Equity Income Fund Class K	-	276,112
	T. Rowe Price	Equity Income Fund Class I	-	1,021,966
	Total funds at fair value		-	42,637,848
	Lincoln	Stable Value Fund	-	4,909,008
	Notes Receivable from Participants	Interest rates of 3.00% - 9.50% with maturity date through July 2042	-	1,101,751
	Total assets held for investment purposes		\$ -	\$ 48,648,607

*Denotes a party-in-interest.

**Cost information is omitted as all investments are participant directed.

See Independent Auditor's Report.

**Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator of
Continental Battery 401(k) Plan:

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) ("ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit"). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis as of December 31, 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits - modified cash basis for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements - modified cash basis.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's ("DOL") 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA ("qualified institution").

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023, and for the year 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 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 accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.
- The information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Continental Battery 401(k) 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 the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 2; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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.

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 Continental Battery 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 Continental Battery 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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and, as a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matter - 2022 Financial Statements

Predecessor auditors performed an audit of the 2022 financial statements of Continental Battery 401(k) Plan. In accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the prior year audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan that were certified by a qualified institution. Their report dated October 1, 2024 indicated that (a) the amounts and disclosures in the 2022 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, and (b) the information in the 2022 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). Their report also indicated that the form and content of the 2022 supplemental schedules, other than the information in the 2022 supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, were presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA; and the information in the 2022 supplemental schedule(s) 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 determines meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

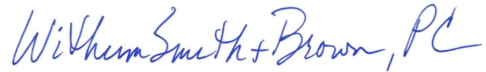
Other Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules - modified cash basis of Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions for the year ended December 31, 2023 and Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), as of December 31, 2023 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis 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 - modified cash basis, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules - modified cash basis, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

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

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January 2, 2025

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits - Modified Cash Basis
December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Assets		
Investments at fair value		
Interest bearing cash	\$ -	\$ 5,447,181
Mutual funds	42,637,848	36,003,772
Total investments at fair value	<u>42,637,848</u>	<u>41,450,953</u>
 Investments at contract value	 4,909,008	 -
 Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	1,101,751	1,158,936
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 48,648,607</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 42,609,889</u></u>

The Notes to Financial Statements - Modified Cash Basis are an integral part of these statements.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits - Modified Cash Basis
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Additions

Investment income

Interest and dividends	\$ 1,453,680
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	5,560,233
Total investment income	<u>7,013,913</u>

Interest income on notes receivable from participants	132,182
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Contributions

Participant contributions	4,005,092
Employer contributions	1,138,998
Rollovers	158,250

Total contributions	<u>5,302,340</u>
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Total additions	<u>12,448,435</u>
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Deductions

Benefits paid to participants	6,289,795
Administrative expenses	119,922

Total deductions	<u>6,409,717</u>
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Net change in net assets available for benefits	6,038,718
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Net assets available for benefits

Beginning of year	42,609,889
End of year	<u><u>\$ 48,648,607</u></u>

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan

Notes to Financial Statements - Modified Cash Basis

December 31, 2023 and 2022

1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Continental Battery 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established effective January 1, 2000, and restated May 1, 2022. The Plan covers all employees, excluding employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement, leased employees, interns, and nonresident aliens who do not receive any earned income from the Company which constitutes United States sourced income, of Continental Battery Company (the "Company") who have completed 1 month of eligibility service requirement and are age 18 or older. Entry dates to the Plan are the first day of the month following the month of hire. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA").

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute a percentage of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the plan document, up to the maximum limits of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). Participants also may designate all or a portion of their deferral contributions as after-tax contributions into a Roth account. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants also may contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Company may make matching contributions equal to a discretionary percentage of the participant's elective deferral. In determining the matching contribution, only elective deferrals up to a discretionary dollar amount will be matched, with the dollar amount to be determined by the Company on a uniform basis to all participants. Additional profit sharing amounts may be contributed at the option of the Investment Committee. For the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no profit sharing contributions to the Plan. Additional discretionary amounts may be contributed by the Company at the option of the Investment Committee. Included in employer contributions is a \$1,349 discretionary contribution to the Plan that the Company made during the year ended December 31, 2023.

Participant Accounts

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

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 20% vested after one year of credited service and continues to vest in increments of 20% until 100% vested after five years of credited service, unless they do not have an hour of service on or after March 1, 2019, which will result in a six-year vesting period.

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 vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account. The loan interest rate is set at the prevailing interest rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for loans which would be made under similar circumstances, as defined. Principal and interest are paid ratably through monthly payroll deductions. Terms range up to five or 10 years for the purchase of a primary residence.

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Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, or installment payments as provided in the plan document. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump sum distribution. If a terminated participant's vested balance is less than or equal to \$5,000, the amount may be automatically distributed in the form of lump sum payments, installment payments, and partial withdrawals. In addition, the Plan allows for hardship distributions if certain criteria are met.

Forfeited Accounts

As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$11,844 and \$290,497, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions or to pay plan administrative expenses. During 2023, employer contributions receivable were reduced by \$393,206 and plan administrative expenses were reduced by \$2,370, from forfeited nonvested accounts, in accordance with plan provisions.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). Accordingly, additions are included in the year in which they are collected and deductions are included in the year in which they are disbursed; however, earnings on investments include adjustments to fair value.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value or net asset value ("NAV"), which approximates fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract value). Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers, custodians and insurance company, as applicable. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

The Plan's investments in fully benefit-responsive investment contracts are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for the portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

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

Notes Receivable from Participants

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

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December 31, 2023 and 2022

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

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

Subsequent Events

The Plan's management evaluated events that occurred after December 31, 2023 through January 2, 2025, the date when the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no material subsequent events that required recognition or additional disclosure in these financial statements.

3. Fair Value Measurements

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

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

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation technique include:

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

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

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

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

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

Interest-Bearing Cash: These investments are stated at cost, which approximates fair value.

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 U.S. 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.

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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 evaluation 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. There have been no changes in the techniques used as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The following tables set 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
Investments at fair value				
Mutual funds	\$ 42,637,848	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,637,848
Total investments at fair value	\$ 42,637,848	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,637,848

December 31, 2022	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 36,003,772	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,003,772
Interest bearing cash	5,447,181	-	-	5,447,181
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	41,450,953	-	-	41,450,953
Total investments at fair value	\$ 41,450,953	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 41,450,953

4. Fully Benefit-Responsive Investment Contracts

The Plan holds a traditional fully benefit-responsive guaranteed investment contract, for which contributions are maintained in a general account. The account is credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses.

This contract meets the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore is reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by the sponsoring trustee, represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value. The investment contract held by the Plan was \$4,909,008 and none at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

The traditional investment contract held by the Plan is a guaranteed investment contract. The contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and interest at the specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The crediting rate is based on a formula established by the contract issuer but may not be less than 1%. The crediting rate is reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting. The contract cannot be terminated before the scheduled maturity date.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due is dependent on the issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

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Certain events might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuer. These events may be different under each contract. Such events include:

1. Amendments to the Plan documents (including complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan);
2. Changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions;
3. Bankruptcy of the Plan sponsor or other Plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan;
4. The failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA; or,
5. Premature termination of the contract.

No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuers that also would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. These events may be different under each contract. Such events include:

1. An uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines;
2. A breach of material obligation under the contract;
3. A material misrepresentation; or,
4. A material amendment to the agreement without the consent of the issuer.

5. Party-In-Interest Transactions

Certain Plan investments are managed by the custodian, and therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in the fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity") receives revenue from investment fund service providers for services Fidelity provides to the funds. This revenue is used to offset certain amounts owed to Fidelity for its administrative services to the Plan. If the revenue received by Fidelity from such investment fund service providers exceeds the amount owed for its services, Fidelity remits the excess to the Plan's trust on a quarterly basis. The Plan or Plan sponsor may make a payment to Fidelity for administrative expenses not covered by revenue sharing.

