

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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.

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... [X] a single-employer plan [] a DFE... B This return/report is: [] the first return/report [] the final return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [] automatic extension... 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: HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 002
1c Effective date of plan: 05/01/2014
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 34-1821072
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 216-244-3390
2d Business code (see instructions): 561720

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

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

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes rows for employer/plan sponsor and 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 | 154 |
| 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) | 154 |
| | 6a(2) | 146 |
| | 6b | 1 |
| | 6c | 21 |
| | 6d | 168 |
| | 6e | 0 |
| | 6f | 168 |
| | 6g(1) | 0 |
| 6g(2) | 105 | |
| 6h | 20 | |
| 7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) | 7 | |

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3B 3D

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

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| 9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) | 9b 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 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)

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| a Pension Schedules | b General Schedules |
| (1) <input checked="" 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>1</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 checked="" 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 _____

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| <p style="text-align: center;">SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">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 style="font-size: 24pt;">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

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| <p>A Name of plan HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST</p> | <p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p> | <p>002</p> |
| <p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC.</p> | <p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1821072</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
EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

| (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 | |
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| | | | | (f) From | (g) To |
| 84-0467907 | 68322 | 521644-01 | 105 | 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.

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| (a) Total amount of commissions paid | (b) Total amount of fees paid |
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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 |
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| | (c) Amount | (d) Purpose | |
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| Part II | Investment and Annuity Contract Information | |
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| | 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 | 9561 |
| 5 | Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end..... | 0 |
| 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> other ▶ GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT | |
| b | Balance at the end of the previous year | 7b 0 |
| c | (1) Contributions deposited during the year | 7c(1) 187 |
| | (2) Dividends and credits..... | 7c(2) 0 |
| | (3) Interest credited during the year..... | 7c(3) 118 |
| | (4) Transferred from separate account | 7c(4) 9525 |
| | (5) Other (specify below)..... ▶ LOAN PAYMENTS | 7c(5) 56 |
| | (6) Total additions | 7c(6) 9886 |
| d | Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6)) | 7d 9886 |
| e | Deductions: | |
| | (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year | 7e(1) 277 |
| | (2) Administration charge made by carrier..... | 7e(2) 16 |
| | (3) Transferred to separate account | 7e(3) 32 |
| | (4) Other (specify below)..... ▶ | 7e(4) |
| (5) Total deductions | 7e(5) 325 | |
| f | Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)..... | 7f 9561 |

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:

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| 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) | 0 |
| 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) | 0 |
| | (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) | 0 |
| | (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:

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| 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. ▶

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

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| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. | D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1821072 | |

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

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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)

EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY O

8515 EAST ORCHARD ROAD
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

| (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? |
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| 64 | RECORDKEEPER | 8655 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | 0 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

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

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL WEALTH MGMT CO

611 E WISCONSIN AVE
MILWAUKEE WI
MILWAUKEE, WI 53202

| (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? |
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| 27 | INVESTMENT ADVISOR | 3273 | 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)

ADP, INC.

13-3036745

| (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? |
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| 15 50 64 | RECORDKEEPER | 2617 | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | 0 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" 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.

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| (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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| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. | |
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| (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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| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. | |
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

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| SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> | DFE/Participating Plan 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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| Part I | Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs) |
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| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INDEXSELECT AGGRESSIVE 2045 FUND CL</u> | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>GREAT GRAY</u> | | |
| c EIN-PN <u>81-4403657-303</u> | d Entity code <u>C</u> | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>392226</u> |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INDEXSELECT CONSERVATIVE 2035 FUND</u> | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>GREAT GRAY</u> | | |
| c EIN-PN <u>81-4515825-312</u> | d Entity code <u>C</u> | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>28516</u> |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INDEXSELECT AGGRESSIVE 2035 FUND CL</u> | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>GREAT GRAY</u> | | |
| c EIN-PN <u>81-4393238-302</u> | d Entity code <u>C</u> | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>315826</u> |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INDEXSELECT AGGRESSIVE 2065 FUND I</u> | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>GREAT GRAY</u> | | |
| c EIN-PN <u>38-7275305-774</u> | d Entity code <u>C</u> | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>3601</u> |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INDEXSELECT AGGRESSIVE 2025 FUND CL</u> | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>GREAT GRAY</u> | | |
| c EIN-PN <u>81-4386547-301</u> | d Entity code <u>C</u> | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>0</u> |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INDEXSELECT AGGRESSIVE RETIRE FUND</u> | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>GREAT GRAY</u> | | |
| c EIN-PN <u>81-4374798-300</u> | d Entity code <u>C</u> | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>1093262</u> |
| a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INDEXSELECT AGGRESSIVE 2055 FUND CL</u> | | |
| b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>GREAT GRAY</u> | | |
| c EIN-PN <u>81-4418048-304</u> | d Entity code <u>C</u> | e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>51205</u> |

