

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

2024

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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 (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
 - a single-employer plan
 - a DFE (specify) _____
- B** This return/report is:
 - 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
 - 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 <u>INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND</u>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>501</u>
	1c Effective date of plan <u>12/14/1959</u>
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) <u>BOARD OF TRUSTEES IUOE LOCAL 98 HEALTH & WELFARE FUND</u> <u>P.O. BOX 1290</u> <u>SOUTHWICK, MA 01077-1290</u>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>04-2123707</u>
	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>413-998-3230</u>
	2d Business code (see instructions) <u>237310</u>

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.	06/17/2025	DAVID KAZIMIERCZAK
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	06/17/2025	CHRISTOPHER GAGLIARDUCCI
	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

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	795
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)	789
	6a(2)	792
	6b	4
	6c	
	6d	796
	6e	
	6f	
	6g(1)	
6g(2)		
6h		
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	150

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
4A 4B 4D 4E 4F 4L 4U

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules	b General Schedules
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information)
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>2</u>
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information)
(5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
	(6) <input type="checkbox"/> 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 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 _____

<p>SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Insurance Information</p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p> <p>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p>2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<p>A Name of plan INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND</p>	<p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p>501</p>
<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOARD OF TRUSTEES IUOE LOCAL 98 HEALTH & WELFARE FUND</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-2123707</p>	

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.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MASSACHUSETTS, INC.

(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
04-1045815	53228	4954333	1627	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

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.

<p>(a) Total amount of commissions paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;">0</p>	<p>(b) Total amount of fees paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;">0</p>
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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

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

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

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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.
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4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
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. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	
e Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> individual policies (2) <input type="checkbox"/> group deferred annuity (3) <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) ▶		
f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> deposit administration (2) <input type="checkbox"/> immediate participation guarantee (3) <input type="checkbox"/> guaranteed investment (4) <input type="checkbox"/> other ▶		
b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	7c(2)	
	7c(3)	
	7c(4)	
	7c(5)	
	7c(6)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
	7e(2)	
	7e(3)	
	7e(4)	
	7e(5)	
(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	

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)	13657891
(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)	13657891
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid		9b(1)	12908162
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves		9b(2)	-46017
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))		9b(3)	12862145
(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)	161163
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies		9c(1)(F)	
(G) Other retention charges		9c(1)(G)	634583
(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	795746
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> 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 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).

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A Name of plan
INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ **501**

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
BOARD OF TRUSTEES IUOE LOCAL 98 HEALTH & WELFARE FUND

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
04-2123707

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.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
THE LINCOLN NATIONAL 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
35-0472300	65676	10141735	702	05/01/2023	04/30/2024

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 0	(b) Total amount of fees paid 0
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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

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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	
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 ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	7c(2)	
	7c(3)	
	7c(4)	
	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
	7e(2)	
	7e(3)	
	7e(4)	
	(5) Total deductions	7e(5)
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	

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- f Long-term disability
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- h Prescription drug
- i Stop loss (large deductible)
- j HMO contract
- k PPO contract
- l Indemnity contract
- m Other (specify) ▶ **ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT**

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 <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> 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	56959
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. Specify nature of costs.	10b	

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) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOARD OF TRUSTEES IUOE LOCAL 98 HEALTH & WELFARE FUND	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-2123707	

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

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

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

THE VANGUARD GROUP

23-1945930

(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)

SCHULTHEIS & PANETTIERI, LLP

13-1577780

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10 50	AUDITOR	257673	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

KARA RICHOTTE

04-2123707

(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?
30 50	NONE	125039	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

THE SEGAL CO. (EASTERN STATES), INC

13-1835864

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16 50	NONE	92193	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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)

RUTH-ANN SOLEK

04-2123707

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30 50	NONE	73689	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

NATALIE MUTTI

04-2123707

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30 50	NONE	72656	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

BLITMAN & KING LLP

16-1047304

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29 50	NONE	63477	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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BRIDGEWAY BENEFIT TECHNOLOGIES

52-1796473

(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?
16 50	COMPUTER CONSULTING	62642	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

PATRICA O'CONNOR

04-2123707

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30 50	NONE	58600	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MA. INC.

04-1045815

(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?
12 50	NONE	45970	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

ENTRE TECHNOLOGIES

04-2789702

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30 50	NONE	26152	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

NETRAGUARD, INC

45-3987925

(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?
16 50	NONE	25300	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

MEKETA INVESTMENT GROUP INC.

