

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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).

2024

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

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

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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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... [X] a single-employer plan [ ] a DFE... B This return/report is: [ ] the first return/report [ ] the final return/report... [X] an amended return/report [ ] a short plan year return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... [ ] D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension [ ] the DFVC program... [ ] special 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: RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 001
1c Effective date of plan: 01/01/1998
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 94-2365172
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 415-863-0620
2d Business code (see instructions): 445110

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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| <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>                                   | 266 |
| <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>                               | 187 |
|   | <b>6a(2)</b>                               | 190 |
|   | <b>6b</b>                                  | 2   |
|   | <b>6c</b>                                  | 76  |
|   | <b>6d</b>                                  | 268 |
|   | <b>6e</b>                                  | 0   |
|   | <b>6f</b>                                  | 268 |
|   | <b>6g(1)</b>                               | 264 |
|   | <b>6g(2)</b>                               | 262 |
| <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:  
2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 2E 2T 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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| <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 checked="" 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 <u>0</u> |
| (4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____  | (4) <input checked="" 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 C</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>Service Provider Information</b><br><br>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).<br><br><b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | <small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small><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 **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

|   |  |            |
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| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><b>RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN</b>                         | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                            | <b>001</b> |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><b>RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC.</b> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>94-2365172</b> |            |

**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)

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| (b)<br>Service Code(s) | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>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)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
|------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 37 60 64 65            | RECORDKEEPER  | 4900   | 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)

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

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

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2                                 | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
|---|--|---|
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| CALVERT BALANCED I - SS&C GIDS, IN<br>1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS<br>NEW YORK, NY 10105 | 0.10%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2                                 | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| CALVERT BOND I - SS&C GIDS, INC<br>1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS<br>NEW YORK, NY 10105    | 0.10%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2                                 | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| PARNASSUS CORE EQ IS - ULTIMUS FUN<br>31-1663251  | 0.10%  |   |

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2005 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2015 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2020 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
|---|--|---|
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2025 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2030 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2035 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2040 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2045 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2050 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2             | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INSTITUTIONAL                                  | 60   | 0   |
| (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. |   |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2055 - T. ROWE PRIC<br><br>52-2269240                | 0.15%  |   |
| (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.

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

|                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>a</b> Name:     | <b>b</b> EIN:       |
| <b>c</b> Position: |                     |
| <b>d</b> Address:  | <b>e</b> Telephone: |

Explanation:

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>a</b> Name:     | <b>b</b> EIN:       |
| <b>c</b> Position: |                     |
| <b>d</b> Address:  | <b>e</b> Telephone: |

Explanation:

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>a</b> Name:     | <b>b</b> EIN:       |
| <b>c</b> Position: |                     |
| <b>d</b> Address:  | <b>e</b> Telephone: |

Explanation:

|                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>a</b> Name:     | <b>b</b> EIN:       |
| <b>c</b> Position: |                     |
| <b>d</b> Address:  | <b>e</b> Telephone: |

Explanation:

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Explanation:

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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> | <small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small><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><b>RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN</b>                         | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <b>001</b>                 |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><b>RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC.</b> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>94-2365172</b> |

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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.

|  |                 | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Assets</b>  |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....  | <b>1a</b>       | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):                                       |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....  | <b>1b(1)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....   | <b>1b(2)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(3)</b> Other .....   | <b>1b(3)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>c</b> General investments:  |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....   | <b>1c(1)</b>    | 3364723               | 1251859         |
| <b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....  | <b>1c(2)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):                            |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....   | <b>1c(3)(A)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(B)</b> All other .....   | <b>1c(3)(B)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):                                      |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....   | <b>1c(4)(A)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(B)</b> Common .....  | <b>1c(4)(B)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....   | <b>1c(5)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....                                   | <b>1c(6)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....  | <b>1c(7)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....   | <b>1c(8)</b>    | 580116                | 421622          |
| <b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....                                     | <b>1c(9)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....                                    | <b>1c(10)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....                            | <b>1c(11)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....                                  | <b>1c(12)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....        | <b>1c(13)</b>   | 20423644              | 25379978        |
| <b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) ..... | <b>1c(14)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(15)</b> Other .....  | <b>1c(15)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |

| <b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:                                  |              | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|--|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Employer securities.....   | <b>1d(1)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| (2) Employer real property.....  | <b>1d(2)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....        | <b>1e</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....      | <b>1f</b>    | 24368483              | 27053459        |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   |              |                       |                 |
| <b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....                                     | <b>1g</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>h</b> Operating payables.....   | <b>1h</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....                                   | <b>1i</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>j</b> Other liabilities.....  | <b>1j</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <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>    | 24368483              | 27053459        |

