

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; 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 style="text-align: center;"><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; text-align: center;">2024</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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**Part I Annual Report Identification Information**  
 For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

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

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

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

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

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

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

special extension (enter description) \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

<p><b>1a</b> Name of plan <u>LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</u></p>	<p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u></p>
<p><b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) 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>BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</u></p> <p><u>265 WEST 14TH STREET</u> <u>265 WEST 14TH STREET</u> <u>NEW YORK, NY 10011-7148</u> <u>NEW YORK, NY 10011-7148</u></p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>12/16/1978</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>13-2977211</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>212-627-5553</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>454310</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.	09/08/2025	DEMOS P. DEMOPOULOS
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	09/08/2025	VINCENT THEURER
	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>	495
<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>	337
	<b>6a(2)</b>	323
	<b>6b</b>	
	<b>6c</b>	165
	<b>6d</b>	488
	<b>6e</b>	
	<b>6f</b>	488
	<b>6g(1)</b>	495
<b>6g(2)</b>	488	
<b>6h</b>		
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	16

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
2C

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

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**Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)**

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>SCHEDULE C</b> <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>Service Provider 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>	<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>LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<b>001</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>13-2977211</b>	

**Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)**

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

**1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation**

**a** Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).....  Yes  No

**b** If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

**(b)** Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

**BOYD WATTERSON ASSET MANAGEMENT**

**34-1922005**

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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)

CRESCENT CAPITAL HIGH INCOME FUND

45-5287411

(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?
28 51	NONE	140537	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)

CALIBRE CPA GROUP PLLC

47-0900880

(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?
10 50	AUDITOR	59156	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)

FRIEDMAN AND ANSPACH

13-3403675

(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?
29 50	LEGAL COUNSEL	32140	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"/>

**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)

KATHY PETTINATO

13-2977211

(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?
30	EMPLOYEE	27442	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)

STATE STREET GLOBAL ADVISORS

81-4017137

(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?
18 19 51	NONE	25000	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

PROSKAUER ROSE, LLP

13-1840454

(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?
29 50	NONE	12000	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"/>

**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)

US BANK N.A.

31-0841368

(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?
19 50	NONE	7707	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

THE SEGAL COMPANY (EASTERN STATES)

13-1835864

(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?
16 50	NONE	5000	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)

SEGAL MARCO ADVISORS

13-2646110

(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?
27 50	NONE	5000	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"/>

**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.

<b>(a)</b> Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	<b>(b)</b> Service Codes (see instructions)	<b>(c)</b> Enter amount of indirect compensation
<b>(d)</b> Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	<b>(e)</b> Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
<b>(a)</b> Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	<b>(b)</b> Service Codes (see instructions)	<b>(c)</b> Enter amount of indirect compensation
<b>(d)</b> Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	<b>(e)</b> Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
<b>(a)</b> Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	<b>(b)</b> Service Codes (see instructions)	<b>(c)</b> Enter amount of indirect compensation
<b>(d)</b> Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	<b>(e)</b> 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.

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

<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>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN)	<u>001</u>
<b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>13-2977211</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>SSGA INTERMED. US GOVT/CREDIT INDEX</u>		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>STATE STREET GLOBAL ADVISORS TRUST CO.</u>		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>90-0337987-281</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>12871986</u>
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<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 H</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</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 <b>01/01/2024</b> and ending <b>12/31/2024</b>	
<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <b>001</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>13-2977211</b>

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

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	1561371	1480157
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	230248	302456
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>		
<b>c</b> General investments:			
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>		
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>		
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>	29574329	30979020
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>		
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>		
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>		
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>	14469337	12871986
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>		
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>		
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>		
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>		
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>		
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>		

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	<b>1d(1)</b>		
(2) Employer real property.....	<b>1d(2)</b>		
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	<b>1e</b>		
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	<b>1f</b>	45835285	45633619
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>		
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>	57809	48838
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>		
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>	294649	293175
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	352458	342013
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	45482827	45291606