04-2659023

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27 50	NONE	24800	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

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

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

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024	
A Name of plan INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 501
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOARD OF TRUSTEES IUOE LOCAL 98 HEALTH & WELFARE FUND	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-2123707

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

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	5922980	5084735
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	1555000	1380000
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)	113501	139094
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)		
(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)	11244618	14006386
(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	1267524	1303925
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	20103623	21914140
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g	20000	23000
h Operating payables.....	1h	414167	301647
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	434167	324647
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	19669456	21589493

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)	16277269	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	94604	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2).....	2a(3)		16371873
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	72282	
(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)		72282
(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)	469443	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A), (B), and (C).....	2b(2)(D)		469443
(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)		0

		(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)		292325
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		17205923

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	891179	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	13724236	
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		14615415
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)	682318	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	44575	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	24800	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	92000	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	63316	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)	-236538	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		670471
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		15285886

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		1920037
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: SCHULTHEIS & PANETTIERI, LLP

(2) EIN: 13-1577780

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
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 _____.



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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Trustees
International Union of Operating Engineers Local 98
Health and Welfare Fund

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 98 Health and Welfare Fund (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits and plan benefit obligations as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits and plan benefit obligations for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the 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 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.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, 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 the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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.

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental information on page 16 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 has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, 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 information in the accompanying schedules is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Supplemental Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental information on pages 17 through 18 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. 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 has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Schultheis & Pometieri, LLP

Hauppauge, New York
June 24, 2025

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 (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
 a single-employer plan a DFE (specify) _____
- B** This return/report is: the first return/report the final return/report
 an amended return/report a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
- C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.
- D** Check box if filing under: Form 5558 automatic extension the DFVC program
 special extension (enter description)
- E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here.

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND		1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 501
		1c Effective date of plan 12/14/1959
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) BOARD OF TRUSTEES IUOE LOCAL 98 HEALTH & WELFARE FUND P.O. BOX 1290 SOUTHWICK MA 01077-1290		2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-2123707
		2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number (413) 998-3230
		2d Business code (see instructions) 237310

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>David Kazmierczak</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6/18/25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DAVID KAZMIERCZAK
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Christopher Gugliarducci</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6/18/25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christopher Gugliarducci
	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

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	795
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)	789
	6a(2)	792
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6h		
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7	150

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
4A 4B 4D 4E 4F 4L 4U

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules	b General Schedules
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information)
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u> 2 </u>
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information)
(5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
	(6) <input type="checkbox"/> 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 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 _____

**INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND
WELFARE FUND**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

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Independent Auditor's Report

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Schultheis & Panettieri, LLP

Hauppauge, New York
June 24, 2025

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets		
Investments at fair value		
Registered investment companies	\$ 14,006,386	\$ 11,244,618
Receivables		
Employers' contributions	1,380,000	1,555,000
Related organizations - net	105,192	73,580
Other	33,902	39,921
Cash	5,084,735	5,922,980
Prepaid benefits	1,271,987	1,228,792
Other assets	<u>31,938</u>	<u>38,732</u>
Total assets	<u>21,914,140</u>	<u>20,103,623</u>
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	289,729	396,306
Deferred compensation	<u>11,918</u>	<u>17,861</u>
Total liabilities	<u>301,647</u>	<u>414,167</u>
Net assets available for benefits	\$ <u><u>21,612,493</u></u>	\$ <u><u>19,689,456</u></u>

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<i>Additions to net assets attributed to:</i>		
Investment income		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 292,325	\$ 546,973
Interest	72,282	31,652
Dividends	<u>469,443</u>	<u>351,409</u>
Total investment income	834,050	930,034
Less investment expenses	<u>(24,800)</u>	<u>(23,625)</u>
Net investment income	809,250	906,409
Contributions		
Participants'	94,604	112,026
Employers'	<u>16,277,269</u>	<u>16,173,554</u>
Total additions	<u>17,181,123</u>	<u>17,191,989</u>
<i>Deductions from net assets attributed to:</i>		
Benefits paid to or for participants		
Health care	888,179	785,887
Group health insurance premiums		
Active participants	13,590,250	13,398,967
Retired participants	77,169	61,713
Group life insurance premiums		
Active participants	<u>56,817</u>	<u>52,398</u>
Total benefits paid	14,612,415	14,298,965
Administrative expenses	<u>645,671</u>	<u>615,867</u>
Total deductions	<u>15,258,086</u>	<u>14,914,832</u>
Net increase	1,923,037	2,277,157
Net assets available for benefits		
Beginning of year	<u>19,689,456</u>	<u>17,412,299</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 21,612,493</u>	<u>\$ 19,689,456</u>

