

Form 5500

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security  
Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

- A This return/report is for: [ ] a multiemployer plan [ ] a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) [x] 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

Table with 2 columns: Plan Information (1a-2d) and Plan Details (1b-1c, 2b-2c, 2d). Includes fields for Name of plan, Effective date, Employer Identification Number, Plan Sponsor's telephone number, and Business code.

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 for signatures with columns: SIGN HERE, Signature, Date, and Name. Includes entries for plan administrator, employer/plan sponsor, and DFE.

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| <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:<br><b>a</b> Sponsor's name<br><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>                                   | 110 |
| <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> ).<br><b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year .....<br><b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year .....<br><b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....<br><b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits .....<br><b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> .....<br><b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. ....<br><b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> .....<br><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) .....<br><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) .....<br><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>                               | 110 |
|   | <b>6a(2)</b>                               | 112 |
|   | <b>6b</b>                                  | 0   |
|   | <b>6c</b>                                  | 0   |
|   | <b>6d</b>                                  | 112 |
|   | <b>6e</b>                                  |     |
|   | <b>6f</b>                                  |     |
|   | <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:  
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| <b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)               | <b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)               |
| (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance                                  | (1) <input 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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| <b>a Pension Schedules</b>   | <b>b General Schedules</b>  |
| (1) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)  | (1) <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) – Number Attached _____ |
| (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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| <b>SCHEDULE H</b><br><b>(Form 5500)</b><br><br><small>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</small><br><br><small>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</small><br><br><small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small> | <b>Financial Information</b><br><br>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).<br><br><b>► File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | OMB No. 1210-0110<br><br><b>2024</b><br><br><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b> |
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| For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning <b>01/01/2024</b> and ending <b>12/31/2024</b> |   |
| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br>ASH GROVE WESTERN REGION SUPPLEMENTAL UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT PLAN                 | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ► <b>503</b>          |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>ASH GROVE CEMENT COMPANY                | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>44-0539214 |

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| <b>Part I</b> | <b>Asset and Liability Statement</b> |
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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.

| Assets   | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....  | <b>1a</b>             |                 |
| <b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):                                       |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....  | <b>1b(1)</b>          | 82960           |
| <b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....   | <b>1b(2)</b>          |                 |
| <b>(3)</b> Other .....   | <b>1b(3)</b>          |                 |
| <b>c</b> General investments:  |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....   | <b>1c(1)</b>          | 6755            |
| <b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....  | <b>1c(2)</b>          |                 |
| <b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):                            |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....   | <b>1c(3)(A)</b>       |                 |
| <b>(B)</b> All other .....   | <b>1c(3)(B)</b>       |                 |
| <b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):                                      |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....   | <b>1c(4)(A)</b>       |                 |
| <b>(B)</b> Common .....  | <b>1c(4)(B)</b>       |                 |
| <b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....   | <b>1c(5)</b>          |                 |
| <b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....                                   | <b>1c(6)</b>          |                 |
| <b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....  | <b>1c(7)</b>          |                 |
| <b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....   | <b>1c(8)</b>          |                 |
| <b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....                                     | <b>1c(9)</b>          |                 |
| <b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....                                    | <b>1c(10)</b>         |                 |
| <b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....                            | <b>1c(11)</b>         |                 |
| <b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....                                  | <b>1c(12)</b>         |                 |
| <b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....        | <b>1c(13)</b>         |                 |
| <b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) ..... | <b>1c(14)</b>         |                 |
| <b>(15)</b> Other .....  | <b>1c(15)</b>         |                 |

| <b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:                                  |              | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|--|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Employer securities.....   | <b>1d(1)</b> |                       |                 |
| (2) Employer real property.....  | <b>1d(2)</b> |                       |                 |
| <b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....        | <b>1e</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....      | <b>1f</b>    | 89715                 | 89600           |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   |              |                       |                 |
| <b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....                                     | <b>1g</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>h</b> Operating payables.....   | <b>1h</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....                                   | <b>1i</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>j</b> Other liabilities.....  | <b>1j</b>    |                       |                 |
| <b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)..... | <b>1k</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>Net Assets</b>  |              |                       |                 |
| <b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....                 | <b>1l</b>    | 89715                 | 89600           |

