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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security<br/>Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p> | <p><b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</p> <p>▶ <b>Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b></p> | <p style="font-size: x-small;">OMB Nos. 1210-0110<br/>1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">2024</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p> |
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**Part I Annual Report Identification Information**  
 For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

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

a single-employer plan  a DFE (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**B** This return/report is:  the first return/report  the final return/report

an amended return/report  a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

**C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . . ▶

**D** Check box if filing under:  Form 5558  automatic extension  the DFVC program

special extension (enter description)

**E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. . . . . ▶

**Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information**

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| <p><b>1a</b> Name of plan<br/><u>THE CHANNEL COMPANY 401(K) PLAN</u></p>   | <p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u></p>   |
| <p><b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)<br/>Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)<br/>City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)<br/><u>THE CHANNEL COMPANY, LLC</u></p> <p><u>117 KENDRICK STREET, SUITE 300</u><br/><u>NEEDHAM, MA 02492</u></p> | <p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan<br/><u>01/01/2014</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br/><u>46-3442417</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number<br/><u>508-416-1100</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions)<br/><u>511120</u></p> |

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

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

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| <b>SIGN HERE</b> | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 08/21/2025 | MELLISIA JAMES   |
|                  | Signature of plan administrator                   | Date       | Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator       |
| <b>SIGN HERE</b> |   |            |  |
|                  | Signature of employer/plan sponsor                | Date       | Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor |
| <b>SIGN HERE</b> |   |            |  |
|                  | Signature of DFE                                  | Date       | Enter name of individual signing as DFE                      |

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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>                                   | 425 |
| <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>                               | 277 |
|   | <b>6a(2)</b>                               | 261 |
|   | <b>6b</b>                                  | 0   |
|   | <b>6c</b>                                  | 145 |
|   | <b>6d</b>                                  | 406 |
|   | <b>6e</b>                                  | 0   |
|   | <b>6f</b>                                  | 406 |
|   | <b>6g(1)</b>                               | 413 |
| <b>6g(2)</b>  | 393  |     |
| <b>6h</b>   | 32   |     |
| <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 2T 3D 2E

**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 checked="" 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>THE CHANNEL COMPANY 401(K) PLAN                                  | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                     | 001 |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br>THE CHANNEL COMPANY, LLC | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br>46-3442417 |     |

**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)

STRATEGIC ADVISORS, INC.

04-2654524

| (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? |
|------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 27                     | ADVISOR   | 8420   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>                                  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>   |   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                     |

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

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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? |
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| 37 60 64 65            | RECORDKEEPER  | -1630  | 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? |
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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 |
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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. |   |
| AF NEW WORLD FUND R4 - AMERICAN FU<br><br>95-2566717                | 0.35%  |   |
| (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. |   |
| FKLN SM CAP VAL ADV - FRANKLIN TEM<br><br>94-3167260                | 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. |   |
| MFS VALUE R4 - MFS SERVICE CENTER<br><br>04-2865649                 | 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. |   |
| OAKMARK INTL INV - SS&C GIDS, INC<br>1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS<br>NEW YORK, NY 10105 | 0.35%  |   |
| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2                                | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation                    | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |   |
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| (a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2                                | (b) Service Codes (see instructions)   | (c) Enter amount of indirect compensation |
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| (d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation                    | (e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation. |   |
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**Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information**

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

| <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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| <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)

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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:

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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: |                     |
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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>SCHEDULE D</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> | <b>DFE/Participating Plan 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> | OMB No. 1210-0110<br><br><hr/> <b>2024</b><br><br><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b> |
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| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><u>THE CHANNEL COMPANY 401(K) PLAN</u>   | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN)                              | <u>001</u> |
| <b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><u>THE CHANNEL COMPANY, LLC</u> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><u>46-3442417</u> |            |

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| <b>Part I</b> | <b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b><br>(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs) |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>MIP CL 1</u>                             |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>FIDELITY MANAGEMENT TRUST COMPANY</u> |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>04-3022712-024</u>  | <b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u> | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>482282</u> |
|  |                               |   |
| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:   |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):  |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN  | <b>d</b> Entity code          | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)               |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:   |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):  |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN  | <b>d</b> Entity code          | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)               |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:   |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):  |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN  | <b>d</b> Entity code          | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)               |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:   |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):  |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN  | <b>d</b> Entity code          | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)               |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:   |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):  |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN  | <b>d</b> Entity code          | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)               |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:   |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):  |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN  | <b>d</b> Entity code          | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)               |
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| <b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:   |                               |   |
| <b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):  |                               |   |
| <b>c</b> EIN-PN  | <b>d</b> Entity code          | <b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)               |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

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**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

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**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)



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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>THE CHANNEL COMPANY 401(K) 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>THE CHANNEL COMPANY, LLC</b>         | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>46-3442417</b> |