**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> | 417639     |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Participants.....   | <b>2a(1)(B)</b> | 757236     |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....   | <b>2a(1)(C)</b> | 0          |           |
| (2) Noncash contributions.....   | <b>2a(2)</b>    | 0          |           |
| (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>    |            | 1174875   |
| <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> | 116397     |           |
| <b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....   | <b>2b(1)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....   | <b>2b(1)(C)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....   | <b>2b(1)(D)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....  | <b>2b(1)(E)</b> | 36497      |           |
| <b>(F)</b> Other.....  | <b>2b(1)(F)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....                              | <b>2b(1)(G)</b> |            | 152894    |
| <b>(2) Dividends:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....  | <b>2b(2)(A)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Common stock.....   | <b>2b(2)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....                                   | <b>2b(2)(C)</b> | 1078590    |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....                  | <b>2b(2)(D)</b> |            | 1078590   |
| <b>(3)</b> Rents.....  | <b>2b(3)</b>    |            | 0         |
| <b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....   | <b>2b(4)(A)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....   | <b>2b(4)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <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> | 0          |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Other.....  | <b>2b(5)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <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 .....                              | <b>2b(6)</b>  |            | 0         |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....                              | <b>2b(7)</b>  |            | 0         |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....                      | <b>2b(8)</b>  |            | 0         |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....                            | <b>2b(9)</b>  |            | 0         |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) ..... | <b>2b(10)</b> |            | 2276315   |
| <b>c</b> Other income .....   | <b>2c</b>     |            | 0         |
| <b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....        | <b>2d</b>     |            | 4682674   |

**Expenses**

|   |               |         |         |
|---|---------------|---------|---------|
| <b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:                                  |               |         |         |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....             | <b>2e(1)</b>  | 1974268 |         |
| (2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....                               | <b>2e(2)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (3) Other .....   | <b>2e(3)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....                 | <b>2e(4)</b>  |         | 1974268 |
| <b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....                                  | <b>2f</b>     |         | 18292   |
| <b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....         | <b>2g</b>     |         | 0       |
| <b>h</b> Interest expense .....   | <b>2h</b>     |         | 0       |
| <b>i</b> Administrative expenses:   |               |         |         |
| (1) Salaries and allowances .....   | <b>2i(1)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (2) Contract administrator fees .....   | <b>2i(2)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees .....  | <b>2i(3)</b>  | 4900    |         |
| (4) IQPA audit fees .....   | <b>2i(4)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....                                | <b>2i(5)</b>  | 238     |         |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....                                      | <b>2i(6)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (7) Actuarial fees .....  | <b>2i(7)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (8) Legal fees .....  | <b>2i(8)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....  | <b>2i(9)</b>  | 0       |         |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....  | <b>2i(10)</b> | 0       |         |
| (11) Other expenses .....   | <b>2i(11)</b> | 0       |         |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....        | <b>2i(12)</b> |         | 5138    |
| <b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total ..... | <b>2j</b>     |         | 1997698 |

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

|   |              |  |         |
|---|--------------|--|---------|
| <b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> ..... | <b>2k</b>    |  | 2684976 |
| <b>l</b> Transfers of assets:   |              |  |         |
| (1) To this plan .....  | <b>2l(1)</b> |  | 0       |
| (2) From this plan .....  | <b>2l(2)</b> |  | 0       |

**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: **AUDIT AND TAX SOLUTIONS, CPA'S**

(2) EIN: **94-3211753**

**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   |    | 500000 |
| <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   |    | 531    |
| <b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)   |     | X  |        |
| <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.  |     | X  |        |

**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 \_\_\_\_\_.

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| <b>SCHEDULE R</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>Retirement Plan Information</b><br><br>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).<br><br><b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | <small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small><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 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

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|---|--|------------|
| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><u>RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC. RETIREMENT PLAN</u>                         | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN)                              | <u>001</u> |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><u>RAINBOW GROCERY COOPERATIVE, INC.</u> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><u>94-2365172</u> |            |

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| <b>Part I</b> | <b>Distributions</b> |
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**All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.**

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| <b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....  | 1 |  |
| <b>2</b> 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):<br>EIN(s): <u>04-6568107</u> |   |  |
| <b>Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.</b>  |   |  |
| <b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....   | 3 |  |

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| <b>Part II</b> | <b>Funding Information</b> (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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|   |                              |                             |                              |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>4</b> Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| <b>If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.</b>   |                              |                             |                              |
| <b>5</b> 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. <b>Date:</b> Month _____ Day _____ Year _____<br><b>If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.</b> |                              |                             |                              |
| <b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....  | 6a                           |                             |                              |
| <b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....  | 6b                           |                             |                              |
| <b>c</b> 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                           |                             |                              |
| <b>If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.</b>  |                              |                             |                              |
| <b>7</b> Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?.....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| <b>8</b> 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? .....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |

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| <b>Part III</b> | <b>Amendments</b> |
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|  |                                   |                                   |                               |                             |
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| <b>9</b> 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..... | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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| <b>Part IV</b> | <b>ESOPs</b> (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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| <b>10</b> Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>11 a</b> Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>b</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.) ..... | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>12</b> Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? .....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> 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:

|   |            |  |
|---|------------|--|
| <b>a</b> 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)..... | <b>14a</b> |  |
| <b>b</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).....   | <b>14b</b> |  |
| <b>c</b> 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).....  | <b>14c</b> |  |