**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.

| <b>Income</b>  |                 | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|--|-----------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>a Contributions:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| (1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers.....   | <b>2a(1)(A)</b> | 2100       |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Participants.....   | <b>2a(1)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....   | <b>2a(1)(C)</b> |            |           |
| (2) Noncash contributions.....   | <b>2a(2)</b>    |            |           |
| (3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> ..... | <b>2a(3)</b>    |            | 2100      |
| <b>b Earnings on investments:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(1) Interest:</b>   |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....        | <b>2b(1)(A)</b> | 285        |           |
| <b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....   | <b>2b(1)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....   | <b>2b(1)(C)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....   | <b>2b(1)(D)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....  | <b>2b(1)(E)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(F)</b> Other.....  | <b>2b(1)(F)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....                              | <b>2b(1)(G)</b> |            | 285       |
| <b>(2) Dividends:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....  | <b>2b(2)(A)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Common stock.....   | <b>2b(2)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....                                   | <b>2b(2)(C)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....                  | <b>2b(2)(D)</b> |            | 0         |
| (3) Rents.....   | <b>2b(3)</b>    |            |           |
| <b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....   | <b>2b(4)(A)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....   | <b>2b(4)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....                   | <b>2b(4)(C)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>   |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Real estate.....  | <b>2b(5)(A)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Other.....  | <b>2b(5)(B)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....         | <b>2b(5)(C)</b> |            |           |

|   |        | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|---|--------|------------|-----------|
| (6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....                              | 2b(6)  |            |           |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....                              | 2b(7)  |            |           |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....                      | 2b(8)  |            |           |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....                            | 2b(9)  |            |           |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) ..... | 2b(10) |            |           |
| c Other income .....  | 2c     |            |           |
| d Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....               | 2d     |            | 2385      |

**Expenses**

|  |        |      |      |
|--|--------|------|------|
| e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:                                  |        |      |      |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....      | 2e(1)  |      |      |
| (2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....                        | 2e(2)  |      |      |
| (3) Other .....  | 2e(3)  |      |      |
| (4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3) .....                        | 2e(4)  |      | 0    |
| f Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....                                  | 2f     |      |      |
| g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....         | 2g     |      |      |
| h Interest expense .....   | 2h     |      |      |
| i Administrative expenses:   |        |      |      |
| (1) Salaries and allowances .....  | 2i(1)  |      |      |
| (2) Contract administrator fees .....  | 2i(2)  |      |      |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees .....   | 2i(3)  |      |      |
| (4) IQPA audit fees .....  | 2i(4)  |      |      |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....                         | 2i(5)  |      |      |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....                               | 2i(6)  | 2500 |      |
| (7) Actuarial fees .....   | 2i(7)  |      |      |
| (8) Legal fees .....   | 2i(8)  |      |      |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....   | 2i(9)  |      |      |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....   | 2i(10) |      |      |
| (11) Other expenses .....  | 2i(11) |      |      |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) .....               | 2i(12) |      | 2500 |
| j Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total ..... | 2j     |      | 2500 |

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

|  |       |  |      |
|--|-------|--|------|
| k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d ..... | 2k    |  | -115 |
| 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: **FORVIS MAZARS, LLP**

(2) EIN: **44-0160260**

**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   |
|--|-----|----|----------|
| <b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)                 |     | X  |          |
| <b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.) |     | X  |          |
| <b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)   |     | X  |          |
| <b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)  |     | X  |          |
| <b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?   | X   |    | 15000000 |
| <b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?  |     | X  |          |
| <b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?   |     | X  |          |
| <b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?   |     | X  |          |
| <b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)   | X   |    |          |
| <b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)   |     | X  |          |
| <b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?  |     | X  |          |
| <b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?   |     | X  |          |
| <b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)   |     |    |          |
| <b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.  |     |    |          |

**5a** Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year?  Yes  No  
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year \_\_\_\_\_.