**Part II Income and Expense Statement**

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

<b>Income</b>		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers.....	<b>2a(1)(A)</b>	2438881	
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	<b>2a(2)</b>		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		2438881
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>	643	
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>		
<b>(F)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>		
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		
<b>(2) Dividends:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common stock.....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>	1545250	
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		426984
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		4411758

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	4172784	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>		
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		4172784
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>	95527	
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>	12594	
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>	46562	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	178244	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>		
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>	4500	
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>	44140	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>		
(11) Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>	48628	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		430195
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		4602979

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		-191221
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		

**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: CALIBRE CPA GROUP, PLLC

(2) EIN: 47-0900880

**d** The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1)  This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2)  It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

**Part IV Compliance Questions**

**4** CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
<b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
<b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		5000000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
<b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.		X	

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

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

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

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



**LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2024






# LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of  
Local 553 Deferred Compensation Fund

### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Local 553 Deferred Compensation Fund (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

### Basis for Opinion


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

### **Auditor's 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 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 the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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 audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements, but is supplemental 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 2024 audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS.

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

In our opinion, the 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.

*Calibre CPA Group, PLLC*

New York, NY  
July 14, 2025



## LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND

### STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Investments - at fair value		
Collective trust fund	\$ 12,871,986	\$ 14,469,337
Limited partnerships	<u>30,979,020</u>	<u>29,574,329</u>
Total investments - at fair value	<u>43,851,006</u>	<u>44,043,666</u>
Receivables		
Employer contributions	<u>302,456</u>	<u>230,248</u>
Cash	<u>1,480,157</u>	<u>1,561,371</u>
Total assets	<u>45,633,619</u>	<u>45,835,285</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	48,838	57,809
Forfeiture account	257,634	257,634
Due to related fund	<u>35,541</u>	<u>37,015</u>
Total liabilities	<u>342,013</u>	<u>352,458</u>
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>	<u>\$ 45,291,606</u>	<u>\$ 45,482,827</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



## LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND

### STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Additions</b>		
Investment income		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 1,972,234	\$ 2,907,269
Interest	<u>644</u>	<u>425</u>
	1,972,878	2,907,694
Less: investment expenses	<u>178,244</u>	<u>179,330</u>
Investment income - net	1,794,634	2,728,364
Employer contributions	<u>2,438,881</u>	<u>2,528,541</u>
Total additions	<u>4,233,515</u>	<u>5,256,905</u>
<b>Deductions</b>		
Benefits paid to participants	4,172,784	5,154,092
Administrative expenses	<u>251,952</u>	<u>264,049</u>
Total deductions	<u>4,424,736</u>	<u>5,418,141</u>
<b>Net change</b>	(191,221)	(161,236)
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>		
Beginning of year	<u>45,482,827</u>	<u>45,644,063</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 45,291,606</u>	<u>\$ 45,482,827</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



## LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND 2023

#### NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following brief description of Local 553 Deferred Compensation Fund (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

**General** - The Plan is a multiemployer defined contribution money purchase pension plan established under the provisions of an Agreement and Declaration of Trust effective December 16, 1978, as amended, between the Coal, Gasoline, and Fuel Oil Teamsters Chauffeurs and Helpers Local Union 553 International Brotherhood of Teamsters (the Union), affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers of America and various employers having collective bargaining agreements with the Union. The Union and the employers agreed to participate in the operation of a trust fund for the purpose of providing and maintaining a defined contribution plan for the employees represented by the Union. The Plan is administered by a Board of Trustees (Trustees) consisting of union and employer representatives and is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended.

**Funding Policy** - Funding to provide the benefits are made by the employers as provided for in the applicable collective bargaining agreements with the Union. From April 1, 2011, through December 31, 2019, employers were not obligated to contribute to the Plan for employees hired on or after April 1, 2011, who had not been employed under the terms of the Local 553 collective bargaining agreement in the 12 months prior to their date of hire, and such employees were not eligible to become participants in the Plan. Effective January 1, 2020, employees originally hired prior to April 1, 2011, will continue to participate in the Plan as well as any employee hired on or after April 1, 2011. Contributions are also made by the Plan's sponsoring Union in its capacity as an employer. Contributions by participants are not permitted under the Plan.

