

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p><b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b></p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">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).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b></p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large; text-align: center;"><b>2024</b></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></p>
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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**

<p><b>1a</b> Name of plan <u>WESTERN SMOKEHOUSE PARTNERS, LLC HEALTH &amp; WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN</u></p>	<p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>501</u></p>
<p><b>2a</b> 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>WESTERN SMOKEHOUSE PARTNERS, LLC</u></p> <p><u>1978 WESTERN DR</u> <u>GREENTOP, MO 63546-2172</u></p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2024</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>83-1942658</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>660-949-2445</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>445210</u></p>

**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.

<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	06/26/2025	CRYSTAL BOHM
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	06/26/2025	CRYSTAL BOHM
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN	
	<b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number	
<b>4</b> 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: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN	
	<b>4d</b> PN	
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b>	524
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. .... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> ..... <b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	<b>6a(1)</b>	524
	<b>6a(2)</b>	509
	<b>6b</b>	0
	<b>6c</b>	0
	<b>6d</b>	509
	<b>6e</b>	
	<b>6f</b>	509
	<b>6g(1)</b>	
<b>6g(2)</b>		
<b>6h</b>		
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	

**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 4H 4Q

<b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	<b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input checked="" 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)

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

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

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**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.

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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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<p><b>SCHEDULE A</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b></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><b>Insurance Information</b></p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b></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><b>2024</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></p>
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<p><b>A</b> Name of plan <b>WESTERN SMOKEHOUSE PARTNERS, LLC HEALTH &amp; WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN</b></p>	<p><b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p><b>501</b></p>
<p><b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>WESTERN SMOKEHOUSE PARTNERS, LLC</b></p>	<p><b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>83-1942658</b></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  
**UNITED HEALTHCARE 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
36-2739571	79413	930010	721	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><b>(a)</b> Total amount of commissions paid <b>31924</b></p>	<p><b>(b)</b> Total amount of fees paid <b>107025</b></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  
**LEGACY ADVISORS LLC** **401 LOCUST STE 304**  
**COLUMBIA, MO 65201**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
31924	107025	SERVICE FEE AGREEMENT	3

**(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.

<b>4</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end .....	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	<b>5</b>	

**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>b</b> Balance at the end of the previous year .....			<b>7b</b>	
<b>c</b> Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year .....	<b>7c(1)</b>			
	<b>7c(2)</b>			
	<b>7c(3)</b>			
	<b>7c(4)</b>			
	<b>7c(5)</b>			
(6) Total additions .....			<b>7c(6)</b>	
<b>d</b> Total of balance and additions (add lines <b>7b</b> and <b>7c(6)</b> ) .....			<b>7d</b>	
<b>e</b> Deductions:				
	<b>7e(1)</b>			
	<b>7e(2)</b>			
	<b>7e(3)</b>			
	<b>7e(4)</b>			
(5) Total deductions .....			<b>7e(5)</b>	
<b>f</b> Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line <b>7e(5)</b> from line <b>7d</b> ).....			<b>7f</b>	

**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:

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

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

<b>a</b>	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier .....	<b>10a</b>	3562539
<b>b</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.	<b>10b</b>	

**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. ▶

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**1 Coverage Information:**

**(a)** Name of insurance carrier  
**ANTHEM 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
35-0980405	61069	CM10000497	509	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><b>(a)</b> Total amount of commissions paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>4981</b></p>	<p><b>(b)</b> Total amount of fees paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>0</b></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

**LEGACY ADVISORS LLC** **401 LOCUST STE 304**  
**COLUMBIA, MO 65201**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
4981	0		3

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**6** Contracts With Allocated Funds:

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<b>b</b> Premiums paid to carrier .....	<b>6b</b>	
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<b>d</b> 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 ▶	<b>6d</b>	
<b>e</b> Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> individual policies                      (2) <input type="checkbox"/> group deferred annuity (3) <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) ▶		
<b>f</b> 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)

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

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- i  Stop loss (large deductible)
- j  HMO contract
- k  PPO contract
- l  Indemnity contract
- m  Other (specify) ▶ **SHORT-TERM DISABILITY**

**9** Experience-rated contracts:

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

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

<b>a</b>	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier .....	<b>10a</b>	58326
<b>b</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.	<b>10b</b>	

**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. ▶

<p><b>SCHEDULE A</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b></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><b>Insurance Information</b></p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b></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><b>2024</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<p><b>A</b> Name of plan <b>WESTERN SMOKEHOUSE PARTNERS, LLC HEALTH &amp; WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN</b></p>	<p><b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p><b>501</b></p>
<p><b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>WESTERN SMOKEHOUSE PARTNERS, LLC</b></p>	<p><b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>83-1942658</b></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  
**HEALTHY ALLIANCE 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
86-0257201	78972	L01555	625	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 <b>6649</b></p>	<p>(b) Total amount of fees paid <b>504</b></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  
**LEGACY ADVISORS LLC** **401 LOCUST STE 304**  
**COLUMBIA, MO 65201**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
6649	504	<b>FEEES MAY INCLUDE BONUS, OVERRIDE AND NON MONETARY COMPENSATION</b>	3