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

**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>    | 2133774               | 1292857         |
| <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>    | 181620                | 202927          |
| <b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....                                     | <b>1c(9)</b>    | 502481                | 482282          |
| <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>   | 29263838              | 34505676        |
| <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>    | 32081713              | 36483742        |
| <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>    | 32081713              | 36483742        |

**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> | 654293     |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Participants.....   | <b>2a(1)(B)</b> | 2498898    |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....   | <b>2a(1)(C)</b> | 252169     |           |
| (2) Noncash contributions.....   | <b>2a(2)</b>    | 0          | 3405360   |
| (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>    |            |           |
| <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> | 84346      |           |
| <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> | 12524      |           |
| <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> |            | 96870     |
| <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> | 972846     |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....                  | <b>2b(2)(D)</b> |            | 972846    |
| <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 .....                              | 2b(6)      | 9930      |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....                              | 2b(7)      | 0         |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....                      | 2b(8)      | 0         |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....                            | 2b(9)      | 0         |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) ..... | 2b(10)     | 3715839   |
| <b>c</b> Other income .....   | 2c         | 0         |
| <b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....        | 2d         | 8200845   |

**Expenses**

|   |        |         |
|---|--------|---------|
| <b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:                                  |        |         |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....             | 2e(1)  | 3782741 |
| (2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....                               | 2e(2)  | 0       |
| (3) Other .....   | 2e(3)  | 0       |
| (4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3) .....                               | 2e(4)  | 3782741 |
| <b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....                                  | 2f     | 9285    |
| <b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....         | 2g     | 0       |
| <b>h</b> Interest expense .....   | 2h     | 0       |
| <b>i</b> Administrative expenses:   |        |         |
| (1) Salaries and allowances .....   | 2i(1)  | 0       |
| (2) Contract administrator fees .....   | 2i(2)  | 1200    |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees .....  | 2i(3)  | -2830   |
| (4) IQPA audit fees .....   | 2i(4)  | 0       |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....                                | 2i(5)  | 8420    |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....                                      | 2i(6)  | 0       |
| (7) Actuarial fees .....  | 2i(7)  | 0       |
| (8) Legal fees .....  | 2i(8)  | 0       |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....  | 2i(9)  | 0       |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....  | 2i(10) | 0       |
| (11) Other expenses .....   | 2i(11) | 0       |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) .....                      | 2i(12) | 6790    |
| <b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total ..... | 2j     | 3798816 |

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

|   |       |         |
|---|-------|---------|
| <b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d ..... | 2k    | 4402029 |
| <b>l</b> Transfers of assets:                                   |       |         |
| (1) To this plan .....  | 2l(1) | 0       |
| (2) From this plan .....  | 2l(2) | 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: PKF O'CONNOR DAVIES, LLP

(2) EIN: 27-1728945

**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   |    | 2000000 |
| <b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?  |     | X  |         |
| <b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?   |     | X  |         |
| <b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?   |     | X  |         |
| <b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)   | X   |    |         |
| <b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)   |     | X  |         |
| <b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?  |     | X  |         |
| <b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?   |     | X  |         |
| <b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)   |     | 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.  |     |    |         |

**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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|                              |                     |                    |
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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**

|  |  |            |
|--|--|------------|
| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><b>THE CHANNEL COMPANY 401(K) 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>THE CHANNEL COMPANY, LLC</b> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>46-3442417</b> |            |

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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.**

|  |          |  |
|--|----------|--|
| <b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....  | <b>1</b> |  |
| <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 .....   | <b>3</b> |  |

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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) .....  | <b>6a</b>                    |                             |                              |
| <b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....  | <b>6b</b>                    |                             |                              |
| <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).....   | <b>6c</b>                    |                             |                              |
| <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 |

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| <b>Part III</b> | <b>Amendments</b> |
|-----------------|-------------------|

|  |                                   |                                   |                               |                             |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <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 |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <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. |
|----------------|---|

|  |                              |                             |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <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.

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## Independent Auditors' Report

### The Plan Administrator of The Channel Company 401(k) Plan

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

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

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

Management has obtained certification 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 audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

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

***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

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

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

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

***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

***Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA***

The supplemental Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i – 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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

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In our opinion:

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

*PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP*

July 7, 2025

## The Channel Company 401(k) Plan

### Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

|                                    | December 31,         |                      |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                                    | <u>2024</u>          | <u>2023</u>          |
| <b>ASSETS</b>                      |                      |                      |
| Investments, at Fair Value         |                      |                      |
| Mutual funds                       | \$ 34,505,676        | \$ 29,263,838        |
| Common/collective trust            | 513,145              | 532,813              |
| Money market fund                  | <u>1,292,857</u>     | <u>2,133,774</u>     |
| Total Investments                  | <u>36,311,678</u>    | <u>31,930,425</u>    |
| Receivables                        |                      |                      |
| Notes receivable from participants | 202,927              | 181,620              |
| Participants contributions         | 93,516               | 86,382               |
| Employer contributions             | <u>29,660</u>        | <u>29,252</u>        |
| Total Receivables                  | <u>326,103</u>       | <u>297,254</u>       |
| Total Assets                       | 36,637,781           | 32,227,679           |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                 | <u>-</u>             | <u>-</u>             |
| Net Assets Available for Benefits  | <u>\$ 36,637,781</u> | <u>\$ 32,227,679</u> |

