

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security 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 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large; font-weight: bold;">2024</p> <hr/> <p style="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**

<p><b>1a</b> Name of plan <u>CARTER LEDYARD &amp; MILBURN LLP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN</u></p>	<p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>008</u></p>
<p><b>2a</b> 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) <u>CARTER LEDYARD &amp; MILBURN LLP</u></p> <p><u>2 WALL STREET</u> <u>NEW YORK, NY 10005</u></p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>10/01/1991</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>13-4986540</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>212-732-3200</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>541110</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.

<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	09/15/2025	JEROME CAULFIELD
	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

<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: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <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>	57
<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> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. .... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> ..... <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) ..... <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) ..... <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>	25
	<b>6a(2)</b>	29
	<b>6b</b>	1
	<b>6c</b>	30
	<b>6d</b>	60
	<b>6e</b>	0
	<b>6f</b>	60
	<b>6g(1)</b>	51
<b>6g(2)</b>	52	
<b>6h</b>	0	
<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 2T 3D 2R

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

<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)

<b>a Pension Schedules</b>	<b>b General Schedules</b>
(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input 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 checked="" 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 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 D</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	<b>DFE/Participating Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <hr/> <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>CARTER LEDYARD &amp; MILBURN LLP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN)	<u>008</u>
<b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>CARTER LEDYARD &amp; MILBURN LLP</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>13-4986540</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b> (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>CARTER LEDYARD &amp; MILBURN LLP MASTER</u>		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>CARTER LEDYARD AND MILBURN LLP</u>		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>04-3393540-001</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>M</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>9970815</u>
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
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<b>SCHEDULE I</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information—Small Plan</b>  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).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <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 <b>CARTER LEDYARD &amp; MILBURN LLP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <b>008</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>CARTER LEDYARD &amp; MILBURN LLP</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>13-4986540</b>

Complete Schedule I if the plan covered fewer than 100 participants as of the beginning of the plan year. You may also complete Schedule I if you are filing as a small plan under the 80-120 participant rule (see instructions). Complete Schedule H if reporting as a large plan or DFE.

**Part I Small Plan Financial Information**

Report below the current value of assets and liabilities, income, expenses, transfers and changes in net assets during the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Do not enter the value of the portion of an insurance contract that guarantees during this plan year to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. 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.**

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>1 Plan Assets and Liabilities:</b>			
<b>a</b> Total plan assets .....	<b>1a</b>	8580947	9970815
<b>b</b> Total plan liabilities .....	<b>1b</b>	0	0
<b>c</b> Net plan assets (subtract line 1b from line 1a) .....	<b>1c</b>	8580947	9970815
<b>2 Income, Expenses, and Transfers for this Plan Year:</b>		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a</b> Contributions received or receivable:			
(1) Employers .....	<b>2a(1)</b>	0	
(2) Participants .....	<b>2a(2)</b>	405646	
(3) Others (including rollovers) .....	<b>2a(3)</b>	82627	
<b>b</b> Noncash contributions .....	<b>2b</b>	0	
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>	1772981	
<b>d</b> Total income (add lines 2a(1), 2a(2), 2a(3), 2b, and 2c) .....	<b>2d</b>		2261254
<b>e</b> Benefits paid (including direct rollovers) .....	<b>2e</b>	446888	
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>	0	
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>	0	
<b>h</b> Administrative service providers (salaries, fees, and commissions) .....	<b>2h</b>	-7782	
<b>i</b> Other expenses .....	<b>2i</b>	0	
<b>j</b> Total expenses (add lines 2e, 2f, 2g, 2h, and 2i) .....	<b>2j</b>		439106
<b>k</b> Net income (loss) (subtract line 2j from line 2d) .....	<b>2k</b>		1822148
<b>l</b> Transfers to (from) the plan (see instructions) .....	<b>2l</b>		-432280

**3 Specific Assets:** If the plan held assets at any time during the plan year in any of the following categories, check "Yes" and enter the current value of any assets remaining in the plan as of the end of the plan year. Allocate the value of the plan's interest in a commingled trust containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the trust meets one of the specific exceptions described in the instructions.

