

Form 5500-SF

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Short Form Annual Return/Report of Small Employee Benefit Plan

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

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

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

- A This return/report is for: [X] a single-employer plan [ ] a multiple-employer plan (not multiemployer) (Pension Plan filers checking this box must attach Schedule MEP. Other plans must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
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 Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension [ ] DFVC program [ ] special extension (enter description)
D If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here [ ]
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here [ ]

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan BEYOND WORDS PUBLISHING INC. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 002
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2007
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) BEYOND WORDS PUBLISHING, INC. 1750 SW SKYLINE BLVD, SUITE 20 PORTLAND, OR 97221
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 93-0994860
2c Sponsor's telephone number 503-531-8700
2d Business code (see instructions) 511130
3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor.
3b Administrator's EIN
3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report.
a Sponsor's name
c Plan Name
4b EIN
4d PN
5a Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year 4
b Total number of participants at the end of the plan year 4
c(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)
c(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)
d(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year 3
d(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year 3
e Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested 0

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, if applicable, a Schedule SB or Schedule MB completed and signed by an enrolled actuary, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Row 1: Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature, 09/30/2025, RICHARD COHN. Row 2: Signature of employer/plan sponsor, Date, Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor.

- 6a** Were all of the plan's assets during the plan year invested in eligible assets? (See instructions.) .....  Yes  No
- 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? (See instructions on waiver eligibility and conditions.) .....  Yes  No
- If you answered "No" to either line 6a or line 6b, the plan cannot use Form 5500-SF and must instead use Form 5500.**
- c** If the plan is a defined benefit plan, is it covered under the PBGC insurance program (see ERISA section 4021)? .....  Yes  No  Not determined
- If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year: 558332. (See instructions.)

<b>Part III Financial Information</b>			
<b>7</b> Plan Assets and Liabilities		<b>(a) Beginning of Year</b>	<b>(b) End of Year</b>
<b>a</b> Total plan assets .....	<b>7a</b>	1330745	1373810
<b>b</b> Total plan liabilities .....	<b>7b</b>	0	0
<b>c</b> Net plan assets (subtract line 7b from line 7a) .....	<b>7c</b>	1330745	1373810
<b>8</b> Income, Expenses, and Transfers for this Plan Year		<b>(a) Amount</b>	<b>(b) Total</b>
<b>a</b> Contributions received or receivable from:			
<b>(1)</b> Employers .....	<b>8a(1)</b>	45007	
<b>(2)</b> Participants .....	<b>8a(2)</b>	0	
<b>(3)</b> Others (including rollovers) .....	<b>8a(3)</b>	0	
<b>b</b> Other income (loss) .....	<b>8b</b>	139844	
<b>c</b> Total income (add lines 8a(1), 8a(2), 8a(3), and 8b) .....	<b>8c</b>		184851
<b>d</b> Benefits paid (including direct rollovers and insurance premiums to provide benefits) .....	<b>8d</b>	119700	
<b>e</b> Certain deemed and/or corrective distributions (see instructions) .	<b>8e</b>	0	
<b>f</b> Administrative service providers (salaries, fees, commissions) .....	<b>8f</b>	9446	
<b>g</b> Other expenses .....	<b>8g</b>	12640	
<b>h</b> Total expenses (add lines 8d, 8e, 8f, and 8g) .....	<b>8h</b>		141786
<b>i</b> Net income (loss) (subtract line 8h from line 8c) .....	<b>8i</b>		43065
<b>j</b> Transfers to (from) the plan (see instructions) .....	<b>8j</b>	0	

<b>Part IV Plan Characteristics</b>	
<b>9a</b>	If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions: 1A 1I 3D
<b>b</b>	If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

<b>Part V Compliance Questions</b>				
<b>10</b> During the plan year:		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<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>10a</b>		X	
<b>b</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 10a.) .....	<b>10b</b>		X	
<b>c</b> Was the plan covered by a fidelity bond? .....	<b>10c</b>	X		250000
<b>d</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>10d</b>		X	
<b>e</b> Were any fees or commissions paid to any brokers, agents, or other persons by an insurance carrier, insurance service, or other organization that provides some or all of the benefits under the plan? (See instructions.) .....	<b>10e</b>		X	
<b>f</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan? .....	<b>10f</b>		X	
<b>g</b> Did the plan have any participant loans? (If "Yes," enter amount as of year-end.) .....	<b>10g</b>	X		41644
<b>h</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.) .....	<b>10h</b>			
<b>i</b> If 10h was answered "Yes," check the 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>10i</b>			

