

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☒ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☐ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____ ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☒ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☒
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan MFA 401(K) PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
1c	Effective date of plan 07/01/1980
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) MFA INCORPORATED 201 RAY YOUNG DRIVE COLUMBIA, MO 65201
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 43-0415080
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 573-876-5311
2d	Business code (see instructions) 115110

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	01/28/2025	HANNAH COOK
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☐ Same as Plan Sponsor MFA RETIREMENT PLANS 201 RAY YOUNG DRIVE COLUMBIA, MO 65201		3b Administrator's EIN 62-1438490 3c Administrator's telephone number 573-876-5310																						
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 2275																						
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		<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td colspan="2" style="height: 20px;"></td></tr> <tr><td style="width: 15%;">6a(1)</td><td style="text-align: right;">1730</td></tr> <tr><td>6a(2)</td><td style="text-align: right;">1774</td></tr> <tr><td>6b</td><td style="text-align: right;">0</td></tr> <tr><td>6c</td><td style="text-align: right;">550</td></tr> <tr><td>6d</td><td style="text-align: right;">2324</td></tr> <tr><td>6e</td><td style="text-align: right;">3</td></tr> <tr><td>6f</td><td style="text-align: right;">2327</td></tr> <tr><td>6g(1)</td><td style="text-align: right;">2022</td></tr> <tr><td>6g(2)</td><td style="text-align: right;">2073</td></tr> <tr><td>6h</td><td style="text-align: right;">0</td></tr> </table>			6a(1)	1730	6a(2)	1774	6b	0	6c	550	6d	2324	6e	3	6f	2327	6g(1)	2022	6g(2)	2073	6h	0
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7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)		7																						
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2J 2K 2F 2G 3D 2S 2T b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:																								
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor		9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor																						
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 <u>0</u> (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)																						

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan MFA 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MFA INCORPORATED	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 43-0415080

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

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Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a

Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).....

No

Yes

☒
- 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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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?
15 37 62 64	RETAINED BY PLAN SPONSOR	184634	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

(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?
10	RETAINED BY EMPLOYER	17535	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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300 S CAMPBELL AVE
SPRINGFIELD, MO 65806

43-1685158

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	RETAINED BY PLAN SPONSOR	13500	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

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

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

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

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
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SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	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 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2023** and ending **12/31/2023**

A Name of plan MFA 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MFA INCORPORATED	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 43-0415080
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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: **MORLEY STABLE VALUE FUND**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 93-6274329-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 8597256
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **AB US LC GROWTH CIT W SERIES P3**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN LP**

c EIN-PN 04-6948485-007	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **CARILLON EAGLE MC GROWTH CIT 1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **CARILLON EAGLE MID CAP GROWTH CIT**

c EIN-PN 83-0524193-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2360736
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **MACQUARIE LC VALUE TRUST B**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **SEI TRUST COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 45-1285328-047	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **ALLSPRING SPECIAL MC VAL CIT E**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **SEI TRUST COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 83-6834374-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1997921
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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)
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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)
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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

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

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MFA INCORPORATED		
		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 43-0415080

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	1905	1948
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	1912574	1953654
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	24526	21652
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	842	884
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	2376021	2576017
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	59460744	12955913
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	56414516	121462781
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	120191128	138972849
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h	0	0
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	120191128	138972849

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)	2095533	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	7186882	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	420978	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		9703393
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	44	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	152707	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		152751
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	2183852	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		2183852
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		3111364
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		14555231
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		29706591

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	10583145	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		10583145
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		125661
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	184634	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	17535	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	13500	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	395	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		216064
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		10924870

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		18781721
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **ARMANINO, LLP**

(2) EIN: **94-6214841**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

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

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan MFA 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MFA INCORPORATED	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 43-0415080	

Part I	Distributions	
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.		
1	Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	10
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): 80-0709115	
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3	Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3

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

Part III	Amendments	
9	If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.	☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No

Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.	
10	Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes ☐ No
11	a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes ☐ No
	b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes ☐ No
12	Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes ☐ No

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No	
21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).	
☐ Design-based safe harbor method	
☒ "Prior year" ADP test	
☐ "Current year" ADP test	
☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q702971A</u> .	