		Yes	No	Amount
<b>a</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>3a</b>		X	
<b>b</b> Employer real property .....	<b>3b</b>		X	
<b>c</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>3c</b>		X	
<b>d</b> Employer securities .....	<b>3d</b>		X	
<b>e</b> Participant loans .....	<b>3e</b>		X	
<b>f</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>3f</b>		X	
<b>g</b> Tangible personal property .....	<b>3g</b>		X	

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Compliance Questions</b>
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		Yes	No	Amount
<b>4</b> During the plan year:				
<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.) .....	<b>4a</b>		X	
<b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by the participant's account balance. ....	<b>4b</b>		X	
<b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? .....	<b>4c</b>		X	
<b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a.) .....	<b>4d</b>		X	
<b>e</b> Was the plan covered by a fidelity bond? .....	<b>4e</b>	X		1000000
<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? .....	<b>4f</b>		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? .....	<b>4g</b>		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? .....	<b>4h</b>		X	
<b>i</b> Did the plan at any time hold 20% or more of its assets in any single security, debt, mortgage, parcel of real estate, or partnership/joint venture interest? .....	<b>4i</b>		X	
<b>j</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC? .....	<b>4j</b>		X	
<b>k</b> Are you claiming a waiver of the annual examination and report of an independent qualified public accountant (IQPA) under 29 CFR 2520.104-46? If "No," attach an IQPA's report or 2520.104-50 statement. (See instructions on waiver eligibility and conditions.) .....	<b>4k</b>	X		
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan? .....	<b>4l</b>		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.) .....	<b>4m</b>		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 .....	<b>4n</b>			

**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)
CARTER LEDYARD & MILBURN LLP 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN	13-4986540	001

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

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  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).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</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.**

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

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**2** Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):  
 EIN(s): 04-6568107

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

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

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<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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**4** Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....  Yes  No  N/A  
**If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.**

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

<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>	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

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

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

**b** EIN \_\_\_\_\_ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** Name of contributing employer \_\_\_\_\_

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**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

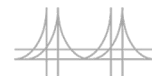
**21b** If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).  
 Design-based safe harbor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

# Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule  
Including Independent Auditor's Report

December 31, 2024



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# Independent Auditor's Report

Plan Trustees and Participants

Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan

New York, New York

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement 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 statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement 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 (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2024, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 5 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

## ***Opinion***

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

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

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

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

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

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year following the date that 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.

### ***Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

#### ***Other Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA***

The supplemental schedule of 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL'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).

### ***Other Matter—2023 Financial Statements***

Predecessor auditors performed an audit of the 2023 financial statements of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan. In accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the prior year audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan that were certified by a qualified institution. Their report dated October 11, 2024 indicated that (a) the amounts and disclosures in the 2023 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and (b) the information in the 2023 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). Their report also indicated that the form and content of the 2023 supplemental schedule(s), other than the information in the 2023 supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, were presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA; and the information in the 2023 supplemental schedules 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 determines meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Elgin, Illinois  
September 3, 2025

Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan  
 Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits  
 As of December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Investments</b>		
Plan interest in master trust	\$99,276,485	\$82,743,099
<b>Receivables</b>		
Participant contributions	160,447	274,794
Employer contributions	1,414,101	1,315,691
Notes receivable from participants	404,926	314,419
<b>Total receivables</b>	1,979,474	1,904,904
<b>Total assets</b>	101,255,959	84,648,003
<b>Total liabilities</b>	-	-
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>	\$101,255,959	\$84,648,003

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan  
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

**Additions**

**Investment income**

Plan interest in master trust investment gain \$16,784,272

Interest income on notes receivable from participants 21,754

**Contributions**

Participant contributions 1,216,779

Employer contributions 1,801,550

**Total contributions** 3,018,329

**Total additions** 19,824,355

**Deductions**

Benefits paid to participants 3,722,453

Administrative expenses (net of revenue credits) (73,774)