Additionally, the Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the participants' account balances. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

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

6. Information Certified by Custodian

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA for 2023 and 2022. Accordingly, Fidelity Management Trust Company, the Custodian of the Plan, has certified the completeness and accuracy of all investments and notes receivable from participants reported in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits - Modified Cash Basis as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the supplemental Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023, and the related investment activity and interest income on notes receivable from participants reported in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits - Modified Cash Basis for the year ended December 31, 2023.

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7. Plan Termination

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

8. Tax Status

The Plan adopted a pre-approved plan offered by Fidelity. The pre-approved plan received an IRS Opinion Letter dated June 30, 2020, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and, therefore believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax exempt.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

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

10. Delinquent Participant Contributions

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company did not remit certain participant contributions to the Plan on a timely basis as defined by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Untimely remittances identified on the Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions, which totaled \$688, were not corrected in 2023. Untimely remittances of \$47,047 were identified on the Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions in a prior year and were not corrected prior to January 1, 2023. The prior year untimely remittances were not corrected in 2023. Additionally, the Company will be compensating participants for lost earnings resulting from the delay in contributions.

Supplementary Information - Modified Cash Basis

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions
EIN: 75-0942847 Plan Number: 001
Year Ended December 31, 2023

Plan Year	Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions					Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
	Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan (1)	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP		
2023	\$ 688	\$ 688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2022	15,489	15,489	-	-	-	
2021	23,714	23,714	-	-	-	
2020	7,668	7,668	-	-	-	
2019	176	176	-	-	-	

(1) Amounts do not include participant loan repayments.

Continental Battery 401(k) Plan
Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
EIN: 75-0942847, Plan Number: 001
December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost**	(e) Current Value
	American Century Investments	Ultra Fund Class R-6	\$ -	\$ 1,973,015
	American Funds	2010 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	238,285
	American Funds	2015 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	841,261
	American Funds	2020 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,082,490
	American Funds	2025 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,899,963
	American Funds	2030 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	4,251,782
	American Funds	2035 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,601,723
	American Funds	2040 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,920,005
	American Funds	2045 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	2,088,780
	American Funds	2050 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,779,600
	American Funds	2055 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	1,746,603
	American Funds	2060 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	844,012
	American Funds	2065 Target Date Retirement Fund Class R-6	-	135,666
	American Funds	Capital World Growth and Income Fund Class R-6	-	2,355,884
	American Funds	EuroPacific Growth Fund Class R-6	-	141,645
	American Funds	High-Income Trust Class R-6	-	251,151
	American Funds	Intermediate Bond Fund of America Class R-6	-	31,449
	American Funds	The Growth Fund of America Class R-6	-	1,229,491
	Dimensional Fund Advisor	US Targeted Value Portfolio Institutional Class	-	1,935,018
*	Fidelity	500 Index Fund	-	6,874,083
*	Fidelity	Select Technology	-	132,387
	Goldman Sachs	Mid Cap Value Fund Class R-6	-	1,413,935
	Invesco	Developing Markets Fund Class R-6	-	103,049
	Janus Henderson	Balanced Fund Class N	-	512,090
	Janus Henderson	Flexible Bond Fund Class N	-	1,104,897
	JP Morgan	Mid Cap Growth R-6	-	1,302,180
	Massachusetts Financial Services	Mid Cap Value Fund Class R-6	-	548,873
	Pimco	Real Return Fund, Institutional	-	453
	Pioneer	Equity Income Fund Class K	-	276,112
	T. Rowe Price	Equity Income Fund Class I	-	1,021,966
	Total funds at fair value		-	42,637,848
	Lincoln	Stable Value Fund	-	4,909,008
	Notes Receivable from Participants	Interest rates of 3.00% - 9.50% with maturity date through July 2042	-	1,101,751
	Total assets held for investment purposes		\$ -	\$ 48,648,607

*Denotes a party-in-interest.

**Cost information is omitted as all investments are participant directed.

See Independent Auditor's Report.