

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) HURRICANE HELENE IR-2024-253 5/1/24
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 NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
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) NOVA TECHNOLOGIES, AN EMPLOYEE OWNED ENGINEERING COMPANY 429 SOUTH TYNDALL PARKWAY SUITE S PANAMA CITY, FL 32404
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 59-3425094
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 850-914-0002
2d	Business code (see instructions) 541330

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.	05/01/2025	JAMES A. BLACK, III
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 260
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6a(1) 252 6a(2) 237 6b 9 6c 9 6d 255 6e 0 6f 255 6g(1) 228 6g(2) 245 6h 13
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 2F 2G 2J 2K

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☒ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☒ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☒ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☒ General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- (1) ☐ **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) ☐ **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) ☐ **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4) ☐ **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) ☐ **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- (1) ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) ☐ **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) ☒ **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 1
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☐ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Insurance Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500. ▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 NOVA TECHNOLOGIES, AN EMPLOYEE OWNED ENGINEERING COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 59-3425094	

Part I	Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions	Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
42-0127290	61271	819530	25		

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

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
0	

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
MARTIN, MARTIN, RANDALL & ASSOCIATE 4 RIVER BEND, SUITE 125
FLOWOOD, MS 39232

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
0			5

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end **4** 582901**5** Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end **5****6** Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶**b** Premiums paid to carrier **6b****c** Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year **6c****d** If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. **6d**
Specify nature of costs ▶**e** Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶**f** If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)**a** Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee
(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☒ other ▶ **GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT****b** Balance at the end of the previous year **7b****c** Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year **7c(1)** 28293
(2) Dividends and credits **7c(2)**
(3) Interest credited during the year **7c(3)** 1758
(4) Transferred from separate account **7c(4)** 652557
(5) Other (specify below) **7c(5)** 2545
▶ **LOAN REPAYMENT; FORF**(6) Total additions **7c(6)** 685153**d** Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**) **7d** 685153**e** Deductions:(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year **7e(1)** 96088
(2) Administration charge made by carrier **7e(2)** 555
(3) Transferred to separate account **7e(3)** 5609
(4) Other (specify below) **7e(4)**
▶(5) Total deductions **7e(5)** 102252**f** Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**) **7f** 582901

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
 b ☐ Dental
 c ☐ Vision
 d ☐ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
 f ☐ Long-term disability
 g ☐ Supplemental unemployment
 h ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
 j ☐ HMO contract
 k ☐ PPO contract
 l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid.....	9a(2)		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)		
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....		9a(4)	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies.....	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.).....		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves.....		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 NOVA TECHNOLOGIES, AN EMPLOYEE OWNED ENGINEERING COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 59-3425094

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).....

Yes

☒

No
- b

If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b)

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

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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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64-0765749

(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?
13 50 49 99	TPA	3809	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☒	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

MERRILL LYNCH

13-5674085

(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?
17 27 50	CONSULTANT	46137	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☒	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY

(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?
64	RECORDKEEPER	13191	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

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)

EMPOWER ADVISORY GROUP, LLC

(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?
28	INVESTMENT MGMT	1377	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☒	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

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

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

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			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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		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 59-3425094

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.			
	Assets	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	128179	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	254208	0
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(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)	329800	452287
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	15971523	25625196
(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	16683710	26077483
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h	7157	
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	7157	
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	16676553	26077483

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)	1818364	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	4014243	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	478773	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		6311380
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(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)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		
(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)	679524	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		679524
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		3068294
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		10059198

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	595628	
(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)		595628
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)	62640	
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(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)		62640
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		658268

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		9400930
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: **ANGLIN, REICHMANN, ARMSTRONG CPA**

(2) EIN:

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 _____.

**NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022**

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Plan Administrator of the
Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Nova Technologies CBA Retirement 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 Nova Technologies CBA Retirement 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 Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including 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 schedule, 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).