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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 HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002 |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. | D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1821072 |

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| 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 | 0 | 0 |
| b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts): | | | |
| (1) Employer contributions | 1b(1) | 3347 | 4082 |
| (2) Participant contributions | 1b(2) | 5769 | 0 |
| (3) Other | 1b(3) | 0 | 0 |
| c General investments: | | | |
| (1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) | 1c(1) | 0 | 0 |
| (2) U.S. Government securities | 1c(2) | 0 | 0 |
| (3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities): | | | |
| (A) Preferred | 1c(3)(A) | 0 | 0 |
| (B) All other | 1c(3)(B) | 0 | 0 |
| (4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities): | | | |
| (A) Preferred | 1c(4)(A) | 0 | 0 |
| (B) Common | 1c(4)(B) | 0 | 0 |
| (5) Partnership/joint venture interests | 1c(5) | 0 | 0 |
| (6) Real estate (other than employer real property) | 1c(6) | 0 | 0 |
| (7) Loans (other than to participants) | 1c(7) | 0 | 0 |
| (8) Participant loans | 1c(8) | 0 | 0 |
| (9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts | 1c(9) | 9607 | 1884635 |
| (10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts | 1c(10) | | |
| (11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts | 1c(11) | 0 | 0 |
| (12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities | 1c(12) | 0 | 0 |
| (13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) | 1c(13) | 1969725 | 319352 |
| (14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) | 1c(14) | 0 | 9561 |
| (15) Other | 1c(15) | 0 | 0 |

| 1d Employer-related investments: | | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
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| (1) Employer securities..... | 1d(1) | 0 | 0 |
| (2) Employer real property..... | 1d(2) | 0 | 0 |
| e Buildings and other property used in plan operation..... | 1e | 0 | 0 |
| f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)..... | 1f | 1988448 | 2217630 |
| Liabilities | | | |
| g Benefit claims payable..... | 1g | 0 | 0 |
| h Operating payables..... | 1h | | |
| i Acquisition indebtedness..... | 1i | 0 | 0 |
| j Other liabilities..... | 1j | 0 | 0 |
| k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)..... | 1k | 0 | 0 |
| Net Assets | | | |
| l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)..... | 1l | 1988448 | 2217630 |

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) | 83261 | |
| (B) Participants..... | 2a(1)(B) | 154041 | |
| (C) Others (including rollovers)..... | 2a(1)(C) | 27138 | |
| (2) Noncash contributions..... | 2a(2) | 0 | |
| (3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2) | 2a(3) | | 264440 |
| b Earnings on investments: | | | |
| (1) Interest: | | | |
| (A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)..... | 2b(1)(A) | 0 | |
| (B) U.S. Government securities..... | 2b(1)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Corporate debt instruments..... | 2b(1)(C) | 0 | |
| (D) Loans (other than to participants)..... | 2b(1)(D) | 0 | |
| (E) Participant loans..... | 2b(1)(E) | 0 | |
| (F) Other..... | 2b(1)(F) | 118 | |
| (G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F) | 2b(1)(G) | | 118 |
| (2) Dividends: | | | |
| (A) Preferred stock..... | 2b(2)(A) | 0 | |
| (B) Common stock..... | 2b(2)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)..... | 2b(2)(C) | 9044 | |
| (D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C) | 2b(2)(D) | | 9044 |
| (3) Rents..... | 2b(3) | | 0 |
| (4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: | | | |
| (A) Aggregate proceeds..... | 2b(4)(A) | 0 | |
| (B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)..... | 2b(4)(B) | 0 | |
| (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) | 0 | |
| (B) Other..... | 2b(5)(B) | 0 | |
| (C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B) | 2b(5)(C) | | |

| | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
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| (6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts | 2b(6) | 172289 |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts | 2b(7) | 0 |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts | 2b(8) | 0 |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities | 2b(9) | 0 |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) | 2b(10) | 25080 |
| c Other income | 2c | 0 |
| d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2d | 470971 |

