

Form 5500

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

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

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

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2024

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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, a single-employer plan, a DFE (specify), the first return/report, the final return/report, an amended return/report, a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
B This return/report is:
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

1a Name of plan SMITH MEC PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 501
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2015
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) SMITH PROTECTIVE MANAGEMENT
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-2426028
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 972-960-7644
2d Business code (see instructions) 551112

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

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

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes rows for employer/plan sponsor and DFE.

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.

3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor SMITH PROTECTIVE MANGEMENT P.O. BOX 803029 DALLAS, TX 75380	3b Administrator's EIN 75-2426028 3c Administrator's telephone number 972-960-7644
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4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	120
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6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	6a(1)	120
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	139
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b	
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d	139
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e	
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	
g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(1)	
g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(2)	
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6h	

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	
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8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
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9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

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

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

A Name of plan SMITH MEC PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	501
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 SMITH PROTECTIVE MANAGEMENT	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-2426028	

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)

GROUP & PENSION ADMINISTRATORS, INC

75-1617587

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
12	CLAIMS PROCESSING	145976	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)

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

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

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			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
(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.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(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.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(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.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

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

Explanation:

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

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 SMITH PROTECTIVE MANAGEMENT	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-2426028

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	15596
(3) Other	1b(3)	3646
c General investments:		
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	187769
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)	
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	
(15) Other	1c(15)	

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	239663	203365
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k		
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	239663	203365

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)		
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	99691	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		99691
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	9987	
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		109678

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)		
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	145976	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		145976
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		145976

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-36298
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) Unmodified (2) Qualified (3) Disclaimer (4) Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **THE CJ CPA GROUP, PLLC**

(2) EIN: **27-4461251**

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
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
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	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.		X	

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

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

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

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 _____.

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule
Smith MEC Plan
*As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and
for the Year Ended December 31, 2024*

Financial Statements and Supplement Schedule

Smith MEC Plan

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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* All other schedules required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 have been omitted because they are not applicable or the required information is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.



Report of Independent Auditors

To the Participants and Plan Administrator of
the Smith MEC Plan

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Smith MEC Plan (the “Plan”), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”), which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Smith MEC Plan as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit 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 Smith MEC 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 audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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 Smith MEC 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

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, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users made on the basis of these 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.
- 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 Smith MEC 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 Smith MEC Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule, which is composed the Schedule H, 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 has been subjected to the 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.



Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA (continued)

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, including their form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

The CJ CPA Group, P.C.

Frisco, Texas
August 28, 2025

Statements of Net Assets Available For Benefits As of December 31,	2024	2023
Assets:		
Investments, at fair value:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 187,769	\$ 228,712
Total investments, at fair value	<u>187,769</u>	<u>228,712</u>
Receivables:		
Employee contributions receivable	15,596	7,305
Other receivable	-	3,646
Total receivables	<u>15,596</u>	<u>10,951</u>
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 203,365	\$ 239,663

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available For Benefits
For the Year Ended December 31,**2024**

Additions:

Investment income:

Dividend and Interest income	\$ 9,987
Total investment income	<u>9,987</u>

Contributions:

Employee contributions	99,691
Total contributions	<u>99,691</u>
Total additions	<u>109,678</u>

Deductions:

Administrative expenses	145,976
Total deductions	<u>145,976</u>

Net change (36,298)**Net assets available for benefits:**

Beginning of year	239,663
End of year	<u>\$ 203,365</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

1. Description of Plan

The following brief description of the Smith MEC Plan (the “Plan”) is provided as general information only. Participants should refer to the Plan Document for a more comprehensive description of the Plan’s provisions.

General

The Plan is a self-funded employee welfare benefit plan available to all eligible employees of Smith Protective Management, Inc., Service Temps, Inc. (d/b/a Smith Personnel Solutions) and Smith Protective Services, Inc. (Collectively, the “Company” or “Plan Sponsor”). The Plan was originally established on January 1, 2015. The Plan provides for covered procedures, as defined by the Plan, as part of preventive and wellness care and prescription benefits for eligible members, as specified in the Plan. All benefits are provided from the assets of the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”).

New Plan Agreement

Effective January 1, 2023, the Plan Sponsor entered into an agreement with Staff Benefits Management & Administrators (“SBMA”). In accordance with the agreement, the liability for processing and full payment of claim obligations is directly held by SBMA. The Plan pays SBMA a monthly fee based on estimated covered participants each month. In exchange, SBMA processes and pays claim obligations directly from its established general fund. Any claims obligations in excess of amounts paid to SBMA are paid by SBMA from its captive entity arrangement.