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### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits Year Ended December 31, 2024

#### **ADDITIONS**

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Contributions                                  |                  |
| Participants                                   | \$ 2,506,033     |
| Employer                                       | 654,701          |
| Rollover                                       | <u>252,169</u>   |
| Total Contributions                            | <u>3,412,903</u> |
| Investment Income                              |                  |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments  | 3,726,299        |
| Interest and dividends                         | <u>1,057,192</u> |
| Total Investment Income                        | <u>4,783,491</u> |
| Interest on notes receivable from participants | <u>12,524</u>    |
| Total Additions                                | <u>8,208,918</u> |

#### **DEDUCTIONS**

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Benefits paid to participants | 3,782,741        |
| Corrective distributions      | 9,285            |
| Administrative expenses       | <u>6,790</u>     |
| Total Deductions              | <u>3,798,816</u> |
| Net Increase                  | 4,410,102        |

#### **NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Beginning of year | <u>32,227,679</u>   |
| End of year       | <u>\$36,637,781</u> |

## The Channel Company 401(k) Plan

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### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of The Channel Company 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

#### ***General***

The Plan, with an effective date of January 1, 2014, is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all eligible employees of The Channel Company, LLC (the "Company" or "Employer"). An employee must be 21 years of age or older to participate in the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

#### ***Contributions***

Each year, eligible employees may elect to contribute up to 90% of their eligible compensation to the Plan on a pre-tax or Roth basis, subject to limitations established by the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). The Plan has 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 will have their deferral rate set at 6% of their eligible compensation. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. A participant may elect to increase, decrease or suspend their contributions according to procedures established by the Company. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans.

In addition, the Employer may make a discretionary matching contribution on behalf of eligible participants, in amounts to be determined by the Company. In order to receive the Employer discretionary contribution, if any, an employee must be participating in the Plan. The Employer made a discretionary matching contribution in the amount of 50% of participant elective deferrals up to 3% of a participant's eligible compensation during the 2024 plan year.

#### ***Participant Accounts***

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and allocations of Employer contributions and Plan earnings (losses) thereon. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined in the Plan document. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. The Plan's investments are participant directed.

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### 1. Description of Plan *(continued)*

#### ***Vesting***

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Due to The Channel Company's merger of Lauchlan Group, LLC, all participants transferred as a part of the merger are automatically 100% vested in all of their accounts for the 2023 plan year. Vesting in the Employer's non-elective and matching contribution portion of their accounts is as follows:

| <u>Years of Vesting Service</u> | <u>% Vested</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Less than 1                     | 0%              |
| 1                               | 20%             |
| 2                               | 40%             |
| 3                               | 60%             |
| 4                               | 80%             |
| 5 or more                       | 100%            |

#### ***Payment of Benefits***

Benefits are paid upon retirement, age 59 ½, death, or other termination of employment. Upon termination of service, a participant's balance will be paid in a lump-sum amount equal to the participant's account balance. Benefits can also be distributed in the event of a participant's immediate and heavy financial need. Upon termination if a participant's vested account is \$5,000 or less, the participant will receive the value of his or her account in a single lump-sum distribution.

#### ***Forfeitures***

A participant that terminates employment before becoming 100% vested in the Employer contributions forfeits the unvested portion of their account balance. Forfeitures are retained in the Plan and may be used to reduce future Employer contributions or pay administrative expenses of the Plan. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$134,635 and \$138,756. During 2024, \$124,094 of forfeitures were used to reduce Employer contributions and \$275 were incurred as administrative expenses.

#### ***Revenue Credit Account***

The Plan and Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity" or "Trustee") entered into a revenue sharing arrangement whereby a portion of the revenue earned by the trustee from certain funds is passed through to the Plan for payment of permitted Plan expenses or allocation to Plan participants. In order for the Plan to receive credits as a result of this revenue sharing arrangement, the Company created a Revenue Credit Account under the Plan. The Revenue Credit Account is an account within the Plan that is used to record the redistribution of Plan-generated fund revenue that exceeds the costs associated with Plan administration. The Revenue Credit Account balance was \$11,825 and \$5,310 at December 31, 2024 and 2023. During 2024, revenue credits received of \$6,161 were used to reduce administrative expenses.

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### 1. Description of Plan *(continued)*

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

Participants may borrow from their accounts, a minimum amount of \$1,000 up to a maximum amount equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance. The loans are secured by the vested balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for loans which would be made under similar circumstances, as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions over a period not to exceed five years. Loans for the purchase of a principal residence may not extend beyond 10 years from the date of the loan. A participant may have no more than 1 loan outstanding at any one time.