Expenses

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| e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits: | | |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers | 2e(1) | 226391 |
| (2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits | 2e(2) | 0 |
| (3) Other | 2e(3) | 0 |
| (4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3) | 2e(4) | 226391 |
| f Corrective distributions (see instructions) | 2f | 0 |
| g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) | 2g | 0 |
| h Interest expense | 2h | 0 |
| i Administrative expenses: | | |
| (1) Salaries and allowances | 2i(1) | 0 |
| (2) Contract administrator fees | 2i(2) | 0 |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees | 2i(3) | 15398 |
| (4) IQPA audit fees | 2i(4) | 0 |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees | 2i(5) | 0 |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees | 2i(6) | 0 |
| (7) Actuarial fees | 2i(7) | 0 |
| (8) Legal fees | 2i(8) | 0 |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees | 2i(9) | 0 |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses | 2i(10) | 0 |
| (11) Other expenses | 2i(11) | 0 |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) | 2i(12) | 15398 |
| j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2j | 241789 |

Net Income and Reconciliation

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| k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d | 2k | 229182 |
| 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: **CORRIGAN KRAUSE**

(2) EIN: **37-1574855**

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 |
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| 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.) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5427 |
| 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.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 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.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 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.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 158000 |
| f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 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? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 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? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 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.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 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. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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) |
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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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| SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small> | Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500. | <small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection. |
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| A Name of plan <u>HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST</u> | B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ | <u>002</u> |
| C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC.</u> | D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>34-1821072</u> | |

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| Part I | Distributions |
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....

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| 1 | | 0 |
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2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):
EIN(s): 84-1455663 57-1198022

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

3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....

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| Part II | Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.) |
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? Yes No N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

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

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 11 / 14 / 2022 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702518A.

**HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING
PLAN AND TRUST
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December 31, 2024 and 2023
Year Ended December 31, 2024**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
HOTT Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust
Middleburg Heights, Ohio

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of HOTT Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) [ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit]. The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note C to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (continued)

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 Auditors' 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 ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (continued)

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

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.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (concluded)

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion—

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).



Westlake, Ohio
July 14, 2025

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
December 31, 2024 and 2023

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Investments, at fair value | \$ 2,203,987 | \$ 1,979,332 |
| Investments, at contract value | 9,561 | - |
| Receivables: | | |
| Employer contribution | 4,082 | 3,347 |
| Participant contributions | - | 5,769 |
| | 4,082 | 9,116 |
| Net assets available for benefits | \$ 2,217,630 | \$ 1,988,448 |

See accompanying notes and independent auditors' report.

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Year Ended December 31, 2024

ADDITIONS

Additions to net assets attributed to:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|---------|
| Investment income: | | |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments | \$ | 197,369 |
| Dividends and interest | | 9,162 |
| | | 206,531 |
| Contributions: | | |
| Participant | | 154,041 |
| Employer | | 83,261 |
| Rollovers | | 27,138 |
| | | 264,440 |
| Total additions | | 470,971 |

DEDUCTIONS

Deductions from net assets attributed to:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|----|-----------|
| Benefits paid to participants | | 226,391 |
| Administrative expenses | | 15,398 |
| | | 241,789 |
| Total deductions | | 241,789 |
| Net increase | | 229,182 |
| Net assets available for benefits: | | |
| Beginning of year | | 1,988,448 |
| End of year | \$ | 2,217,630 |

See accompanying notes and independent auditors' report.

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2024 and 2023

NOTE A - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of HOTT Associates, Inc. ("Company") 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust ("Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General. The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees of the Company, who have worked one year and at least 1,000 hours and attained the age of 21. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Contributions. Each year, participants may contribute from 1% up to 90% of annual compensation, as defined in the Plan, on a pre or post tax basis (Roth contributions). Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans (rollovers). The Company provides a safe harbor matching contribution of 100% up to 4% of participants' deferred compensation. The Company may make discretionary matching contributions. The Company may also make discretionary profit-sharing plan contributions for participants who are employed as of the last day of the Plan year. The Company did not make any discretionary contributions. Participants direct the investment of all contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. Contributions are subject to certain IRS limitations.

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

Vesting. Participants are vested immediately in their contributions and the Company's safe harbor contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the participant's share of the Company's discretionary matching and profit sharing contributions is based upon years of service according to a six-year graduated scale. The participant will be 20% vested after two years of service and will vest an additional 20% for each year thereafter. A participant is 100% vested after six years of credited service or in the event of death, disability, or retirement.

Payment of Benefits. On termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount or a direct rollover to a qualified retirement account equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, or installments over a period not to exceed the life expectancy of the participant or designated beneficiary.

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2024 and 2023

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates

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

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract value. The Invesco Stable Asset Fund in 2023 is reported at net asset value (NAV). Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note D for discussion of fair value measurements.

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

Expense Offset Agreement

The Plan participates in an expense offset agreement whereby the Plan earns revenue credits in relation to investment fund fees. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Plan received \$41,943 of credits, which are recorded net against administrative and investment expenses in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. These credits are used to pay plan expenses or allocated to participant accounts.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Participant initiated transaction fees are included in administrative expenses. Investment advisor fees are included in investment expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2024 and 2023

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Forfeited Accounts. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$6,815 and \$6,745, respectively. No amounts were used in 2024 to reduce employer contributions or pay plan expenses.

NOTE C – INVESTMENTS

The plan management has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Empower Trust Company and Reliance Trust Company, the trustees of the Plan have certified to the completeness and accuracy of all investments reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the supplemental schedule of assets (held at the end of the year); and the related investment activity reflected in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024.

NOTE D – 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) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

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

Level 2: inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3: inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

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

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2024 and 2023

NOTE D – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Collective trusts: Valued at net asset value, but based on quoted market prices of the funds held within the trust. The NAV is published daily.

Collective trust: Valued at the net asset value of units held by the Plan. Net asset value is based on the fair value of the trust's underlying assets, less its liabilities. This was related to the Invesco Stable Asset Fund in 2023.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

| | Assets at Fair Value | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | <u>Level 1</u> | <u>Level 2</u> | <u>Total</u> |
| <u>December 31, 2024</u> | | | |
| Mutual funds | \$ 319,352 | \$ - | \$ 319,352 |
| Collective trusts | 1,884,635 | | 1,884,635 |
| Assets in fair value hierarchy | <u>\$ 2,203,987</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ 2,203,987</u> |
| <u>December 31, 2023</u> | | | |
| Mutual funds | \$ 1,969,725 | \$ - | \$ 1,969,725 |
| Assets in fair value hierarchy | <u>\$ 1,969,725</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>1,969,725</u> |
| Collective trust fund, valued at NAV ^(a) | | | 9,607 |
| Total | | | <u>\$ 1,979,332</u> |

(a) In accordance with Subtopic 820-10, certain investments that are measured at the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the Statements of Net Assets Available of Benefits.

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2024 and 2023

NOTE E – GUARANTEED INTEREST CONTRACTS

The Plan has guaranteed interest contracts with the Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America. These contracts meet the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the plan. Contract value represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and fees. The contracts are backed by Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America's general assets.

The contracts seek to provide a stable, guaranteed rate of return and guarantee of principal. The crediting interest rate is based on a formula agreed upon with the issuer, which is reset on a quarterly basis. There are no reserves against contract value for credit risk of the contract issuer or otherwise.

The contract value of the investment contracts at December 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$9,561 and \$0, respectively.

Certain events may limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value. Such events include but may not be limited to the following Company initiated events: (a) full or partial contract or plan termination; (b) layoffs; (c) sale of a business unit or company merger. The Plan administrator does not believe that any events that would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with Plan participants are probable of occurring.

NOTE F – INVESTMENT IN COLLECTIVE TRUST

The Invesco Stable Asset Fund ("Fund") issues and redeems units daily based on the net asset value of the Fund which is determined daily. There are no unfunded commitments for investments in the Fund. The investment objectives of the Fund are to maximize current income, while maintaining principal and to provide for withdrawals for certain participant-initiated transactions under a plan without penalty or adjustments.

Certain events may limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value. Such events include but may not be limited to the following: (a) the complete or partial termination of the Plan; (b) the establishment or activation of, or material change in, any Plan investment fund, or an amendment to the Plan or a change in the administration or operation of the Plan, including the removal of a group of employees from Plan coverage as a result of the sale or liquidation of a subsidiary or division or as a result of group layoffs or early retirement programs. The Plan administrator does not believe that any events that would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with Plan participants are probable of occurring. The guaranteed investment does not permit the investment manager to terminate the agreement prior to the scheduled maturity date.

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
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NOTE G – PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan pays fees directly to the recordkeeper, third party administrator and investment advisor. Fees incurred by the Plan for the services are included in administrative and investment expenses, net of revenue credits. These party-in-interest transactions are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA. The Plan sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan's operations.

NOTE H - PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100 percent vested in their employer contributions. Any unallocated assets of the Plan shall be allocated to participant accounts and distributed in such a manner as the Company may determine.

NOTE I - TAX STATUS

On October 6, 2020, the IRS stated that the prototype adopted by the Plan, as then designed, qualifies under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 401(a). The Plan has not received a determination letter specific to the Plan itself; however, the plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income taxes have been included in the Plan's financial statements.