SCHEDULE MEP (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN INFORMATION This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and Section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code) ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan MFA 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit Plan number (PN) ▶	002
C Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF MFA RETIREMENT PLANS	D Administrator's EIN 62-1438490	

Part I	Type of Multiple-Employer Pension Plan. All multiple-employer pension plans must complete.
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1 Check the appropriate box to indicate type of multiple-employer pension plan. (Only defined contribution plans may check lines 1a, 1b, and 1c. Defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans not checking lines 1a, 1b, or 1c should check line 1d. See Instructions).

- a** ☒ association retirement plan (See 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- b** ☐ professional employer organization plan (PEO Plan) (See 29 CFR 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- c** ☐ pooled employer plan (PEP) (See 29 CFR 2510.3-44) (Complete Parts II and III)
- d** ☐ other multiple-employer pension plan (Describe) _____ (Complete Part II)

Part II	Participating Employer Information.
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2 All multiple-employer pension plans that are subject to section 210(a) of ERISA (see instructions for filing the Form 5500) must complete Part II, in addition to Part I, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information for each employer participating in the multiple-employer pension plan. **Defined contribution plans must complete lines 2a-2d. All other multiple-employer pension plans complete lines 2a-2c only. Complete as many entries as needed to list the required information for each participating employer that is not an individual person (see instructions).**

2a Name of Participating Employer MFA INC.	2b EIN 43-1187036	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 85.98	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 118699428
2a Name of Participating Employer AURORA COOP ASSN	2b EIN 44-0157070	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 0.70	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 1679976

CAUTION Do not individually list information for working owners (see instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-55(d)(2)) or other individuals who are participants or beneficiaries in the plan or arrangement that are no longer associated with a particular participating employer or participating employer plan (see instructions). Providing identifying information for individuals may result in rejection of this filing. If there are any such individuals in the plan, answer "Yes" to line 2e and provide the total information for all such individuals, without providing names or other identifying information.

2e Does the plan include any individuals not participating through an employer or who are individual working owners?	2e	☐ Yes ☐ No
2f If you answer "Yes" in line 2e, enter a good faith estimate of the percentage of total contributions made by all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a during the plan year.	2f	
2g If you answer "Yes" in Line 2e, enter the aggregate account balances for all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a.	2g	

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

**Schedule MEP (2023)
v. 230728**

Part II Participating Employer Information (Continued).

Use this page for additional participating employer information.

2 All multiple-employer pension plans that are subject to section 210(a) of ERISA (see instructions for filing the Form 5500) must complete Part II, in addition to Part I, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information for each employer participating in the multiple-employer pension plan.

Defined contribution plans must complete lines 2a-2d. All other multiple-employer pension plans complete lines 2a-2c only. Complete as many entries as needed to list the required information for each participating employer that is not an individual person (see instructions).

2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
BOLIVAR FARMERS EXCHANGE	44-0175930	0.42	729706
BUFFALO FARMERS EXCHANGE	44-0218550	1.02	937600
CLINTON FARMERS ELEVATOR	44-0241720	0.00	657
FREEBURG FARMERS 280 LLC	27-1009015	0.07	49534
FREEBURG MFA COOP ASSN	43-0465655	0.46	558257
FREISTATT FARMERS EXCHANGE	43-0836600	0.21	258291
GOLDEN CITY PRODUCERS EXCHANGE	44-0397540	0.72	1507849
LEBANON FARMERS PRODUCERS EXCHANGE	44-0241840	1.32	1844337
LINCOLN PRODUCERS EXCHANGE	44-0397710	0.48	306122

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Part II Participating Employer Information (Continued).

Use this page for additional participating employer information.

2 All multiple-employer pension plans that are subject to section 210(a) of ERISA (see instructions for filing the Form 5500) must complete Part II, in addition to Part I, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information for each employer participating in the multiple-employer pension plan.

Defined contribution plans must complete lines 2a-2d. All other multiple-employer pension plans complete lines 2a-2c only. Complete as many entries as needed to list the required information for each participating employer that is not an individual person (see instructions).

2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
LOHMAN PRODUCERS EXCHANGE	44-0330360	0.27	332289
MARSHALL CENTRAL MO AGRISERVICES	43-1856403	6.19	8850994
META MFA EXCHANGE	43-1262238	0.67	765079
RHINELAND COOP ASSN	43-0227855	0.31	618097
ST ELIZABETH MFA COOP ASSN	43-1817509	0.03	68056
SULLIVAN FARMERS COOP	43-0265310	0.00	243707
UNIONVILLE PUTNAM COUNTY MFA	44-0534181	0.09	69251
WASHINGTON COOP ASSN	43-0220840	0.86	539562
WINDSOR FARMERS COOP	44-0241480	0.20	516823

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Part III

Pooled Employer Plan Information

Line 3. All Pooled employer plans must answer all of the questions in Part III, in addition to completing all of Parts I and II.

- 3a

Is the pooled plan provider (identified as the plan sponsor and administrator in Part II of the Form 5500) currently in compliance with the Form PR (Pooled Plan Provider Registration Statement) requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-44)

☐ Yes ☐ No
- 3b

If line 3a is "Yes", enter the ACK ID for the most recent Form PR that was required to be filed under the Form PR filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid ACK ID will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

ACK ID

MFA 401(k) Plan

Financial Statements
and Supplemental Schedules

December 31, 2023 and 2022



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
MFA 401(k) Plan
Columbia, Missouri

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of MFA 401(k) Plan (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) ("ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit"). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, 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 MFA 401(k) Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's 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 December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the years then ended, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits 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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of MFA 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audits 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 MFA 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements

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

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

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- 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 audits 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 MFA 401(k) Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about MFA 401(k) 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 Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2023 and delinquent participant contributions for the year then ended (collectively, "supplemental schedules") are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the 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 generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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

Armanino LLP

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St. Louis, Missouri

January 22, 2025

MFA 401(k) Plan
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 1,948	\$ 1,905
Investments, at fair value	134,419,578	115,876,102
Receivables		
Employer contributions	1,953,654	1,912,574
Participant contributions	<u>21,652</u>	<u>24,526</u>
Total receivables	1,975,306	1,937,100
Notes receivable from participants	<u>2,576,017</u>	<u>2,376,021</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u><u>\$ 138,972,849</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 120,191,128</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

MFA 401(k) Plan
Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Additions to net assets		
Contributions		
Participant	\$ 7,186,882	\$ 6,783,348
Employer	2,095,533	2,030,303
Rollovers	<u>420,978</u>	<u>177,154</u>
Total contributions	<u>9,703,393</u>	<u>8,990,805</u>
Investment income (loss)		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	17,666,595	(23,153,909)
Dividends and interest	<u>2,183,896</u>	<u>1,096,319</u>
Total investment income (loss)	<u>19,850,491</u>	<u>(22,057,590)</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>152,707</u>	<u>121,612</u>
Total additions to net assets, including total investment income (loss)	<u>29,706,591</u>	<u>(12,945,173)</u>
Deductions from net assets		
Benefits paid to participants	10,708,806	11,644,236
Administrative expenses	<u>216,064</u>	<u>214,292</u>
Total deductions from net assets	<u>10,924,870</u>	<u>11,858,528</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits	18,781,721	(24,803,701)
Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	<u>120,191,128</u>	<u>144,994,829</u>
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u><u>\$ 138,972,849</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 120,191,128</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

MFA 401(k) Plan
Notes to Financial Statements
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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the MFA 401(k) Plan ("the Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more comprehensive description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of MFA Incorporated ("the Company"), their wholly owned subsidiaries, and certain other related employers that adopted the Plan for the benefit of their employees ("the Employers"). The Plan was established January 1, 1985, and is subject to the provisions of ERISA.