Sincerely,

Angela Reichmann Armstrong P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

April 30, 2025

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

ASSETS		
	2023	2022
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 25,630,433</u>	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>
Receivables:		
Participant contributions	-	254,208
Employer contributions	-	128,179
Notes receivable from participants	<u>419,258</u>	<u>329,800</u>
Total Receivables	<u>419,258</u>	<u>712,187</u>
Total Assets	<u>26,049,691</u>	<u>16,683,710</u>
LIABILITIES		
Excess contributions payable	<u>-</u>	<u>7,157</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>7,157</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u>\$ 26,049,691</u>	<u>\$ 16,676,553</u>

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

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Additions to Net Assets Attributed to:

Investment income:	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 3,068,294
Interest and dividends	<u>651,256</u>
Total Investment Income	<u>3,719,550</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>28,276</u>
Contributions:	
Employer	1,839,867
Participant salary deferrals	3,849,354
Participant rollovers	601,879
Other additions	<u>13,398</u>
Total Contributions	<u>6,304,498</u>
Total Additions to Net Assets	<u>10,052,324</u>

Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to:

Benefits paid to participants	585,877
Deemed distributions	32,351
Administrative expenses	<u>60,958</u>
Total Deductions from Net Assets	<u>679,186</u>
Net Increase	9,373,138

Net Assets Available for Benefits:

Beginning of Year	<u>16,676,553</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 26,049,691</u></u>

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

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 1 - Description of Plan

The following description of the Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions. The Plan became effective April 1, 2020.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all full-time union employees of Nova Technologies, An Employee-Owned Engineering Company (the Company). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Trustee is responsible for the oversight of the Plan.

Eligibility

Participation in the Plan is available to all eligible employees of the Company who have attained 21 years of age, excluding non-union employees whose employment is not covered by a collective bargaining agreement, as defined by the Plan.

Contributions

Participant Salary Deferral - Each Plan year, participants may contribute pretax annual compensation, as defined by the Plan, up to maximum amounts established by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Participants 50 years old or older during the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions, up to maximum amounts established by the IRS. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover).

Participant Roth Deferral - Participants may designate some or all of the salary deferral as a Roth Deferral at the time the participant makes his or her deferral election. Once made, this election is irrevocable (that is, a Roth Deferral cannot later be re-characterized as a pretax salary reduction). The amount of the Roth Deferral is included in participants' income for tax purposes, and the income tax withholding amounts are deducted from the remainder of compensation, not from the Roth Deferral amount.

Employer Non-Discretionary Matching - For participants hired prior to July 1, 2012, the Company contributes to the Plan an amount equal to 85% of the participants' contributions up to 7% of the participants' eligible compensation. For participants hired on or subsequent to July 1, 2012, the Company contributes 20% of each participant's elected deferrals up to 7% of the participant's eligible compensation.

Employer Safe Harbor Contribution - The Company contributes a safe harbor non-elective contribution to the account of each eligible participant in an amount equal to 100% of the first 4% or 6% of the employee's eligible compensation contributed for the Plan year. The safe harbor contribution percentage depends on the type of employment agreement the participant falls under. The Company's safe harbor contribution is invested as directed by the participant.

Investment Options

Participants direct the investment of their contributions, as well as Company contributions, into various investment options offered by the Plan. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan offered shares of registered investment companies. The Plan offered a common collective trust in 2022 and a fixed annuity account in 2023.

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 1 - Description of Plan - Continued

Participant Accounts

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

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their voluntary contributions (including Roth contributions) and rollover contributions, employer safe harbor contributions, and non-discretionary matching contributions. The exception is for participants employed under a certain contract, who have a six-year graded vesting schedule for the Company's non-discretionary matching contributions as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vested Percentage</u>
Less than 2	0%
2	25%
3	50%
4	75%
5	100%

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a fixed rate of one percent above the prime interest rate, as defined by the Plan. A loan is considered in default if the missed loan payment is not remitted by the last day of the calendar quarter following the quarter in which the required payment was due but not made. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. Loan terms may not be greater than five years unless the loan is used for purchase of primary residence. The maximum number of loans a participant may have outstanding at any time is one. At December 31, 2023, the outstanding loans bore interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 9.50%.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive an amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account in either a lump-sum amount or various installment and annuity options provided by the Plan. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump-sum distribution. Amounts contributed on a before-tax basis may only be withdrawn upon demonstration of disability or after the participant reaches 59.5 years. In-service distributions are allowed once a participant reaches eligible age or qualifies for a financial hardship as defined by IRS regulations.

