

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2023

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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.

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 04/01/2023 and ending 03/31/2024

- A This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan, a multiple-employer plan, 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)
B This return/report is:
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: SONOVA PREMIER 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 001
1c Effective date of plan: 04/01/2011
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): SONOVA U.S. CORPORATE SERVICES, LLC
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 26-0811994
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 708-221-5346
2d Business code (see instructions): 446190

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.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes rows for employer/plan sponsor and DFE.

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

3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	1675
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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)	1196
	6a(2)	1208
	6b	6
	6c	490
	6d	1704
	6e	4
	6f	1708
	6g(1)	1560
	6g(2)	1612
6h	183	

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7	
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8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3H 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) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

(1) **R** (Retirement Plan Information)

(2) **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary

(3) **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary

(4) **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____

(5) **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

(1) **H** (Financial Information)

(2) **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)

(3) **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0

(4) **C** (Service Provider Information)

(5) **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)

(6) **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning **04/01/2023** and ending **03/31/2024**

A Name of plan SONOVA PREMIER 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 SONOVA U.S. CORPORATE SERVICES, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 26-0811994	

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

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

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

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

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

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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 60 64 65	RECORDKEEPER	95564	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(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?
26	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	8441	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(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 <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

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

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
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SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	DFE/Participating Plan 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 <hr/> 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>SONOVA U.S. CORPORATE SERVICES, LLC</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>26-0811994</u>	

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>PIMCO REAL RETURN</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>SEI TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>0</u>
<u>27-0833992-001</u>	<u>C</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>MFS EMRG MKT DEBT 2</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>MFS HERITAGE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>0</u>
<u>57-1187281-004</u>	<u>C</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>RT METLIFE STABLE VL</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>RELIANCE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>112903</u>
<u>46-6625485-001</u>	<u>C</u>		
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):			
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):			
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):			
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

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e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 SONOVA U.S. CORPORATE SERVICES, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 26-0811994

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.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
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)	1060904	962135
(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)	720457	784468
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	229954	112903
(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)	42588360	53443891
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	0	0
(15) Other	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	44599675	55303397
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	44599675	55303397

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)	2357355	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	6255496	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	708059	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	9320910
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	52190	
(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)	48626	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		100816
(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)	1053945	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A), (B), and (C)	2b(2)(D)		1053945
(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)		6780
(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)		7046201
c Other income.....	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		17528652

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	6626875	
(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)		6626875
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		0
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		3890
h Interest expense.....	2h		0
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances.....	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	0	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	95564	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	0	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees.....	2i(5)	8841	
(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)		104405
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		6735170

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		10793482
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		1663
(2) From this plan.....	2l(2)		91423

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: CLIFTON LARSON ALLEN

(2) EIN: 41-0746749

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.)		X	
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.)		X	
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.)		X	
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.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
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?		X	
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?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
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.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
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.		X	

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)
SONOVA 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN	35-2505921	001

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) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 04/01/2023 and ending 03/31/2024

A Name of plan <u>SONOVA PREMIER 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>SONOVA U.S. CORPORATE SERVICES, LLC</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>26-0811994</u>	

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

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

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> 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?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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(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: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14b	
c The second preceding plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....	14c	

15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	

16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

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

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

Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

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

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).
 Design-based safe harbor method
 "Prior year" ADP test
 "Current year" ADP test
 N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702438A.

January 15, 2025

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
301 North Neil Street, Suite 205
Champaign, Illinois

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audits of the financial statements of the Sonova 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

We elected to have the audits of the plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), *Labor*, Title 29, Section 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. We acknowledge that the audit did 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, a qualified institution, that prepared and certified the investment information in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. We have determined that an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) is permissible under the circumstances. We have also determined that the investment information is prepared and certified by a qualified institution as described by 29 CFR 2520.103-8, that the certification meets the requirements in 29 CFR 2520.103-5 and, that the certified investment information is appropriately measured, presented, and disclosed in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The purpose of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is to express an opinion on whether the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and that the assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agree to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the certified investment information.

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to misstatements that are material. Misstatements, including omissions, 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.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, as of January 15, 2025, the following representations made to you during your audits.

Financial Statements

1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement agreement dated January 6, 2025, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and related notes in accordance with U.S. GAAP and for the fair presentation of the ERISA-required supplemental schedule in conformity with the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. The notes to the financial statements include all disclosures required by laws and regulations to which the Plan is subject.
2. We acknowledge our responsibility for administering the plan and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the ERISA plan 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.
3. We acknowledge and have fulfilled our responsibility 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.
4. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
5. Methods, data, and significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates and their related disclosures, including those measured at fair value, are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement, or disclosure that is reasonable in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
6. Related party relationships and transactions, including transactions with parties-in-interest, as defined by ERISA section 3(14) and regulations thereunder, have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP.
7. All significant plan amendments, adopted during the period or subsequent to the date of the financial statements, and their effects on benefits and net assets have been disclosed in the financial statements.
8. All events occurring subsequent to the date of the financial statements and for which U.S. GAAP requires adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.
9. We have not identified or been notified of any uncorrected financial statement misstatements.
10. We are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation, claims, or assessments or unasserted claims or assessments that are required to be accrued or disclosed in the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and we have not consulted a lawyer concerning litigation, claims, or assessments.
11. There are no other matters (e.g., breach of fiduciary responsibilities, nonexempt transactions, loans or leases in default, or events that may jeopardize the tax status of the Plan) that legal counsel have advised us that must be disclosed.

12. There are no—

- a. Non-exempt party-in-interest transactions [as defined in ERISA sections 406—408 and regulations thereunder] that were not disclosed in the ERISA-required supplemental schedules or financial statements.
- b. Investments or loans in default or considered to be uncollectible that were not disclosed in the ERISA-required supplemental schedules.
- c. Reportable transactions [as defined in ERISA section 103(b)(3)(H) and regulations under that section] that were not disclosed in the ERISA-required supplemental schedules.

13. Receivables recorded in the financial statements represent valid claims against debtors for transactions arising on or before the financial statement date and have been reduced to their estimated net realizable value.

14. The methods and significant assumptions used to estimate fair values of financial instruments are disclosed in the financial statements in Note 4. The methods and significant assumptions used result in a measure of fair value appropriate for financial measurement and disclosure purposes.

15. We have no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities.

16. We have no intentions to terminate the Plan but reserve the right to do so.

Information Provided

1. We have provided you with:

- a. Access to all information, of which we are aware, that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements such as records (including information obtained from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers), documentation, and other matters.
- b. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit.
- c. Unrestricted access to persons within the Plan from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- d. The most current plan instrument for the audit period, including all plan amendments.
- e. Trust or custodial agreements, insurance contracts, or investment contracts and amendments to such documents entered into during the year, including amendments to comply with applicable laws.
- f. A draft of the Form 5500 that is substantially complete.

13. All required filings of plan and trust documents with the appropriate agencies have been made or will be made in a timely manner.
14. The Plan obtained its latest opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, in which the Internal Revenue Service stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter. However, the plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, they believe that the Plan was qualified and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.
15. The Plan and the trust established under the Plan is qualified under the appropriate section of the Internal Revenue Code and we intend to continue them as a qualified plan and trust. The plan sponsor has operated the Plan and trust in a manner that did not jeopardize this tax status. Required nondiscrimination testing related to Code Section 401(k) and 401(m) arrangements, as applicable, has been completed for the Plan, and any excess deferrals or contributions have been disposed of in accordance with regulations.
16. The Plan has complied with the Department of Labor's regulations concerning the timely remittance of participant contributions to trusts containing assets for the Plan.
17. The Plan has complied with the fidelity bonding requirements of ERISA.
18. We have obtained appropriate fee disclosures from covered service providers and have concluded the fees are reasonable, and we are in compliance with DOL regulations regarding ERISA section 408(b)(2).
19. We have apprised you of all communications, whether written or oral, with regulatory agencies concerning the operation of the Plan.
20. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of the ERISA-required supplemental schedule in accordance with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, and we believe the ERISA-required supplemental schedule, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
21. We have obtained the service auditor's report from our service organization Fidelity Workplace Services LLC. We have reviewed such report, including the complementary user controls. We have implemented the relevant user controls, and they were in operation for the year ended March 31, 2024.
22. As part of your audit, you prepared the draft financial statements, related notes, and ERISA-required supplemental schedule. We have designated an individual who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee your services; have made all management judgments and decisions; and have assumed all management responsibilities. We have evaluated the adequacy and results of the service. We have reviewed, approved, and accepted responsibility for those financial statements, related notes, and ERISA-required supplemental schedule. We have also ensured that the Plan's data and records are complete and received sufficient information to oversee the service.

23. We understand that as part of your audit, you prepared the adjusting journal entries necessary to convert our cash basis records to the accrual basis of accounting and acknowledge that we have reviewed and approved those entries and accepted responsibility for them. We have also ensured that the Plan's data and records are complete and received sufficient information to oversee the service.
24. In regards to the nonattest services performed by you, we have:
- a. Made all management judgments and decisions and assumed all management responsibilities.
 - b. Designated an individual who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services.
 - c. Evaluated the adequacy and results of the services performed.
 - d. Accepted responsibility for the results of the services.
 - e. Ensured that the Plan's data and records are complete and received sufficient information to oversee the services.

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Signature: David Massoth Title: Sr. Director North American Tax
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Signature: Daniel Lantry Title: Secretary
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January 15, 2025

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Champaign, Illinois

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1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit engagement agreement dated January 6, 2025, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and related notes in accordance with U.S. GAAP and for the fair presentation of the ERISA-required supplemental schedule in conformity with the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. The notes to the financial statements include all disclosures required by laws and regulations to which the Plan is subject.
2. We acknowledge our responsibility for administering the plan and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the ERISA plan 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.
3. We acknowledge and have fulfilled our responsibility 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.
4. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
5. Methods, data, and significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates and their related disclosures, including those measured at fair value, are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement, or disclosure that is reasonable in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
6. Related party relationships and transactions, including transactions with parties-in-interest, as defined by ERISA section 3(14) and regulations thereunder, have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP.
7. All significant plan amendments, adopted during the period or subsequent to the date of the financial statements, and their effects on benefits and net assets have been disclosed in the financial statements.
8. No events have occurred subsequent to the financial statement date and through the date of this letter that would require adjustment to, or disclosure in, the financial statements.
9. We have not identified or been notified of any uncorrected financial statement misstatements.
10. We are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation, claims, or assessments or unasserted claims or assessments that are required to be accrued or disclosed in the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and we have not consulted a lawyer concerning litigation, claims, or assessments.
11. There are no other matters (e.g., breach of fiduciary responsibilities, nonexempt transactions, loans or leases in default, or events that may jeopardize the tax status of the Plan) that legal counsel have advised us that must be disclosed.

12. There are no—

- a. Non-exempt party-in-interest transactions [as defined in ERISA sections 406—408 and regulations thereunder] that were not disclosed in the ERISA-required supplemental schedules or financial statements.
- b. Investments or loans in default or considered to be uncollectible that were not disclosed in the ERISA-required supplemental schedules.
- c. Reportable transactions [as defined in ERISA section 103(b)(3)(H) and regulations under that section] that were not disclosed in the ERISA-required supplemental schedules.

13. Receivables recorded in the financial statements represent valid claims against debtors for transactions arising on or before the financial statement date and have been reduced to their estimated net realizable value.

14. The methods and significant assumptions used to estimate fair values of financial instruments are disclosed in the financial statements in Note 4. The methods and significant assumptions used result in a measure of fair value appropriate for financial measurement and disclosure purposes.

15. We have no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets and liabilities.

16. We have no intentions to terminate the Plan but reserve the right to do so.

Information Provided

1. We have provided you with:

- a. Access to all information, of which we are aware, that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements such as records (including information obtained from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers), documentation, and other matters.
- b. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audit.
- c. Unrestricted access to persons within the Plan from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
- d. The most current plan instrument for the audit period, including all plan amendments.
- e. Trust or custodial agreements, insurance contracts, or investment contracts and amendments to such documents entered into during the year, including amendments to comply with applicable laws.
- f. A draft of the Form 5500 that is substantially complete.

13. All required filings of plan and trust documents with the appropriate agencies have been made or will be made in a timely manner.
14. The Plan obtained its latest opinion letter dated June 30, 2020, in which the Internal Revenue Service stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter. However, the plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, they believe that the Plan was qualified and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.
15. The Plan and the trust established under the Plan is qualified under the appropriate section of the Internal Revenue Code and we intend to continue them as a qualified plan and trust. The plan sponsor has operated the Plan and trust in a manner that did not jeopardize this tax status. Required nondiscrimination testing related to Code Section 401(k) and 401(m) arrangements, as applicable, has been completed for the Plan, and any excess deferrals or contributions have been disposed of in accordance with regulations.
16. The Plan has complied with the Department of Labor's regulations concerning the timely remittance of participant contributions to trusts containing assets for the Plan.
17. The Plan has complied with the fidelity bonding requirements of ERISA.
18. We have obtained appropriate fee disclosures from covered service providers and have concluded the fees are reasonable, and we are in compliance with DOL regulations regarding ERISA section 408(b)(2).
19. We have apprised you of all communications, whether written or oral, with regulatory agencies concerning the operation of the Plan.
20. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of the ERISA-required supplemental schedule in accordance with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, and we believe the ERISA-required supplemental schedule, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
21. We have obtained the service auditor's report from our service organization Fidelity Workplace Services LLC. We have reviewed such report, including the complementary user controls. We have implemented the relevant user controls, and they were in operation for the year ended March 31, 2024.
22. As part of your audit, you prepared the draft financial statements, related notes, and ERISA-required supplemental schedule. We have designated an individual who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee your services; have made all management judgments and decisions; and have assumed all management responsibilities. We have evaluated the adequacy and results of the service. We have reviewed, approved, and accepted responsibility for those financial statements, related notes, and ERISA-required supplemental schedule. We have also ensured that the Plan's data and records are complete and received sufficient information to oversee the service.

23. We understand that as part of your audit, you prepared the adjusting journal entries necessary to convert our cash basis records to the accrual basis of accounting and acknowledge that we have reviewed and approved those entries and accepted responsibility for them. We have also ensured that the Plan's data and records are complete and received sufficient information to oversee the service.
24. In regards to the nonattest services performed by you, we have:
- a. Made all management judgments and decisions and assumed all management responsibilities.
 - b. Designated an individual who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services.
 - c. Evaluated the adequacy and results of the services performed.
 - d. Accepted responsibility for the results of the services.
 - e. Ensured that the Plan's data and records are complete and received sufficient information to oversee the services.

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Signature: Daniel Lantry Title: Secretary
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SAVINGS PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
ERISA-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Plan Committee
Sonova Premier 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan
Aurora, Illinois

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of the Sonova Premier 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Sonova Premier 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of and for the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditors' 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 auditors' 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.

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

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

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

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

Other Matter – Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

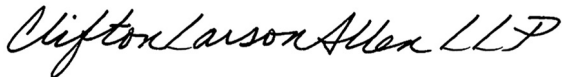
The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of March 31, 2024 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the 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 schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Champaign, Illinois
January 15, 2025

**SONOVA PREMIER 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023**

ASSETS	2024	2023
INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)		
Mutual Funds	\$ 53,443,891	\$ 42,588,360
Common Collective Trusts	112,903	229,954
Money Market	962,135	1,060,904
Total Investments at Fair Value	54,518,929	43,879,218
RECEIVABLES		
Employee 401(k) Deferral Contributions	295,279	235,924
Company Contributions	115,857	96,046
Notes Receivable from Participants	806,524	740,497
Total Receivables	1,217,660	1,072,467
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 55,736,589	\$ 44,951,685

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**SONOVA PREMIER 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023**

	2024	2023
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:		
INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS)		
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 7,052,981	\$ (3,003,520)
Interest and Dividends	1,106,135	925,603
Total Investment Income (Loss)	8,159,116	(2,077,917)
INTEREST INCOME ON NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS	49,618	25,773
CONTRIBUTIONS		
Employee 401(k) Deferral	6,314,851	3,742,457
Company Match	2,377,166	1,437,686
Employee Rollover	708,059	439,245
Total Contributions	9,400,076	5,619,388
Total Additions	17,608,810	3,567,244
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:		
BENEFITS PAID TO PARTICIPANTS	6,629,741	3,800,811
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	104,405	79,400
Total Deductions	6,734,146	3,880,211
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) PRIOR TO TRANSFERS	10,874,664	(312,967)
TRANSFERS OF ASSETS FROM OTHER PLANS	1,663	8,537,849
TRANSFERS OF ASSETS TO OTHER PLANS	(91,423)	-
NET INCREASE	10,784,904	8,224,882
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:		
Beginning of Year	44,951,685	36,726,803
End of Year	\$ 55,736,589	\$ 44,951,685

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 2024 AND 2023

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

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

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan originally effective April 1, 2011. The Plan has been amended throughout the years to comply with tax legislation and most recently amended effective January 1, 2023. The Plan excludes leased employees, nonresident aliens, employees covered by a collective bargaining agreement, temporary employees, interns, and employees on international assignments. The Plan is subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Plan Committee is responsible for the oversight of the Plan, determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, and monitors investment performance.

Eligibility

Employees of Connect Hearing, Inc., Hearing Center Inc., and Jack Jones Hearing Centers, Inc. (collectively, the Company) are eligible to participate in the deferral and match components of the Plan on the first day of the month following their employment. Participants are eligible for the profit sharing contribution if they have attained 1,000 hours of credited service and are employed on the last day of the Plan year.

Contributions

The Plan includes a salary deferral arrangement allowed under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Eligible participants are permitted to elect to have a percentage, limited by Plan provisions, of their compensation contributed as pre-tax 401(k) or Roth contributions to the Plan. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 3% of eligible compensation, and their contributions invested in the designated default fund until changed by the participant. The deferral rate then automatically increases 1% annually, up to 10%. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions.

The Company may, at its discretion, elect to make a qualified safe harbor matching contribution or profit sharing contribution to the Plan. For the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company matching contribution was 100% of the first 1% of eligible compensation deferred that a participant contributes to the Plan and 50% of the amount of elective deferral contributions that exceed 1% but do not exceed 6% of eligible compensation. There were no Company profit sharing contributions for the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations.

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NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

Participant Accounts

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

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. A participant is 100% vested in the safe harbor matching contributions after two years of credited service. A participant is 25% vested in discretionary matching contributions after one year of credited service and vests an additional 25% each year thereafter, until becoming 100% vested after four years of credited service. Notwithstanding the above, a participant is fully vested upon reaching normal retirement age, death, or permanent disability.

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 notes are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a rate commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined quarterly by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions.

Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account in the form of a lump sum distribution or installments. The Plan allows for in-service distributions if a participant reaches age 59½ and hardship distributions subject to Plan provisions. If a participant terminates employment and the participant's account balance does not exceed \$1,000, the Plan administrator will authorize the benefit payment without the participant's consent. If the balance of the terminated participant's account is between \$1,000 and \$5,000, the Plan Sponsor may authorize that the benefit payment be rolled into an individual retirement account in the participant's name.

Forfeitures

Forfeited nonvested accounts are used to reduce administrative expenses or to reduce future Company contributions, as directed by the Company. Forfeited nonvested accounts as of March 31, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$195,894 and \$129,135, respectively. There were \$77,062 and \$13,970 of forfeitures used to reduce Company contributions for the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. There were no forfeitures used to pay administrative expenses for the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

SONOVA PREMIER 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN
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NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

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

Use of Estimates

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

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants as of the measurement date. The Plan Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers and trustee. See Note 4 for a discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation (depreciation) 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 when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of March 31, 2024 or 2023. Delinquent notes receivable are recorded as distributions on the basis of the terms of the Plan document.

Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

The Plan's expenses are paid either by the Plan or the Company, as provided by the Plan document. Expenses paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Certain expenses incurred in connection with the general administration of the Plan that are paid by the Plan are recorded as deductions in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits. In addition, certain investment related expenses are included in net appreciation (depreciation) of fair value of investment presented in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Subsequent Events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through January 15, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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NOTE 3 CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION

Fidelity Management Trust Company, the qualified institution of the Plan, has supplied the Plan administrator with a certification as to the completeness and accuracy of all investment information and notes receivable from participants reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of March 31, 2024 and 2023, the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of March 31, 2024.

NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS

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

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

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

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

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

Level 3 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair market 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 observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the valuation methodologies used at March 31, 2024 and 2023:

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

Common Collective – Trusts: Valued at the NAV of units of a collective trust. NAV is a readily determinable fair value and is the basis for current transactions. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust, the issuer reserves the right to temporarily delay withdrawal from the trust in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

Money Market Fund – Valued at a stable \$1.00 NAV per unit held, which is the value at which the fund is traded and approximates fair value of the underlying investments.

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of March 31:

	2024			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Mutual Funds	\$ 53,443,891	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53,443,891
Common Collective Trusts	-	112,903	-	112,903
Money Market	962,135	-	-	962,135
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 54,406,026</u>	<u>\$ 112,903</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 54,518,929</u>

	2023			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Mutual Funds	\$ 42,588,360	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 42,588,360
Common Collective Trusts	-	229,954	-	229,954
Money Market	1,060,904	-	-	1,060,904
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 43,649,264</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 43,879,218</u>

NOTE 5 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 the investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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NOTE 6 PLAN TERMINATION

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

NOTE 7 PLAN TAX STATUS

The Plan is placing reliance on an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020 received from the IRS on the volume submitter plan indicating that the Plan is qualified under Section 401 of the IRC and is therefore not subject to tax under current income tax law. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax-exempt.