**Participant Accounts** - Each participant account is credited with the employer's contribution on their behalf along with their share of investment earnings and administrative expenses. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

**Nonparticipant Directed Investments** - All funds are invested by the Trustees through professional investment managers. The Plan does not provide a participant-directed investment program.



## NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

**Vesting** - In general, new employees must 1) meet the requirement for the expiration of 90 consecutive days from the date they first performed a regular time hour for an employer and 2) complete 600 regular time hours of work within a period of twelve consecutive months beginning on the employee's 91<sup>st</sup> day of employment or within successive 12 month consecutive periods that begin on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the calendar month beginning after the expiration of the last 12 month consecutive period in order to have an account in the plan established for them. Account balances of new participants who leave before the establishment of their accounts are allocated to a forfeiture account. Upon satisfying the eligibility requirements, an employee shall become a participant retroactive to their 91<sup>st</sup> day of employment. Certain alternative failsafe provisions may apply. Participants are immediately vested in 100% of the value of their accounts upon the establishment of their account.

**Payments of Benefits** - The participant (or beneficiary) is eligible to receive benefits from the Plan:

- When the participant has not worked in covered employment for at least 12 consecutive months; or
- When the participant is receiving or has applied and is entitled to receive a pension benefit from the Local 553 Pension Fund; or
- When the participant is not working in covered employment, has attained age 65 and presents proof of retirement acceptable to the Trustees; or
- When the participant dies.

Benefits are paid in the following forms of payments:

- Single lifetime annuities;
- 50% or 75% husband and wife lifetime annuities; or
- Lump sum distributions (optional form of benefit payment). Lump sum benefits are automatically paid for account balances that are \$5,000 or less.

## NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of Accounting** - The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this basis, revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded as incurred, regardless of when cash is exchanged.

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



## NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**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 in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan determines its valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment managers and custodian.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Net appreciation in fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year. In addition, certain investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments presented in the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

**Administrative Expenses** - Expenses incurred in connection with the general administration of the Plan are recorded as deductions in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits. The Plan shares certain administrative expenses with related benefit funds in accordance with a time allocation study.

**Employer Contributions Receivable** - Contributions due from employers are accrued at year end only as to those amounts applicable to contribution periods which ended on or before the financial statement dates and are based on subsequent period cash collections. Based on a review of historical losses, current economic conditions and supportable and reasonable forecast assumptions, the Plan has concluded that any expected credit losses on balances outstanding at year end will be immaterial.

**Payment of Benefits** - Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution.

## NOTE 3. TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has determined and informed the Plan by a letter dated November 20, 2015, that the Plan meets the requirements of Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 401(a) and is exempt from federal income taxes under IRC Section 501(a). The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Trustees believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if it has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, there were no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.



## NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Accounting standards provide the framework for measuring fair value which 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 (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

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; and
- 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's 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.

Accounting standards permit the Plan, as a practical expedient, to estimate the fair value of its investment in certain entities that calculate net asset value (NAV) per share by using the NAV as reported by the management of the entity.

Following are descriptions 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.

*Collective trust fund* - Valued at the NAV per share at year end as reported by the bank trust. The NAV, as provided by the bank trust, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. Share values are based on the current market values of the underlying securities.

## NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

*Limited partnerships* - Valued at the NAV per share at year end as reported by the partnerships. The NAV, as provided by the partnership, is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. Share values are based on the current market value of the underlying securities for the Crescent Capital High Income Fund, and the appraised market values of the underlying properties for the Boyd Watterson GSA Fund.