Administration

The administration of the Plan is performed by Smith Protective Management, Inc. (“Plan Administrator”). The Plan Administrator has the authority to determine eligibility to receive benefits; to interpret all provisions of the Plan; and to establish, administer, and interpret rules that it deems appropriate or necessary.

Eligibility

An Employee, as defined by the Plan, is considered eligible for coverage on the first day of the month concurrent with or following the date that he or she: (1) completes a thirty (30) day Waiting Period, as defined by the Plan; and (2) is regularly scheduled to work for the Company on a full-time employment basis for at least thirty (30) hours per week (i.e., Non-variable Hour Employee) or a Variable Hour Employee, as defined by the Plan, who averages at least thirty (30) hours per week for a complete Measurement Period, as defined by the Plan, and is currently in a Stability Period, as defined by the Plan and determined by the Plan Sponsor. An employee will remain eligible throughout the Stability Period regardless of a changes in employment status (including, but not limited to, a reduction in hours) provided the individual continues to be an employee in accordance with the Affordable Care Act (as amended).

Each employee’s coverage under the Plan shall become effective on the first day of the month concurrent with or following the date the employee completes the eligibility requirements of the Plan provided written or electronic application for coverage is made on or before or within thirty-one (31) days after the employee eligibility requirements are met.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. Description of Plan (continued)

Eligibility (continued)

A Dependent, as defined by the Plan, will be considered eligible for coverage on the date the employee becomes eligible for dependent coverage or the date the dependent is acquired, subject to certain limitations and requirements of the Plan, and in accordance with the following: (1) A newborn child of a Covered Employee, as defined by the Plan, will be considered eligible and will be covered from the moment of birth for thirty-one (31) days. Written notification must be received by the Plan Administrator within thirty-one (31) days after the child's date of birth for continued coverage. A newborn child of a Dependent Child, as defined by the Plan, is not eligible for this Plan unless the newborn child meets the definition of an eligible dependent; (2) A new spouse of a covered employee and any dependent children of a new spouse who meet the Plan's definition of dependent will be considered eligible and will be covered on the first day of the month following the date of the covered employee's marriage, provided the spouse and/or his/her children are enrolled as dependents of the covered employee within thirty-one (31) days after the date of marriage; (3) A child of a covered employee who meets the Plan's definition of a dependent will be considered eligible if the child is under twenty-six (26) years of age; (4) A child placed with the covered employee for adoption, whether or not the adoption has become final, will be considered eligible and will be covered from the date of such adoption or placement for adoption. "Placement" means the assumption and retention by the covered employee of a legal obligation for total or partial support of such child in anticipation of adoption of such child; (5) If a dependent of a covered employee is to be enrolled in the Plan, other than at the time of his/her eligibility or birth, adoption, court order or marriage to the covered employee, that dependent would be considered a late enrollee unless he/she qualifies for a special enrollment; (6) A spouse and/or child of a covered employee who previously was not eligible for the Plan will be considered eligible on the date he/she meets the Plan's definition of dependent.

Dependent coverage under the Plan shall become effective on the date dependent eligibility requirements are met, provided the employee makes written or electronic application for dependent coverage on or before or within thirty-one (31) days after the date dependent eligibility are met subject to the enrollment requirements defined by the Plan.

Funding and Contributions

The Plan is funded through a 501(c)(9) exempt trust, which is comprised of contributions from participants. The Plan Sponsor, on an annual basis, evaluates the cost of the Plan and determines the amount to be contributed by the Company and the amount to be contributed by each participant. The Company is not required to, and does not, make contributions to the Plan. The Plan's participants pay premiums (based on the annually determined contribution rate) through payroll deductions. Premiums are remitted to American National Bank of Texas (the "Trustee") and held in a Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association Trust (the "Trust") until needed for the payment of benefits.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan are presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles general accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP").

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 3 for a discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year. The Plan Sponsor determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment custodian.

Administrative Expenses

Administrative fees, such as administrative service fees, trust account fees, and investment management fees, are paid by the Plan, as allowed by the Plan document. All other expenses are paid by the Company. The Company also provides to the Plan certain accounting services for which no allocation of costs have been made to the Plan.