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

STATEMENTS OF PLAN BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amounts currently payable		
Claims payable and claims incurred but not reported	\$ <u>23,000</u>	\$ <u>20,000</u>
Postemployment benefit obligations		
Accumulated eligibility credits	<u>6,570,000</u>	<u>6,480,000</u>
Plan's total benefit obligations	<u>\$ 6,593,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,500,000</u>

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN PLAN BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amounts currently payable		
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 20,000	\$ 46,000
Claims reported and approved for payment	14,615,415	14,272,965
Total benefits paid	<u>(14,612,415)</u>	<u>(14,298,965)</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>23,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Postemployment benefit obligations		
Balance at beginning of year	6,480,000	6,550,000
Net change during year:		
Accumulated eligibility credits	<u>90,000</u>	<u>(70,000)</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>6,570,000</u>	<u>6,480,000</u>
Plan's total benefit obligations at end of year	<u>\$ 6,593,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,500,000</u>

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

Note 1 - Description of Plan and Significant Accounting Policies

The following description of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 98 Health and Welfare Fund (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan first became effective March 19, 1959 and is a welfare benefit plan established under an Agreement and Declaration of Trust pursuant to collective bargaining agreements between the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 98 (the "Union") and various employers and employer associations in the construction industry in the states of Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Management has evaluated subsequent events through the date of the auditor's report, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Purpose

The purpose of the Plan is to provide health and other benefits to eligible participants.

Benefits

Benefits are paid by means of a trust and group insurance contracts. The benefits include, but are not limited to hospital, surgical, lab and anesthesia, major medical, prescription drug, dental, life insurance, and accidental death and dismemberment.

Employees of the Union and its related fringe benefit funds are also participants of the Plan.

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

Note 1 - Description of Plan and Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

Participants consist of the following classes

Active participants and dependents

Active participants and their dependents become eligible for coverage on the first day of the second calendar month following the month in which the Plan receives employer contributions on behalf of the active participant for at least 300 hours of work performed within the preceding 12 months.

Participants have a bank of hours ("bank") to be drawn on each month to maintain eligibility. Hours worked, for which the Plan receives employer contributions, are credited to the participant's bank, not to exceed a maximum bank of 600 hours. For each month that 100 hours is deducted from the participant's bank, the participant and their dependents maintain eligibility for coverage for one calendar month. Additionally, their eligibility continues for one calendar month following a month in which they failed to maintain 100 hours of contributions in their bank, referred to as a skip month. Participants are entitled to one skip month every 12 months.

Retired participants and dependents

Upon retirement, a retired participant's eligibility continues under the active plan of benefits until their bank is depleted. Upon depletion of a retired participant's bank, the following rules apply in order to continue coverage:

For participants who retire on or after age 62 under the Pension Plan of I.U.O.E. Local 98 ("Pension Plan") and were eligible for benefits under the Plan on the day prior to entering pay status under the Pension Plan, coverage for the participant and their spouse will continue under the Plan as follows: (1) until they reach age 65, or (2) for a maximum of 10 years, whichever comes first.

Retired participants are required to pay a self pay monthly premium equal to the cost of coverage. In some cases, depending on the date of retirement and when certain criteria are met, there may be exceptions whereby no premium is required for a period not to exceed 7 months.

The following benefits are excluded from the continuing coverage: dental, optical, life insurance, and accidental death and dismemberment.

Inactive participants and surviving dependents

Participants who fail to meet eligibility requirements may pay to extend coverage for a maximum period of 18 months. Qualifying spouses and dependents may pay to extend coverage for a maximum period of up to 36 months.

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 98 HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

Note 1 - Description of Plan and Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

Plan termination

The Trustees expect and intend to continue the Plan indefinitely, but reserve the right to amend or terminate it as provided for by the applicable Trust Agreement and Plan provisions. If the Plan is terminated, trust assets will be used to pay all expenses under the terms of the Plan in the order of priority specified in the Plan and as otherwise required by law.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

Investment valuation and income recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. See "Fair value measurements" footnote for additional information.

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

Administrative expense allocation

The administrative office is occupied by the Plan, the Pension, Annuity, Training and Cooperative Trust Funds of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 98 and the Union, related organizations. Certain expenses not specifically applicable to a particular entity are allocated based on the estimated benefit received by each entity. Amounts reported as receivable from related organizations or payable to related organizations generally include balances for shared expenses.