The preceding methods may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date. In addition, the inputs and methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The Plan had no investments that are required to be reported in the fair value hierarchy as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

### Fair Value of Investments that Calculate NAV

The following table summarizes the investments measured at fair value based on NAV per share as of December 31, 2024 and 2023. The collective trust fund is measured at fair value by using the NAV practical expedient and also files U.S. Department of Labor Form 5500 as a direct filing entity (DFE). Accordingly, disclosure of the significant investment strategy for this fund is not required. There were no unfunded commitments towards toward this investment entity at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

	<u>Fair Value</u> 12/31/24	<u>Fair Value</u> 12/31/23	<u>Redemption</u> <u>Frequency</u>	<u>Redemption</u> <u>Notice Period</u>
Collective Trust Fund				
SSGA Intermediate U.S. Govt. Credit	\$ 12,871,986	\$ 14,469,337	Daily	1 day
Limited partnerships				
Crescent Cap. High Income Fund (a)	24,494,576	22,679,894	Quarterly	60 days
Boyd Watterson GSA Fund (b)	<u>6,484,444</u>	<u>6,894,435</u>	Quarterly	60 days
	<u>30,979,020</u>	<u>29,574,329</u>		
Total	<u>\$ 43,851,006</u>	<u>\$ 44,043,666</u>		

- a) This entity investments in a multi-asset class, diversified portfolio of primarily below investment grade debt securities. There were no unfunded commitments toward this investment entity at December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- b) This class includes investments in diversified commercial properties primarily leased to the United States federal government either through the General Services Administration (GSA) or other federal governmental agencies. There were no unfunded commitments towards this investment entity at December 31, 2024 and 2023.



## **NOTE 5. RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

The Plan shares office space and administrative expenses with Local 553 Pension Fund (Pension Fund) and the Local 553 Benefits Fund (related parties). As part of a cost sharing arrangement that is based on the results of an annual time study, the Pension Fund acts as the paying agent for payroll and payroll related expenses, occupancy expenses, and certain other shared administrative expenses. Consequently, the Plan reimburses the Pension Fund for its estimated allocable share of these shared administrative expenses through monthly on-account payments that are reconciled to actual expenses at the end of the year.

Allocable administrative expenses incurred by the Plan for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$155,922 and \$138,515, respectively. Amounts due from (owed to) the Pension Fund at December 31, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$(35,541) and \$(37,015), respectively. These balances were subsequently settled after the year ends.

The Plan pays certain administrative, investment, and professional fees to various service providers. These transactions are considered exempt party-in-interest transactions under ERISA.

## **NOTE 6. PLAN TERMINATION**

In the event that complete termination of the Trust is determined, the Trustees shall continue to apply the Plan for the purpose of providing benefits in accordance with the provisions of the Plan. Upon the disbursement of the entire Trust's funds, the Trust shall terminate. In no event, however, shall termination create any rights or establish any benefits except as set forth in the Plan nor shall any part of the Trust's funds revert to the employers or the Union.

## **NOTE 7. FORFEITURE ACCOUNT**

The accumulated amount of any liquidated damages collected as a result of delinquent contributions is deposited into the forfeiture account. In addition, the balances of accounts of new participants who terminate before their plan accounts are established under the terms of the Plan are forfeited into this account. Delinquent employer contributions which are deemed uncollectible are allocated to the respective individual accounts of affected participants from assets generated in the forfeiture account. In addition, the Trustees, within their discretion, may credit any amount held in the forfeiture account to defray administrative expenses of the Plan. There were no changes to the forfeiture account during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 and the account balance totaled \$257,634 at December 31, 2024 and 2023.



## NOTE 8. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and to uncertainties in estimates and assumptions, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of such investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

## NOTE 9. PARTICIPATION IN MULTIEMPLOYER PLANS

### Defined Benefit Pension Plan

The Plan's office employees, which it shares with other affiliated benefit funds, are covered by a multiemployer defined benefit pension plan. The risks of participating in a multiemployer plan are different from single-employer plans in the following aspects:

- Assets contributed to the multiemployer plan by one employer may be used to provide benefits to employees of other participating employers.
- If a participating employer stops contributing to the Plan, the unfunded obligations of the Plan may be borne by the remaining participating employers.
- If an employer chooses to stop participating in this multiemployer plan, the employer may be required to pay an amount, referred to as a withdrawal liability, based on the under-funded status of the Plan.