#### ***Plan Termination***

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of a Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their Employer contributions.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### ***Basis of Accounting and Use of Estimates***

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), which requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect assets, liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### ***Fair Value Measurements***

The Plan follows U.S. GAAP guidance on *Fair Value Measurements* which defines fair value and establishes a fair value hierarchy organized into three levels based upon the input assumptions used in pricing assets. Level 1 inputs have the highest reliability and are related to assets with unadjusted quoted prices in active markets. Level 2 inputs relate to assets with other than quoted prices in active markets which may include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities or other inputs which can be corroborated by observable market data. Level 3 inputs are unobservable and are used to the extent that observable inputs do not exist.

Pursuant to U.S. GAAP guidance, alternative investments where fair value is measured using the Net Asset Value ("NAV") per share as a practical expedient is not categorized within the fair value hierarchy.

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### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (*continued*)

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

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. The mutual funds and the money market fund held by the Plan are valued at fair value based on the daily closing price as reported by the funds. These funds are open-ended and are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily NAV and to transact at that price. These funds are deemed to be actively traded. The common/collective trust is valued at the NAV of units held by the Plan. The NAV, as provided by the trustee, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. The practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV.

Purchases and sales of investments 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 in fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold during the year.

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

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

#### ***Payment of Benefits***

Benefits are recorded when paid.

#### ***Expenses***

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

#### ***Subsequent Events Evaluation by Management***

Management has evaluated subsequent events for disclosure and/or recognition in the financial statements through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, which date is July 7, 2025.

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### 3. Information Certified (Unaudited)

Certain information related to investments and notes receivable from participants disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA required Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) including investments and notes receivable from participants at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, interest and dividends, and interest on notes receivable from participants for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Fidelity Management Trust Company, a qualified institution.

### 4. Investments

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments at fair value as of December 31:

|                         | 2024                 |  |                      |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------|
|                         | Level 1              | Other<br>Investments<br>Measured<br>at NAV * | Total                |
| Mutual funds            | \$ 34,505,676        | \$ -   | \$ 34,505,676        |
| Common/collective trust | -                    | 513,145                                      | 513,145              |
| Money market fund       | <u>1,292,857</u>     | -  | <u>1,292,857</u>     |
|                         | <u>\$ 35,798,533</u> | <u>\$ 513,145</u>                            | <u>\$ 36,311,678</u> |
|                         |                      |  |                      |
|                         | 2023                 |  |                      |
|                         | Level 1              | Other<br>Investments<br>Measured<br>at NAV * | Total                |
| Mutual funds            | \$ 29,263,838        | \$ -   | \$ 29,263,838        |
| Common/collective trust | -                    | 532,813                                      | 532,813              |
| Money market fund       | <u>2,133,774</u>     | -  | <u>2,133,774</u>     |
|                         | <u>\$ 31,397,612</u> | <u>\$ 532,813</u>                            | <u>\$ 31,930,425</u> |

(\*) As discussed in Note 2, investments that are measured using the practical expedient are not classified within the fair value hierarchy.

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### 5. Common/Collective Trust

The Managed Income Portfolio I (“MIP I”) is a common/collective trust. Fidelity Management Trust Company is the trustee of the MIP I. The MIP I invests in assets (typically fixed income securities or bond funds and may include derivative instruments such as futures contracts and swap agreements), enters wrap contracts issued with third parties, and invests in cash equivalents represented by shares in money market funds. Wrap contracts are purchased from issuers rated in the top three long-term rating categories (A- or the equivalent and above).

Investment contracts are designed to permit the use of book value accounting to maintain a constant \$1 unit price and to provide for the payment of participant-directed withdrawals and exchanges at book value (principal and interest accrued to date) during the term of the investment contracts. However, withdrawals prompted by certain events (e.g., termination of the portfolio, changes in laws or regulations, substantive modification to the portfolio or the administration of the portfolio that is not consented to by the wrap issuer, etc.) may be paid at market value which may be less than book value. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment in the MIP I at NAV.

NAV per unit is determined each business day. Issues and redemptions of units are recorded, upon receipt of unitholder’s instructions in good order, based on the next determined NAV per unit normally each day. In unusual market conditions, the trustee may impose restrictions on issues and redemptions of units.

### 6. Tax Status

The Plan’s prototype plan document preparer has obtained an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020 from the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) stating that the Plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

U.S. GAAP requires 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 IRS. The Plan is subject to routine examinations by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no examinations for any tax periods in progress.

### 7. Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain investments are managed by Fidelity. Fidelity is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions under ERISA.