**Part VI Pension Funding Compliance**

**11** Is this a defined benefit plan subject to minimum funding requirements? (If "Yes," see instructions and complete Schedule SB (Form 5500) and lines 11a and b below.) If this is a defined contribution pension plan, leave line 11 blank and complete line 12 below.  Yes  No

**a** Enter the unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 **11a** 0

**b PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If the plan is covered by PBGC and the amount reported on line 11a is greater than \$0, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**12** Is this a defined contribution plan subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Code or section 302 of ERISA? (If "Yes," complete line 12a or lines 12b, 12c, 12d, and 12e below, as applicable.) If this is a defined benefit pension plan, leave line 12 blank and complete line 11 above.  Yes  No

**a** 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 letter ruling granting the waiver. Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

**If you completed line 12a, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB (Form 5500), and skip to line 13.**

**b** Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year **12b** \_\_\_\_\_

**c** Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year **12c** \_\_\_\_\_

**d** Subtract the amount in line 12c from the amount in line 12b. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount) **12d** \_\_\_\_\_

**e** Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 12d be met by the funding deadline?  Yes  No  N/A

**Part VII Plan Terminations and Transfers of Assets**

**13a** Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted in any plan year?  Yes  No

**a** If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year. **13a** \_\_\_\_\_

**b** Were all the plan assets distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?  Yes  No

**c** 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>13c(1)</b> Name of plan(s):	<b>13c(2)</b> EIN(s)	<b>13c(3)</b> PN(s)

**Part VIII IRS Compliance Questions**

**14a** 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

**14b** 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

**15** 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 02 / 28 / 2023 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q705217A.

<b>SCHEDULE SB</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>Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan</b> <b>Actuarial Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.</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>BEYOND WORDS PUBLISHING INC. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>002</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF <u>BEYOND WORDS PUBLISHING, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>93-0994860</u>	
<b>E</b> Type of plan: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-A <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-B	<b>F</b> Prior year plan size: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500	

**Part I Basic Information**

<b>1</b>	Enter the valuation date: Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2024</u>		
<b>2</b>	Assets:		
	<b>a</b> Market value .....	<b>2a</b>	<u>1329094</u>
	<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....	<b>2b</b>	<u>1329094</u>
<b>3</b>	Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target
	<b>a</b> For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment .....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	<u>1</u>	<u>274567</u>
	<b>c</b> For active participants .....	<u>3</u>	<u>1452323</u>
	<b>d</b> Total .....	<u>4</u>	<u>1726890</u>
<b>4</b>	If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b)..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
	<b>a</b> Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions .....	<b>4a</b>	
	<b>b</b> Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor .....	<b>4b</b>	
<b>5</b>	Effective interest rate .....	<b>5</b>	<u>5.03 %</u>
<b>6</b>	Target normal cost		
	<b>a</b> Present value of current plan year accruals .....	<b>6a</b>	<u>0</u>
	<b>b</b> Expected plan-related expenses .....	<b>6b</b>	<u>0</u>
	<b>c</b> Target normal cost .....	<b>6c</b>	<u>0</u>

**Statement by Enrolled Actuary**  
 To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

<b>SIGN HERE</b>		<u>09/30/2025</u>	
	Signature of actuary	Date	
	<u>KAREN DUNN, EA, MSPA, QPA</u>	<u>23-05142</u>	
	Type or print name of actuary	Most recent enrollment number	
	<u>INDEPENDENT ACTUARIES, INC.</u>	<u>503-520-0848</u>	
	Firm name	Telephone number (including area code)	
	<u>5 CENTERPOINTE DR. SUITE 520 LAKE OSWEGO, OR 97035</u>		
	Address of the firm		



<b>Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost</b>				
<b>21</b> Discount rate:				
<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75 %	2nd segment: 4.87 %	3rd segment: 5.59 %	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
<b>b</b> Applicable month (enter code) .....				<b>21b</b> 4
<b>22</b> Weighted average retirement age .....				<b>22</b> 65
<b>23</b> Mortality table(s) (see instructions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - combined	<input type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - separate	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	

<b>Part VI Miscellaneous Items</b>				
<b>24</b> Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
<b>25</b> Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
<b>26</b> Demographic and benefit information				
<b>a</b> Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</b> Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ...				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>27</b> If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment.....				<b>27</b>