Eligibility

Employees who have completed six months of service and worked at least 500 hours are eligible to participate in the Plan. Employees may then enter the Plan on the first day of the month coinciding with or next following the date the requirements are met.

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute between 1% and 75% of their pre-tax eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan, not to exceed maximum amounts specified by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") in accordance with a participant salary deferral agreement. The Plan contains an automatic enrollment feature. Unless an eligible participant elects otherwise, they will be automatically enrolled in the Plan at a 3% deferral rate. This automatic deferral increases by 1% each year until the participant reaches a cap of 15%. Participants who are at least 50 years of age may make an additional contribution to the Plan not to exceed \$7,500 and \$6,500 for 2023 and 2022, respectively, under certain conditions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing rollover distributions from other qualified plans. Each participating employer may elect to contribute any amount on behalf of each participant, subject to allowable IRS limits. The employer contribution amount is determined annually. The amount allocated to participants is based on the total of each participant's contribution in relation to the total of all participant contributions for each company. Participants direct the investment of contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

The Plan was amended effective October 1, 2022, to allow participants to make Roth 401(k) contributions.

Participant accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, allocations of the Employers' contributions, and Plan earnings (losses) and charged with an allocation of administration expenses. Allocations are based on participant compensation or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

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1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN (continued)

Vesting

Participants are automatically 100% vested in their employee and employer account balances.

Notes receivable from participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a rate that is one percent above the prime rate. Loan terms range from one to five years, or a ten year term for the purchase of a primary residence. Principal and interest are payable through payroll deductions.

Payment of benefits

A participant may receive a distribution upon termination of employment, retirement, death, disability, attainment of 59.5 years of age, or for certain hardships. A participant or his/her beneficiary may receive benefit distributions in one of the following forms:

- 1) Substantially equal payments over a period not to exceed the assumed life expectancy (only if account balance exceeds \$5,000).
- 2) A single lump sum payment (required for vested balances less than \$5,000), which may be in the form of a cash payout or rolled over into another qualified pension plan.
- 3) Partial withdrawals.

Plan administration

The Plan provides for a Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees is responsible for oversight of the Plan. The Plan's Investment Committee reviews the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance, identifies ongoing participant needs, reviews Plan design, reviews and analyzes fees and other issues related to the Plan, and reports to the Board of Trustees as needed.

John Hancock Trust Company LLC ("John Hancock") is the Plan's third-party administrator, record-keeper, and trustee. Pension Consultants Inc. provides investment advice to the Plan. The third-party-administrator provides general professional and administrative services to the Plan and reports to the Plan administrator and the participants. John Hancock holds the Plan's assets, administers investment activity, and invests contributions into funds designated by each participant. Fees such as professional, contract administration, investment advisory and custodian fees are paid by the Plan while the Employers absorb certain administrative costs.

MFA 401(k) Plan
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December 31, 2023 and 2022

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting and financial statement presentation

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

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of American ("GAAP") requires the Plan Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by its investment adviser and trustee. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade date basis. Dividends are recorded on the declaration date. Interest is recorded when earned. 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. Delinquent participant loans are reclassified as distributions based upon the terms of the Plan document. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Payment of benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Employers. Expenses that are paid by the Employers are excluded from these financial statements. Certain administrative functions are performed by officers and employees of the Employers. No officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan for these services. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments.

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2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Subsequent events

Events that have occurred subsequent to December 31, 2023, have been evaluated through January 22, 2025, which represents the date the Plan's financial statements were approved by management and therefore available to be issued.