Forfeited Accounts

As of December 31, 2023, the Plan had \$5,237 in forfeited accounts. Any forfeitures occurring during the Plan year can be used to pay administrative expenses or to reduce future employer contributions. No forfeitures were used to reduce employer contributions or employer administrative expenses of the Plan for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting.

Use of Estimates

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

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

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

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

Excess Contributions Payable

Amounts payable to the plan sponsor for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the IRS are recorded as a liability with a corresponding reduction to contributions. As of December 31, 2023, there was no excess contributions payable.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan Administrator considers the participant loan to be in default, the participant Nova loan balance is reduced and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a deemed distribution based on the terms of the Plan Document.

Payment of Benefits

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Certain expenses related to the administration of the Plan are allocated to the participant's account, in accordance with the Plan document, and are included in administrative expenses. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants and payment of benefits to participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses.

Investment related expenses are paid in part by the participant and charged to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses while the remainder is included in net appreciation (depreciation) of fair value of investments.

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

Date of Management's Review

Management has evaluated subsequent events through April 30, 2025, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 - Information Prepared and Certified by Custodian

Certain information related to investments disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, interest, and dividends for the year ended December 31, 2023, was obtained or derived from information supplied to the Plan Administrator and certified as complete and accurate by Empower Trust Company.

The following is a summary of the Plan's asset information as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule, which was prepared by or derived from information provided by the Custodian and furnished to the Plan Administrator.

	<u>12/31/23</u>	<u>12/31/22</u>
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 25,630,433</u>	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>

Empower Trust Company also certified to the completeness and accuracy of \$3,068,294 of net appreciation in fair value of investments related to the aforementioned Plan assets for the year ended December 31, 2023. In addition, interest and dividend income was certified by Empower and amounted to \$651,256 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

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

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

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

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

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
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Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements - Continued

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

Shares of registered investment companies (Mutual funds): Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Registered investment companies held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the SEC. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The registered investment companies held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Common collective trust fund: Valued at the NAV of units of a collective trust. The NAV, as provided by the Custodian, is not publicly quoted but is available to current investors via the Employer website or when plan participants access their account values. The NAV is the basis for current transactions and the CIT can be redeemed at NAV as of the measurement date. The NAV is calculated in a manner consistent with GAAP for investment companies.

Fixed annuity: Valued based on the initial amount invested plus any interest credited over time. The interest rate is set by the insurance company.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	<u>Fair Value Measurements</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
<u>December 31, 2023</u>				
Fixed annuity	\$ -	\$ 577,664	\$ -	\$ 577,664
Mutual funds	<u>25,052,769</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,052,769</u>
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 25,052,769</u>	<u>\$ 577,664</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 25,630,433</u>
<u>December 31, 2022</u>				
Common collective trust	\$ 615,078	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 615,078
Mutual funds	<u>15,356,445</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,356,445</u>
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>

Note 5 - Related-Party Transactions and Party in Interest Transactions

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. As described in Note 2, the Plan made direct payments to the third-party administrator of \$60,958 which was not covered by revenue sharing. The Plan Sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan's operations.

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
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Note 6 - Plan Termination

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

Note 7 - Tax Status

The Plan has not obtained a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) stating that the plan was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”). The Plan is relying on the IRS approval of the volume submitter plan that it is utilizing. The plan administrator believes that the Plan was qualified and the related trust was tax exempt as of the financial statement date.