**Total deductions** 3,648,679

**Net increase** 16,175,676

Transfers in, from affiliated qualified plan 432,280

Net assets available for benefits

Beginning of year 84,648,003

**End of year** \$101,255,959

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

# Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

#### *General*

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established effective January 1, 1967, as restated April 1, 2021. The Plan covers all non-legal employees or non-senior and non-contract partners as defined, of Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP (the Company) (who have attained the age of 21 upon the date of hire) who become eligible to participate in the Plan with respect to before-tax voluntary contributions (salary reduction contributions). A non-legal employee who has attained the age of 21 and has completed one year of service by July 1 of the plan year becomes eligible to participate in the Plan with respect to employer contributions that match, in part, the salary reduction contributions (matching contributions). Each non-senior and non-contract partner and non-legal employee who has attained the age of 21 and has completed one year of service becomes eligible to participate in the Plan with respect to employer contributions that the firm is required to make pursuant to a formula set forth in the plan agreement (mandatory contributions). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). The Plan Trustees are responsible for oversight of the Plan determining the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, and monitoring investment performance.

#### *Master Trust*

The Plan's investments are held in a Master Trust (the Master Trust), which was established for the investment of assets of the Plan and the Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Savings Plan, an affiliated plan. Each participating retirement plan has an undivided interest in the Master Trust. The assets of the Master Trust are held by Fidelity Management Trust Company (Custodian).

# Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

### 1. Description of Plan - Continued

#### *Contributions*

Each year, participants may contribute up to 50 percent of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the plan document, up to the maximum limits of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Participants also may designate all or a portion of their deferral contributions as after-tax contributions into a Roth account. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants also may contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. Each participant is entitled to receive matching contributions each year equal to the lesser of (a) 50 percent of their salary reduction contributions, other than catch-up contributions, or (b) 3 percent of their compensation. Each participant is entitled to receive mandatory contributions each year in an amount which is equal to the sum of the "applicable percentage" of their compensation and 4 percent of each participant's eligible compensation exceeding the Social Security taxable wage base in effect for such year (\$168,600 for the year ended December 31, 2024). The "applicable percentage" is (a) 8.6 percent for a partner whose age is at least 49, (b) 6 percent for any other partner, and (c) 4 percent for non-legal employees. Employer matching contributions were \$316,461 for the year ended December 31, 2024. Mandatory contributions were \$1,485,089 for the year ended December 31, 2024. Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations.

#### *Participant accounts*

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

#### *Vesting*

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions and the Company's contributions plus actual earnings thereon.

# Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

### 1. Description of Plan - Continued

#### *Notes receivable from participants*

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50 percent of their vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account. The loan interest rate, determined quarterly, is set at a rate that is commensurate with the local prevailing rate, as defined. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. Terms range up to five years or greater for the purchase of a primary residence.

#### *Payment of benefits*

On termination of service due to death, disability, retirement, or other reasons, a participant may elect to receive a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account. If a terminated participant's vested balance is less than or equal to \$1,000, the amount may be automatically distributed in the form of lump sum payment. In addition, the Plan allows for hardship distributions if certain criteria are met.

#### *Forfeited accounts*

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$682 and \$680, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions or to pay plan administrative expenses. During 2024, plan administrative expenses were reduced by \$847, from forfeited nonvested accounts, in accordance with Plan provisions.

### 2. Summary of Accounting Policies

#### *Basis of Accounting*

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

#### *Use of Estimates*

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

# Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

### 2. Summary of Accounting Policies - Continued

#### *Investment Valuation and Income Recognition*

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

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The Plan's interest in the investment gain of the Master Trust, in the accompanying Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits includes the Plan's allocation of interest, dividends, realized gains or losses from the sale of investments, and unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the fair value of investments held by the Master Trust, and fees charged to the Master Trust, which are netted against or included with net appreciation in fair value of investments. These fees represent charges by the Custodian for services provided in connection with recordkeeping and investment management. Net unrealized appreciation in fair value of investments represents the net change in the fair value of the investments held during the period. The net realized gains or losses on the sale of investments represent the difference between the sale proceeds and the fair value of the investments as of the beginning of the period or the cost of the investment if purchased during the year.