NOTE J – 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 participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE K – NONEXEMPT TRANSACTIONS

During the year ended December 31, 2024, participant contributions totaling \$5,427 were withheld from participants' pay but were not remitted to the Plan's trust within the time frame required by the Department of Labor under the plan asset rules. This constituted a loan from the Plan to the Plan sponsor for that period. Lost earnings on the late remittances will be remitted in the subsequent year.

NOTE L – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through July 14, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
SCHEDULE H, line 4i SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**

December 31, 2024

EIN - 34-1821072

PN - 001

| (a) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party | (b) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value | (c) Cost | (d) Current value |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Fidelity 500 Index | Mutual fund | N/A | \$ 101,295 |
| Fidelity International Index | Mutual fund | N/A | 58,560 |
| Fidelity Mid Cap Index | Mutual fund | N/A | 48,314 |
| State Street Aggregate Bond Index | Mutual fund | N/A | 44,284 |
| Fidelity Large Cap Growth Index | Mutual fund | N/A | 35,209 |
| Fidelity Small Cap Index | Mutual fund | N/A | 31,690 |
| * EI Fixed Account - Series Class I | Stable value fund | N/A | 9,561 |
| IndexSelect Aggressive Reitre Fund Class I | Collective trust | N/A | 1,093,261 |
| IndexSelect Aggressive 2045 Class I | Collective trust | N/A | 392,226 |
| IndexSelect Aggressive 2035 Class I | Collective trust | N/A | 315,826 |
| IndexSelect Aggressive 2055 Class I | Collective trust | N/A | 51,205 |
| IndexSelect Conservative 2035 Class I | Collective trust | N/A | 28,516 |
| IndexSelect Aggressive 2065 Class I | Collective trust | N/A | 3,601 |
| | | | <u>\$ 2,213,548</u> |

* Denotes a party-in-interest to the Plan

See independent auditors' report.

HOTT ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN AND TRUST
Schedule H, line 4a - SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS
Year Ended December 31, 2024
EIN - 34-1821072
PN - 001

| <u>Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan</u> | | | <u>Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are Included</u> | <u>Total that Constitutes Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions</u> | | | <u>Total Fully Corrected Under Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program and PTE 2002-51</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Amount Withheld</u> | <u>Date Withheld</u> | <u>Date Remitted</u> | | <u>Contributions Not Corrected</u> | <u>Contributions Corrected Outside Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program</u> | <u>Contributions Pending Correction in Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program</u> | |
| \$ 5,427 | 09/05/2024 | 9/20/2024 | | \$ 5,427 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - |
| <u>\$ 5,427</u> | | | | <u>\$ 5,427</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> |

See independent auditors' report.

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

GA

Hott Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust

01-JAN-24 to 31-DEC-24

20-JAN-25 09:40:10

| INVESTMENT OPTION | MATURITY DATE | INTEREST RATE | COST OF ASSETS | CURRENT VALUE |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| IISARFI | | | 1,100,526.36 | 1,093,261.59 |
| IISA35I | | | 286,602.54 | 315,826.26 |
| IISA45I | | | 350,911.52 | 392,225.82 |
| IISA55I | | | 45,893.55 | 51,205.01 |
| IISC35I | | | 27,006.81 | 28,515.52 |
| IISA65I | | | 3,601.30 | 3,600.89 |
| IFSPSX | | | 59,125.60 | 58,559.89 |
| IFSSNX | | | 28,962.06 | 31,689.74 |
| IFSM DX | | | 44,054.93 | 48,314.12 |
| IFSPGX | | | 28,772.11 | 35,209.22 |
| IFXAIX | | | 87,138.39 | 101,294.89 |
| ISSFEXI | 1.450 | | 44,407.69 | 44,284.49 |
| IGWAQ35 | | | 2,527.13 | 2,557.46 |
| | | | 2,109,529.99 | 2,206,544.90 |
| FORFEITURES | | | 6,917.65 | 7,003.76 |

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LEGEND

INVESTMENT OPTION:

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| IISARFI | IndexSelect Aggressive Retire Fund CL I | IISA35I | IndexSelect Aggressive 2035 Fund CL I |
| IISA45I | IndexSelect Aggressive 2045 Fund CL I | IISA55I | IndexSelect Aggressive 2055 Fund CL I |
| IISC35I | IndexSelect Conservative 2035 Fund CL I | IISA65I | IndexSelect Aggressive 2065 Fund I |
| IFSPSX | Fidelity International Index | IFSSNX | Fidelity Small Cap Index |
| IFSM DX | Fidelity Mid Cap Index | IFSPGX | Fidelity Large Cap Growth Index |
| IFXAIX | Fidelity 500 Index | ISSFEXI | State Street Aggregate Bond Index K |
| IGWAQ35 | EIFixed Account - Series Class I | | |

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