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

Note 8 - Risks and Uncertainties

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

Note 9 - Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2023 and 2022 to Form 5500:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 26,049,691	\$ 16,676,553
Add: Miscellaneous reconciling items	<u>27,792</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ 26,077,483</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,676,553</u></u>

The following is a reconciliation of net decrease in net assets per the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 to Form 5500:

Net increase in net assets per the financial statements	\$ 9,373,138
Add: Miscellaneous reconciling items	<u>27,792</u>
Net income per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ 9,400,930</u></u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

Nova Technologies CBA Plan

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INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE
1LIRKX			41,092.10	43,325.19
1LIBKX			2,947,482.61	3,138,597.67
1LINKX			2,950,300.75	3,200,834.12
1LIJKX			1,601,309.59	1,751,624.36
1LIKXX			535,398.08	590,653.36
1LIHKX			625,394.70	709,589.06
1LIPKX			173,889.49	194,907.50
1LIVKX			26,714.48	30,573.24
1LIZKX			148,783.60	167,959.55
1LIWKX			154,605.71	179,688.88
1RNWGX			127,299.54	137,812.94
1BTMKX			255,535.75	276,371.98
1VEMAX			181,030.06	186,851.81
1VWILX			663,248.88	718,554.48
1VTRIX			91,442.31	98,256.07
1HSRUX			191,418.44	173,684.16
1VSMAX			786,579.37	888,543.87
1ESPRX			151,744.02	170,157.24
1AMDVX			386,760.17	382,874.05
1BRMKX			188,922.06	210,349.73
1HRAUX			553,809.43	569,517.30
1FXAIX			4,394,412.53	5,206,724.84
1VEIRX			895,276.19	898,166.11
1VPMAX			1,327,295.05	1,391,384.36
1VWUAX			2,096,053.89	2,704,985.29
1OGGYX			478,849.04	482,765.52
1PIMIX			181,475.89	183,828.16
1IIBZX			353,259.48	358,951.51
1GWAQ35		1.300	575,939.49	577,663.68
			23,085,322.70	25,625,196.03
PARTICIPANT LOANS	VARIOUS	4.250-9.500	419,433.02	419,258.48
FORFEITURES			5,229.28	5,237.41

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

Nova Technologies CBA Plan

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INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE
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LEGEND

INVESTMENT OPTION:

1LIRKX BlackRock LifePath Index Retirement K
 1LINKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2030 K
 1LIKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2040 K
 1LIPKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2050 K
 1LIZKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2060 K
 1RNWGX American Funds New World R6
 1VEMAX Vanguard Emerging Mkts Stock Idx Adm
 1VTRIX Vanguard International Value Portfolio
 1VSMAX Vanguard Small Cap Index Adm
 1AMDVX American Century Mid Cap Value R6
 1HRAUX Carillon Eagle Mid Cap Growth R6
 1VEIRX Vanguard Equity-Income Adm
 1VWUAX Vanguard US Growth Adm
 1PIMIX PIMCO Income Instl
 1GWAQ35 EI Fixed Account - Series Class I

1LIBKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2025 K
 1LIJKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2035 K
 1LIHKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2045 K
 1LIVKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2055 K
 1LIWKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2065 K
 1BTMKX iShares MSCI EAFE International Index K
 1VWILX Vanguard International Growth Adm
 1HSRUX Carillon Eagle Small Cap Growth R6
 1ESPRX Allspring Special Small Cap Value R6
 1BRMKX iShares Russell Mid-Cap Index K
 1FXAIX Fidelity 500 Index
 1VPMAX Vanguard Primecap Fund - Admiral
 1OGGYX JPMorgan Government Bond R6
 1IIBZX Voya Intermediate Bond R6

COST OF ASSETS: The original cost of the assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year

CURRENT VALUE: The value of all assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Plan Administrator of the
Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Nova Technologies CBA Retirement 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 Nova Technologies CBA Retirement 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 Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including 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 schedule, 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).