#### *Notes Receivable from Participants*

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed as incurred.

#### *Payment of Benefits*

Benefits are recorded when paid.

#### *Expenses*

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Company. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments.

# Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Retirement Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

### 2. Summary of Accounting Policies - Continued

#### *Going Concern Evaluation*

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, management performed an evaluation to determine if adverse conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for the one-year period from the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Management's assessment did not identify any conditions or events raising substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for the one-year period from the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### *Subsequent Events*

Subsequent events were evaluated through September 3, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### 3. Fair Value Measurements

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

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation technique 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 technique 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 technique 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 maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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### 3. Fair Value Measurements - Continued

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

*Money market funds:* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. The money market fund held in the Plan is an open-end mutual fund that is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This fund is required to publish its daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The money market fund held by the Plan is deemed to be actively traded.

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

*Common collective trust funds:* Valued at the NAV of units held by the Plan at year-end based upon the quoted market prices of the underlying investments. The common collective trusts are composed primarily of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. The common collective trust funds, which are stable value funds, invest in fixed-income securities or bond funds, enter into “wrap” contracts issued by third parties, invest in insurance separate accounts, and invest in cash equivalents represented by shares in money market funds, with the objective of preservation of capital.

*Self-directed brokerage accounts:* Consisted of common and preferred stocks, U.S. government securities and mutual funds. The common and preferred stocks are valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual securities are traded. The mutual funds are valued at the NAV of shares held by the Plan at year end. The U.S. government securities are valued using pricing models maximizing the use of observable inputs for similar securities.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, a summary of the investments in the Master Trust at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

<b>Master Trust Assets (unaudited) at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Mutual funds	\$80,572,302	\$ -	\$ -	\$80,572,302
Self-directed brokerage account	22,392,242	-	-	22,392,242
Money market fund	3,088,110	-	-	3,088,110
<b>Total assets in the fair value hierarchy</b>	<b>106,052,654</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>106,052,654</b>
Investments measured at net asset value (a)	-	-	-	3,186,846
<b>Total Master Trust assets, at fair value</b>	<b>\$106,052,654</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$109,239,500</b>

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**3. Fair Value Measurements - Continued**

<b>Master Trust Assets (unaudited) at</b>						
<b>Fair Value as of December 31, 2023</b>						
	<b>Level 1</b>		<b>Level 2</b>		<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Mutual funds	\$65,438,027	\$	-	\$	-	\$65,438,027
Self-directed brokerage account	20,283,085		-		-	20,283,085
Money market fund	2,409,370		-		-	2,409,370
<b>Total assets in the fair value hierarchy</b>	<b>88,130,482</b>		<b>-</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>88,130,482</b>
Investments measured at net asset value (a)	-		-		-	3,186,017
<b>Total Master Trust assets, at fair value</b>	<b>\$88,130,482</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$91,316,499</b>

(a) In accordance with FASB ASC 820, certain investments that were measured at net asset value per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line item presented in the Interest in Master Trust table.

**Fair Value of Investments that Calculate Net Asset Value**

The following table summarizes investments measured at fair value based on net asset value (NAVs) per share as of December 31, 2024 and 2023. There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption notice period is applicable only to the Plan.

<b>December 31, 2024</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Unfunded Commitments</b>	<b>Redemption Frequency (if currently eligible)</b>	<b>Redemption Notice Period</b>
Common collective trust	\$ 3,186,846	\$ -	Daily	Daily

<b>December 31, 2023</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>	<b>Unfunded Commitments</b>	<b>Redemption Frequency (if currently eligible)</b>	<b>Redemption Notice Period</b>
Common collective trust	\$ 3,186,017	\$ -	Daily	Daily

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### 4. Interest in Master Trust

The value of the Plan's interest in the Master Trust is based on the beginning of year value of the Plan's interest in the trust plus actual contributions and allocated investment income less actual distributions and allocated administrative expenses. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Plan's interest in the net assets of the Master Trust was approximately 91% and 91%, respectively. Total investment income (including net appreciation in the fair value of investments) and administrative expenses of the Master Trust are allocated to the individual plans based upon the amount of the time the plan's assets were invested in the Master Trust.