**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:

|   |            |  |
|---|------------|--|
| <b>a</b> The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year ..... | <b>15a</b> |  |
| <b>b</b> The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year .....                            | <b>15b</b> |  |

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

|   |            |  |
|---|------------|--|
| <b>a</b> Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....  | <b>16a</b> |  |
| <b>b</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..... | <b>16b</b> |  |

**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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702438A.

**Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan**

Financial Statements  
With Supplemental Schedule

December 31, 2024 and 2023

(With Independent Auditor's Report Thereon)

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## **Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan**

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Schedules other than those listed above have been omitted because the information is otherwise disclosed, not applicable, or is not required by 29 CFR 2520.103-10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Plan Administrator and Participants  
Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan:

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement 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 statement 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 audit of the 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 audit 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 year ended December 31, 2024, 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 audit 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 audit 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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement 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.

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## ***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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date the financial statements are 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 of the Financial Statements 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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement 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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit 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.

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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 of Assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024 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 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 their form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion

- the 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, are 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).

*Audit and Tax Solutions CPAs Inc.*

Burlingame, California  
July 24, 2025

**Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan**

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2024 and 2023

|  | <u>2024</u>                 | <u>2023</u>                 |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS:</b>                                     |                             |                             |
| Investments (participant directed, at fair value): | \$ 26,631,837               | \$ 23,788,367               |
| Receivables:                                       |                             |                             |
| Notes receivable from participants                 | <u>421,622</u>              | <u>580,116</u>              |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                                | <b>27,053,459</b>           | <b>24,368,483</b>           |
| <b>LIABILITIES:</b>                                |                             |                             |
| Excess contributions payable                       | <u>14,639</u>               | <u>14,521</u>               |
| <b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>           | <b>\$ <u>27,038,820</u></b> | <b>\$ <u>24,353,962</u></b> |

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the year ended December 31, 2024

|  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| <b>ADDITIONS:</b>  |                             |
| Contributions:   |                             |
| Employer   | \$ 417,639                  |
| Participants   | <u>757,236</u>              |
|  | 1,174,875                   |
| Investment income:   |                             |
| Interest from interest-bearing cash                          | 116,397                     |
| Dividends  | 1,078,590                   |
| Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments | <u>2,276,315</u>            |
|  | 3,471,302                   |
| Interest income on notes receivable from participants        | <u>36,497</u>               |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>                                       | <b>4,682,674</b>            |
| <b>DEDUCTIONS:</b>   |                             |
| Benefits paid to participants                                | (1,992,678)                 |
| Administration expenses                                      | <u>(5,138)</u>              |
| <b>TOTAL DEDUCTIONS</b>                                      | <b><u>(1,997,816)</u></b>   |
| <b>NET CHANGE</b>  | <b>2,684,858</b>            |
| <b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:</b>                    |                             |
| Beginning of year  | <u>24,353,962</u>           |
| End of year  | <b>\$ <u>27,038,820</u></b> |

The accompanying independent auditor's report  
and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### 1. Description of the Plan

The following description of the Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan (the "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 401(k) profit sharing Plan covering all of the employees of Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. (collectively, the "Plan Sponsor"). Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan upon hiring date. Employees may begin deferring a portion of their compensation into the Plan on the first day of the month following eligibility. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Administrative Committee is responsible for oversight of the Plan. The Investment Committee determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance and reports to the Plan's Administrative Committee.

#### *Contributions to the Plan*

Participants may contribute up to 90% of their compensation into the Plan subject to certain anti-discrimination restrictions and to an annual limitation of \$23,000 for 2024 (\$30,500 for participants who are age 50 or over). Roth contributions are also permitted under the Plan.

The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 3 percent of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in an appropriate target retirement fund until changed by the participant. The deferral contribution rate increases 1% per year until it reaches a maximum of 8%.

The Plan permits the Plan sponsor to make discretionary matching and nonelective employer contributions. For nonelective employer contribution, participants must be employed on the last day of the Plan year. The Plan sponsor matched 100% of participant deferrals up to the first 4% of compensation from January 1, 2024 through March 3, 2024, starting March 4, 2024, the Plan sponsor matched 100% of participant deferrals up to the first 6% of compensation, per pay period and elected to forego a nonelective employer contribution.

#### *Participants Accounts*

All of the Plan's assets are invested, as directed by the participant, as pooled funds. A participant's account balance is derived through an allocation of these funds. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution, Plan sponsor matching contributions, and related investment earnings and losses pursuant to the participant's investment allocations. Allocations of income are based strictly on the participant's selection of investments and timing of purchase. Participant accounts are also charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan.