**5b** If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

| <b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s) | <b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s) | <b>5b(3)</b> 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 \_\_\_\_\_.




# **Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan**

**EIN 44-0539214 PN 503**

**Independent Auditor's Report, Financial Statements,  
and Supplemental Schedule**

December 31, 2024 and 2023



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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Participants and Plan Administrator  
Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan  
Overland Park, Kansas

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan (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 statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit 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 a qualified institution as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the years then ended, stating that the certified investment information, as described in *Note 3* to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section:

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

### ***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the “Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements” section of our report. We are required to be independent of Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit 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 Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan’s ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that these 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.

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit 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.

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- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

***Other Matter – Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA***

The supplemental schedule listed in the table of contents 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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

***Forvis Mazars, LLP***

**Kansas City, Missouri  
July 11, 2025**

Federal Employer Identification Number: 44-0160260

**Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan  
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits  
December 31, 2024 and 2023**

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|                                   | <u>2024</u>      | <u>2023</u>      |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Investments, at Fair Value        | \$ 4,541         | \$ 6,755         |
| Employer Contribution Receivable  | <u>85,059</u>    | <u>82,960</u>    |
| Net Assets Available for Benefits | <u>\$ 89,600</u> | <u>\$ 89,715</u> |

**Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan  
Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits  
Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023**

|   | <u>2024</u>             | <u>2023</u>             |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Investment Income</b>                                    |                         |                         |
| Interest and dividends                                      | \$ 285                  | \$ 404                  |
| <b>Contributions</b>  |                         |                         |
| Employer  | <u>2,100</u>            | <u>3,811</u>            |
| Total additions   | <u>2,385</u>            | <u>4,215</u>            |
| <b>Deductions</b>   |                         |                         |
| Administrative expenses                                     | <u>2,500</u>            | <u>2,500</u>            |
| Total deductions  | <u>2,500</u>            | <u>2,500</u>            |
| <b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets</b>                    | (115)                   | 1,715                   |
| <b>Net Assets Available for Benefits, Beginning of Year</b> | <u>89,715</u>           | <u>88,000</u>           |
| <b>Net Assets Available for Benefits, End of Year</b>       | <u><u>\$ 89,600</u></u> | <u><u>\$ 89,715</u></u> |

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**Note 1. Description of the Plan**

***General***

The following description of Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

The Plan is sponsored by Ash Grove Cement Company (the Company) and provides supplemental benefits covering all employees who are members of their collective-bargaining units located in Montana City, Montana and Durkee, Oregon. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the *Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974* (ERISA). Commerce Trust Company is the trustee of the Plan.

The Plan provides supplemental unemployment benefits to eligible employees in the event of layoff, termination or absence from work due to occupational sickness or injury to supplement state system unemployment or workers' compensation.

***Contributions***

The Company is required to make cash contributions to the Plan's trust fund at the rate of 10 cents per hour worked by covered employees until the Plan has assets totaling \$175 per covered employee, the minimum amount allowed under the Plan.

The Company also accrues contributions in a contingent fund, based on the trust fund position. If the trust fund is less than 100% funded, the Company accrues 5 cents per hour worked by covered employees in the contingent fund up to a maximum that is the lesser of (1) \$625 per covered employee or (2) \$800 per covered employee less the amount in the trust fund. If the trust fund is 100% funded, the Company accrues 15 cents per hour worked by covered employees to the contingent fund, subject to the same maximum amounts above. In total, the sum of amounts in the trust and contingent fund is subject to an \$800 maximum threshold, per covered employee.

***Payment of Benefits***

Benefit payments provided and funded through a trust fund are generally limited to the assets of the Plan. The Company guarantees 12 consecutive weeks of layoff benefits following layoff for employees with 20 or more years of service. Benefit payment calculations vary across each of the five different types of benefits (layoff benefits, termination benefits, reduced-layoff benefits, short-week benefits and supplementation of workers' compensation benefits). The actual amount of benefits paid to each participant is based on years of credited service and ranges from 50% to 100% of the total benefit available. The trust agreement was amended in 2009 to allow benefit payments to be paid through the Company payroll and, in turn, the trust fund reimburses the Company for benefits paid.

**Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Basis of Accounting***

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

***Use of Estimates***

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

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***Investment Valuation and Income Recognition***

Quoted market prices, if available, are used to value investments. Money market funds are valued at the net asset value (NAV) of shares held by the Plan at year-end.

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.

***Payment of Benefits***

Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution. The Plan has an obligation to pay post-employment benefits in the event participants are laid off. The obligation for these benefits is not recognized in these financial statements due to the fact that the amount of the obligation cannot be reasonably estimated.

***Administrative Expenses***

Administrative expenses may be paid by the Company or the Plan, at the Company's discretion.

**Note 3. Certification of Plan Trustee**

The Plan Administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 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. Accordingly, Commerce Trust Company, a qualified institution, has certified the following investment information included in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule is complete and accurate:

- Investments as shown in the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Investment income as shown in the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Investment information included in the accompanying schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024.

The Plan's independent auditors did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this certified investment information, except for comparing such certified investment information to the related investment information included in the financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule.

**Note 4. Disclosures About Fair Value of Plan Assets**

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. There is a hierarchy of three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

**Level 1** Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities

**Level 2** Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities

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**Level 3** Unobservable inputs supported by little or no market activity and are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities

***Recurring Measurements***

The following table presents the fair value measurements of assets recognized in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits measured at fair value on a recurring basis and the level within the fair value hierarchy in which the fair value measurements fall at December 31, 2024 and 2023:

|                    | <u>Fair Value</u> | <u>Fair Value Measurements Using</u>                                  |  |  |
|--------------------|-------------------|---|--|--|
|                    |                   | <u>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</u> | <u>Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)</u> | <u>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</u> |
| <b><u>2024</u></b> |                   |   |  |  |
| Money Market Fund  | \$ 4,541          | \$ 4,541  | \$ -   | \$ -   |
| <b><u>2023</u></b> |                   |   |  |  |
| Money Market Fund  | \$ 6,755          | \$ 6,755  | \$ -   | \$ -   |

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies and inputs used for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis and recognized in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits, as well as the general classification of such assets pursuant to the valuation hierarchy. There have been no significant changes in the valuation techniques during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023. The Plan had no liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis. In addition, the Plan had no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis.

***Money Market Fund***

The fair value of the money market fund is based on quoted net asset value of the shares held by the Plan at year-end, which are traded in an active market.

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

Party-in-interest transactions include those with fiduciaries or employees of the Plan, any person who provides services to the Plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan, an employee organization whose members are covered by the Plan, a person who owns 50% or more of such an employer or employee association or relatives of such persons.

Certain plan investments are shares of the money market fund managed by Commerce Trust Company. Commerce Trust Company is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The Plan paid \$2,500 to Commerce Trust Company for recordkeeping fees during 2024 and 2023.

The Company provides certain administrative services at no cost to the Plan.

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**Note 6. Plan Termination**

Upon termination of the Plan, the assets then remaining in the trust and contingent funds shall be used to pay benefits and administrative expenses.

**Note 7. Tax Status**

The Plan has received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated October 16, 1964, stating that the Plan and related trust, as then designed, were in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code and therefore not subject to tax. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan and related trust are currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

**Note 8. 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. Market risks include global events which could impact the value of investment securities, such as a pandemic or international conflict. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

**Note 9. Subsequent Events**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through July 11, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

***Supplemental Schedule***

**Ash Grove Western Region Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan**  
**EIN 44-0539214 PN 503**  
**Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**  
**December 31, 2024**

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| <u>Identity of Issuer</u>         | <u>Description of Investment</u> | <u>Current Value</u> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| * Financial Square Trust Treasury | Money Market Fund                | \$ 4,541             |
| * Represents a party-in-interest  |                                  |                      |

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**December 31, 2024**

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| <u>Identity of Issuer</u>         | <u>Description of Investment</u> | <u>Current Value</u> |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| * Financial Square Trust Treasury | Money Market Fund                | \$ 4,541             |
| * Represents a party-in-interest  |                                  |                      |