Participants who are active employees may borrow from their accounts and such loans qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions under ERISA. These loans are recorded as notes receivable from participants on the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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### 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 certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Global and domestic economic uncertainty has resulted in significant volatility in financial markets. This volatility has affected, and may continue to affect, the value of the Plan's net assets available for benefits. The effects of economic and market conditions subsequent to December 31, 2024 are not reflected in these financial statements and future effects on the Plan's net assets available for benefits cannot be predicted.

### 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:

|  | <u>2024</u>          | <u>2023</u>          |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements | \$ 36,637,781        | \$ 32,227,679        |
| Participants contributions receivable                          | (93,516)             | (86,382)             |
| Employer contributions receivable                              | (29,660)             | (29,252)             |
| Difference in valuation for common/collective trust            | <u>(30,863)</u>      | <u>(30,332)</u>      |
| Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500                | <u>\$ 36,483,742</u> | <u>\$ 32,081,713</u> |

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

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Net increase per the financial statements                     | \$ 4,410,102        |
| Change in participants contributions receivable               | (7,134)             |
| Change in employer contributions receivable                   | (408)               |
| Change in difference in valuation for common/collective trust | <u>(531)</u>        |
| Net Increase per Form 5500                                    | <u>\$ 4,402,029</u> |

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Schedule Pursuant to Department of Labor Requirements  
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Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

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Plan #: 001

| (a) | (b)<br>Identity of Issue, Borrower,<br>Lessor or Similar Party | (c)<br>Description of Investment<br>Including Maturity Date, Rate of<br>Interest, Collateral, Par, or<br>Maturity Value | (e)<br>Current<br>value |
|-----|--|---|-------------------------|
|     | <b>MUTUAL FUNDS</b>  | <b>SHARES / UNITS</b>   |                         |
| *   | Fidelity 500 Index   | 23,028  | \$ 4,702,087            |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2040 K  | 350,831   | 4,055,610               |
| *   | Fidelity Blue Chip Growth K                                    | 14,383  | 3,285,904               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2055 K  | 199,897   | 3,160,379               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2035 K  | 166,029   | 2,598,355               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2050 K  | 169,134   | 2,308,684               |
|     | Vanguard Total Stock Market Adm                                | 14,306  | 2,017,590               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2045 K  | 149,128   | 2,008,755               |
| *   | Fidelity Total Bond  | 165,460   | 1,555,327               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2030 K  | 79,450  | 1,394,346               |
|     | Vanguard Small Cap Index Adm                                   | 11,287  | 1,299,816               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2060 K  | 87,106  | 1,262,170               |
| *   | Fidelity Internaional Index                                    | 19,787  | 940,695                 |
|     | CBA Small Cap Growth IS  | 20,485  | 812,421                 |
| *   | Fidelity Extended Market Index                                 | 8,593   | 780,901                 |
|     | JPMorgan Mid Cap Growth I                                      | 10,440  | 520,420                 |
|     | MFS Value R4   | 7,530   | 364,444                 |
| *   | Fidelity US Bond Index   | 28,395  | 290,201                 |
|     | AF New World Fund  | 2,746   | 210,046                 |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2025 K  | 13,995  | 190,477                 |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2065 K  | 12,014  | 158,826                 |
|     | Franklin Small Cap Value Adv                                   | 2,557   | 154,413                 |
|     | Oakmark International  | 5,386   | 134,698                 |
| *   | Fidelity Real Estate Invs                                      | 3,319   | 128,069                 |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2015 K  | 8,816   | 100,501                 |
|     | DFA International Small Co I                                   | 3,482   | 67,549                  |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2020 K  | 208   | <u>2,992</u>            |
|     | Total Mutual Funds   |   | 34,505,676              |
|     | <b>COMMON/COLLECTIVE TRUST</b>                                 |   |                         |
| *   | Managed Income Portfolio I                                     | 513,145   | 513,145                 |
|     | <b>MONEY MARKET FUND</b>                                       |   |                         |
| *   | Fidelity Government Market Fund                                | 1,292,857   | <u>1,292,857</u>        |
|     | Total Investments  |   | 36,311,678              |
| *   | <b>NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS</b>                      | Interest rates range from 4.25% to<br>9.50% with maturities through 2032  | <u>202,927</u>          |
|     | Total Assets (Held at End of Year)                             |   | <u>\$ 36,514,605</u>    |

\* - Denotes a party in-interest as defined by ERISA.