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

NOTE 8 PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan invests in shares of registered investment companies managed by Fidelity Management Trust Company. Fidelity Management Trust Company is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, the investment transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. In addition, the Plan pays fees to Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, the investment advisor to the Plan. Administrative expenses paid to Fidelity and Morgan Stanley Smith Barney are reported on the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

NOTE 9 PLAN TRANSFERS AND MERGERS

The Plan Sponsor is part of a controlled group of companies. Other companies within the group may sponsor separate plans. At times, employees of one company within the group may transfer to another company with a separate plan. Upon transfer of a participant's employment, the participant's plan account balance is transferred to the plan sponsored by the respective company. When these events occur, transfers of assets from other plans and transfers of assets to other plans in the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits represent transfers of participant accounts from one related plan to another. For the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, amounts transferred from related plans amounted to \$1,663 and \$452,340, respectively. For the years ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, amounts transferred to related plans amounted to \$91,423 and \$-0-, respectively.

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NOTE 9 PLAN MERGERS AND TRANSFERS (CONTINUED)

Effective on January 1, 2023, the Company's Board of Directors authorized the merger of assets into the Plan from the Belsono Management Group LLC 401(k) Plan related to an acquisition made by the Company. Assets related to the merger amounting to \$8,085,509 were transferred into the plan. There were no plan mergers during the year ended March 31, 2024.

NOTE 10 RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 as of March 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Financial Statements	\$ 55,736,589	\$ 44,951,685
Contributions Receivable - End of Year	(411,136)	(331,970)
Deemed Notes Receivable from Participants	<u>(22,056)</u>	<u>(20,040)</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 55,303,397</u>	<u>\$ 44,599,675</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the net change in net assets available for benefits prior to transfers per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the years ended March 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net Change in Net Assets Available for Benefits Prior to Transfers per Financial Statements	\$ 10,874,664	\$ (312,967)
Net Change in Contributions Receivable	(79,166)	(331,970)
Net Change in Deemed Notes Receivable from Participants	<u>(2,016)</u>	<u>(1,047)</u>
Net Change in Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 10,793,482</u>	<u>\$ (645,984)</u>

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MARCH 31, 2024

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	Cost**	Current Value	
	<u>Mutual Funds:</u>			
AllianceBernstein	AB Discovery Value Fund		\$	183,112
American Funds	New World Fund			136,692
American Funds	Small Cap World Fund			450,657
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2025 Fund			4,368,861
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2030 Fund			5,729,271
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2035 Fund			4,730,117
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2040 Fund			6,575,225
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2045 Fund			5,138,462
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2050 Fund			5,782,485
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2055 Fund			4,236,133
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2060 Fund			1,179,175
BlackRock	LifePath® Index 2065 Fund			357,803
BlackRock	LifePath® Index Retirement Fund			2,534,661
BrandywineGLOBAL	Corporate Credit Fund			104,861
Calamos	Market Neutral Income Fund			31,647
Fidelity	500 Index Fund			4,411,460
Fidelity	Inflation-Protected Bond Index Fund			24,118
Fidelity	International Index Fund			159,446
Fidelity	Mid Cap Index Fund			546,807
Fidelity	Real Estate Index Fund			59,976
Invesco	Discover Fund			354,800
JPMorgan	Core Plus Bond Fund			112,728
JPMorgan	Equity Income Fund			613,820
Lord Abbett	Short Duration Income Fund			50,269
MFS	International Diversification Fund			215,297
Pioneer Investments	Fundamental Growth Fund			2,047,964
Principal Funds	MidCap Fund			1,135,542
Vanguard	Small-Cap Index Fund			890,281
Vanguard	Intermediate-Term Bond Index Fund			370,848
Victory	Sycamore Established Value Fund			911,373
	Total Mutual Funds			53,443,891
	<u>Common Collective Trusts:</u>			
MetLife	Stable Value Fund			112,903
	<u>Money Market Funds:</u>			
Vanguard	Federal Money Market Fund			962,135
* Participants	Participant Loans - 4.25% to 10.50%			784,468
				\$ 55,303,397

* Indicates party-in-interest

**Cost omitted for participant-directed accounts



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