

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.

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

- A This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan, a multiple-employer plan, a single-employer plan, a DFE (specify), the first return/report, the final return/report, an amended return/report, a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
B This return/report is:
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.
D Check box if filing under: Form 5558, automatic extension, special extension (enter description), the DFVC program
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: ERIE AND NIAGARA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CASH BALANCE RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 001
1c Effective date of plan: 02/01/1962
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): ERIE AND NIAGARA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 16-0425440
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 716-632-5433
2d Business code (see instructions): 524150

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

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

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes entries for NOVOTNY, BLAIR and CARTENUTO, GINA.

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor ERIE AND NIAGARA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION 8800 SHERIDAN DRIVE, BOX 9062 WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14231-9062	3b Administrator's EIN 16-0425440 3c Administrator's telephone number 716-632-5433
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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
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	67
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6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	6a(1)	63
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	70
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	7
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d	77
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e	0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	77
g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(1)	
g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(2)	
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6h	4

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	
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8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
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b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

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

a Pension Schedules (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____ (5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	b General Schedules (1) <input type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information) (2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) <input type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u> 0 </u> (4) <input type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information) (5) <input type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules)
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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 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 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 SB (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**
 ▶ **Caution:** A penalty of \$1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

A Name of plan <u>ERIE AND NIAGARA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CASH BALANCE RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF <u>ERIE AND NIAGARA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>16-0425440</u>	
E Type of plan: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-A <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-B	F Prior year plan size: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500	

Part I Basic Information

1	Enter the valuation date: Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2024</u>		
2	Assets:		
	a Market value	2a	<u>9773801</u>
	b Actuarial value	2b	<u>9766541</u>
3	Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target
	a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	b For terminated vested participants	<u>4</u>	<u>46931</u>
	c For active participants	<u>78</u>	<u>5488790</u>
	d Total	<u>82</u>	<u>5535721</u>
4	If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b)..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
	a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions	4a	
	b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor	4b	
5	Effective interest rate	5	<u>5.17 %</u>
6	Target normal cost		
	a Present value of current plan year accruals	6a	<u>484990</u>
	b Expected plan-related expenses	6b	<u>0</u>
	c Target normal cost	6c	<u>484990</u>

Statement by Enrolled Actuary
 To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

SIGN HERE	
Signature of actuary	<u>04/30/2025</u> Date
<u>ROBERT H. DANESH</u> Type or print name of actuary	<u>23-06374</u> Most recent enrollment number
<u>HARPER DANESH LLC</u> Firm name	<u>585-319-4218</u> Telephone number (including area code)
<u>399 ALEXANDER STREET ROCHESTER, NY 14607</u> Address of the firm	

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions

Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances		(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7	Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year)	2136248	0
8	Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year)	0	0
9	Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8)	2136248	0
10	Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of <u>16.93</u> %	361667	0
11	Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
	a Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year)		259542
	b(1) Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of <u>5.23</u> %		13574
	b(2) Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return		0
	c Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance		273116
	d Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance		0
12	Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections	0	0
13	Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d – line 12)	2497915	0

Part III Funding Percentages			
14	Funding target attainment percentage	14	130.42 %
15	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage	15	175.24 %
16	Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement	16	173.47 %
17	If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage	17	%

Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls		18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:					
(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees		
Totals ▶			18(b)	0	18(c)	0	

19 Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:

a Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years	19a	0
b Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date	19b	0
c Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date	19c	0

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

a Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? Yes No

b If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? Yes No

c If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year			
(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th

Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost

21 Discount rate:				
a Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75 %	2nd segment: 4.96 %	3rd segment: 5.59 %	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
b Applicable month (enter code)				21b 0
22 Weighted average retirement age				22 64
23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - combined	<input type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - separate	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	

Part VI Miscellaneous Items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
26 Demographic and benefit information		
a Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
b Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ...	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
27 If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment.....	27	

Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

28 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years	28	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a).....	29	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29).....	30	0

Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

31 Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):			
a Target normal cost (line 6c)	31a	484990	
b Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a	31b	484990	
32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment	
a Net shortfall amortization installment	0	0	
b Waiver amortization installment			
33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount	33		
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33).....	34	0	
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance
35 Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement			0
36 Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35)	36	0	
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c)	37	0	
38 Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)			
a Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)	38a	0	
b Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances	38b		
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37)	39	0	
40 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years	40	0	

Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)

41 If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. <input type="checkbox"/> 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> 2021

SCHEDULE I (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information—Small Plan This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Complete Schedule I if the plan covered fewer than 100 participants as of the beginning of the plan year. You may also complete Schedule I if you are filing as a small plan under the 80-120 participant rule (see instructions). Complete Schedule H if reporting as a large plan or DFE.

Part I Small Plan Financial Information

Report below the current value of assets and liabilities, income, expenses, transfers and changes in net assets during the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Do not enter the value of the portion of an insurance contract that guarantees during this plan year to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. 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.**

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1 Plan Assets and Liabilities:			
a Total plan assets	1a	9773801	11243858
b Total plan liabilities	1b	0	0
c Net plan assets (subtract line 1b from line 1a)	1c	9773801	11243858
2 Income, Expenses, and Transfers for this Plan Year:		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions received or receivable:			
(1) Employers	2a(1)		
(2) Participants	2a(2)		
(3) Others (including rollovers)	2a(3)		
b Noncash contributions	2b		
c Other income	2c	1470057	
d Total income (add lines 2a(1), 2a(2), 2a(3), 2b, and 2c)	2d		1470057
e Benefits paid (including direct rollovers)	2e		
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Administrative service providers (salaries, fees, and commissions)	2h		
i Other expenses	2i		
j Total expenses (add lines 2e, 2f, 2g, 2h, and 2i)	2j		0
k Net income (loss) (subtract line 2j from line 2d)	2k		1470057
l Transfers to (from) the plan (see instructions)	2l		

3 Specific Assets: If the plan held assets at any time during the plan year in any of the following categories, check "Yes" and enter the current value of any assets remaining in the plan as of the end of the plan year. Allocate the value of the plan's interest in a commingled trust containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the trust meets one of the specific exceptions described in the instructions.

		Yes	No	Amount
a Partnership/joint venture interests	3a		X	
b Employer real property	3b		X	
c Real estate (other than employer real property)	3c		X	
d Employer securities	3d		X	
e Participant loans	3e		X	
f Loans (other than to participants)	3f		X	
g Tangible personal property	3g		X	

Part II	Compliance Questions
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		Yes	No	Amount
4 During the plan year:				
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.)	4a		X	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by the participant's account balance.	4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible?	4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a.)	4d		X	
e Was the plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X		2000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X	
i Did the plan at any time hold 20% or more of its assets in any single security, debt, mortgage, parcel of real estate, or partnership/joint venture interest?	4i		X	
j Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4j		X	
k Are you claiming a waiver of the annual examination and report of an independent qualified public accountant (IQPA) under 29 CFR 2520.104-46? If "No," attach an IQPA's report or 2520.104-50 statement. (See instructions on waiver eligibility and conditions.)	4k	X		
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m			
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	4n			

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 536853.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
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2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):
EIN(s): _____

Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.

3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	0
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Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? Yes No N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.

5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. **Date:** Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.

6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a	
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b	
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....	6c	

If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.

7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? Yes No N/A

8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? Yes No N/A

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

Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? Yes No

11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? Yes No

b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) Yes No

12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? Yes No

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment

19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
 Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%
 High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:
 0-5 years 5-10 years 10-15 years 15 years or more

20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? Yes No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:
 Yes.
 No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.
 No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.
 No. Other. Provide explanation: _____

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

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

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

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 Plan: Erie and Niagara Association Cash Balance Retirement Plan
 EIN/PN: 16-0425440/001

Schedule SB, Line 26 – Schedule of Active Participant Data

Attained Age	Years of Credited Service as of January 1, 2024										Total
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40 & up	
Under 25		2									2
25 to 29		3	2								5
30 to 34		5	5								10
35 to 39		6	5	4	1						16
40 to 44		5	2	1	3	2					13
45 to 49		5		1	1	1					8
50 to 54		4			2	3		1			10
55 to 59		3	1	2	1						7
60 to 64		1			1		1	2			5
65 to 69										2	2
70 & up											0
Total	0	34	15	8	9	6	1	3	0	2	78

Schedule SB, Part V – Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods

Actuarial Assumptions

Discount rate elections	Segment rates with no lookback		
		<u>ARPA</u>	<u>PPA</u>
	1 st segment rate	4.75%	4.37%
	2 nd segment rate	4.96%	4.96%
	3 rd segment rate	5.59%	4.95%
Mortality elections	2024 PPA combined static annuitant and nonannuitant mortality tables		
Cash balance interest rates accumulation rates	4.66% for 2024, 4.50% for 2025 and beyond		
Salary increases	4.75%		
Disability	50% of Actuarial Study No. 75. See table of sample rates:		
	<u>Age</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
	25	0.08%	0.04%
	30	0.11	0.09
	35	0.15	0.13
	40	0.22	0.20
	45	0.33	0.30
Withdrawal	See table of sample rates (Basic Service Table):		
	<u>Age</u>	<u>Male</u>	
	0	17.1%	
	5	8.3	
	10	4.9	
	15	3.7	
	20	2.8	
Expenses	The employer pays administrative expenses		

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Retirement age	<u>Age</u>	<u>Female</u>
	55	5%
	56-57	1
	58-61	2
	62	10
	63-64	15
	65	50
	66-67	35
	68-69	50
	70	100

Percentage married	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Males – 100%• Females – 100%
Age difference	A male is assumed to be three years older than his spouse.
Form of payment	Lump sum

Schedule SB, Part V – Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods

Asset valuation method

We used financial data submitted by the trustee as of January 1, 2024 without further audit. Customarily, this data would not be verified by a plan's actuary. We have reviewed the information for internal consistency and reasonableness and have no reason to doubt its substantial accuracy.

The asset valuation method is an annual average of the adjusted market value for the current year and each of the immediately preceding two years. The adjusted market value is the market value at each determination date adjusted to the valuation date based on actual cash flows and expected interest at the lesser of the expected rate of return and the third segment rate. This amount is adjusted to be no greater than 110 percent and no less than 90 percent of the fair market value, as defined in Section 430. A characteristic of this asset valuation method is that, over time, it is slightly more likely to produce an actuarial value of assets that is less than the market value of assets than an actuarial value that is greater than market.

Participants included in the valuation

Participant data was supplied by the plan sponsor. We have reviewed the data and have no reason to doubt its substantial accuracy. Only those employees who have met the eligibility requirements of the plan are included in the valuation of liabilities.

No liability is included for nonvested participants who terminate prior to the valuation date. Participants with a break in service on the valuation date are treated as terminated vested participants.

Benefits included or excluded in the valuation

Unless noted below, all benefits provided by the plan are included in the valuation:

- Plan amendments – Amendments adopted after the valuation date are excluded from the valuation.
- Scheduled benefit increases – Scheduled benefit increases (such as cost-of-living increases) effective after the end of the current plan year are excluded from minimum funding requirements.
- Late retirement increases – Accrued benefits are actuarially increased for retirements beginning after normal retirement age.
- Shutdown benefits – We are not aware of any actions that would create shutdown benefits; therefore, they are excluded.
- IRC Section 415(b) – The limitations of IRC Section 415(b) have been incorporated into our calculations.
- Benefit restrictions – Benefit restrictions (if applicable) are ignored in this valuation.

Schedule SB, Part V – Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods

Plan sponsor elections

Funding interest rate

- Segment rates with no lookback
- ARPA – the plan sponsor has elected to apply the ARPA interest rate provisions beginning with the 2021 plan year

Shortfall amortizations

- ARPA – the plan sponsor has elected to apply the ARPA shortfall amortization provisions beginning with the 2021 plan year

Mortality

- PPA combined static table for annuitants and nonannuitants

Asset method

- Average value
- 2-year averaging period
- Annual frequency

Valuation of lump sums based on 417(e) assumptions

- Not applicable (lump sum is equal to the account balance without conversion)

Actuarial cost method

The actuarial cost method used for minimum funding calculations is known as the traditional unit credit method. The objective under this method is to fund each participant's benefits as they are earned under the plan.

A participant's **accrued liability** is the present value of these benefits based on Credited Service and average pay as of the beginning of the plan year. A participant's **normal cost** is the present value of the benefit earned in the current plan year. The plan's **target normal cost** is the sum of the individual normal costs, and the plan's **funding target liability** is the sum of the accrued liabilities for all participants under the plan.

**SCHEDULE SB
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

**Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan
Actuarial Information**

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**

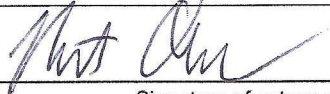
▶ **Caution:** A penalty of \$1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

A Name of plan ERIE AND NIAGARA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION CASH BALANCE RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF ERIE AND NIAGARA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 16-0425440	
E Type of plan: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-A <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-B		
F Prior year plan size: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500		

Part I Basic Information			
1	Enter the valuation date: Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2024</u>		
2	Assets:		
	a Market value	2a	9,773,801
	b Actuarial value	2b	9,766,541
3	Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target
	a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment	0	0
	b For terminated vested participants	4	46,931
	c For active participants	78	5,488,790
	d Total	82	5,535,721
4	If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b)		
	a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions	4a	
	b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor	4b	
5	Effective interest rate	5	5.17%
6	Target normal cost		
	a Present value of current plan year accruals	6a	484,990
	b Expected plan-related expenses	6b	0
	c Target normal cost	6c	484,990

Statement by Enrolled Actuary

To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

SIGN HERE	 Signature of actuary	<u>4/30/2025</u> Date
	ROBERT H. DANESH Type or print name of actuary	2306374 Most recent enrollment number
	HARPER DANESH LLC Firm name	585-319-4218 Telephone number (including area code)
	399 ALEXANDER STREET ROCHESTER NY 14607 Address of the firm	

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions

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

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Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost

21 Discount rate:				
a Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75 %	2nd segment: 4.96 %	3rd segment: 5.59%	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
b Applicable month (enter code).....				21b 0
22 Weighted average retirement age				22 64
23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - combined <input type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - separate <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute			

Part VI Miscellaneous Items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
26 Demographic and benefit information	
a Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ...	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
27 If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment.....	27

Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

28 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years	28	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a).....	29	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29)	30	0

Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

31 Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):			
a Target normal cost (line 6c).....	31a	484,990	
b Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a	31b	484,990	
32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance		Installment
a Net shortfall amortization installment	0		0
b Waiver amortization installment			
33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount.....	33		
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33)....	34	0	
		Carryover balance	Prefunding balance
35 Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement			
36 Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35).....	36	0	
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c).....	37	0	
38 Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)			
a Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)	38a	0	
b Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances	38b		
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37).....	39	0	
40 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years	40	0	

Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)

41 If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. <input type="checkbox"/> 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> 2021

Schedule SB, Line 22 – Description of Weighted Average Retirement Age

Each employee is assumed to retire in accordance with the table of retirement rates. The proportion of employees expected to retire at each potential retirement age is shown below, based on 100 employees actively employed at age 55. The average retirement age is 64.

(A) Retirement Age	(B) Rate of Retirement for Eligible Employees	(C) Number of Employees Expected to Retire	(D) Weighted Retirement Age = (A) X (C)
55	5%	5.00	275.00
56	1%	0.95	53.20
57	1%	0.94	53.61
58	2%	1.86	108.01
59	2%	1.82	107.67
60	2%	1.79	107.31
61	2%	1.75	106.91
62	10%	8.59	532.46
63	15%	11.59	730.42
64	15%	9.85	630.71
65	50%	27.92	1814.94
66	35%	9.77	645.00
67	35%	6.35	425.60
68	50%	5.90	401.10
69	50%	2.95	203.50
70	100%	2.95	<u>206.45</u>
		100.00	6,401.90

Weighted Average Retirement Age

64.0

Schedule SB, Part V – Summary of Plan Provisions

Effective date and plan year	February 1, 1962										
Eligibility	All employees are eligible on the first day of the year nearest the completion of six months of service and the attainment of age 20 ½ .										
Years of Service	One Year of Service for each plan year of participation during which 1,000 hours of service are credited.										
Normal retirement	<p>Eligibility – Age 65 after third anniversary of participation date</p> <p>Amount of Benefit –Participant’s account balance which is equal to Annual Contribution Credits plus Interest Credits.</p> <p>Annual Contribution Credits are provided if the participant completes a Year of Service. Credits are equal to the following credit percentage times pay:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="665 945 1234 1165"> <thead> <tr> <th>Participant’s age on first day of the plan year</th> <th>Credit percentage</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Under 35</td> <td>7%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>35-44</td> <td>8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>45-54</td> <td>9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>55 and older</td> <td>10</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Interest Credits are provided based on the account balance as of the beginning of the year times the interest credit rate for the plan year. The interest credit rate is equal to the yield on 30-year Treasury Constant Maturities for the month of November preceding the plan year, provided this rate is never less than 0.3%.</p>	Participant’s age on first day of the plan year	Credit percentage	Under 35	7%	35-44	8	45-54	9	55 and older	10
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Under 35	7%										
35-44	8										
45-54	9										
55 and older	10										
Normal Form of Annuity	Lump sum										
Early retirement	<p>Eligibility – Age 60 and 10 years of vesting service</p> <p>Amount of Benefit – Actuarially equivalent value of the Account Balance</p>										
Deferred vested benefit	<p>Eligibility – Three years of Vesting Service</p> <p>Amount of Benefit – Actuarially equivalent value of the Account Balance</p>										

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Disability benefit	Eligibility – Total and permanent disability Amount of Benefit – Actuarially equivalent value of the Account Balance
Death benefit	Eligibility – Upon death, the beneficiary is entitled to the participant’s Account Balance. If the beneficiary is the participant’s spouse, he/she may also elect an actuarially equivalent annuity in lieu of a lump sum.