Reimbursements received from related organizations for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 were \$597,000 and \$574,000, respectively.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Employers' contributions receivable

Employers' contributions receivable is estimated based on receipts in the subsequent plan year that pertain to prior plan years.

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Note 1 - Description of Plan and Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

The Plan, in its normal course of business, performs audits of the records of contributing employers to monitor compliance with their obligation to make contributions to the Plan. It is the Plan's policy that any employer contributions due to the Plan based on these procedures are recorded as income in the period in which such amounts are received.

Reciprocal agreements

The Plan is a party to reciprocal agreements with other welfare funds of the International Union of Operating Engineers.

Postretirement benefits obligations

Retirees pay premiums equal to the actual cost of coverage. Coverage is terminated if premiums are not paid. Accordingly, no provision for post retirement benefit obligations has been made.

Other Plan benefits

Estimated claims payable and claims incurred but not reported are based on payments made in the subsequent plan year which pertain to prior plan years.

Plan obligations for accumulated eligibility of active participants are estimated annually at December 31st, based on historical claims cost data and projected claims for active participants' future claims. Such estimated amounts are reported in the accompanying statement of the Plan's benefit obligations at present value. Although the Plan has calculated and reported an obligation for accumulated eligibility, this amount is based on the assumption that the Plan will continue in its current form and that the Trustees will continue to provide benefits to active participants. However, such benefits do not vest, and the Trustees reserve the right to amend the Plan to modify or discontinue benefits. The amount reported as the accumulated eligibility obligation represents the estimated present value of those estimated future benefits that are attributed by the terms of the Plan to active participants' service rendered through December 31st.

Note 2 - Cash

At times throughout the year the Plan may have, on deposit in banks, amounts in excess of FDIC insurance limits. The Plan has not experienced any losses in such accounts and the Trustees believe it is not exposed to any significant credit risks.

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Note 3 - Fair value measurements

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

Level 1 inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices, in active markets, for identical assets that the Plan has the ability to access.

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

Level 3 inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement. Level 3 inputs are generally based on the best information available, which may include the reporting entity's own assumptions and data.

The asset'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 used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Registered investment companies: Valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the securities are traded.

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

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Note 3 - Fair value measurements (cont'd)

The following table sets forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments, as of December 31, 2024, with fair value measurements on a recurring basis:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
Investments at fair value				
Registered investment companies	\$ <u>14,006,386</u>	\$ <u>14,006,386</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ <u><u>14,006,386</u></u>	\$ <u><u>14,006,386</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>

The following table sets forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments, as of December 31, 2023, with fair value measurements on a recurring basis:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>
Investments at fair value				
Registered investment companies	\$ <u>11,244,618</u>	\$ <u>11,244,618</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ <u><u>11,244,618</u></u>	\$ <u><u>11,244,618</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>

Note 4 - Risks and uncertainties

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Note 5 - Employers' contributions

In accordance with collective bargaining agreements and participation agreements, employers are required to make contributions to the Plan on behalf of employees performing covered work. Contributions are generally based on hourly rates.

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Note 6 - Lease

The Plan is party to a 36 month lease agreement, effective January 1, 2023, for space located at 40 Hudson Drive, Southwick, Massachusetts with I.U.O.E. Local 98 Training Fund, a related organization. The lease is cancelable by any party by providing 60 days written notice. As such, no right of use asset is recognized. Under the terms of the agreement, for the year ended December 31, 2024, all-inclusive monthly rent as determined by an independent appraiser was paid at a monthly rate of \$4,301. Such amounts have been allocated to affiliated entities based on the estimated benefit received and are included in amounts reported as reimbursements from related organizations.

Note 7 - Group insurance premiums

The Plan has a fully insured experience rated contract with Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Massachusetts, Inc. to provide medical, hospitalization and prescription benefits to eligible participants.

The Plan has a non-experience rated contract with Lincoln National Life Insurance Company to provide life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment benefits to eligible participants.

Note 8 - Benefit obligations compared to net assets available for benefits

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 21,612,493	\$ 19,689,456
Plan's total benefit obligations	<u>6,593,000</u>	<u>6,500,000</u>
Net assets available for benefits over Plan's total benefit obligations	<u>\$ 15,019,493</u>	<u>\$ 13,189,456</u>

Note 9 - Reconciliation of financial statements to Form 5500

For financial statement purposes, claims payable and claims incurred but not reported are presented on the Statement of Plan Benefit Obligations. This differs from the reporting requirements of the Department of Labor which requires that these liabilities be shown on the Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits.