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## Independent Auditors' Report

### The Plan Administrator of The Channel Company 401(k) Plan

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

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

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

Management has obtained certification 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 audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

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

***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

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

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

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

***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

***Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA***

The supplemental Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i – 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 audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

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In our opinion:

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

*PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP*

July 7, 2025

## The Channel Company 401(k) Plan

### Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

|                                    | December 31,         |                      |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                                    | <u>2024</u>          | <u>2023</u>          |
| <b>ASSETS</b>                      |                      |                      |
| Investments, at Fair Value         |                      |                      |
| Mutual funds                       | \$ 34,505,676        | \$ 29,263,838        |
| Common/collective trust            | 513,145              | 532,813              |
| Money market fund                  | <u>1,292,857</u>     | <u>2,133,774</u>     |
| Total Investments                  | <u>36,311,678</u>    | <u>31,930,425</u>    |
| Receivables                        |                      |                      |
| Notes receivable from participants | 202,927              | 181,620              |
| Participants contributions         | 93,516               | 86,382               |
| Employer contributions             | <u>29,660</u>        | <u>29,252</u>        |
| Total Receivables                  | <u>326,103</u>       | <u>297,254</u>       |
| Total Assets                       | 36,637,781           | 32,227,679           |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                 | <u>-</u>             | <u>-</u>             |
| Net Assets Available for Benefits  | <u>\$ 36,637,781</u> | <u>\$ 32,227,679</u> |

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### Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits Year Ended December 31, 2024

#### **ADDITIONS**

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Contributions                                  |                  |
| Participants                                   | \$ 2,506,033     |
| Employer                                       | 654,701          |
| Rollover                                       | <u>252,169</u>   |
| Total Contributions                            | <u>3,412,903</u> |
| Investment Income                              |                  |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments  | 3,726,299        |
| Interest and dividends                         | <u>1,057,192</u> |
| Total Investment Income                        | <u>4,783,491</u> |
| Interest on notes receivable from participants | <u>12,524</u>    |
| Total Additions                                | <u>8,208,918</u> |

#### **DEDUCTIONS**

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Benefits paid to participants | 3,782,741        |
| Corrective distributions      | 9,285            |
| Administrative expenses       | <u>6,790</u>     |
| Total Deductions              | <u>3,798,816</u> |
| Net Increase                  | 4,410,102        |

#### **NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**

|                   |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Beginning of year | <u>32,227,679</u>   |
| End of year       | <u>\$36,637,781</u> |

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### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of The Channel Company 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

#### ***General***

The Plan, with an effective date of January 1, 2014, is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all eligible employees of The Channel Company, LLC (the "Company" or "Employer"). An employee must be 21 years of age or older to participate in the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

#### ***Contributions***

Each year, eligible employees may elect to contribute up to 90% of their eligible compensation to the Plan on a pre-tax or Roth basis, subject to limitations established by the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). The Plan has 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 will have their deferral rate set at 6% of their eligible compensation. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. A participant may elect to increase, decrease or suspend their contributions according to procedures established by the Company. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans.

In addition, the Employer may make a discretionary matching contribution on behalf of eligible participants, in amounts to be determined by the Company. In order to receive the Employer discretionary contribution, if any, an employee must be participating in the Plan. The Employer made a discretionary matching contribution in the amount of 50% of participant elective deferrals up to 3% of a participant's eligible compensation during the 2024 plan year.

#### ***Participant Accounts***

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and allocations of Employer contributions and Plan earnings (losses) thereon. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined in the Plan document. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. The Plan's investments are participant directed.

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### 1. Description of Plan (*continued*)

#### ***Vesting***

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Due to The Channel Company's merger of Lauchlan Group, LLC, all participants transferred as a part of the merger are automatically 100% vested in all of their accounts for the 2023 plan year. Vesting in the Employer's non-elective and matching contribution portion of their accounts is as follows:

| <u>Years of Vesting Service</u> | <u>% Vested</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Less than 1                     | 0%              |
| 1                               | 20%             |
| 2                               | 40%             |
| 3                               | 60%             |
| 4                               | 80%             |
| 5 or more                       | 100%            |

#### ***Payment of Benefits***

Benefits are paid upon retirement, age 59 ½, death, or other termination of employment. Upon termination of service, a participant's balance will be paid in a lump-sum amount equal to the participant's account balance. Benefits can also be distributed in the event of a participant's immediate and heavy financial need. Upon termination if a participant's vested account is \$5,000 or less, the participant will receive the value of his or her account in a single lump-sum distribution.

#### ***Forfeitures***

A participant that terminates employment before becoming 100% vested in the Employer contributions forfeits the unvested portion of their account balance. Forfeitures are retained in the Plan and may be used to reduce future Employer contributions or pay administrative expenses of the Plan. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$134,635 and \$138,756. During 2024, \$124,094 of forfeitures were used to reduce Employer contributions and \$275 were incurred as administrative expenses.

#### ***Revenue Credit Account***

The Plan and Fidelity Management Trust Company ("Fidelity" or "Trustee") entered into a revenue sharing arrangement whereby a portion of the revenue earned by the trustee from certain funds is passed through to the Plan for payment of permitted Plan expenses or allocation to Plan participants. In order for the Plan to receive credits as a result of this revenue sharing arrangement, the Company created a Revenue Credit Account under the Plan. The Revenue Credit Account is an account within the Plan that is used to record the redistribution of Plan-generated fund revenue that exceeds the costs associated with Plan administration. The Revenue Credit Account balance was \$11,825 and \$5,310 at December 31, 2024 and 2023. During 2024, revenue credits received of \$6,161 were used to reduce administrative expenses.