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

**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.

<b>4</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end .....	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	<b>5</b>	

**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)**  
 (2) Dividends and credits..... **7c(2)**  
 (3) Interest credited during the year..... **7c(3)**  
 (4) Transferred from separate account ..... **7c(4)**  
 (5) Other (specify below)..... **7c(5)**  
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(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)**  
 (2) Administration charge made by carrier..... **7e(2)**  
 (3) Transferred to separate account ..... **7e(3)**  
 (4) Other (specify below)..... **7e(4)**  
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(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:

<b>a</b>	Premiums: (1) Amount received .....	<b>9a(1)</b>	
	(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid .....	<b>9a(2)</b>	
	(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve .....	<b>9a(3)</b>	
	(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)) .....	<b>9a(4)</b>	0
<b>b</b>	Benefit charges (1) Claims paid .....	<b>9b(1)</b>	
	(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves .....	<b>9b(2)</b>	
	(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)) .....	<b>9b(3)</b>	
	(4) Claims charged .....	<b>9b(4)</b>	
<b>c</b>	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --		
	(A) Commissions .....	<b>9c(1)(A)</b>	
	(B) Administrative service or other fees .....	<b>9c(1)(B)</b>	
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs .....	<b>9c(1)(C)</b>	
	(D) Other expenses .....	<b>9c(1)(D)</b>	
	(E) Taxes .....	<b>9c(1)(E)</b>	
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies .....	<b>9c(1)(F)</b>	
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	(H) Total retention .....	<b>9c(1)(H)</b>	
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.) .....	<b>9c(2)</b>	
<b>d</b>	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement .....	<b>9d(1)</b>	
	(2) Claim reserves .....	<b>9d(2)</b>	
	(3) Other reserves .....	<b>9d(3)</b>	
<b>e</b>	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).) .....	<b>9e</b>	

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

<b>a</b>	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier .....	<b>10a</b>	44762
<b>b</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. ....	<b>10b</b>	

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. ▶



**WESTERNS SMOKEHOUSE & MEAT MARKET LLC  
1978 WESTERN DRIVE  
GREENTOP , MO 63546**

03/18/2025  
Customer ID: L01555  
DCN: F5500202503180202867

Attention: Human Resource Manager

Attention Plan Administrator:

Enclosed you will find information that may assist you in the completion of your ERISA Form 5500 Schedule A and Schedule C. For those plans that file both a Schedule A and Schedule C, information necessary to complete those Schedules is combined into a single report.

The information contained in the following report is designed to assist you with your reporting obligations as outlined by the U.S. Department of Labor, the Department of the Treasury and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation as outlined in 29 CFR Part 2520. This information is based on the contract period of all insurance policies and/or service agreements between you and us. You are under no obligation to use this data if you believe you have better internal information.

Other items to note:

- All information is presented on a cash basis. If the transaction occurred during your policyyear it will be included even if it pertains to a prior or subsequent policy year.
- Dental benefits provided by Anthem on the DeCare billing system will be reported on a separate ERISA Form 5500 directly from DeCare.

If this document has reached you in error, please forward it and the attached information to your Plan Administrator or the person or department responsible for completing your company's tax reporting obligations.

If you have any questions, please contact your Account Manager.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeannette St Pierre".

*Jeannette St Pierre*  
*Dir Financial Ops Dept*

**Information For Completion of ERISA 5500 Schedule A**

**Name of Plan : WESTERNS SMOKEHOUSE & MEAT MARKET LLC**  
**For Period : 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024**  
**Customer ID : L01555**

**Part I Information concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees and Commissions**

**1. Coverage Information**

<b>a.Name of Carrier(s)</b>	<b>b.EIN</b>	<b>c.NAIC Code</b>	<b>Coverages</b>
Healthy Alliance Life Insurance Company (G0262)	86-0257201	78972	DENTAL
Healthy Alliance Life Insurance Company (G0262)	86-0257201	78972	HEALTH INDEMNITY
Healthy Alliance Life Insurance Company (G0262)	86-0257201	78972	Health PPO
Healthy Alliance Life Insurance Company (G0262)	86-0257201	78972	VISION

\*see part III for enrollment detail

**2 and 3. Insurance Fee and Commission information**

<b>Broker</b>	<b>Sales and Base Commission Paid</b>	<b>Fees Paid*</b>
LEGACY ADVISORS LLC - 3409 CHATHAM DR, COLUMBIA, MO 65203	\$6,649.20	\$504.55

\*Fees may include Bonus, Override and Non Monetary compensation. Purpose of these fees is incentives, education, communication and training. Use 3 for organization type code.

We are reporting commission payments separately from overrides, bonus payments and other compensation that may be paid to your broker or consultant. These payments (overrides, bonuses and other compensation), if any, are reflected in the overall administrative cost structure and were not directly included in the determination of rates. These overrides, bonuses and other compensation were allocated to your coverage(s) on a pro rata basis to all policies enrolled through the broker or consultant which contribute to eligibility for the amounts awarded. Payments are reported as of the date we consider the payment paid or processed.

**Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information**

**Non Experience Rated Contracts:**

8. Type	8.Benefit	10a. Premium	Approximate Enrollment (Subscribers/ Members)
a/k	Health PPO	.	
a/j	Health HMO	.	
b	Dental	.	
c	Vision	.	
d	Life Insurance*	.	
e	STD	.	

8. Type	8.Benefit	10a. Premium	Approximate Enrollment (Subscribers/ Members)
f	LTD	.	
g	Supp Unemployment	.	
h	Prescription Drug	.	
j	Stop loss	.	
a/l	Health Indemnity	\$44,762	474/625
m	EAP/Other	.	

\*Includes AD&D, Voluntary, Supplemental and Dependent Life Premiums if applicable.

Note: Premium and enrollment data can vary based on retroactive adjustments that may not have been processed at time of report. Enrollment provided for employer self billed Benefit Plans is the best available number at this point in time. Life and Disability enrollment may also be unavailable in certain cases. Employer should use enrollment data as of the last month of the reporting period.

**Information For Completion of ERISA 5500 Schedule C**

**Name of Plan : WESTERNS SMOKEHOUSE & MEAT MARKET LLC**  
**For Period : 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024**  
**Customer ID : L01555**

**Part I Service Provider Information**

**1a & b. Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation**

Service Codes	Direct Compensation	Other Direct Compensation	Indirect Compensation	Source	Source EIN	Description
-	\$0	\$0	\$0	-	-	-

1 Administration fees are based on enrollment at a given point in time and may vary based on timing of enrollment adjustments. Other direct compensation includes access fees and negotiated savings fees billed to your plan, as part of the claim costs. To the extent your plan has access to the Blue Card network, and depending upon the terms of your agreement, your plan may be billed and we may receive Blue Card access fees, local access fees and administrative expense allowance fees. For additional information on the fees, if any, billed in connection with your plan, please contact your account administrator.

The following footnotes are applicable only if listed above.

2 Prescription Drug Rebates and related administrative fees if applicable are estimated for the reporting period based on a historical average of rebates received by the service provider, divided by the total number of units of all prescription drugs claims (including those drugs that may not be subject to a drug rebate program) incurred by plans or policies administered by that service provider over that period, to arrive at an average rebate for each drug claim unit. This average, times the plan's actual units of 0 for the period, results in the estimated amount of rebates received by the service provider in connection with the plan. Estimated rebates do not take into consideration any rebate revenue returned to the plan or used as an offset to administrative fees; see your administrative services agreement for additional information.

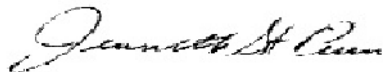
3 Therapy Management, Compliance and Persistency consist of compensation received for educational and outreach services to providers and participants to help improve outcomes. This compensation is calculated based on the total number of outreach contacts per group times the average rate per contact agreed upon by the service providers. For the reporting period these fees are from Pfizer, Inc and Merck.

4 Pharmacy Data Sales Revenue is calculated based on the total revenue received for the claims data divided by the total claims sent (mail order only) to determine an average claim rate that is multiplied by the sent claims per account to determine revenue for each account.

5 Fees may include Bonus, Override and Non Monetary compensation. Purpose of these fees is incentives, education, communication and training. We are reporting commission payments separately from overrides, bonus payments and other compensation that may be paid to your broker or consultant. These payments (overrides, bonuses and other compensation), if any, are reflected in the overall administrative cost structure and were not directly included in the determination of rates. These overrides, bonuses and other compensation were allocated to your coverage(s) on a pro rata basis to all policies enrolled through the broker or consultant which contribute to eligibility for the amounts awarded. Payments are reported as of the date we consider the payment paid or processed.

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The undersigned company,(ies), hereby certify that the foregoing statement furnished to 29 C.F.R 2520 103-5(c) is complete and accurate.



*Jeannette St Pierre*  
*Dir Financial Ops Dept*  
*Date: 03/18/2025*

Life and disability products underwritten by Anthem Life Insurance Company in all of the states listed below. Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield is the trade name of: In Colorado: Rocky Mountain Hospital and Medical Service, Inc., HMO products underwritten by HMO Colorado, Inc. In Connecticut: Anthem Health Plans, Inc. In Indiana: Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc. In Kentucky: Anthem Health Plans of Kentucky, Inc. In Maine: Anthem Health Plans of Maine, Inc. In Missouri excluding 30 counties in the Kansas City area: RightCHOICE® Managed Care, Inc. RIT, Healthy Alliance® Life Insurance Company HALIC, and HMO Missouri, Inc. RIT and certain affiliates administer non-HMO benefits underwritten by HALIC and HMO benefits underwritten by HMO Missouri, Inc. RIT and certain affiliates only provide administrative services for self-funded plans and do not underwrite benefits. In Nevada: Rocky Mountain Hospital and Medical Service, Inc., HMO products underwritten by HMO Colorado, Inc. dba HMO Nevada. In New Hampshire: Anthem Health Plans of New Hampshire, Inc. In Ohio: Community Insurance Company. In Virginia excluding the City of Fairfax, the Town of Vienna and the area east of State Route 123.: Anthem Health Plans of Virginia, Inc., HMO products underwritten by HealthKeepers, Inc., Peninsula Health Care, Inc. and Priority Health Care, Inc. In Wisconsin: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wisconsin BCBSWI underwrites or administers PPO and indemnity policies and underwrites the out of network benefits in POS policies offered by Compcare Health Services Insurance Corporation Compcare or Wisconsin Collaborative Insurance Company WCIC; Compcare underwrites or administers HMO or POS policies; WCIC underwrites or administers Well Priority HMO or POS policies. Independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. © ANTHEM is a registered trademark of Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc. The Blue Cross and Blue Shield names and symbols are registered marks of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