3. CERTIFIED INVESTMENT INFORMATION

Plan investments are held in a trust and managed by John Hancock, the Plan's trustee. All investments are participant-directed. The plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, as permitted under such election, the plan administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the following information certified by John Hancock, the trustee of the Plan, as complete and accurate, except for comparing such information certified by the trustee with information included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedules:

- Investments at fair value as shown in the statements of net assets available for benefits,
- Investment income (loss) as shown in the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits,
- Notes receivable from participants and related interest income,
- Schedule of assets held at year end.

The Plan's independent auditors did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedules.

4. TAX STATUS

On June 30, 2020, the IRS stated that the prototype adopted by the plan, as then designed, qualifies under IRC Section 401(a). The plan has not received a determination letter specific to the plan itself; however, the plan administrator and the plan's tax counsel believe that the plan was designed and was being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the plan's financial statements.

GAAP requires plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognizes 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 applicable authorities. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

Effective January 1, 2021, the Plan was amended and restated as part of a Cycle 3 Restatement to bring the Plan into compliance with legislative and regulatory changes set forth in IRS Notice 2017-37.

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4. TAX STATUS (continued)

Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the Plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is qualified as of the financial statement date.

5. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to a variety of 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 values on 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 plan benefits.

6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

A fair value hierarchy is used that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value of balances that are required or permitted to be measured at fair value for reporting in financial statements. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to the unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to the unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 - Valuation is based upon quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 - Valuation is based upon quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted market prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in active markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. Observable inputs may include interest rates, foreign exchange rates, and yield curves that are observable at commonly quoted intervals. 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 - Valuation is based on methodologies that are unobservable and significant to the fair value measure. These may be generated from model-based techniques that use at least one significant assumption based on unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which are typically based on an entity's own assumptions, as there is little, if any, related market activity.

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6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Plan's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the asset or liability. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund on an active market which is based on the underlying net asset value ("NAV") of shares held by the Plan at year-end. 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 NAV and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Collective trust funds: Valued at the NAV of units held by the Plan at year-end. The NAV, as provided by the Custodian, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV.

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

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6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

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

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Mutual funds	<u>\$121,463,665</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$121,463,665
Investments measured at net asset value (a)				<u>12,955,913</u>
				<u>\$134,419,578</u>

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

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Mutual funds	<u>\$ 56,415,358</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 56,415,358
Investments measured at net asset value (a)				<u>59,460,744</u>
				<u>\$115,876,102</u>

(a) Certain investments measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the tables are intended to permit reconciliation to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

The following tables summarize investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient:

December 31, 2023

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unfunded Commitments</u>	<u>Redemption Frequency (if Currently Eligible)</u>	<u>Redemption Notice Period</u>
Collective trust funds	\$ 12,955,913	N.A.	Daily	1 day*

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December 31, 2023 and 2022

6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

December 31, 2022

<u>Investment</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unfunded Commitments</u>	<u>Redemption Frequency (if Currently Eligible)</u>	<u>Redemption Notice Period</u>
Collective trust funds	\$ 59,460,744	N.A.	Daily	1 day*

*Plan level withdrawals will be made as soon as practicable following thirty days written notice.

7. PLAN TERMINATION

Although they have not expressed any intent to do so, the Employers have the right under the Plan to discontinue their contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants will retain 100% of account balances on date of final termination.

8. PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Company provides certain accounting and administrative services to the Plan for which no fees are charged.

9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Effective January 1, 2024, the Plan was amended to decrease the minimum months of service requirement from six months to three months.

Effective February 1, 2024, the Plan was amended to eliminate the provision for involuntary cash-outs upon severance.