Sincerely,

Angela Reichmann Armstrong P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

April 30, 2025

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

ASSETS		
	2023	2022
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 25,630,433</u>	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>
Receivables:		
Participant contributions	-	254,208
Employer contributions	-	128,179
Notes receivable from participants	<u>419,258</u>	<u>329,800</u>
Total Receivables	<u>419,258</u>	<u>712,187</u>
Total Assets	<u>26,049,691</u>	<u>16,683,710</u>
LIABILITIES		
Excess contributions payable	<u>-</u>	<u>7,157</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>-</u>	<u>7,157</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u>\$ 26,049,691</u>	<u>\$ 16,676,553</u>

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

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Additions to Net Assets Attributed to:

Investment income:	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 3,068,294
Interest and dividends	<u>651,256</u>
Total Investment Income	<u>3,719,550</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>28,276</u>
Contributions:	
Employer	1,839,867
Participant salary deferrals	3,849,354
Participant rollovers	601,879
Other additions	<u>13,398</u>
Total Contributions	<u>6,304,498</u>
Total Additions to Net Assets	<u>10,052,324</u>

Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to:

Benefits paid to participants	585,877
Deemed distributions	32,351
Administrative expenses	<u>60,958</u>
Total Deductions from Net Assets	<u>679,186</u>
Net Increase	9,373,138

Net Assets Available for Benefits:

Beginning of Year	<u>16,676,553</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 26,049,691</u></u>

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

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 1 - Description of Plan

The following description of the Nova Technologies CBA Retirement Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions. The Plan became effective April 1, 2020.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all full-time union employees of Nova Technologies, An Employee-Owned Engineering Company (the Company). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Trustee is responsible for the oversight of the Plan.

Eligibility

Participation in the Plan is available to all eligible employees of the Company who have attained 21 years of age, excluding non-union employees whose employment is not covered by a collective bargaining agreement, as defined by the Plan.

Contributions

Participant Salary Deferral - Each Plan year, participants may contribute pretax annual compensation, as defined by the Plan, up to maximum amounts established by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Participants 50 years old or older during the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions, up to maximum amounts established by the IRS. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover).

Participant Roth Deferral - Participants may designate some or all of the salary deferral as a Roth Deferral at the time the participant makes his or her deferral election. Once made, this election is irrevocable (that is, a Roth Deferral cannot later be re-characterized as a pretax salary reduction). The amount of the Roth Deferral is included in participants' income for tax purposes, and the income tax withholding amounts are deducted from the remainder of compensation, not from the Roth Deferral amount.

Employer Non-Discretionary Matching - For participants hired prior to July 1, 2012, the Company contributes to the Plan an amount equal to 85% of the participants' contributions up to 7% of the participants' eligible compensation. For participants hired on or subsequent to July 1, 2012, the Company contributes 20% of each participant's elected deferrals up to 7% of the participant's eligible compensation.

Employer Safe Harbor Contribution - The Company contributes a safe harbor non-elective contribution to the account of each eligible participant in an amount equal to 100% of the first 4% or 6% of the employee's eligible compensation contributed for the Plan year. The safe harbor contribution percentage depends on the type of employment agreement the participant falls under. The Company's safe harbor contribution is invested as directed by the participant.

Investment Options

Participants direct the investment of their contributions, as well as Company contributions, into various investment options offered by the Plan. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Plan offered shares of registered investment companies. The Plan offered a common collective trust in 2022 and a fixed annuity account in 2023.