To: Plan Administrator  
From: Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield  
Date: February 04, 2025  
Re: Disclosure regarding indirect compensation Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, its affiliates and subcontractors may receive in connection with your group's plan

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As you may know, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) has issued regulations regarding the reporting of direct and indirect compensation received by plan service providers. Among other things, the DOL's regulations address an alternative reporting option for "eligible indirect compensation" received by a service provider in connection with a self-funded welfare plan. This eligible indirect compensation includes transaction-based fees paid for transactions or services involving the plan.

This disclosure is designed to comply with the alternative reporting option and to provide your group with additional information regarding the conditions under which Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, its affiliates (Anthem) or Anthem's subcontractors may be eligible for compensation from third parties-so that your group can evaluate the arrangements for reasonableness and any potential conflicts of interest. We state that Anthem and its subcontractors "may" derive this indirect compensation in connection with your group plan because the compensation is, as explained below, either earned on a per-transaction, or per-claim basis, or it is contingent upon the occurrence of certain future events. Anthem cannot state with certainty how many members of your group plan (if any) will utilize the service which may trigger indirect compensation. Likewise, Anthem cannot state with certainty whether the events upon which the indirect compensation will be earned will occur. In addition, depending on the terms of your administrative services agreement, not all of these services or forms of compensation may apply to your plan.

As a result, this disclosure describes the nature and amount of the compensation (including either an estimate or a formula of how it is calculated) and what services it accompanies, along with a description of who pays and who may receive the compensation.

### **Recovery Services**

Anthem, directly or through its subsidiaries and subcontractors, may perform recovery services for your plan. For example, depending on the plan, recovery services may be performed by Meridian Resource Company, LLC dba Carelon Subrogation (Carelon Subrogation). Carelon Subrogation a wholly owned subsidiary of Anthem's ultimate parent, Elevance Health. Carelon Subrogation is a national cost containment company that specializes in third party liability and workers' compensation recoveries. Meridian provides subrogation services, including claim investigations, to recover money for the plan for any medical claims that were paid due to injuries where another party may be responsible for payment, such as an auto insurance policy or workers' compensation carrier. Additionally, Anthem or its subcontractors may perform audits of vendors or providers and seek recovery of overpayments. These processes help reduce the amount of claims dollars that the plan pays.

As part of the recovery process, Anthem may select and retain outside counsel or other vendors as appropriate, in addition to negotiating and effecting any settlement or recovery of the plan's subrogation or reimbursement rights. If there is a subrogation recovery, Anthem will be paid a subrogation fee of 25% of the gross recovery "Subrogation Fee".The Subrogation Fee may be allocated between Anthem, its affiliates and vendors, and outside counsel. If there is a recovery resulting from an external vendor's audit of a provider or identification of an overpayment, Anthem will be paid a fee as specified in your plan's Administrative Services Agreement.

Any recoveries shall be net of the applicable fee(s) and shall be treated as an adjustment to the claims payment or otherwise credited to the plan, as described in further detail in the Administrative Services Agreement for your plan. Anthem or the Anthem affiliate administering the plan will typically credit the employer with the net recovery within 150 days of when Anthem receives the recovery. During that time, Anthem or the Anthem affiliate may derive indirect float compensation on the net recovery. For additional information regarding float, please review Anthem's indirect float compensation disclosure, below. If Anthem or the Anthem affiliate administering the plan does not credit the employer within 150 days of its receipt of recovery amounts, it will pay or credit the employer interest as explained in the Administrative Services Agreement.

Recoveries may be paid by a variety of individuals or entities, including without limitation, providers, vendors, the responsible individual or entity, their insurer, or other insurance plans (such as an uninsured/underinsured motorist, medical payments, personal injury protection, errors & omissions, premises liability, or any other insurance coverage). As a recovery is a contingent future event, Anthem cannot identify in advance which, if any, participants of your plan will be involved in circumstances that would result in a recovery and thus a Subrogation Fee or other recovery fees as outlined above. Therefore, Anthem cannot identify in advance the sources of any recovery compensation that may be received in connection with your plan. If you require a listing of those entities that paid a Subrogation Fee in connection with your plan during the most recent plan year, please contact us.

## **Savings On Non-Contracted Providers**

Anthem, directly or through its subsidiaries and subcontractors, such as MultiPlan (MPI), Zelis Healthcare or others, may negotiate with non-contracted providers or utilize a pricing algorithm to result in an amount payable that is less than the provider's billed charges for a particular claim(s). This process helps to reduce the amount of claims dollars that the plan or its participants are obligated to pay. In consideration for and in connection with providing these services, Anthem may receive a portion of the savings (Savings Fee). Not all plans participate in this process. If your plan participates, the amount of the Savings Fee is specified in your plan's Administrative Services Agreement. The Savings Fee may be allocated between Anthem and its vendors or subcontracts, including without limitation, MPI or Zelis Healthcare.