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### 1. Description of Plan *(continued)*

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

Participants may borrow from their accounts, a minimum amount of \$1,000 up to a maximum amount equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance. The loans are secured by the vested balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for loans which would be made under similar circumstances, as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions over a period not to exceed five years. Loans for the purchase of a principal residence may not extend beyond 10 years from the date of the loan. A participant may have no more than 1 loan outstanding at any one time.

#### ***Plan Termination***

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of a Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their Employer contributions.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### ***Basis of Accounting and Use of Estimates***

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"), which requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect assets, liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### ***Fair Value Measurements***

The Plan follows U.S. GAAP guidance on *Fair Value Measurements* which defines fair value and establishes a fair value hierarchy organized into three levels based upon the input assumptions used in pricing assets. Level 1 inputs have the highest reliability and are related to assets with unadjusted quoted prices in active markets. Level 2 inputs relate to assets with other than quoted prices in active markets which may include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities or other inputs which can be corroborated by observable market data. Level 3 inputs are unobservable and are used to the extent that observable inputs do not exist.

Pursuant to U.S. GAAP guidance, alternative investments where fair value is measured using the Net Asset Value ("NAV") per share as a practical expedient is not categorized within the fair value hierarchy.

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### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (*continued*)

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

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. The mutual funds and the money market fund held by the Plan are valued at fair value based on the daily closing price as reported by the funds. These funds are open-ended and are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily NAV and to transact at that price. These funds are deemed to be actively traded. The common/collective trust is valued at the NAV of units held by the Plan. The NAV, as provided by the trustee, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying investments held by the fund less its liabilities. The practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV.

Purchases and sales of investments 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 in fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold during the year.

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

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

#### ***Payment of Benefits***

Benefits are recorded when paid.

#### ***Expenses***

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

#### ***Subsequent Events Evaluation by Management***

Management has evaluated subsequent events for disclosure and/or recognition in the financial statements through the date that the financial statements were available to be issued, which date is July 7, 2025.

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### 3. Information Certified (Unaudited)

Certain information related to investments and notes receivable from participants disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA required Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) including investments and notes receivable from participants at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, interest and dividends, and interest on notes receivable from participants for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Fidelity Management Trust Company, a qualified institution.

### 4. Investments

The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments at fair value as of December 31:

|                         | 2024                 |  |                      |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------|
|                         | Level 1              | Other<br>Investments<br>Measured<br>at NAV * | Total                |
| Mutual funds            | \$ 34,505,676        | \$ -   | \$ 34,505,676        |
| Common/collective trust | -                    | 513,145                                      | 513,145              |
| Money market fund       | <u>1,292,857</u>     | -  | <u>1,292,857</u>     |
|                         | <u>\$ 35,798,533</u> | <u>\$ 513,145</u>                            | <u>\$ 36,311,678</u> |
|                         |                      |  |                      |
|                         | 2023                 |  |                      |
|                         | Level 1              | Other<br>Investments<br>Measured<br>at NAV * | Total                |
| Mutual funds            | \$ 29,263,838        | \$ -   | \$ 29,263,838        |
| Common/collective trust | -                    | 532,813                                      | 532,813              |
| Money market fund       | <u>2,133,774</u>     | -  | <u>2,133,774</u>     |
|                         | <u>\$ 31,397,612</u> | <u>\$ 532,813</u>                            | <u>\$ 31,930,425</u> |

(\*) As discussed in Note 2, investments that are measured using the practical expedient are not classified within the fair value hierarchy.

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### 5. Common/Collective Trust

The Managed Income Portfolio I (“MIP I”) is a common/collective trust. Fidelity Management Trust Company is the trustee of the MIP I. The MIP I invests in assets (typically fixed income securities or bond funds and may include derivative instruments such as futures contracts and swap agreements), enters wrap contracts issued with third parties, and invests in cash equivalents represented by shares in money market funds. Wrap contracts are purchased from issuers rated in the top three long-term rating categories (A- or the equivalent and above).

Investment contracts are designed to permit the use of book value accounting to maintain a constant \$1 unit price and to provide for the payment of participant-directed withdrawals and exchanges at book value (principal and interest accrued to date) during the term of the investment contracts. However, withdrawals prompted by certain events (e.g., termination of the portfolio, changes in laws or regulations, substantive modification to the portfolio or the administration of the portfolio that is not consented to by the wrap issuer, etc.) may be paid at market value which may be less than book value. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment in the MIP I at NAV.

NAV per unit is determined each business day. Issues and redemptions of units are recorded, upon receipt of unitholder’s instructions in good order, based on the next determined NAV per unit normally each day. In unusual market conditions, the trustee may impose restrictions on issues and redemptions of units.

### 6. Tax Status

The Plan’s prototype plan document preparer has obtained an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020 from the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”) stating that the Plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

U.S. GAAP requires 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 IRS. The Plan is subject to routine examinations by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no examinations for any tax periods in progress.

### 7. Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain investments are managed by Fidelity. Fidelity is the trustee as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions under ERISA.

Participants who are active employees may borrow from their accounts and such loans qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions under ERISA. These loans are recorded as notes receivable from participants on the statements of net assets available for benefits.

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### 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 certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Global and domestic economic uncertainty has resulted in significant volatility in financial markets. This volatility has affected, and may continue to affect, the value of the Plan's net assets available for benefits. The effects of economic and market conditions subsequent to December 31, 2024 are not reflected in these financial statements and future effects on the Plan's net assets available for benefits cannot be predicted.

### 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:

|  | <u>2024</u>          | <u>2023</u>          |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements | \$ 36,637,781        | \$ 32,227,679        |
| Participants contributions receivable                          | (93,516)             | (86,382)             |
| Employer contributions receivable                              | (29,660)             | (29,252)             |
| Difference in valuation for common/collective trust            | <u>(30,863)</u>      | <u>(30,332)</u>      |
| Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500                | <u>\$ 36,483,742</u> | <u>\$ 32,081,713</u> |

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

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Net increase per the financial statements                     | \$ 4,410,102        |
| Change in participants contributions receivable               | (7,134)             |
| Change in employer contributions receivable                   | (408)               |
| Change in difference in valuation for common/collective trust | <u>(531)</u>        |
| Net Increase per Form 5500                                    | <u>\$ 4,402,029</u> |

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Supplemental Schedule

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Schedule Pursuant to Department of Labor Requirements  
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Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

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| (a) | (b)<br>Identity of Issue, Borrower,<br>Lessor or Similar Party | (c)<br>Description of Investment<br>Including Maturity Date, Rate of<br>Interest, Collateral, Par, or<br>Maturity Value | (e)<br>Current<br>value |
|-----|--|---|-------------------------|
|     | <b>MUTUAL FUNDS</b>  | <b>SHARES / UNITS</b>   |                         |
| *   | Fidelity 500 Index   | 23,028  | \$ 4,702,087            |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2040 K  | 350,831   | 4,055,610               |
| *   | Fidelity Blue Chip Growth K                                    | 14,383  | 3,285,904               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2055 K  | 199,897   | 3,160,379               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2035 K  | 166,029   | 2,598,355               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2050 K  | 169,134   | 2,308,684               |
|     | Vanguard Total Stock Market Adm                                | 14,306  | 2,017,590               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2045 K  | 149,128   | 2,008,755               |
| *   | Fidelity Total Bond  | 165,460   | 1,555,327               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2030 K  | 79,450  | 1,394,346               |
|     | Vanguard Small Cap Index Adm                                   | 11,287  | 1,299,816               |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2060 K  | 87,106  | 1,262,170               |
| *   | Fidelity Internaional Index                                    | 19,787  | 940,695                 |
|     | CBA Small Cap Growth IS  | 20,485  | 812,421                 |
| *   | Fidelity Extended Market Index                                 | 8,593   | 780,901                 |
|     | JPMorgan Mid Cap Growth I                                      | 10,440  | 520,420                 |
|     | MFS Value R4   | 7,530   | 364,444                 |
| *   | Fidelity US Bond Index   | 28,395  | 290,201                 |
|     | AF New World Fund  | 2,746   | 210,046                 |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2025 K  | 13,995  | 190,477                 |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2065 K  | 12,014  | 158,826                 |
|     | Franklin Small Cap Value Adv                                   | 2,557   | 154,413                 |
|     | Oakmark International  | 5,386   | 134,698                 |
| *   | Fidelity Real Estate Invs                                      | 3,319   | 128,069                 |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2015 K  | 8,816   | 100,501                 |
|     | DFA International Small Co I                                   | 3,482   | 67,549                  |
| *   | Fidelity Freedom 2020 K  | 208   | <u>2,992</u>            |
|     | Total Mutual Funds   |   | 34,505,676              |
|     | <b>COMMON/COLLECTIVE TRUST</b>                                 |   |                         |
| *   | Managed Income Portfolio I                                     | 513,145   | 513,145                 |
|     | <b>MONEY MARKET FUND</b>                                       |   |                         |
| *   | Fidelity Government Market Fund                                | 1,292,857   | <u>1,292,857</u>        |
|     | Total Investments  |   | 36,311,678              |
| *   | <b>NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS</b>                      | Interest rates range from 4.25% to<br>9.50% with maturities through 2032  | <u>202,927</u>          |
|     | Total Assets (Held at End of Year)                             |   | <u>\$ 36,514,605</u>    |

\* - Denotes a party in-interest as defined by ERISA.