The following table presents the investments and other assets and liabilities of the Master Trust as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	Master Trust Balances 2024	Plan's Interest in Master Trust Balances 2024	Master Trust Balances 2023	Plan's Interest in Master Trust Balances 2023
Mutual funds	\$80,572,302	\$70,916,852	\$65,438,027	\$57,301,647
Common collective trust fund	3,186,846	3,133,387	3,186,017	3,132,785
Self-directed brokerage account	22,392,242	22,199,398	20,283,085	19,960,808
Money market fund	3,088,110	3,026,848	2,409,370	2,347,859
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$109,239,500</b>	<b>\$99,276,485</b>	<b>\$91,316,499</b>	<b>\$82,743,099</b>

The following table presents the changes in net assets for the year ended December 31, 2024:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$14,851,578
Interest and dividends	3,513,166
<b>Net investment income of Master Trust</b>	<b>18,364,744</b>
Net transfers	(441,743)
<b>Increase in net assets</b>	<b>\$17,923,001</b>

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#### **5. Information Certified by Custodian**

The plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA for 2024 and 2023. Accordingly, Fidelity Management Trust Company, the Custodian of the Plan, has certified to the completeness and accuracy of all investments and notes receivable from participants reported in the accompanying Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the supplemental Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2024, and the related investment activity and interest income on notes receivable from participants reported in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024.

#### **6. Related-Party and Party In Interest Transactions**

From time to time, employees may no longer meet the eligibility requirements of the Plan and become eligible to participant in another qualified plan sponsored by the Firm, or vice versa. These employees have their account balances transferred between the Plan and another qualified plan sponsored by the Firm. During the year ended December 31, 2024 participant account balances aggregating \$432,280 of one associate who became partner, were transferred from the Carter Ledyard & Milburn LLP 401(k) Savings Plan into the Plan.

Certain Plan investments are managed by the Custodian, and therefore, these transactions qualify as party in interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. Fidelity Management Trust Company receives revenue from investment fund service providers for services Fidelity Management Trust Company provides to the funds. This revenue is used to offset certain amounts owed to Fidelity Management Trust Company for its administrative services to the Plan. If the revenue received by Fidelity Management Trust Company from such investment fund service providers exceeds the amount owed for its services, Fidelity Management Trust Company remits the excess to the Plan's trust on a quarterly basis. The Plan or Plan Sponsor may make a payment to Fidelity Management Trust Company for administrative expenses not covered by revenue sharing.

Additionally, the Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the participant's account balances. These transactions qualify as party in interest transactions.

Certain administrative functions of the Plan are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan.

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### 7. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA.

### 8. Tax Status

The Plan adopted a pre-approved plan offered by FMR, LLC. The pre-approved plan received an IRS Opinion Letter dated June 30, 2020, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with the applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the IRS Opinion Letter, the plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and, therefore believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax exempt.

Plan management is required 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 audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits.

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

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

	2024	2023
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$101,255,959	\$84,648,003
Less participant contributions receivable at end of year	160,447	-
Less employer contribution receivable at end of year	1,414,101	-
<b>Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500</b>	<b>\$ 99,681,411</b>	<b>\$84,648,003</b>

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### 10. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500 - Continued

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

Increase in net assets per the financial statements	\$16,175,676
Less participant contributions receivable at end of year	(160,447)
Less employer contributions receivable at end of year	(1,414,101)
<b>Increase in net assets per Form 5500</b>	<b>\$14,601,128</b>

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(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
Notes receivable from participants:				
*	Participants	Loans (interest rate of 3.25% to 8.50%, maturities through 2029)	\$0	\$ 404,926

\*Denotes a party-in-interest.