## **BlueCard Access**

Depending on the terms of your plan, one of the benefits your participants may receive is access to healthcare services under a program known as BlueCard. Typically in that situation, participants obtain care from healthcare providers that have a contractual agreement with the local Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Licensee in that area (the "Host Blue"). Within that arrangement, we are referred to as the "Home Blue". The BlueCard Program is established and operated pursuant to policies established and enforced by the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

Below is a list of eligible indirect compensation that may be received in connection with the BlueCard Program. Note that the fees and compensation subject to disclosure under the Department of Labor rules include amounts that are not necessarily passed on to your plan or participants. The financial terms of the BlueCard Program, and additional details about the program, are described in your administrative services agreement.

1. BlueCard Access Fees: Access Fees are usually charged on a per-claim basis and are charged as a percentage of the savings that a Host Blue passes along to the Home Blue by virtue of its relationships with healthcare providers. These fees are paid by the Home Blue to the Host Blue. These fees are charged for making the Host Blue's provider network available to the Home Blue's members. The fees are capped at \$2,000.00 per claim and do not exceed 3.31% of savings in 2025.
2. Administrative Expense Allowances (AEA): This is usually a flat per-claim fee paid by the Home Blue to the Host Blue. It is paid for administrative services that the Host Blue provides in processing the claim for benefits for a member of the Home Blue. In 2025, the Administrative Expense Allowance does not exceed \$11.00 for institutional provider claims and \$5.00 for professional provider claims.
3. Custom Arrangements with Host Blues: In some instances, Anthem may negotiate a Custom fee arrangement called a "Non-standard AEA" with a Host Blue. The Non-standard AEA is charged instead of, and replaces both the BlueCard Access Fee and the standard AEA. Although the amount of the Non-standard AEA will vary by group and host plan, it cannot exceed the average of the total fee that the Host Blue would have received for such claims using the standard Access Fees and the standard AEA.
4. Use of Estimated or Average Pricing by Host Blues: As described in your administrative services agreement, some Host Blues use estimated or average prices to determine the negotiated price that is made available to us when plan participants access the Host Blue's participating provider network. This may result in a difference (positive or negative) between the price you pay on a specific claim and the actual amount paid to the provider by the Host Blue.

The following describes the formula used for determining an estimated or average price:

**Estimated:** A percentage is used to modify the claim price for covered services. This percentage (either positive or negative) allows Host Blues to incorporate adjustments and actuarial projections prospectively into the final price. The percentage is determined by figuring the aggregate cost to the Host Blue over a look-back period less any initial payments made to providers divided by the total of payments initially made to providers. The aggregate cost in the numerator includes all provider retrospective settlements, anti-fraud and abuse recoveries, provider refunds not applied on a claim-specific basis, performance-related bonuses or incentives, interest, other non-claim transactions and any positive or negative balance in the variance account. The percentage is then actuarially adjusted for anticipated changes in claims expenses for the prospective period. As of December 31, 2013, the modifying percentage applied to claims from those Host Blues that use estimated pricing ranged from -1.5% to +12.36% of the rate of payment to the provider at the point of claim.

**Average:** An average price is determined for a defined category of provider (e.g., institutional, professional, etc.) of a Host Blue in a given geographic area. The average is determined as follows:

Total amount paid to such providers over a look-back period, including initial payments as well as applicable claim and non-claim related transactions, which may include but are not limited to provider retrospective settlements, anti-fraud and abuse recoveries, provider refunds not applied on a claim-specific basis, performance-related bonuses or incentives, interest, etc., and any positive or negative balance in the variance account

divided by

Total amount of such providers' corresponding charges for covered services over the same look-back period (claims for non-covered services are not included in the calculation)

This result is an average price that is applied to each claim for the defined category of provider of the Host Blue in the geographic area and presented as the negotiated price.

Although use of these pricing methods may result in a difference (positive or negative) between the price you pay and the amount actually paid to the provider, the price used to determine your payment is a final price. Any positive or negative differences are accounted for in a variance account held by the Host Blue. Host Blues may prospectively increase or reduce estimated or average prices to correct for over- or underestimation of past prices (i.e., prospective adjustments may mean that a current price reflects additional amounts or credits for claims already paid to providers or anticipated to be paid to or received from providers). Because all amounts paid are final, neither variance account funds held to be paid, nor the funds expected to be received, are due to or from your plan. Such payable or receivable would be eventually exhausted by healthcare provider settlements and/or through prospective adjustment to the negotiated prices.

5. **Fee for Recovery of Overpayments:** In some cases, a Host Blue will undertake recovery efforts from its participating providers on behalf of Home Blues. These recoveries from a Host Blue can arise in several ways, including, but not limited to, anti-fraud and abuse investigations, provider/hospital audits, credit balance audits, utilization review refunds, and unsolicited refunds. In addition, the Host Blue may engage a third party vendor to assist in identification or collection of recovery amounts. The fees of such a third party may be netted against the recovery and could be up to 25% of the recovered amount. Recovery amounts, net of fees, if any, will be applied in accordance with applicable BlueCard Program Policies, which generally require correction on a claim-by-claim or prospective basis.

6. **Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core Program.** The Blue Cross Blue Shield Global Core program provides members with access to an international network of inpatient, outpatient and professional providers. Medical assistance and claims support services are also provided under the program by GeoBlue. GeoBlue's fees paid by the Home Blue are as follows:

<b>Transaction Fee</b>	<b>2024 / 2025 Fee (USD)</b>
<b>Medical Assistance</b>	
General inbound calls	28.91/29.37 per call
Provider search (non-medical situation)	22.71/23.07 per call
Cashless access/Guarantee of Payment (GOP)	113.55/115.37 per GOP
Telephone translation	64.52/65.55 per call
Fulfilment	9.80/9.96 per call
Provider/medical assistance information provided by nurse	98.06/99.63 per call
Misrouted calls	22.71/23.07 per call
Medical Monitoring	299.35/304.14 per case
<b>Claims Support</b>	
Claim preparation, processing and/or payment (includes translation, coding, currency conversion)	40.25/40.89 per transaction
Misrouted claim (e.g., domestic)	9.80/9.96 per claim
Claim status inquiry	22.71/23.07 per call / ID
Medical records translation	At Cost
Currency conversion gains/losses	At Cost
Wire/ACH Fees	At Cost
<b>Additional Services</b>	
Medical evacuation coordination	1,290.32/1310.97 per case
Medical repatriation coordination	1,290.32/1310.97 per case
Repatriation of remains coordination	619.35/629.26 per case
Medical travel coordination	299.35/304.14 per case
Assistance Partner Engagement (limited to ONLY countries where vendor is restricted from conducting business)	Ranging from \$100-\$500 per Direct Pay Letter

7. **Away From Home Care (AFHC) Fees:** AFHC is an out-of-area program that is available to members of participating Blue Plan HMOs. The program allows eligible members to receive Guest Membership benefits from other participating Blue Plan HMOs while traveling outside of their Home HMO service area for a minimum of 90 days. The AFHC fees are paid by Anthem to the Blue Plan HMO, which may be an Anthem affiliate HMO plan, and include:

- **AFHC Membership Fees:** AFHC membership fees are billed at the rate of \$.04 per-member-per-year (PMPY), based on the total number of HMO members enrolled in the participating HMO.

- **AFHC Transaction Fees:** The transaction fee will be billed at a rate of \$7.30 per transaction.

8. **CFA and Transaction Fees:** All Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans pay a transaction fee of \$0.35 on each Reconciliation Format (RF) processed by the Central Financial Agency (CFA). The plans also pay an ITS transaction fee of \$0.05 for each Submission Format (SF), Disposition Format (DF) and Reconciliation Format (RF) created and may pay a BlueSquared transaction fee of \$0.05 for each transaction format that plans create.

### ***Float***

Anthem also receives and retains as compensation for services under your plan any interest earned on funds awaiting disbursement or distribution to or on behalf of the plan ("Float Compensation"). Float may be generated from several sources including without limitation, recoveries awaiting credit or adjustment to the plan, pharmacy rebates awaiting payment to the plan, incurred but as yet unpaid payments to providers or vendors, performance payments awaiting distribution, etc. Float Compensation does not include instances where the underlying funds are not payable to or on behalf of the plan (e.g. if pharmacy rebates are retained by Anthem).

Anthem may be positively or negatively affected by float. In most cases, Anthem pays a covered claim and then invoices the plan sponsor for claim reimbursement. As a result, depending on your Administrative Services Agreement, it is possible that Anthem's claim or performance payment may clear before Anthem is reimbursed by your plan sponsor ("Negative Float"). Negative Float may be reduced or exceeded by any discount, credit, or other compensation paid to Anthem by issuers of virtual credit cards in exchange for Anthem's use of the card in paying claims. Additionally, in some instances, the plan sponsor may pay Anthem before Anthem's claim or performance payment occurs or fully clears; in which case, interest may be earned by Anthem beginning on the date such funds are received from the plan sponsor and ending on the date the check is presented for payment, the timing of which may be beyond the control of Anthem ("Positive Float").

If Anthem benefits from Positive Float or if Anthem receives funds in connection with the plan which are ultimately payable to or on behalf of the plan (e.g. recoveries, deposits toward claims expenses, rebates due the plan, etc.), funds are placed into one or more non-interest bearing or interest-bearing accounts. Until such time as your plan is reimbursed for such funds, Anthem may derive interest income or other compensation. Although the amount of this Float Compensation received by Anthem may vary by account, region and over time, the net average rate earned by Anthem on all float will generally not exceed the Effective Federal Funds Rate (EFFR).

### ***Medical Pharmacy Rebates:***

Anthem receives payments from certain drug manufacturers (primarily Johnson & Johnson, Genentech, Regeneron and Amgen) in connection with certain drugs utilized when a plan participant may be receiving other medical benefits; for example, a drug or injection administered in a physician's office. Anthem provides each contracted manufacturer with de-identified drug utilization information. From October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023, Anthem received an average of \$1.48 per member per month, when averaged across all fully-insured and self-funded medical plans which Anthem insures or administers.

### ***Diabetes Prevention Program Compensation:***

Starting in 2021, Lark Technologies may provide certain groups with access to a CDC certified diabetes prevention program (DPP) via a digital application. If your plan participates, additional information on the program is set forth in your plan's Administrative Services Agreement. In connection with this DPP program, Lark may pay Anthem up to \$2 per claim in consideration of Anthem's administration of the program. Anthem's administrative services may include, but are not limited to, administration or auditing of claims, vendor oversight, plan reporting, development of marketing and training of internal partners.

This disclosure describes the indirect compensation arrangements as of the date of this disclosure and is intended for plan years commencing on or after January 1, 2024. The arrangements discussed above are subject to change in the future, in which case we will update you of material changes affecting the possible indirect compensation Anthem may receive. However, the arrangement discussed herein may be different from the arrangements in the past. As a result, depending on when your group's plan year begins, the reconciliation and payment under these arrangements may not occur in your current plan year.



**EDI - WESTERN'S SMOKEHOUSE**  
**1978 WESTERN DRIVE**  
**GREENTOP , MO 63546**

03/18/2025  
Customer ID: CM10000497  
DCN: F5500202503180406619

Attention: Human Resource Manager

Attention Plan Administrator:

Enclosed you will find information that may assist you in the completion of your ERISA Form 5500 Schedule A and Schedule C. For those plans that file both a Schedule A and Schedule C, information necessary to complete those Schedules is combined into a single report.

The information contained in the following report is designed to assist you with your reporting obligations as outlined by the U.S. Department of Labor, the Department of the Treasury and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation as outlined in 29 CFR Part 2520. This information is based on the contract period of all insurance policies and/or service agreements between you and us. You are under no obligation to use this data if you believe you have better internal information.

Other items to note:

- All information is presented on a cash basis. If the transaction occurred during your policyyear it will be included even if it pertains to a prior or subsequent policy year.
- Dental benefits provided by Anthem on the DeCare billing system will be reported on a separate ERISA Form 5500 directly from DeCare.

If this document has reached you in error, please forward it and the attached information to your Plan Administrator or the person or department responsible for completing your company's tax reporting obligations.

If you have any questions, please contact your Account Manager.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeannette St Pierre".

*Jeannette St Pierre*  
*Dir Financial Ops Dept*

**Information For Completion of ERISA 5500 Schedule A**

**Name of Plan : EDI - WESTERN'S SMOKEHOUSE**  
**For Period : 01/01/2024 - 03/31/2024**  
**Customer ID : CM10000497**

**Part I Information concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees and Commissions**

**1. Coverage Information**

<b>a.Name of Carrier(s)</b>	<b>b.EIN</b>	<b>c.NAIC Code</b>	<b>Coverages</b>
Anthem Life Insurance Company (G1400)	35-0980405	61069	LTD
Anthem Life Insurance Company (G1400)	35-0980405	61069	Life Insurance*
Anthem Life Insurance Company (G1400)	35-0980405	61069	STD

\*see part III for enrollment detail

**2 and 3. Insurance Fee and Commission information**

<b>Broker</b>	<b>Sales and Base Commission Paid</b>	<b>Fees Paid*</b>
LEGACY ADVISORS LLC - 3409 CHATHAM DR, COLUMBIA, MO 65203	\$4,981.65	\$0.00

\*Fees may include Bonus, Override and Non Monetary compensation. Purpose of these fees is incentives, education, communication and training. Use 3 for organization type code.

We are reporting commission payments separately from overrides, bonus payments and other compensation that may be paid to your broker or consultant. These payments (overrides, bonuses and other compensation), if any, are reflected in the overall administrative cost structure and were not directly included in the determination of rates. These overrides, bonuses and other compensation were allocated to your coverage(s) on a pro rata basis to all policies enrolled through the broker or consultant which contribute to eligibility for the amounts awarded. Payments are reported as of the date we consider the payment paid or processed.

**Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information**

**Non Experience Rated Contracts:**


8. Type	8.Benefit	10a. Premium	Approximate Enrollment (Subscribers/ Members)
a/k	Health PPO	.	
a/j	Health HMO	.	
b	Dental	.	
c	Vision	.	
d	Life Insurance*	\$14,736	509/509
e	STD	\$28,573	265/265

8. Type	8.Benefit	10a. Premium	Approximate Enrollment (Subscribers/ Members)
f	LTD	\$15,017	509/509
g	Supp Unemployment	.	
h	Prescription Drug	.	
j	Stop loss	.	
a/l	Health Indemnity	.	
m	EAP/Other	.	

\*Includes AD&D, Voluntary, Supplemental and Dependent Life Premiums if applicable.

Note: Premium and enrollment data can vary based on retroactive adjustments that may not have been processed at time of report. Enrollment provided for employer self billed Benefit Plans is the best available number at this point in time. Life and Disability enrollment may also be unavailable in certain cases. Employer should use enrollment data as of the last month of the reporting period.