<b>Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years</b>				
<b>28</b> Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years .....				<b>28</b> 0
<b>29</b> Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a).....				<b>29</b> 0
<b>30</b> Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29).....				<b>30</b> 0

<b>Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year</b>				
<b>31</b> Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):				
<b>a</b> Target normal cost (line 6c) .....				<b>31a</b> 0
<b>b</b> Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a .....				<b>31b</b> 0
<b>32</b> Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance		Installment	
<b>a</b> Net shortfall amortization installment .....	397796		39839	
<b>b</b> Waiver amortization installment.....	0		0	
<b>33</b> If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount .....				<b>33</b>
<b>34</b> Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33).....				<b>34</b> 39839
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance	
<b>35</b> Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement .....				0
<b>36</b> Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35) .....				<b>36</b> 39839
<b>37</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c) .....				<b>37</b> 39867
<b>38</b> Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)				
<b>a</b> Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)				<b>38a</b> 28
<b>b</b> Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances.....				<b>38b</b> 0
<b>39</b> Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37) .....				<b>39</b> 0
<b>40</b> Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years .....				<b>40</b> 0

<b>Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)</b>				
<b>41</b> If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. <input type="checkbox"/> 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> 2021				

**Beyond Words Publishing Inc. Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

**EIN: 93-0994860 PN: 002**

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**2024 Form 5500 Schedule SB, Line 26a – Schedule of Active Participant Data**

**Active Participant Statistics**

Schedule of Active Participant Data

Age	Benefit Service										Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 & up	
Under 25											0
25-29											0
30-34											0
35-39											0
40-44		1	1								2
45-49											0
50-54											0
55-59											0
60-64											0
65-69											0
70 & up			1								1
Total	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

# Beyond Words Publishing Inc. Defined Benefit Pension Plan

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## 2024 Form 5500 Schedule SB, Part V – Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods

### Actuarial Method for Minimum Required Contribution

Asset Valuation Method	Fair market value.
Valuation Date	First day of plan year.
Yield Curve Selected	24-month average Segmented Yield Curve, subject to corridor provided by MAP-21 as adjusted by the Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2014 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.
Lookback Month for Determining Segment Interest Rates	4 <sup>th</sup> month prior to valuation date.
Future Compensation	Actual compensation for prior year.

### Actuarial Assumptions for Minimum Required Contribution

Segment Interest Rates	First Segment (Under 5 years): 4.75% Second Segment (5 to 19 years): 4.87% Third Segment (20 or more years): 5.59%
Assumed Form of Payment	Lump sum.
Lump Sum Payment Assumptions	Greater result of §417(e) applicable mortality and yield curve segments (above) as described in IRS Regulations, and plan factors applying the appropriate yield curve segment to deferral period.
Assumed Commencement Date	Later of Normal Retirement Date and the valuation date.
Average Retirement Age	Age 70.
Mortality	
Pre-Retirement	None.
Post-Retirement	See lump sum payment assumptions above.
Salary Scale	No explicit assumption.
Turnover Rate	No explicit assumption.
Expenses	None.

**SCHEDULE SB  
(Form 5500)**

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Internal Revenue Service  
Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security Administration  
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

**Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan  
Actuarial Information**

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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF Beyond Words Publishing, Inc.		<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 93-0994860	
<b>E</b> Type of plan: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-A <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-B		<b>F</b> Prior year plan size: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500	

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<b>a</b> Market value .....	<b>2a</b>	1,329,094	
<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....	<b>2b</b>	1,329,094	
<b>3</b> Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target	(3) Total Funding Target
<b>a</b> For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment.....	0	0	0
<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	1	274,567	274,567
<b>c</b> For active participants.....	3	1,452,323	1,452,323
<b>d</b> Total .....	4	1,726,890	1,726,890
<b>4</b> If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b)..... <input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>a</b> Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions .....	<b>4a</b>		
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<b>5</b> Effective interest rate.....	<b>5</b>	5.03%	
<b>6</b> Target normal cost			
<b>a</b> Present value of current plan year accruals .....	<b>6a</b>	0	
<b>b</b> Expected plan-related expenses .....	<b>6b</b>	0	
<b>c</b> Target normal cost.....	<b>6c</b>	0	