The following is a reconciliation of the net assets available for benefits reported on the financial statements to the net assets available for benefits reported on Form 5500:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 21,612,493	\$ 19,689,456
Less amounts currently payable	<u>23,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
Net assets available for benefits as reported on Form 5500	<u>\$ 21,589,493</u>	<u>\$ 19,669,456</u>

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Note 9 - Reconciliation of financial statements to Form 5500 (cont'd)

The net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits is also affected by the difference in the reporting requirements related to benefit obligations. For financial statement purposes the change in benefit liabilities between two years is shown on the Statement of Changes in Plan Benefit Obligations. For Form 5500 purposes this change is included in benefits paid.

For financial statement purposes, investment expenses are reported as a reduction of investment income. The reporting requirements of the Department of Labor require these fees be shown as administrative expenses.

The following is a reconciliation of the reclassifications:

	<u>Per Financial Statements</u>	<u>Reclassification</u>	<u>Per Form 5500</u>
Investment income	\$ 809,250	\$ 24,800	\$ 834,050
Contributions	<u>16,371,873</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,371,873</u>
 Total additions	 <u>17,181,123</u>	 <u>24,800</u>	 <u>17,205,923</u>
Benefits paid to or for participants	14,612,415	3,000	14,615,415
Administrative expenses	<u>645,671</u>	<u>24,800</u>	<u>670,471</u>
 Total deductions	 <u>15,258,086</u>	 <u>27,800</u>	 <u>15,285,886</u>
 Net increase (decrease)	 <u>\$ 1,923,037</u>	 <u>\$ (3,000)</u>	 <u>\$ 1,920,037</u>

Note 10 - Tax status

The trust funding the Plan has received an exemption letter from the IRS dated July 1, 1958, stating that the trust is tax exempt under the provisions of Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). The Plan and trust are required to operate in conformity with the IRC to maintain the tax exempt status of the trust. The Trustees believe that the Plan, including amendments, is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believe the related trust is tax exempt.

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SCHEDULE OF REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANIES

DECEMBER 31, 2024

EIN 04-2123707, PLAN NO. 501

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4I - ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES AT END OF YEAR

(a) NOT APPLICABLE

(b)	(c) - DESCRIPTION REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANIES	(d)	(e)
ISSUER	NO. OF SHARES	COST	CURRENT VALUE
VANGUARD HIGH YIELD CORPORATE FUND	247,999	\$ 1,565,338	\$ 1,344,154
VANGUARD INTERMEDIATE TERM INVESTMENT GRADE FUND	413,843	3,975,974	3,542,495
VANGUARD SHORT TERM BOND INDEX FUND	337,301	3,522,420	3,416,856
VANGUARD SHORT TERM INFLATION PROTECTED SECURITIES INDEX FUND	141,211	3,512,510	3,428,609
VANGUARD TOTAL INTERNATIONAL STOCK INDEX FUND	24,082	678,713	763,163
VANGUARD TOTAL STOCK MARKET INDEX	10,715	<u>1,090,301</u>	<u>1,511,109</u>
		<u>\$ 14,345,256</u>	<u>\$ 14,006,386</u>

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SCHEDULES OF HEALTH CARE BENEFITS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Dental	\$ 576,664	\$ 567,525
Disability	182,826	108,024
Optical	63,354	44,971
Medical	9,732	8,530
Hearing	6,000	8,000
Administrative fees	<u>49,603</u>	<u>48,837</u>
Total health care benefits	<u><u>\$ 888,179</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 785,887</u></u>

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SCHEDULES OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Payroll	\$ 330,974	\$ 304,626
Payroll taxes	49,023	40,822
Employee benefits	302,321	300,327
Occupancy	54,768	54,408
Telephone	5,307	3,765
Office	30,704	29,843
Postage	6,854	4,264
Legal	63,316	59,168
Accounting	44,575	37,000
Payroll audits	213,098	265,626
Actuarial consulting	92,000	92,750
Computer	103,521	108,873
Insurance	48,496	47,885
Conferences and meetings	16,630	15,754
Depreciation	3,418	2,381
Reimbursements from related organizations	(597,000)	(574,000)
Reimbursement of collection expenses	<u>(122,334)</u>	<u>(177,625)</u>
Total administrative expenses	<u>\$ 645,671</u>	<u>\$ 615,867</u>

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SCHEDULE OF REGISTERED INVESTMENT COMPANIES

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