

Form 5500-SF

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Short Form Annual Return/Report of Small Employee Benefit Plan

This form is required to be filed 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-SF.

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 09/13/2021

- A This return/report is for: [X] a single-employer plan [] a multiple-employer plan (not multiemployer) (Pension Plan filers checking this box must attach Schedule MEP. Other plans must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
B This return/report is [] the first return/report [X] the final return/report [] an amended return/report [X] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C Check box if filing under: [] Form 5558 [] automatic extension [] DFVC program [] special extension (enter description)
D If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here []
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 AMERICAN COUNCIL ON RENEWABLE 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN & TRUST
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 001
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2020
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) AMERICAN COUNCIL ON RENEWABLE ENERGY
1150 CONNECTICUT AVE NW SUITE 401 WASHINGTON, DC 20036
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 52-2353661
2c Sponsor's telephone number 202-777-7592
2d Business code (see instructions) 541990
3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] 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
5a Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year 23
b Total number of participants at the end of the plan year 0
c(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) 19
c(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) 0
d(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year 23
d(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year 0
e Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested 0

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, if applicable, a Schedule SB or Schedule MB completed and signed by an enrolled actuary, 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. Row 1: Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature, 02/18/2025, GERALD BORENSTEIN. Row 2: Signature of employer/plan sponsor, Date, Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor.

- 6a** Were all of the plan's assets during the plan year invested in eligible assets? (See instructions.) Yes No
- b** Are you claiming a waiver of the annual examination and report of an independent qualified public accountant (IQPA) under 29 CFR 2520.104-46? (See instructions on waiver eligibility and conditions.) Yes No
- If you answered "No" to either line 6a or line 6b, the plan cannot use Form 5500-SF and must instead use Form 5500.**
- c** If the plan is a defined benefit plan, is it covered under the PBGC insurance program (see ERISA section 4021)? Yes No Not determined
- If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____ (See instructions.)

Part III Financial Information			
7 Plan Assets and Liabilities		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total plan assets	7a	605592	0
b Total plan liabilities	7b		
c Net plan assets (subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	605592	0
8 Income, Expenses, and Transfers for this Plan Year		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions received or receivable from:			
(1) Employers	8a(1)	84646	
(2) Participants	8a(2)	99277	
(3) Others (including rollovers)	8a(3)		
b Other income (loss)	8b	101447	
c Total income (add lines 8a(1), 8a(2), 8a(3), and 8b)	8c		285370
d Benefits paid (including direct rollovers and insurance premiums to provide benefits)	8d	10962	
e Certain deemed and/or corrective distributions (see instructions) .	8e		
f Administrative service providers (salaries, fees, commissions)	8f	2396	
g Other expenses	8g		
h Total expenses (add lines 8d, 8e, 8f, and 8g)	8h		13358
i Net income (loss) (subtract line 8h from line 8c)	8i		272012
j Transfers to (from) the plan (see instructions)	8j	-877604	

Part IV Plan Characteristics	
9a	If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2G 2J 2S 2T 3D
b	If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

Part V Compliance Questions				
10 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)	10a		X	
b Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 10a.)	10b		X	
c Was the plan covered by a fidelity bond?	10c	X		20000
d Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	10d		X	
e Were any fees or commissions paid to any brokers, agents, or other persons by an insurance carrier, insurance service, or other organization that provides some or all of the benefits under the plan? (See instructions.)	10e		X	
f Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	10f		X	
g Did the plan have any participant loans? (If "Yes," enter amount as of year-end.)	10g		X	
h If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	10h	X		
i If 10h was answered "Yes," check the box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3	10i	X		

Part VI Pension Funding Compliance

11 Is this a defined benefit plan subject to minimum funding requirements? (If "Yes," see instructions and complete Schedule SB (Form 5500) and lines 11a and b below.) If this is a defined contribution pension plan, leave line 11 blank and complete line 12 below. Yes No

a Enter the unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 **11a**

b PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If the plan is covered by PBGC and the amount reported on line 11a is greater than \$0, 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 _____

12 Is this a defined contribution plan subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Code or section 302 of ERISA? (If "Yes," complete line 12a or lines 12b, 12c, 12d, and 12e below, as applicable.) If this is a defined benefit pension plan, leave line 12 blank and complete line 11 above. Yes No

a 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 letter ruling granting the waiver. Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

If you completed line 12a, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB (Form 5500), and skip to line 13.

b Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year **12b**

c Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year **12c**

d Subtract the amount in line 12c from the amount in line 12b. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount) **12d**

e Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 12d be met by the funding deadline? Yes No N/A

Part VII Plan Terminations and Transfers of Assets

13a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted in any plan year? Yes No

a If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year. **13a**

b Were all the plan assets distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC? Yes No

c 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.)

13c(1) Name of plan(s):	13c(2) EIN(s)	13c(3) PN(s)
INSPERITY 401(K) PLAN	76-0178498	001

Part VIII IRS Compliance Questions

14a 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

14b 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

15 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 08 / 31 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q704151A.

February 12, 2025

Internal Revenue Service
Ogden, UT 84201-0018
Attention: EP Entity Unit, Mail Stop 6273

Re: Notice CP-406, TIN 52-2353661
Form 5500SF, Plan # 001

Dear EBSA:

We are filing Form 5500 for the above-named Plan for its calendar plan year ending 2021 with this letter. This filing is late; however, we believe we have circumstances that qualify as “reasonable cause” and, therefore, request that both the EBSA and the IRS grant a waiver or abatement of any late filing penalties that may be assessed due to these late filings.

The American Council on Renewable 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust was transferred to another qualified retirement plan on 9/13/2021. In connection with that transfer, there was also a change in retirement plan service providers. We depended heavily on our prior third-party administrator to ensure that all regulatory filings were prepared and provided to us for timely filing. Our prior third-party administrator did not realize that the plan was transferred to another qualified plan and seemed to believe that our plan was continuing, but with a new third-party administrator and that as an industry standard, the new third-party administrator would prepare and provide all future filings. We were not aware of an outstanding filing obligation until receipt of your notice and our further investigation as a result of the notice.

Upon receipt of the notice, we immediately sought the assistance of our current retirement plan service provider. They were able to provide guidance and are in the process of collecting the necessary information needed to prepare a 2021 Final Form 5500 and applicable schedules for us to file electronically.

Our organization has every intention of complying with ERISA’s reporting and disclosure rules. We believe the late filing of this prior year report for this Plan is the result of reasonable cause, not willful neglect. Accordingly, we request relief from any and all late filing penalties which the agencies may assess, or permission to apply for penalty reduction under the Delinquent Filer Voluntary Compliance Program (DFVC).

Under penalties or perjury, we present this information and declare that these statements are, to the best of our knowledge, true, correct and complete. Please get in touch with the undersigned if you have any questions in connection with this request. We will await further correspondence on this issue before acting further.

Sincerely,

Gerald Borenstein | GB

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Chief Financial Officer