**Statement by Enrolled Actuary**

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<b>SIGN HERE</b>	KAREN DUNN 	<u>9/30/2025</u>
	Signature of actuary	Date
KAREN DUNN, EA, MSPA, QPA		2305142
Type or print name of actuary		Most recent enrollment number
INDEPENDENT ACTUARIES, INC.		503-520-0848
Firm name		Telephone number (including area code)
5 Centerpointe Dr. Suite 520 LAKE OSWEGO OR 97035		
Address of the firm		

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions

**For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

Part II	Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances	
	(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
<b>7</b> Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year) .....	0	0
<b>8</b> Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year) .....	0	0
<b>9</b> Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8) .....	0	0
<b>10</b> Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of <u>15.09%</u> .....	0	0
<b>11</b> Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
<b>a</b> Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year) .....		41
<b>b(1)</b> Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of <u>5.14%</u> .....		2
<b>b(2)</b> Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return .....		0
<b>c</b> Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance .....		43
<b>d</b> Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance .....		0
<b>12</b> Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections .....	0	0
<b>13</b> Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d - line 12) .....	0	0

Part III	Funding Percentages	
<b>14</b> Funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>14</b>	76.96%
<b>15</b> Adjusted funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>15</b>	76.96%
<b>16</b> Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement .....	<b>16</b>	73.31%
<b>17</b> If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage .....	<b>17</b>	%

Part IV	Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls				
<b>18</b> Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:					
(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees
09/12/2025	45,007	0			
<b>Totals ▶</b>		<b>18(b)</b>	45,007	<b>18(c)</b>	0

<b>19</b> Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:		
<b>a</b> Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years .....	<b>19a</b>	0
<b>b</b> Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date .....	<b>19b</b>	0
<b>c</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date .....	<b>19c</b>	39,867

<b>20</b> Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:	
<b>a</b> Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</b> If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>c</b> If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:	

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year			
(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th

**Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost**

<b>21</b> Discount rate:				
<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75%	2nd segment: 4.87%	3rd segment: 5.59%	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
<b>b</b> Applicable month (enter code).....				<b>21b</b> 4
<b>22</b> Weighted average retirement age .....				<b>22</b> 65
<b>23</b> Mortality table(s) (see instructions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - combined <input type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - separate <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute			

**Part VI Miscellaneous Items**

<b>24</b> Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>25</b> Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>26</b> Demographic and benefit information	
<b>a</b> Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</b> Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ...	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<b>27</b> If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment.....	<b>27</b>

**Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years**

<b>28</b> Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years .....	<b>28</b>	0
<b>29</b> Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a).....	<b>29</b>	0
<b>30</b> Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29) .....	<b>30</b>	0

**Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year**

<b>31</b> Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):		
<b>a</b> Target normal cost (line 6c).....	<b>31a</b>	0
<b>b</b> Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a .....	<b>31b</b>	0
<b>32</b> Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment
<b>a</b> Net shortfall amortization installment .....	397,796	39,839
<b>b</b> Waiver amortization installment .....	0	0
<b>33</b> If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount .....	<b>33</b>	
<b>34</b> Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33).....	<b>34</b>	39,839
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance
<b>35</b> Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement .....		0
<b>36</b> Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35).....	<b>36</b>	39,839
<b>37</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c).....	<b>37</b>	39,867
<b>38</b> Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)		
<b>a</b> Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)	<b>38a</b>	28
<b>b</b> Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances .....	<b>38b</b>	0
<b>39</b> Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37).....	<b>39</b>	0
<b>40</b> Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years .....	<b>40</b>	0

**Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)**

<b>41</b> If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. <input type="checkbox"/> 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> 2021
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## 2024 Form 5500 Schedule SB, Line 19 – Discounted Employer Contributions

Contributions applied to plan year:		2024														
Effective Interest Rate (EIR):		5.03%														
Effective Interest Rate plus 5% (EIR+5%):		10.03%														
Date	Contribution	Discounted Contribution	Discount period (days)			Discount period (days)			Discount period (days)			Discount period (days)			Discount period (days)	
			Portion	At EIR	At EIR+5%	Portion	At EIR	At EIR+5%	Portion	At EIR	At EIR+5%	Portion	At EIR	At EIR+5%	Portion	At EIR
9/12/2025	45,007	39,867	8,964	105	515	8,964	196	424	8,964	288	332	8,964	380	240	9,151	620
Total	45,007	39,867														

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## 2024 Form 5500 Schedule SB, Part V – Summary of Plan Provisions