10. LATE CONTRIBUTION

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Employers inadvertently failed to remit certain 2023 employee deferrals totaling \$366 within the time frame required by the DOL under plan asset rules. The DOL considers late deposits to be nonexempt prohibited transactions. The Employers deposited the late contributions along with missed earnings to the Plan in May 2024.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

MFA 401(k) Plan
 EIN: 43-0415080; Plan: 002
 Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4(a) - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions
 December 31, 2023

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan	Total that Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions					
Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are included:	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51		
☐	\$ -	\$ 366	\$ -	\$ -		

MFA 401(k) Plan
 EIN: 43-0415080; Plan: 002
 Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
 December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Payden Corporate Bond Inv	Mutual fund	**	\$ 7,239,754
	JP Morgan Mortgage Bk Sec R6	Mutual fund	**	6,540,788
	Emerald Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**	6,565,845
	Lazard Inter. Strategic Equity Fund	Mutual fund	**	6,710,987
	Undiscovered Mgrs Behav Val R6	Mutual fund	**	4,422,626
	Amer Target 2030 Fund R6	Mutual fund	**	4,286,382
	American Funds 2025 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	4,733,800
	American Funds 2035 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	3,434,126
	American Funds 2040 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	3,288,485
	Artisan High Income Fund Inst	Mutual fund	**	2,719,691
	American Funds 2050 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	3,078,512
	Amer Target 2055 Fund R6	Mutual fund	**	2,847,244
	American Funds 2045 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	2,550,748
	Amer Target 2060 Fund R6	Mutual fund	**	2,777,042
	American Funds 2020 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	1,454,569
	HL Inst Emerging Markets Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,448,896
	American Funds 2015 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	871,351
	Cohen & Steers Real Estate Fund	Mutual fund	**	294,614
	American Funds 2065 TD Ret R6	Mutual fund	**	741,216
	American Funds 2010 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	195,206
	Fidelity Total Market Index Fd	Mutual fund	**	391,391
	JP Morgan US Govt Money Market Fund	Mutual fund	**	885
	Fidelity LC Growth Index Inst Prem	Mutual fund	**	32,406,673
	Fidelity LC Value Index Inst Prem	Mutual fund	**	22,303,127
	Fidelity Global ex US Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	56,309
	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	103,398
				<u>121,463,665</u>
	Morley Stable Value Fund	Collective trust fund	**	8,597,256
	Carillon Eagle Mid-Cap Growth CIT 1	Collective trust fund	**	2,360,736
	Wells Fargo Special Mid-Cap Val E1	Collective trust fund	**	1,997,921
				<u>12,955,913</u>
		Interest rates of 8.5% - 9.5%, maturing through December 2028		
*	Notes receivable from participants			<u>2,576,017</u>
				<u><u>\$ 136,995,595</u></u>

* Indicated party-in-interest to the Plan

** Cost information not provided as all investments are participant directed

MFA 401(k) Plan
 EIN: 43-0415080; Plan: 002
 Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
 December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
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	Amer Target 2060 Fund R6	Mutual fund	**	2,777,042
	American Funds 2020 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	1,454,569
	HL Inst Emerging Markets Fund	Mutual fund	**	1,448,896
	American Funds 2015 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	871,351
	Cohen & Steers Real Estate Fund	Mutual fund	**	294,614
	American Funds 2065 TD Ret R6	Mutual fund	**	741,216
	American Funds 2010 Target Date	Mutual fund	**	195,206
	Fidelity Total Market Index Fd	Mutual fund	**	391,391
	JP Morgan US Govt Money Market Fund	Mutual fund	**	885
	Fidelity LC Growth Index Inst Prem	Mutual fund	**	32,406,673
	Fidelity LC Value Index Inst Prem	Mutual fund	**	22,303,127
	Fidelity Global ex US Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	56,309
	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	Mutual fund	**	103,398
				<u>121,463,665</u>
	Morley Stable Value Fund	Collective trust fund	**	8,597,256
	Carillon Eagle Mid-Cap Growth CIT 1	Collective trust fund	**	2,360,736
	Wells Fargo Special Mid-Cap Val E1	Collective trust fund	**	1,997,921
				<u>12,955,913</u>
		Interest rates of 8.5% - 9.5%, maturing through December 2028		
*	Notes receivable from participants			<u>2,576,017</u>
				<u><u>\$ 136,995,595</u></u>

* Indicated party-in-interest to the Plan

** Cost information not provided as all investments are participant directed