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 1 - Description of Plan - Continued

Participant Accounts

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

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their voluntary contributions (including Roth contributions) and rollover contributions, employer safe harbor contributions, and non-discretionary matching contributions. The exception is for participants employed under a certain contract, who have a six-year graded vesting schedule for the Company's non-discretionary matching contributions as follows:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vested Percentage</u>
Less than 2	0%
2	25%
3	50%
4	75%
5	100%

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a fixed rate of one percent above the prime interest rate, as defined by the Plan. A loan is considered in default if the missed loan payment is not remitted by the last day of the calendar quarter following the quarter in which the required payment was due but not made. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. Loan terms may not be greater than five years unless the loan is used for purchase of primary residence. The maximum number of loans a participant may have outstanding at any time is one. At December 31, 2023, the outstanding loans bore interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 9.50%.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive an amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account in either a lump-sum amount or various installment and annuity options provided by the Plan. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump-sum distribution. Amounts contributed on a before-tax basis may only be withdrawn upon demonstration of disability or after the participant reaches 59.5 years. In-service distributions are allowed once a participant reaches eligible age or qualifies for a financial hardship as defined by IRS regulations.

Forfeited Accounts

As of December 31, 2023, the Plan had \$5,237 in forfeited accounts. Any forfeitures occurring during the Plan year can be used to pay administrative expenses or to reduce future employer contributions. No forfeitures were used to reduce employer contributions or employer administrative expenses of the Plan for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting.

Use of Estimates

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

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

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

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

Excess Contributions Payable

Amounts payable to the plan sponsor for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the IRS are recorded as a liability with a corresponding reduction to contributions. As of December 31, 2023, there was no excess contributions payable.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2023. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan Administrator considers the participant loan to be in default, the participant Nova loan balance is reduced and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a deemed distribution based on the terms of the Plan Document.

Payment of Benefits

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Certain expenses related to the administration of the Plan are allocated to the participant's account, in accordance with the Plan document, and are included in administrative expenses. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants and payment of benefits to participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses.

Investment related expenses are paid in part by the participant and charged to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses while the remainder is included in net appreciation (depreciation) of fair value of investments.

NOVA TECHNOLOGIES CBA RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
DECEMBER 31, 2023

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

Date of Management's Review

Management has evaluated subsequent events through April 30, 2025, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 - Information Prepared and Certified by Custodian

Certain information related to investments disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, interest, and dividends for the year ended December 31, 2023, was obtained or derived from information supplied to the Plan Administrator and certified as complete and accurate by Empower Trust Company.

The following is a summary of the Plan's asset information as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule, which was prepared by or derived from information provided by the Custodian and furnished to the Plan Administrator.

	<u>12/31/23</u>	<u>12/31/22</u>
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 25,630,433</u>	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>

Empower Trust Company also certified to the completeness and accuracy of \$3,068,294 of net appreciation in fair value of investments related to the aforementioned Plan assets for the year ended December 31, 2023. In addition, interest and dividend income was certified by Empower and amounted to \$651,256 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

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

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

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

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

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Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements - Continued

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

Shares of registered investment companies (Mutual funds): Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Registered investment companies held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the SEC. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The registered investment companies held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Common collective trust fund: Valued at the NAV of units of a collective trust. The NAV, as provided by the Custodian, is not publicly quoted but is available to current investors via the Employer website or when plan participants access their account values. The NAV is the basis for current transactions and the CIT can be redeemed at NAV as of the measurement date. The NAV is calculated in a manner consistent with GAAP for investment companies.

Fixed annuity: Valued based on the initial amount invested plus any interest credited over time. The interest rate is set by the insurance company.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	<u>Fair Value Measurements</u>			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
<u>December 31, 2023</u>				
Fixed annuity	\$ -	\$ 577,664	\$ -	\$ 577,664
Mutual funds	<u>25,052,769</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,052,769</u>
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 25,052,769</u>	<u>\$ 577,664</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 25,630,433</u>
<u>December 31, 2022</u>				
Common collective trust	\$ 615,078	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 615,078
Mutual funds	<u>15,356,445</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,356,445</u>
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 15,971,523</u>

Note 5 - Related-Party Transactions and Party in Interest Transactions

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. As described in Note 2, the Plan made direct payments to the third-party administrator of \$60,958 which was not covered by revenue sharing. The Plan Sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan's operations.