1. Effective Date January 1, 2007; last restated effective January 1, 2024.
2. Plan Year January 1 to December 31.
3. Plan Eligibility
  - Eligible Employees All employees except those whose retirement benefits are subject to collective bargaining, and leased employees.
  - Requirements Later of attainment of age 21 and completion of 1 year of service.
  - Entry date January 1 or July 1 coinciding with or next following completion of eligibility requirements. Entry frozen as of December 31, 2012.
4. Years of Service
  - Eligibility 12-Month period commencing on employee's date of hire during which the employee is credited with at least 1,000 hours; switches to plan year on anniversary of employee's date of hire if employee fails to complete 1,000 hours in first 12-month period.
  - Vesting Plan year during which employee is credited with at least 1,000 hours of service.
  - Benefit Plan year during which the participant is credited with at least 1,000 hours of service, excluding years prior to date of entry into the plan. Benefit service frozen as of December 31, 2012.
5. Normal Retirement
  - Eligibility The first day of the month coincident with or following the later of the participant's 62<sup>nd</sup> birthday or the first day of the plan year containing the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of plan entry.
  - Benefit 10% of a participant's average monthly compensation multiplied by years of benefit service as a participant. Benefits frozen as of December 31, 2012.
6. Early Retirement Not provided.

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## 2024 Form 5500 Schedule SB, Part V – Summary of Plan Provisions

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### 7. Late Retirement

Eligibility	Defer commencement of benefit beyond normal retirement date.
Benefit	Greater of prior year's accrued benefit actuarially increased for deferred commencement and benefit calculated under normal retirement formula, using additional years of compensation and benefit service, if applicable.

### 8. Disability Benefit

Not provided.

### 9. Death Benefit

Eligibility	Death of participant prior to commencement of benefits.
Benefit	Present value of accrued benefit.

### 10. Termination Benefit

Eligibility	Termination of employment for reasons other than retirement or death.
Benefit	A percentage of a participant's accrued benefit based on the following schedule:

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

### 11. Compensation

Limits	\$200,000 as indexed; \$345,000 for plan years beginning in or after 2024.
Plan	§415 compensation. Compensation includes regular pay and excludes leave cashouts paid within 2½ months of the participant's severance from employment. All other types of post-severance compensation are excluded from compensation.
Average Monthly	Plan compensation averaged over the three consecutive plan years that produce the highest average.

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12. Accrued Benefit                      A participant's normal retirement benefit calculated using years of benefit service and average monthly compensation as of the date of calculation. Benefits frozen as of December 31, 2012.
13. Normal Form of Benefit Single life annuity.
14. Optional Forms of Benefit      Lump sum, joint & survivor annuity (50%, 75%, 100%), QJSA, QOSA.
15. Actuarial Equivalent
- |           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Interest  | 5.5% pre- and post-retirement.  |
| Mortality | Pre-retirement:      None.<br>Post-retirement:      1994 Group Annuity Reserve, projected to 2002, blended 50% Male / 50% Female. |
| §417(e)   | Stability period is plan year; lookback month is third month preceding plan year.   |
16. Top-Heavy Provisions              In the event the plan becomes top-heavy, certain provisions will apply. Generally, a plan is top-heavy if more than 60% of the total present value of accrued benefit and account balances are held for key employees, as defined in the Internal Revenue Code.
- |                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Minimum Accrual        | Each non-key participant shall receive 2% of top-heavy monthly compensation for each year of top-heavy service, up to 10 years.  |
| Top-Heavy Compensation | Plan compensation averaged over the five consecutive plan years that produce the highest average, excluding compensation in a year during which the plan is not top-heavy. |
| Vesting                | The regular vesting schedule meets the minimum requirements.   |

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**2024 Form 5500 Schedule SB, Line 32 – Schedule of Amortization Bases****Existing Amortization Shortfall Bases**

Year of Origin	Installment Amount	First Segment Rate		Second Segment Rate		Present Value
		Number of Payments	Interest Rate	Number of Payments	Interest Rate	
2023	34,411	5	4.75%	9	4.87%	360,541
2022	(11,980)	5	4.75%	8	4.87%	(119,063)
2021	21,641	5	4.75%	7	4.87%	202,850
Total Existing:	44,072					444,328

**Current Year Amortization Shortfall Base**

Year of Origin	Installment Amount	First Segment Rate		Second Segment Rate		Present Value
		Number of Payments	Interest Rate	Number of Payments	Interest Rate	
2024	(4,233)	5	4.75%	10	4.87%	(46,532)
Total:	39,839					397,796