#### *Vesting and Forfeitures*

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions and related earnings thereon at all times. Participants are 50% vested in discretionary Plan sponsor contributions after the first year of service and 100% vested after the second year of service. Participants are immediately vested in the event of death, disability, or normal retirement. Forfeitures are used to offset administrative expenses of the Plan and to reduce Plan sponsor discretionary contributions. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeitures available to pay Plan expenses and offset matching contributions were \$7,517 and \$498, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2024, there were no forfeitures used.

#### *Payment of Benefits*

The Plan provides for the payment of benefits to the participant (or, if applicable, the beneficiary) at retirement, death, disability, termination of employment, or financial hardship (as outlined in the Plan). In-

## Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan

### Notes to the Financial Statements

service distributions are also available, providing the participant is at least age 59½. Participants who qualify for retirement benefits and withdrawals may receive their benefits in the form of lump sum payment. Benefits under the Plan shall be distributed solely from the assets of the trust. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account balance. Participants who separate from service and have vested account balances of \$7,000 or less and do not process their own distribution may receive a lump sum cash payment if the entire vested account balance is \$1,000 or less. If the value of the vested account balance is greater than \$1,000 but equal to or less than \$7,000 the account will be automatically rolled over to an IRA. Retired participants must begin receiving a distribution from their account balance no later than April 1 following the calendar year they turn age 73.

#### ***Notes Receivable from Participants***

The Plan permits participants to obtain a loan from their vested account balance. Loans are limited to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of the participant's vested account balance. The minimum loan amount is \$1,000. Participant may only have one loan outstanding at any given time. All loans must be repaid at termination of employment. Loans must generally be repaid within five years (longer for qualified residential loans) and are payable through regular payroll deductions. Loans are segregated investments and to the extent a participant borrows, his or her account will not share in the earnings and gains in value attributable to other Plan investments. Loans bear an interest rate determined by the Plan administrator based on the prevailing rates charged by persons in the business of lending money. The interest participants pay on their loans will be directly credited to their account. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and in the event of default, the unpaid loan principal will be offset against the participant's vested account balance.

#### ***Plan Amendments***

The Plan was without amendment during 2024.

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

#### ***Basis of Accounting***

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with ERISA. Contributions from participants are recorded when withheld from the participant. Plan sponsor contributions are recorded when approved by the Plan sponsor. Benefit payments are recorded when paid.

#### ***Estimates***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan administrator 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 may differ from those estimates.

#### ***Investment Valuation and Income Recognition***

Investments are reported at fair value as determined by the Plan custodian (see Note 3). 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. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisors and custodians. See Note 4 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/depreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

## Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan

### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### ***Notes Receivable from Participants***

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

#### ***Excess Contributions Payable***

Amounts payable to participants for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the IRS are recorded as a liability with a corresponding increase to distributions. The Plan distributed the 2024 excess contributions to the applicable participants prior to March 15, 2025.

#### ***Expenses***

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Sponsor and are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from the participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation/depreciation of fair value of investments.

#### ***Subsequent Events***

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through July 24, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### **3. Certification of Assets**

Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity") serves as the trustee and custodian of the Plan's assets. In that capacity, Fidelity holds the Plan's assets and executes investment transactions. The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulation for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). As permitted under such election, the Plan administrator has obtained certifications from Fidelity as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, that all investment information supplied to the Plan is complete and accurate. Certain information related to investments and notes receivable from participants disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments and note receivables from participants held at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and interest, dividends and net appreciation/depreciation in fair value of investments for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained or derived from the certified information.

### **4. Fair Value Measurements**

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024:

|                    | <u>Level 1</u>       |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Mutual Funds       | \$ 25,379,978        |
| Money Market Funds | <u>1,251,859</u>     |
| Total              | <u>\$ 26,631,837</u> |

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023:

|                    | <u>Level 1</u>       |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Mutual Funds       | \$ 20,423,644        |
| Money Market Funds | <u>3,364,723</u>     |
| Total              | <u>\$ 23,788,367</u> |

## Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan

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The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements.) The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

#### ***Level 1***

Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets and 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 inputs 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 with the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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

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

## 5. **Tax Status**

The Plan sponsor has adopted the Fidelity Non-Standardized Pre-Approved Profit Sharing plan. The Pre-Approved plan received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated June 30, 2020, stating that the Pre-Approved plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. Although the Plan has been amended since the opinion letter, the Plan sponsor and administrator believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, the Plan sponsor and administrator believe that the Plan is qualified and its related trust is exempt from tax.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the plan and recognize a tax liability if the plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Department of Labor or Internal Revenue Service. Management evaluated the Plan's tax positions and does not believe the Plan has

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any uncertain tax positions that require disclosure or adjustment to the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

#### 6. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Plan sponsor 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, all non-vested account balances would become 100% vested.

#### 7. Related Party Transactions

Fidelity Management Trust Company (“Fidelity”) currently serves as the trustee and custodian to the Plan. Accordingly, all investments managed by Fidelity and related entities qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for investment management services are included in net appreciation/depreciation in fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. As described in Note 2, the Plan made direct payments totaling \$5,138 to the recordkeeper which were not covered by revenue sharing. The Plan Sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan’s operations.