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Note 6 - Plan Termination

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

Note 7 - Tax Status

The Plan has not obtained a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (the “IRS”) stating that the plan was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”). The Plan is relying on the IRS approval of the volume submitter plan that it is utilizing. The plan administrator believes that the Plan was qualified and the related trust was tax exempt as of the financial statement date.

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

Note 8 - Risks and Uncertainties

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

Note 9 - Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2023 and 2022 to Form 5500:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 26,049,691	\$ 16,676,553
Add: Miscellaneous reconciling items	<u>27,792</u>	<u>-</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ 26,077,483</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,676,553</u></u>

The following is a reconciliation of net decrease in net assets per the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 to Form 5500:

Net increase in net assets per the financial statements	\$ 9,373,138
Add: Miscellaneous reconciling items	<u>27,792</u>
Net income per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ 9,400,930</u></u>

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE
1LIRKX			41,092.10	43,325.19
1LIBKX			2,947,482.61	3,138,597.67
1LINKX			2,950,300.75	3,200,834.12
1LIJKX			1,601,309.59	1,751,624.36
1LIKXX			535,398.08	590,653.36
1LIHKX			625,394.70	709,589.06
1LIPKX			173,889.49	194,907.50
1LIVKX			26,714.48	30,573.24
1LIZKX			148,783.60	167,959.55
1LIWKX			154,605.71	179,688.88
1RNWGX			127,299.54	137,812.94
1BTMKX			255,535.75	276,371.98
1VEMAX			181,030.06	186,851.81
1VWILX			663,248.88	718,554.48
1VTRIX			91,442.31	98,256.07
1HSRUX			191,418.44	173,684.16
1VSMAX			786,579.37	888,543.87
1ESPRX			151,744.02	170,157.24
1AMDVX			386,760.17	382,874.05
1BRMKX			188,922.06	210,349.73
1HRAUX			553,809.43	569,517.30
1FXAIX			4,394,412.53	5,206,724.84
1VEIRX			895,276.19	898,166.11
1VPMAX			1,327,295.05	1,391,384.36
1VWUAX			2,096,053.89	2,704,985.29
1OGGYX			478,849.04	482,765.52
1PIMIX			181,475.89	183,828.16
1IIBZX			353,259.48	358,951.51
1GWAQ35		1.300	575,939.49	577,663.68
			23,085,322.70	25,625,196.03
PARTICIPANT LOANS	VARIOUS	4.250-9.500	419,433.02	419,258.48
FORFEITURES			5,229.28	5,237.41

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE
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LEGEND

INVESTMENT OPTION:

1LIRKX BlackRock LifePath Index Retirement K
 1LINKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2030 K
 1LIKXK BlackRock LifePath Index 2040 K
 1LIPKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2050 K
 1LIZKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2060 K
 1RNWGX American Funds New World R6
 1VEMAX Vanguard Emerging Mkts Stock Idx Adm
 1VTRIX Vanguard International Value Portfolio
 1VSMAX Vanguard Small Cap Index Adm
 1AMDVX American Century Mid Cap Value R6
 1HRAUX Carillon Eagle Mid Cap Growth R6
 1VEIRX Vanguard Equity-Income Adm
 1VWUAX Vanguard US Growth Adm
 1PIMIX PIMCO Income Instl
 1GWAQ35 EI Fixed Account - Series Class I

1LIBKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2025 K
 1LIJKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2035 K
 1LIHKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2045 K
 1LIVKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2055 K
 1LIWKX BlackRock LifePath Index 2065 K
 1BTMKX iShares MSCI EAFE International Index K
 1VWILX Vanguard International Growth Adm
 1HSRUX Carillon Eagle Small Cap Growth R6
 1ESPRX Allspring Special Small Cap Value R6
 1BRMKX iShares Russell Mid-Cap Index K
 1FXAIX Fidelity 500 Index
 1VPMAX Vanguard Primecap Fund - Admiral
 1OGGYX JPMorgan Government Bond R6
 1IIBZX Voya Intermediate Bond R6

COST OF ASSETS: The original cost of the assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year

CURRENT VALUE: The value of all assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year