The undersigned company,(ies), hereby certify that the foregoing statement furnished to 29 C.F.R 2520 103-5(c) is complete and accurate.



Jeannette St Pierre  
 Dir Financial Ops Dept  
 Date: 03/18/2025

Life and disability products underwritten by Anthem Life Insurance Company in all of the states listed below. Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield is the trade name of: In Colorado: Rocky Mountain Hospital and Medical Service, Inc., HMO products underwritten by HMO Colorado, Inc. In Connecticut: Anthem Health Plans, Inc. In Indiana: Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc. In Kentucky: Anthem Health Plans of Kentucky, Inc. In Maine: Anthem Health Plans of Maine, Inc. In Missouri excluding 30 counties in the Kansas City area: RightCHOICE® Managed Care, Inc. RIT, Healthy Alliance® Life Insurance Company HALIC, and HMO Missouri, Inc. RIT and certain affiliates administer non-HMO benefits underwritten by HALIC and HMO benefits underwritten by HMO Missouri, Inc. RIT and certain affiliates only provide administrative services for self-funded plans and do not underwrite benefits. In Nevada: Rocky Mountain Hospital and Medical Service, Inc., HMO products underwritten by HMO Colorado, Inc. dba HMO Nevada. In New Hampshire: Anthem Health Plans of New Hampshire, Inc. In Ohio: Community Insurance Company. In Virginia excluding the City of Fairfax, the Town of Vienna and the area east of State Route 123.: Anthem Health Plans of Virginia, Inc., HMO products underwritten by HealthKeepers, Inc., Peninsula Health Care, Inc. and Priority Health Care, Inc. In Wisconsin: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wisconsin BCBSWI underwrites or administers PPO and indemnity policies and underwrites the out of network benefits in POS policies offered by Compcare Health Services Insurance Corporation Compcare or Wisconsin Collaborative Insurance Company WCIC; Compcare underwrites or administers HMO or POS policies; WCIC underwrites or administers Well Priority HMO or POS policies. Independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. © ANTHEM is a registered trademark of Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc. The Blue Cross and Blue Shield names and symbols are registered marks of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

**Schedule A (Form 5500) Parts I and III  
Insurance Information Certified by Carrier  
Department of Labor Pension and Welfare Benefits**

**Principal Address:  
1978 Western Drive  
Greentop MO 63546**

**A) Name of Plan:  
Western Smokehouse Partners, LLC**

**Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fee, and Commissions**

**1. Coverage**

**(a) Name of Insurance carrier:** UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company

**(b) EIN:** 36-2739571 **(c) NAIC code:** 79413 **(d) Contract or identification number:** 930010

**(e) Approximate number of persons covered at the end of policy or contract year:** \* 721

**\* If the policy holder determines that they have a more accurate count, they should use their figure.**

**Policy or Contract year (f) from:** 01/01/2024 **(g) to:** 12/31/2024

**2. Insurance fees and commissions paid to agents, brokers, and other persons**

**Totals Total amount of commissions paid:** \$31,924.48 **Total fees paid/amount:** \$107,025.00

**(a) Name and address of the agents, brokers or other persons to whom commissions or fees were paid:**

LEGACY ADVISORS LLC  
401 LOCUST ST STE 304  
COLUMBIA MO 65201-4262

**(b) Amount of commissions paid:** \$31,924.48

**(c) Fees paid / Amount:** \$107,025.00

**(d) Fees paid/Purpose:** Service Fee Agreement

**(e) Organizational Code:** 3

**Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information**

**7. Benefit and contract type**

**(a) Health**

**9. Non experience-rated contracts**

**(a) Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier:** \$3,562,539.12

**Total Fees paid to carrier:** \$107,025.0

**(b) Additional costs incurred by carrier, service, or other  
Organization not reported in Part 1, item 2 above:** \$0.00

**Specify Nature of cost:**



Crystal Bohm  
1978 Western Drive  
Greentop MO 63546

March 28, 2025

Dear Valued Customer:

Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA)

We have enclosed information that you may need for completing the 5500 Form Schedule A. This information reflects compensation paid to your agent or consultant for the plan year that recently ended for the coverage you have with us.

We are reporting any base commissions, bonuses and other types of compensation paid in relation to the plan during the plan year. Please note that only base commissions are included in the specific calculation of your premium or administrative service fee. Bonus and other non-base commission payments are not directly included in the determination of your premium or administrative service fee. Bonus payments may be based on the recipient's combined block of business and are allocated to cases according to their contribution to the amount earned.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The enclosed information may be divided into two reports. Some customers may receive a 5500 Addendum Report in addition to the standard 5500 Schedule A report form. The 5500 Addendum Report itemizes bonus compensation and payments that were processed manually separately. **If you have received the 5500 Addendum Report as well as the standard 5500 Schedule A report form, you will need to add the amounts in the Total line of the 5500 Addendum Report to the amount found in the standard 5500 Schedule A report form.**

Should you have any questions related to this information, please contact your agent, consultant, or the UnitedHealthcare Strategic Account Executive assigned to your case.

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, information or belief at this time, and based upon information provided by duly authorized personnel, the foregoing statement furnished pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-5(c) is complete and accurate.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
The UnitedHealthcare Team