#### 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. Due to the level of risk associated with these securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the various risk factors will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants’ account balances and the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

#### 9. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 at December 31, 2024 and 2023:

|                              | <u>2024</u>          | <u>2023</u>          |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Per the financial statements | \$ 27,038,820        | \$ 24,353,962        |
| Excess contributions payable | <u>14,639</u>        | <u>14,521</u>        |
| Per Form 5500                | <u>\$ 27,053,459</u> | <u>\$ 24,368,483</u> |

The following is a reconciliation of total deductions per the financial statements to the Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2024:

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Total deductions per the financial statements | \$ 1,997,816        |
| Net excess contributions payable              | <u>(118)</u>        |
| Total expenses per Form 5500                  | <u>\$ 1,997,698</u> |

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Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)  
December 31, 2024  
Federal Identification Number 94-2365172 Plan 001

| (a) | (b)   | (c)                                 | (e)                     |
|-----|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
|     | Identity of issue, borrower<br><u>lessor or similar party</u> | Description of<br><u>investment</u> | Current<br><u>Value</u> |
|     | Calvert Bond  | Mutual Fund                         | \$ 708,700              |
|     | Calvert Balanced  | Mutual Fund                         | 66,750                  |
| *   | Fidelity Total Bond   | Mutual Fund                         | 262,057                 |
|     | American Century Equity Income                                | Mutual Fund                         | 819,901                 |
| *   | Fidelity Mid Cap Idx  | Mutual Fund                         | 725,886                 |
| *   | Fidelity Contrafund   | Mutual Fund                         | 2,002,071               |
| *   | Fidelity Growth Company                                       | Mutual Fund                         | 705,261                 |
| *   | Fidelity Select Technology                                    | Mutual Fund                         | 1,844,786               |
| *   | Fidelity International Discovery                              | Mutual Fund                         | 929,697                 |
| *   | Fidelity Low Priced Stock                                     | Mutual Fund                         | 510,753                 |
| *   | Fidelity Mid Cap Stock  | Mutual Fund                         | 209,438                 |
| *   | Fidelity Small Cap Idx  | Mutual Fund                         | 316,002                 |
| *   | Fidelity Small Cap Growth                                     | Mutual Fund                         | 388,410                 |
| *   | Fidelity 500 Index  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,427,540               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2005                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 23,745                  |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2015                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 113,642                 |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2025                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,241,480               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2035                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 2,337,545               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2045                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,870,562               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2055                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 956,000                 |
|     | Parnassus Core Equity IS                                      | Mutual Fund                         | 3,019,924               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2020                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 208,025                 |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2030                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,241,916               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2040                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 2,861,657               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2050                                  | Mutual Fund                         | <u>588,230</u>          |
|     |   |                                     | 25,379,978              |
| *   | Fidelity Govt Mmkt  | Interest-bearing Cash               | 1,251,859               |
| *   | Participant loans   | 45 loans; 5.25-10.50%               | <u>421,622</u>          |
|     |   |                                     | <u>\$ 27,053,459</u>    |

\* Party-in-interest.

Column (d) is not applicable.

The accompanying independent auditor's report  
and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

SUMMARY OF NET TRUST ASSETS

Total Plan Assets as of 12/31/2024

| <u>Fund Name</u>         | <u>Share Balance<br/>12/31/2024</u> | <u>Historical Cost</u> | <u>Price</u>           | <u>Total Market Value</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| TRP RETIREMENT 2005      | 1,983.742                           | \$26,985.09            | \$11.97                | \$23,745.39               |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2015      | 9,033.525                           | \$126,111.68           | \$12.58                | \$113,641.74              |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2025      | 75,013.915                          | \$1,248,071.98         | \$16.55                | \$1,241,480.29            |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2035      | 110,941.848                         | \$2,100,162.66         | \$21.07                | \$2,337,544.74            |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2045      | 84,032.437                          | \$1,536,383.52         | \$22.26                | \$1,870,562.05            |
| CALVERT BALANCED I       | 1,464.771                           | \$63,337.98            | \$45.57                | \$66,749.61               |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2055      | 48,064.354                          | \$826,616.16           | \$19.89                | \$956,000.00              |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2050      | 31,057.530                          | \$499,321.47           | \$18.94                | \$588,229.62              |
| PARNASSUS CORE EQ IS     | 50,542.669                          | \$2,517,993.25         | \$59.75                | \$3,019,924.47            |
| AM CENT EQ INC R6        | 97,957.139                          | \$867,490.68           | \$8.37                 | \$819,901.25              |
| CALVERT BOND I           | 49,421.232                          | \$783,906.84           | \$14.34                | \$708,700.47              |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2040      | 93,609.986                          | \$2,513,236.80         | \$30.57                | \$2,861,657.27            |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2030      | 48,436.665                          | \$1,202,003.07         | \$25.64                | \$1,241,916.09            |
| TRP RETIREMENT 2020      | 11,178.131                          | \$228,383.83           | \$18.61                | \$208,025.02              |
| FID CONTRAFUND           | 95,200.723                          | \$1,146,651.73         | \$21.03                | \$2,002,071.20            |
| FID SEL TECHNOLOGY       | 50,021.325                          | \$1,198,630.62         | \$36.88                | \$1,844,786.47            |
| FID LOW PRICED STK       | 12,533.811                          | \$583,565.72           | \$40.75                | \$510,752.80              |
| FID GOVT MMKT            | 1,251,859.380                       | \$1,251,859.38         | \$1.00                 | \$1,251,859.38            |
| FID TOTAL BOND           | 27,878.430                          | \$289,991.88           | \$9.40                 | \$262,057.24              |
| FID SMALL CAP GROWTH     | 11,604.713                          | \$295,859.51           | \$33.47                | \$388,409.74              |
| FID GROWTH CO K          | 17,366.679                          | \$603,422.85           | \$40.61                | \$705,260.83              |
| FID INTL DISCOVERY K     | 19,490.496                          | \$842,929.37           | \$47.70                | \$929,696.66              |
| FID MID CAP STOCK K      | 4,930.269                           | \$184,057.27           | \$42.48                | \$209,437.83              |
| FID 500 INDEX            | 6,991.233                           | \$1,145,287.92         | \$204.19               | \$1,427,539.87            |
| FID MID CAP IDX          | 21,494.993                          | \$510,384.76           | \$33.77                | \$725,885.91              |
| FID SM CAP IDX           | 11,416.248                          | \$319,317.90           | \$27.68                | \$316,001.74              |
| OUTSTANDING LOAN BALANCE |                                     |                        |                        | \$421,621.59              |
|                          |                                     |                        |                        | -----                     |
|                          |                                     |                        | NET ASSETS 12/31/2024: | \$27,053,459.27           |
|                          |                                     |                        |                        | =====                     |

Assets are presented at fair value with the exception to fully benefit responsive investment contracts which are presented at contract value as in previous years. See Chapter 7 of the Fidelity Auditor's Guide for financial statement presentation and disclosure information.

**Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan**

Financial Statements  
With Supplemental Schedule

December 31, 2024 and 2023

(With Independent Auditor's Report Thereon)

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## **Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan**

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Schedules other than those listed above have been omitted because the information is otherwise disclosed, not applicable, or is not required by 29 CFR 2520.103-10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

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## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Plan Administrator and Participants  
Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan:

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement 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 statement 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 audit of the 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 audit 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 year ended December 31, 2024, 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 audit 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 audit 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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement 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.

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## ***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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date the financial statements are 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 of the Financial Statements 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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement 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 Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit 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.

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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 of Assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024 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 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 their form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion

- the 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, are 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).

*Audit and Tax Solutions CPAs Inc.*

Burlingame, California  
July 24, 2025

**Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan**

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2024 and 2023

|  | <u>2024</u>                 | <u>2023</u>                 |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>ASSETS:</b>                                     |                             |                             |
| Investments (participant directed, at fair value): | \$ 26,631,837               | \$ 23,788,367               |
| Receivables:                                       |                             |                             |
| Notes receivable from participants                 | <u>421,622</u>              | <u>580,116</u>              |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                                | <b>27,053,459</b>           | <b>24,368,483</b>           |
| <b>LIABILITIES:</b>                                |                             |                             |
| Excess contributions payable                       | <u>14,639</u>               | <u>14,521</u>               |
| <b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>           | <b>\$ <u>27,038,820</u></b> | <b>\$ <u>24,353,962</u></b> |

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the year ended December 31, 2024

|  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| <b>ADDITIONS:</b>  |                             |
| Contributions:   |                             |
| Employer   | \$ 417,639                  |
| Participants   | <u>757,236</u>              |
|  | 1,174,875                   |
| Investment income:   |                             |
| Interest from interest-bearing cash                          | 116,397                     |
| Dividends  | 1,078,590                   |
| Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments | <u>2,276,315</u>            |
|  | 3,471,302                   |
| Interest income on notes receivable from participants        | <u>36,497</u>               |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONS</b>                                       | <b>4,682,674</b>            |
| <b>DEDUCTIONS:</b>   |                             |
| Benefits paid to participants                                | (1,992,678)                 |
| Administration expenses                                      | <u>(5,138)</u>              |
| <b>TOTAL DEDUCTIONS</b>                                      | <b><u>(1,997,816)</u></b>   |
| <b>NET CHANGE</b>  | <b>2,684,858</b>            |
| <b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:</b>                    |                             |
| Beginning of year  | <u>24,353,962</u>           |
| End of year  | <b>\$ <u>27,038,820</u></b> |

The accompanying independent auditor's report and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### 1. Description of the Plan

The following description of the Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan (the "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 401(k) profit sharing Plan covering all of the employees of Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. (collectively, the "Plan Sponsor"). Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan upon hiring date. Employees may begin deferring a portion of their compensation into the Plan on the first day of the month following eligibility. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Administrative Committee is responsible for oversight of the Plan. The Investment Committee determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance and reports to the Plan's Administrative Committee.

#### *Contributions to the Plan*

Participants may contribute up to 90% of their compensation into the Plan subject to certain anti-discrimination restrictions and to an annual limitation of \$23,000 for 2024 (\$30,500 for participants who are age 50 or over). Roth contributions are also permitted under the Plan.

The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 3 percent of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in an appropriate target retirement fund until changed by the participant. The deferral contribution rate increases 1% per year until it reaches a maximum of 8%.

The Plan permits the Plan sponsor to make discretionary matching and nonelective employer contributions. For nonelective employer contribution, participants must be employed on the last day of the Plan year. The Plan sponsor matched 100% of participant deferrals up to the first 4% of compensation from January 1, 2024 through March 3, 2024, starting March 4, 2024, the Plan sponsor matched 100% of participant deferrals up to the first 6% of compensation, per pay period and elected to forego a nonelective employer contribution.

#### *Participants Accounts*

All of the Plan's assets are invested, as directed by the participant, as pooled funds. A participant's account balance is derived through an allocation of these funds. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution, Plan sponsor matching contributions, and related investment earnings and losses pursuant to the participant's investment allocations. Allocations of income are based strictly on the participant's selection of investments and timing of purchase. Participant accounts are also charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan.

#### *Vesting and Forfeitures*

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions and related earnings thereon at all times. Participants are 50% vested in discretionary Plan sponsor contributions after the first year of service and 100% vested after the second year of service. Participants are immediately vested in the event of death, disability, or normal retirement. Forfeitures are used to offset administrative expenses of the Plan and to reduce Plan sponsor discretionary contributions. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeitures available to pay Plan expenses and offset matching contributions were \$7,517 and \$498, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2024, there were no forfeitures used.

#### *Payment of Benefits*

The Plan provides for the payment of benefits to the participant (or, if applicable, the beneficiary) at retirement, death, disability, termination of employment, or financial hardship (as outlined in the Plan). In-

## Rainbow Grocery Cooperative, Inc. Retirement Plan

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service distributions are also available, providing the participant is at least age 59½. Participants who qualify for retirement benefits and withdrawals may receive their benefits in the form of lump sum payment. Benefits under the Plan shall be distributed solely from the assets of the trust. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account balance. Participants who separate from service and have vested account balances of \$7,000 or less and do not process their own distribution may receive a lump sum cash payment if the entire vested account balance is \$1,000 or less. If the value of the vested account balance is greater than \$1,000 but equal to or less than \$7,000 the account will be automatically rolled over to an IRA. Retired participants must begin receiving a distribution from their account balance no later than April 1 following the calendar year they turn age 73.

#### ***Notes Receivable from Participants***

The Plan permits participants to obtain a loan from their vested account balance. Loans are limited to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of the participant's vested account balance. The minimum loan amount is \$1,000. Participant may only have one loan outstanding at any given time. All loans must be repaid at termination of employment. Loans must generally be repaid within five years (longer for qualified residential loans) and are payable through regular payroll deductions. Loans are segregated investments and to the extent a participant borrows, his or her account will not share in the earnings and gains in value attributable to other Plan investments. Loans bear an interest rate determined by the Plan administrator based on the prevailing rates charged by persons in the business of lending money. The interest participants pay on their loans will be directly credited to their account. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and in the event of default, the unpaid loan principal will be offset against the participant's vested account balance.

#### ***Plan Amendments***

The Plan was without amendment during 2024.

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

#### ***Basis of Accounting***

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and in accordance with ERISA. Contributions from participants are recorded when withheld from the participant. Plan sponsor contributions are recorded when approved by the Plan sponsor. Benefit payments are recorded when paid.

#### ***Estimates***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan administrator 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 may differ from those estimates.

#### ***Investment Valuation and Income Recognition***

Investments are reported at fair value as determined by the Plan custodian (see Note 3). 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. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisors and custodians. See Note 4 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/depreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

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#### ***Notes Receivable from Participants***

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

#### ***Excess Contributions Payable***

Amounts payable to participants for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the IRS are recorded as a liability with a corresponding increase to distributions. The Plan distributed the 2024 excess contributions to the applicable participants prior to March 15, 2025.

#### ***Expenses***

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Sponsor and are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from the participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation/depreciation of fair value of investments.

#### ***Subsequent Events***

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through July 24, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### **3. Certification of Assets**

Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity") serves as the trustee and custodian of the Plan's assets. In that capacity, Fidelity holds the Plan's assets and executes investment transactions. The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulation for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). As permitted under such election, the Plan administrator has obtained certifications from Fidelity as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, that all investment information supplied to the Plan is complete and accurate. Certain information related to investments and notes receivable from participants disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments and note receivables from participants held at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and interest, dividends and net appreciation/depreciation in fair value of investments for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained or derived from the certified information.

### **4. Fair Value Measurements**

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024:

|                    | <u>Level 1</u>       |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Mutual Funds       | \$ 25,379,978        |
| Money Market Funds | <u>1,251,859</u>     |
| Total              | <u>\$ 26,631,837</u> |

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023:

|                    | <u>Level 1</u>       |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Mutual Funds       | \$ 20,423,644        |
| Money Market Funds | <u>3,364,723</u>     |
| Total              | <u>\$ 23,788,367</u> |

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The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements.) The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

#### ***Level 1***

Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets and 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 inputs 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 with the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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

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

## 5. **Tax Status**

The Plan sponsor has adopted the Fidelity Non-Standardized Pre-Approved Profit Sharing plan. The Pre-Approved plan received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated June 30, 2020, stating that the Pre-Approved plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. Although the Plan has been amended since the opinion letter, the Plan sponsor and administrator believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, the Plan sponsor and administrator believe that the Plan is qualified and its related trust is exempt from tax.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the plan and recognize a tax liability if the plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Department of Labor or Internal Revenue Service. Management evaluated the Plan's tax positions and does not believe the Plan has

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any uncertain tax positions that require disclosure or adjustment to the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

#### 6. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Plan sponsor 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, all non-vested account balances would become 100% vested.

#### 7. Related Party Transactions

Fidelity Management Trust Company (“Fidelity”) currently serves as the trustee and custodian to the Plan. Accordingly, all investments managed by Fidelity and related entities qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for investment management services are included in net appreciation/depreciation in fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. As described in Note 2, the Plan made direct payments totaling \$5,138 to the recordkeeper which were not covered by revenue sharing. The Plan Sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan’s operations.

#### 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. Due to the level of risk associated with these securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the various risk factors will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants’ account balances and the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

#### 9. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 at December 31, 2024 and 2023:

|                              | <u>2024</u>          | <u>2023</u>          |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Per the financial statements | \$ 27,038,820        | \$ 24,353,962        |
| Excess contributions payable | <u>14,639</u>        | <u>14,521</u>        |
| Per Form 5500                | <u>\$ 27,053,459</u> | <u>\$ 24,368,483</u> |

The following is a reconciliation of total deductions per the financial statements to the Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2024:

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Total deductions per the financial statements | \$ 1,997,816        |
| Net excess contributions payable              | <u>(118)</u>        |
| Total expenses per Form 5500                  | <u>\$ 1,997,698</u> |

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Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)  
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| (a) | (b)   | (c)                                 | (e)                     |
|-----|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
|     | Identity of issue, borrower<br><u>lessor or similar party</u> | Description of<br><u>investment</u> | Current<br><u>Value</u> |
|     | Calvert Bond  | Mutual Fund                         | \$ 708,700              |
|     | Calvert Balanced  | Mutual Fund                         | 66,750                  |
| *   | Fidelity Total Bond   | Mutual Fund                         | 262,057                 |
|     | American Century Equity Income                                | Mutual Fund                         | 819,901                 |
| *   | Fidelity Mid Cap Idx  | Mutual Fund                         | 725,886                 |
| *   | Fidelity Contrafund   | Mutual Fund                         | 2,002,071               |
| *   | Fidelity Growth Company                                       | Mutual Fund                         | 705,261                 |
| *   | Fidelity Select Technology                                    | Mutual Fund                         | 1,844,786               |
| *   | Fidelity International Discovery                              | Mutual Fund                         | 929,697                 |
| *   | Fidelity Low Priced Stock                                     | Mutual Fund                         | 510,753                 |
| *   | Fidelity Mid Cap Stock  | Mutual Fund                         | 209,438                 |
| *   | Fidelity Small Cap Idx  | Mutual Fund                         | 316,002                 |
| *   | Fidelity Small Cap Growth                                     | Mutual Fund                         | 388,410                 |
| *   | Fidelity 500 Index  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,427,540               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2005                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 23,745                  |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2015                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 113,642                 |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2025                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,241,480               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2035                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 2,337,545               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2045                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,870,562               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2055                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 956,000                 |
|     | Parnassus Core Equity IS                                      | Mutual Fund                         | 3,019,924               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2020                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 208,025                 |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2030                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 1,241,916               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2040                                  | Mutual Fund                         | 2,861,657               |
|     | T.Rowe Price Retirement 2050                                  | Mutual Fund                         | <u>588,230</u>          |
|     |   |                                     | 25,379,978              |
| *   | Fidelity Govt Mmkt  | Interest-bearing Cash               | 1,251,859               |
| *   | Participant loans   | 45 loans; 5.25-10.50%               | <u>421,622</u>          |
|     |   |                                     | <u>\$ 27,053,459</u>    |

\* Party-in-interest.

Column (d) is not applicable.

The accompanying independent auditor's report  
and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.