The Plan's participation in this plan for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, is outlined in the table on the next page. The "EIN" and "Pension Plan Number" rows provide the Employer Identification Number (EIN) and the three-digit plan number. The most recent Pension Protection Act (PPA) zone status available in 2024 and 2023 is for the Plan's year end at December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The zone status is based on information that the Plan received from the multiemployer plan and is certified by the Plan's actuary. Among other factors, plans in the red zone are generally less than 65 percent funded, plans in the yellow zone are less than 80 percent funded, and plans in the green zone are at least 80 percent funded. The FIP/RP Status row indicates whether a funding improvement plan (FIP) or a rehabilitation plan (RP) is either pending or has been implemented. In addition to regular plan contributions, the Plan may be subject to a surcharge if the Plan is in the red zone. The "Surcharge Imposed" row indicates whether a surcharge has been imposed on contributions to the Plan. There have been no significant changes that affect the comparability of 2024 and 2023 contributions. Contributions reported on the next page represent the Plan's proportionate share of the contributions made to this multiemployer plan.

## NOTE 9. PARTICIPATION IN MULTIEMPLOYER PLANS (CONTINUED)

Legal Name of Plan:	Local 553 Pension Fund
EIN:	13-6637826
Pension Plan Number:	001
PPA Zone Status:	
2024	Neither endangered or critical status (Green Zone)
2023	Neither endangered or critical status (Green Zone)
FIP / RP Status:	N/A
Contributions:	
2024	\$10,789
2023	\$11,104

### Defined Contribution Retirement Plan

The Plan's office employees are also covered by the Local 553 Deferred Compensation Fund. The Plan's contributions for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, totaled \$6,193 and \$5,903, respectively.

## NOTE 10. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of additions per the financial statements to income per the Form 5500 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Total additions per the financial statements	\$ 4,233,515	\$ 5,256,905
Add: investment expenses	<u>178,244</u>	<u>179,330</u>
Total income per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 4,411,759</u>	<u>\$ 5,436,235</u>

The following is a reconciliation of deductions per the financial statements to expenses per the Form 5500 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Total deductions per the financial statements	\$ 4,424,736	\$ 5,418,141
Add: investment expenses	<u>178,244</u>	<u>179,330</u>
Total expenses per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 4,602,980</u>	<u>\$ 5,597,471</u>

## NOTE 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events have been evaluated through July 14, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. This review and evaluation revealed no material event or transaction which would require an adjustment to or disclosure in the accompanying financial statements.



## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION





## LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND

### SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

DECEMBER 31, 2024

#### ATTACHMENT TO 2024 FORM 5500 SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

PLAN NAME: LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND  
PLAN SPONSOR'S NAME: BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND

EIN: 13-2977211  
PN: 001

(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
	FIRST AM GOVERNMENT	MONEY MARKET FUND	\$ 12,985	\$ 12,985
	SSGA	SSGA INTERMEDIATE U.S. GOVERNMENT CREDIT	11,420,848	12,859,001
	CRESCENT CAPITAL	CRESCENT CAPITAL HIGH INCOME FUND	24,620,416	24,494,576
	BOYD WATTERSON	BOYD WATTERSON GSA FUND	<u>6,058,386</u>	<u>6,484,444</u>
		<b>TOTAL ASSETS HELD AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b><u>\$ 42,112,635</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 43,851,006</u></b>

<b>Form 5500</b> Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service  Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration  Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	<b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b> This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4086 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 8057(b) and 8058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  ► Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1510-0110 1510-0089  <b>2024</b>  This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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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.)

**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

<b>1a</b> Name of plan LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATION FUND	<b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
	<b>1c</b> Effective date of plan	12/16/1978
<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) BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOCAL 553 DEFERRED COMPENSATIO  265 WEST 14TH STREET  NEW YORK NY 10011-7148	<b>2b</b> Employer identification number (EIN)	13-2977211
	<b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number	(212) 627-5553
	<b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions)	454310

**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		09/08/2025	DEMOS P. DEMOPOULOS
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE		09/08/2025	VINCENT THEURER
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
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