Recently Adopted and New Accounting Principles

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-13, *Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, and subsequent amendments to the initial guidance, ASU 2019-10. This accounting standard changes the methodology for measuring credit losses on financial instruments and the timing of when such losses are recorded. ASU No. 2016-13 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2022. The Plan adopted the provisions of ASU 2016-13 for the year ended December 31, 2023. The adoption of this standard did not have a material impact on the Plan's financial statements.

Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date of the report of independent auditors, the date these financial statements were available to be issued. There were no material subsequent events that required recognition or additional disclosure in these financial statements.

3. Fair Value Measurements

The fair value hierarchy prioritizes the inputs used to measure fair value, giving the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 inputs) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 inputs).

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

3. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

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

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

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

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

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

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

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

Cash and cash equivalents: Valued at cost, plus accrued interest, which approximates fair value.

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

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

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 187,769	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 187,769
Total investments, at fair value	\$ 187,769	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 187,769

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

3. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

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

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 228,712	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 228,712
Total investments, at fair value	\$ 228,712	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 228,712

4. Benefit Obligation

The liability for processing and full payment of benefit obligations is directly held by SMBA. The Plan pays SBMA a monthly fee based on estimated covered participants each month. In exchange, SBMA processes and pays claim obligations directly from its established general fund. Therefore, any claims obligations in excess of amounts paid to SBMA are paid by SBMA from its captive entity arrangement.

5. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to modify the benefits provided to employees, to discontinue its contributions (if any) at any time, and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. Upon termination, the assets of the Plan shall continue to be used for the purpose of paying benefits under the provisions of the Plan with respect to claims arising before such termination.

6. Claims Administration Contract

The Plan's claims for benefits are administered by a third party under the terms of an administrative contract. The contract requires performance of services necessary for the operations and conduct of the day-to-day business of the Plan. As compensation for its services, the third party receives a monthly fee based upon the number of participants in the Plan and the type of coverage elected by the participating employees. This compensation is paid by the Plan and included in administrative expenses on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

7. Transactions with Parties-in-Interest

The Plan's investments are held by American National Bank of Texas, the Trustee of the Plan. Accordingly, American National Bank of Texas qualifies as a party-in-interest. For the Plan year ended December 31, 2024, the Plan paid custody fees to the Trustee of \$1,500 and is included in administrative expenses on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

As described in Note 6, the Plan has entered into a claims administration contract with SBMA, the Claims Administrator. Accordingly, SBMA qualifies as a party-in-interest. For the Plan year ended December 31, 2024, the Plan paid fees to the Claims Administrator of \$144,476, and is included in administrative expenses on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

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8. Tax Status

The Trust established under the Plan to hold the Plan's assets is intended to qualify pursuant to Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") and, accordingly, the Trust's net investment income is exempt from income taxes. The Trust has obtained a favorable tax exemption letter, dated August 3, 2015, from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"). Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the Plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believe that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax-exempt. Accordingly, no provision for federal income taxes has been provided in the accompanying financial statements.

U.S. GAAP require the plan administrator to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability for any uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by tax authorities; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Plan Administrator believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2021.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan has investments which are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities in the near term could materially affect the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

Supplemental Schedule
Smith MEC Plan
As of December 31, 2024

Schedule H, Line 4i

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

EIN: 75-2426028

As of December 31, 2024

Plan Number: 501

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
		Description of investment		
	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	including maturity date, rate of interest collateral, par, or maturity value	Original cost	Current value
Cash and Cash Equivalents				
	Cash and Cash Equivalents	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 187,769	\$ 187,769

Schedule H, Line 4i

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

EIN: 75-2426028

As of December 31, 2024

Plan Number: 501

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
		Description of investment		
	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	including maturity date, rate of interest collateral, par, or maturity value	Original cost	Current value
Cash and Cash Equivalents				
	Cash and Cash Equivalents	Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 187,769	\$ 187,769

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.)

B This return/report is: a single-employer plan a DFE (specify) _____
 the first return/report the final return/report
 an amended return/report a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

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

D Check box if filing under: Form 5558 automatic extension the DFVC program
 special extension (enter description)

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

Part II Basic Plan Information - enter all requested information

<p>1a Name of plan SMITH MEC PLAN</p>	<p>1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 501</p>
<p>2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) SMITH PROTECTIVE MANAGEMENT P.O. BOX 803029 DALLAS TX 75380</p>	<p>1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2015</p> <p>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 75-2426028</p> <p>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 972-960-7644</p> <p>2d Business code (see instructions) 551112</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.

SIGN HERE	<i>Aaron Smith</i>	09-04-2025	AARON SMITH
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE