

<p><b>Form 5500</b></p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p><b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b></p> <p>This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</p> <p>▶ <b>Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b></p>	<p>OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold;">2024</p> <hr/> <p><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></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>SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN</u></p>	<p><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>002</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>BRANT INDUSTRIES, INC.</u></p> <p><u>80 FIELD POINT RD.</u> <u>GREENWICH, CT 06830</u></p>	<p><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>01/01/1979</u></p> <p><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>20-2432257</u></p> <p><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>203-661-3344</u></p> <p><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>322100</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.	10/09/2025	TIMOTHY BUTLER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/09/2025	TIMOTHY BUTLER
	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>	951
<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>	0
	<b>6a(2)</b>	0
	<b>6b</b>	628
	<b>6c</b>	242
	<b>6d</b>	870
	<b>6e</b>	72
	<b>6f</b>	942
	<b>6g(1)</b>	0
<b>6g(2)</b>	0	
<b>6h</b>	0	
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
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**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor

**10** Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

<b>a Pension Schedules</b>	<b>b General Schedules</b>
(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>SB</b> (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>1</u>
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached <u>0</u>	(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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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SCHEDULE A</b> <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: small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p><b>Insurance Information</b></p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b></p> <p>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: 24pt;"><b>2024</b></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

<p><b>A</b> Name of plan <span style="color: blue;">SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN</span></p>	<p><b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p><span style="color: blue;">002</span></p>
<p><b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <span style="color: blue;">BRANT INDUSTRIES, INC.</span></p>	<p><b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <span style="color: blue;">20-2432257</span></p>	

**Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions** Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

**1 Coverage Information:**

**(a)** Name of insurance carrier  
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
42-0127290	61271	629680	942	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

**2 Insurance fee and commission information.** Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

<p><b>(a)</b> Total amount of commissions paid</p> <p style="color: blue; font-size: 24pt;">0</p>	<p><b>(b)</b> Total amount of fees paid</p> <p style="color: blue; font-size: 24pt;">0</p>
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**3 Persons receiving commissions and fees.** (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

**(a)** Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

**(a)** Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Investment and Annuity Contract Information</b> Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.
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<b>4</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end .....	<b>4</b>	0
<b>5</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	<b>5</b>	18127613

**6** Contracts With Allocated Funds:

**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶

<b>b</b> Premiums paid to carrier .....	<b>6b</b>	
<b>c</b> Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year .....	<b>6c</b>	
<b>d</b> If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. .... Specify nature of costs ▶	<b>6d</b>	

**e** Type of contract: (1)  individual policies      (2)  group deferred annuity  
(3)  other (specify) ▶

**f** If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶

**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

**a** Type of contract: (1)  deposit administration      (2)  immediate participation guarantee  
(3)  guaranteed investment      (4)  other ▶

<b>b</b> Balance at the end of the previous year .....	<b>7b</b>	
<b>c</b> Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year .....	<b>7c(1)</b>	
	<b>7c(2)</b>	
	<b>7c(3)</b>	
	<b>7c(4)</b>	
	<b>7c(5)</b>	
	<b>7c(6)</b>	
(6) Total additions .....	<b>7c(6)</b>	
<b>d</b> Total of balance and additions (add lines <b>7b</b> and <b>7c(6)</b> ) .....	<b>7d</b>	
<b>e</b> Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year .....	<b>7e(1)</b>	
	<b>7e(2)</b>	
	<b>7e(3)</b>	
	<b>7e(4)</b>	
	<b>7e(5)</b>	
(5) Total deductions .....	<b>7e(5)</b>	
<b>f</b> Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line <b>7e(5)</b> from line <b>7d</b> ).....	<b>7f</b>	0

**Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information**  
 If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

**8** Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** Health (other than dental or vision)     
  **b** Dental     
  **c** Vision     
  **d** Life insurance  
 **e** Temporary disability (accident and sickness)     
  **f** Long-term disability     
  **g** Supplemental unemployment     
  **h** Prescription drug  
 **i** Stop loss (large deductible)     
  **j** HMO contract     
  **k** PPO contract     
  **l** Indemnity contract  
 **m** Other (specify) ▶

**9** Experience-rated contracts:

<b>a</b> Premiums: (1) Amount received .....		<b>9a(1)</b>	
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid .....		<b>9a(2)</b>	
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve .....		<b>9a(3)</b>	
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)) .....			<b>9a(4)</b>
<b>b</b> Benefit charges (1) Claims paid .....		<b>9b(1)</b>	
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves .....		<b>9b(2)</b>	
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)) .....			<b>9b(3)</b>
(4) Claims charged .....			<b>9b(4)</b>
<b>c</b> Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions .....	<b>9c(1)(A)</b>		
(B) Administrative service or other fees .....	<b>9c(1)(B)</b>		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs .....	<b>9c(1)(C)</b>		
(D) Other expenses .....	<b>9c(1)(D)</b>		
(E) Taxes .....	<b>9c(1)(E)</b>		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies .....	<b>9c(1)(F)</b>		
(G) Other retention charges .....	<b>9c(1)(G)</b>		
(H) Total retention .....			<b>9c(1)(H)</b>
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.) .....			<b>9c(2)</b>
<b>d</b> Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement .....			<b>9d(1)</b>
(2) Claim reserves .....			<b>9d(2)</b>
(3) Other reserves .....			<b>9d(3)</b>
<b>e</b> Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).) .....			<b>9e</b>

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

<b>a</b> Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier .....	<b>10a</b>
<b>b</b> If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount. ....	<b>10b</b>

Specify nature of costs.

**Part IV Provision of Information**

**11** Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? .....  Yes  No

**12** If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

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

▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**  
 ▶ **Caution:** A penalty of \$1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>SP NEWSPRINT CO. 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>BRANT INDUSTRIES, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>20-2432257</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 type="checkbox"/> 100 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input checked="" 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>93370246</u>		
<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....	<b>2b</b>	<u>95211540</u>		
<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 .....	<u>702</u>	<u>81780659</u>	<u>81780659</u>	
<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	<u>259</u>	<u>15730615</u>	<u>15730615</u>	
<b>c</b> For active participants .....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	
<b>d</b> Total .....	<u>961</u>	<u>97511274</u>	<u>97511274</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>5.12 %</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>608000</u>		
<b>c</b> Target normal cost .....	<b>6c</b>	<u>608000</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>  Signature of actuary  <u>WILLIAM G. MATTHEWS</u> Type or print name of actuary  <u>PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP</u> Firm name  <u>PO BOX 9394</u> <u>DES MOINES, IA 50306-9394</u>  Address of the firm	<u>09/10/2025</u> Date  <u>23-07410</u> Most recent enrollment number  <u>678-322-3609</u> Telephone number (including area code)
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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

<b>Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances</b>		(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>16.32</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) .....		826
<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>5.20</u> % .....		43
<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 .....		869
<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

<b>Part III Funding Percentages</b>			
<b>14</b>	Funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>14</b>	97.64 %
<b>15</b>	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>15</b>	97.64 %
<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>	94.64 %
<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>	%

<b>Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls</b>		<b>18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:</b>					
(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		
05/09/2024	184436	0					
07/22/2024	183230	0					
10/31/2024	184000	0					
11/01/2024	500	0					
01/14/2025	327000	0					
07/08/2025	165314	0					
<b>Totals ▶</b>			<b>18(b)</b>	1044480	<b>18(c)</b>		

**19** 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>	998769

**20** Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

**a** Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? .....  Yes  No

**b** If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? .....  Yes  No

**c** 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
0	0	0	0

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

**21** Discount rate:

<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: %	2nd segment: %	3rd segment: %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
<b>b</b> Applicable month (enter code) .....				<b>21b</b> 0

**22** Weighted average retirement age ..... **22** 0

**23** Mortality table(s) (see instructions)  Prescribed - combined  Prescribed - separate  Substitute

**Part VI Miscellaneous Items**

**24** Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....  Yes  No

**25** Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....  Yes  No

**26** Demographic and benefit information

**a** Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ....  Yes  No

**b** Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ...  Yes  No

**27** If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment..... **27**

**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**

**31** Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):

<b>a</b> Target normal cost (line 6c) .....	<b>31a</b>	608000
<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 .....	2299734	236744
<b>b</b> Waiver amortization installment.....	0	0

**33** 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 ..... **33**

<b>34</b> Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33).....	<b>34</b>	844744
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance
<b>35</b> Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement .....	0	0
<b>36</b> Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35) .....	<b>36</b>	844744
<b>37</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c) .....	<b>37</b>	998769

**38** 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>	154025
<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)**

**41** 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.  2019  2020  2021

<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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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>BRANT INDUSTRIES, INC.</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>20-2432257</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

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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)

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(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?
13 50 64	CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR	263547	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)

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

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

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

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

<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
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<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: MICHAEL J. DULANEY	<b>b</b> EIN: 42-0127290
<b>c</b> Position: ENROLLED ACTUARY	
<b>d</b> Address: PO BOX 9394 DES MOINES, IA 50306-9394	<b>e</b> Telephone: 515-247-5111

Explanation: REASSIGNMENT OF WORKLOAD WITHIN PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

<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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Explanation:

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<b>Part I</b>	<b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b> (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>PRIN LIQUID ASSETS SEP ACCT-Z</u>				
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>				
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-024</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>2010015</u>	
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN CORE PLUS BOND SEP ACCT-Z</u>				
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>				
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-005</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>165605</u>	
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LARGE CAP GROWTH I SA-Z</u>				
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>				
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-066</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>13613107</u>	
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LDI LONG DURATION SA-Z</u>				
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>				
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-104</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>0</u>	
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LDI INTRM DUR SEP ACCT-Z</u>				
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>				
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-128</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>0</u>	
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LDI EXT DUR SEP ACCT-Z</u>				
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>				
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-129</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>P</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>2338887</u>	
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRINCIPAL LDI CR 5-15 YR FD II</u>				
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO</u>				
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>93-2184655-001</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>13669934</u>	

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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **PRINCIPAL LDI CR 15-25 YR II**

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO**

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>93-2206567-001</b>	<b>d</b> Entity code <b>C</b>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>27022787</b>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **PRINCIPAL LDI CRP 25+ YR FD II**

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO**

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <b>93-2230439-001</b>	<b>d</b> Entity code <b>C</b>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <b>14516168</b>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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<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>		
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	1837000	492314
<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>		
<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>		55208889
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>	71443177	18127613
<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>	20166055	17500531
<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>	93446232	91329347
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>		
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>		
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>		
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>		
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	0	0
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	93446232	91329347

**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>	1044480	
<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>		1044480
<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>		
<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>		0
<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>	514475	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		514475
(3) 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>		
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	2b(6)		-971430
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	2b(7)		3036214
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	2b(10)		2669564
<b>c</b> Other income .....	2c		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	2d		6293303

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	2e(1)	7761544	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	2e(2)		
(3) Other .....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3) .....	2e(4)		7761544
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	2f		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	2g		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	2h		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	2i(2)	167547	
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	2i(5)	96000	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees .....	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees .....	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses .....	2i(11)	385097	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) .....	2i(12)		648644
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	2j		8410188

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d .....	2k		-2116885
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan .....	2l(2)		

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: SYMPHONA LLP

(2) EIN: 58-2663273

**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		1000000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		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.)			
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

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

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

**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 559230.

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <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 <u>SP NEWSPRINT CO. 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 <u>BRANT INDUSTRIES, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>20-2432257</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Distributions</b>
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**All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.**

<b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
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**2** Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):  
EIN(s): 42-0127290

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

<b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....	3	2
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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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**4** Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....  Yes  No  N/A  
**If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.**

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

<b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....	6a	
<b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....	6b	
<b>c</b> Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....	6c	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**14** Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

<b>a</b> The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....	<b>14a</b>	
<b>b</b> The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....	<b>14b</b>	
<b>c</b> The second preceding plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....	<b>14c</b>	

**15** Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

<b>a</b> The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year .....	<b>15a</b>	
<b>b</b> The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year .....	<b>15b</b>	

**16** Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

<b>a</b> Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....	<b>16a</b>	
<b>b</b> If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers.....	<b>16b</b>	

**17** If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment .....

**Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

**18** If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment .....

**19** If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):

**a** Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:  
 Public Equity: \_\_\_\_\_% Private Equity: \_\_\_\_\_% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: \_\_\_\_\_%  
 High-Yield Debt: \_\_\_\_\_% Real Assets: \_\_\_\_\_% Cash or Cash Equivalents: \_\_\_\_\_% Other: \_\_\_\_\_%

**b** Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:  
 0-5 years  5-10 years  10-15 years  15 years or more

**20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

**a** Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero?  Yes  No

**b** If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:  
 Yes.  
 No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.  
 No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.  
 No. Other. Provide explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part VII IRS Compliance Questions**

**21a** Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules?  Yes  No

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

**22** If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number \_\_\_\_\_.



SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan

Financial Statements and  
Supplementary Information

December 31, 2024 and 2023

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustees and Plan Administrator  
SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan  
Greenwich, Connecticut

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

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

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

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 5 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

### **Opinion**

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

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

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (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 ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

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

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

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

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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

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

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

**Other Matters - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA**

The supplemental schedule I) Schedule H, Line 4i – schedule of assets (held at end of year), and schedule II) Schedule H, Line 4j – schedule of reportable transactions are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the 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. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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



Dublin, Georgia  
October 8, 2025

SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN  
 STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
 December 31,

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Investments, at fair value		
Pooled separate accounts, at fair value	\$ 18,127,613	\$ 71,443,177
Mutual funds, at fair value	17,500,531	20,166,055
Collective trust funds, at fair value	55,208,889	-
Total investments, at fair value	90,837,033	91,609,232
Receivables		
Employer contributions	492,314	1,837,000
<b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>	<b>\$ 91,329,347</b>	<b>\$ 93,446,232</b>

SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
Year Ended December 31, 2024

ADDITIONS		
Investment income		
Net appreciation in fair market value of investments	\$ 4,734,348	
Dividend income	514,475	
Total investment income	<u>5,248,823</u>	
Employer contributions	<u>1,044,480</u>	
Total additions	<u>6,293,303</u>	
DEDUCTIONS		
Benefits paid to participants	7,761,544	
Administrative expenses	648,644	
Total deductions	<u>8,410,188</u>	
NET DECREASE	(2,116,885)	
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS		
Beginning of year	<u>93,446,232</u>	
End of year	<u>\$ 91,329,347</u>	

SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN  
 STATEMENTS OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS  
 December 31,

	2024*	2023*
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits		
Vested benefits		
Participants currently receiving payments	\$ 81,872,063	\$ 82,006,161
Inactive participants	16,637,097	32,167,465
	98,509,160	114,173,626
 Total actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits	 \$ 98,509,160	 \$ 114,173,626

\* - Actuarial valuation date is a beginning of the year valuation, January 1, 2024 and 2023, respectively.  
 See Notes to Financial Statements

SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS  
Year Ended December 31, 2024\*

Actuarial present value of accumulated plan	
benefits at beginning of year	\$ 114,173,626
Increase (decrease) during the year attributed to:	
Increase for interest due to decrease in the discount period	5,238,075
Benefits paid	(19,056,686)
Benefits accumulated and plan experience	(1,845,855)
Change in actuary assumptions	-
Actuarial present value of accumulated	
plan benefits at end of year	\$ 98,509,160

\* - Actuarial valuation date is a beginning of the year valuation, January 1, 2024.

SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN**

The following description of the SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan (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 was effective as of January 1, 1979. The Plan was amended to freeze benefit service accruals after December 31, 2007 and to freeze pay increases after December 31, 2008. No new employees are eligible for Plan participation and no further benefits shall accrue. As of September 14, 2012, Brant Industries, Inc. (Plan Sponsor) assumed the Plan and is the Plan Sponsor pursuant to the bankruptcy proceedings of SP Newsprint Co.

The Plan is a noncontributory, defined benefit plan covering all qualifying union and non-union employees of SP Newsprint Co. The Plan Sponsor's present intention is to make annual contributions in amounts sufficient to fund the Plan's current years' service cost and the initial past service cost plus interest over a period of 30 years. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Pension Benefits

Participants who were age 21 and completed 12 months of employment, with 1,000 or more hours of service, were eligible to participate in the retirement plan. Employees with five or more years of service are entitled to annual pension benefits beginning at the normal retirement age (65). If employees terminated before rendering five years of service, they forfeited the right to receive the portion of their accumulated plan benefits attributable to the Plan Sponsor's contributions. The automatic payment form is five year certain and life annuity for unmarried participants and 50% (salaried participant) and 80% (union participant) joint and survivor annuity for married participants. Participants may elect to receive the value of their accumulated plan benefits as an annuity payable for the participant's lifetime, an annuity payable for the life of the participant with payments guaranteed for ten years, as elected by the participant, or a joint and survivor annuity providing reduced benefits to the participant and providing a joint and survivor benefit to the eligible spouse.

Death and Disability Benefits

If an active married employee dies after he or she had completed at least 5 years of service but before commencement of benefit payments, the eligible spouse will be entitled to receive a survivor annuity. The Plan also provides death benefits to a designated beneficiary if an unmarried participant is eligible for early, normal, or delayed retirement at the time of his/her death. Disabled participants will be entitled to a monthly retirement benefit after reaching the age of retirement. Benefits are computed as though they had been employed to normal retirement age with their annual compensation remaining the same as the time they became disabled.

**NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Accounting

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

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and changes therein, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassification and Presentation

Certain prior year balances have been reclassified or rounded to conform with the current year presentation.

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. See Note 6 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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**NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued**

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition, continued

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits

See note 10. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits for full details.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits payments to participants are recorded upon distribution.

Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated for potential recognition and/or disclosure through October 8, 2025. This represents the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

**NOTE 3. FUNDING POLICY**

The Plan is fully funded by the Plan Sponsor and no employee contributions are allowed. The Plan Sponsor's funding policy is to make, at a minimum, annual contributions to the plan in amounts that are actuarially determined to satisfy each year's minimum funding standard. Contributions of \$1,044,480 were required and made for the 2024 Plan year. Of this contribution, \$492,314 was made subsequent to year end during 2025.

**NOTE 4. PLAN TERMINATION**

The Plan may be terminated, subject to the provisions of ERISA. Any net assets of the Plan at the time of termination will be allocated in accordance with the Plan document. Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) if the Plan terminates. Generally, the PBGC guarantees most vested normal age retirement benefits, early retirement benefits, and certain disability and survivor's pensions. However, the PBGC does not guarantee all types of benefits under the Plan and the amount of benefit protection is subject to certain limitations. Whether all participants receive their benefits should the Plan terminate at some future time will depend on the sufficiency, at that time, of the Plan's net assets to provide for accumulated benefit obligations and the level of benefits guaranteed by the PBGC.

**NOTE 5. CERTIFICATION OF ASSETS AND INCOME**

The Plan Administrator has elected the method of compliance as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the United States DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, as permitted under such election, the Plan Administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the following information certified by Delaware Charter Guarantee & Trust Company d/b/a Principal Trust Company (Principal Trust Company), the trustee and custodian of the Plan as complete and accurate to the best of their knowledge, except for comparing such information certified by the trustees and custodians to information included in the Plan's financial statements and the accompanying supplementary schedule.

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**NOTE 5. CERTIFICATION OF ASSETS AND INCOME, continued**

a) Assets held and certified by Principal Trust Company at December 31:

	2024	2023
Pooled separate accounts, at fair value	\$ 18,127,613	\$ 71,443,177
Mutual funds, at fair value	17,500,531	20,166,055
Collective trust funds, at fair value	55,208,889	-
	\$ 90,837,033	\$ 91,609,232

b) Income (loss) certified by Principal Trust Company for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value	Dividend Income
Pooled separate accounts, at fair value	\$ 3,036,214	\$ -
Mutual funds, at fair value	2,669,564	514,475
Collective trust funds, at fair value	(971,430)	
	\$ 4,734,348	\$ 514,475

**NOTE 6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) established a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB 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;
- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

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**NOTE 6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, continued**

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

*Mutual funds:* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the plan are open-ended mutual funds that are registered with the Securities & Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily *Net Asset Value* (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

*Pooled separate accounts:* Valued at NAV of shares held by the Plan at year end. The value of the units held in pooled separate accounts is based on the NAV of the units, determined by the security prices of the underlying investments. While the underlying security prices are quoted prices, the NAV of a separate account is not a publicly quoted price in an active market but is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The investment strategies for the pooled separate accounts typically seek to provide maximum returns by investing in securities that track performance of bonds, growth, liquid assets, and short-term income indices.

*Collective trust funds:* Funds that are valued at the NAV of units of the collective trust as provided to the plan administrator by the trustee of the collective trust. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV. Transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust, the issuer reserves the right to temporarily delay withdrawals from the trust in order to ensure that securities' liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business matter. The collective trust funds are part of Principals solutions-based suite of liability driven investing (LDI) collective trust funds designed to offer investors the ability to customize and enhance their liability-matching portfolios. The collective trust funds are expected to marginally outperform the benchmark index over a full market cycle. Investment strategies for the collect trust funds are segmented by specific maturity bands. The LDI suite was developed with diversification top of mind, specifically ensuring that the bands maintain broad market exposure across issuers, industries, and credit quality.

The preceding methods described 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.

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

	December 31, 2024		
	Level 1	NAV(a)	Total
Pooled separate accounts, at fair value	\$ -	\$ 18,127,613	\$ 18,127,613
Mutual funds, at fair value	17,500,531	-	17,500,531
Collective trust funds, at fair value	-	55,208,889	55,208,889
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 17,500,531</u>	<u>\$ 73,336,502</u>	<u>\$ 90,837,033</u>

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**NOTE 6. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, continued**

	December 31, 2023		
	Level 1	NAV(a)	Total
Pooled separate accounts, at fair value	\$ -	\$ 71,443,177	\$ 71,443,177
Mutual funds, at fair value	20,166,055	-	20,166,055
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$ 20,166,055</u>	<u>\$ 71,443,177</u>	<u>\$ 91,609,232</u>

(a) These funds were measured at NAV per share in accordance with FASB ASC Subtopic 820-10, as amended by FASB ASU 2015-07 and have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line item presented in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

The following table sets forth additional disclosures of the Plan's investments whose fair value is measured using NAV per share (or its equivalent) as of:

Investment	Fair Value Estimated Using Net Asset Value Per Share			
	December 31, 2024			
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitment	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Pooled separate accounts	\$ 18,127,613	\$ -	Daily	None
Collective trust funds	55,208,889	-	Daily	None
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$ 73,336,502</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		

Investment	Fair Value Estimated Using Net Asset Value Per Share			
	December 31, 2023			
	Fair Value	Unfunded Commitment	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Pooled separate accounts	\$ 71,443,177	\$ -	Daily	None
Collective trust funds	-	-	Daily	None
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$ 71,443,177</u>	<u>\$ -</u>		

**Changes in Fair Value Levels**

The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. In such instances, the transfer is reported at the beginning of the reporting period.

**NOTE 7. RELATED PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

The Plan's investments are with Principal Trust Company. Principal Trust Company is the trustee and custodian of the Plan. Principal Life Insurance Company is the contract administrator of the Plan. Transactions with Principal entities qualify as party-in-interest. The Plan paid expenses (direct and indirect compensation) from Plan assets to Principal Trust Company or its affiliates totaling \$263,547 for the year ended December 31, 2024.

The Plan paid other various service providers during the year directly from the Plan, these all qualify as exempt-party-in interest transactions.

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**NOTE 8. TAX STATUS**

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Trustees by a letter dated April 30, 2015, that the Plan is tax-exempt in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no provisions for income taxes have been included in the Plan's financial statements.

FASB Accounting Standards Codification requires the Plan Administrator to annually evaluate the Plan's tax positions, including accounting and measurement of uncertain tax positions. For the year ending December 31, 2024, the Plan Administrator concluded that no uncertain tax positions had been taken that would require adjustment to or disclosure in the financial statements. With few exceptions, the Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations by federal, state, or local tax authorities for years before 2021.

**NOTE 9. RISK AND UNCERTAINTIES**

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

**NOTE 10. ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS**

Accumulated plan benefits are those future periodic payments, including lump-sum distributions that are attributable under the Plan's provisions to the service participants have rendered. Accumulated plan benefits included benefits expected to be paid to (a) retired or terminated participants or their beneficiaries, (b) beneficiaries of participants who have died, and (c) active participants or their beneficiaries. Benefits under the Plan are based on the participants' compensation or accrual service credits depending on if the participant was a non-union employee or a union employee. The accumulated plan benefits are valued using the asset method utilizing a full yield curve through the month of January each year (segment interest rates were used for the year ended December 31, 2023). Assets and liabilities for current and future retirees are included in the valuation. Benefits payable under all circumstances – retirement, death, disability, and termination of employment – are included, to the extent they are deemed attributable to employee service rendered to the valuation date. A benefit is included in vested benefits if it meets the requirements under the PBGC.

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits is determined by an actuary from Principal Financial Group and is that amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to adjust the accumulated plan benefits to reflect the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment.

The significant actuarial assumptions and methods used by the Plan were as follows:

<b><u>Valuation date</u></b>	January 1, 2024 and 2023 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.
<b><u>Inflation</u></b>	2.40% increase per year
<b><u>Asset return</u></b>	5.00% for the year ended December 31, 2024 and 5.50% for the year ended December 31, 2023
<b><u>Expected expense</u></b>	The expected expense included in target normal cost is an estimate based on prior year expenses paid from plan assets, with an updated estimate of PBGC premiums. This is the best estimate available of upcoming year's expenses.

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**NOTE 10. ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS, continued**

<b><u>Retirement</u></b>	Previous union employees - Inactive participants are assumed to retire at age 62 and 10 years of service, but no earlier than age 65.
<b><u>Disability</u></b>	None.
<b><u>Marriage</u></b>	75% married; husbands are 3 years older than wives.
<b><u>Withdrawal</u></b>	None, all participants are already in terminated vested status.
<b><u>Form of benefit</u></b>	Participants are assumed to receive their benefits on the normal form at the assumed retirement age.
<b><u>Liability measure</u></b>	Funding target is the present value of the benefits accrued on the valuation date. Included in Funding Target is the value of any missed required minimum distributions (defined in IRC §401(a)(9) and Treasury Regulation §1.401(a)(9)), equal to back payments with interest at 7.00%.
<b><u>Asset method</u></b>	<p>The asset valuation method is prescribed by law for plans that elect to use a value other than market value.</p> <p>For each of the preceding two years, an expected value of assets at the end of the year is compared to the end of year market value. The resulting gain or loss is recognized evenly over three plan years.</p> <p>The expected value includes contributions, distributions, any deducted administrative expenses, and expected earnings (based on the lesser of the assumed interest rate or the maximum allowable rate). The deferred gains and losses are added to the current market value and then restricted to no more than 110% and no less than 90% of that market value.</p> <p>When actual returns exceed the assumed return, the actuarial value of assets will lag below market value. The lag and the smoothing effect are limited since the value must be within 10% of market value.</p>
<b><u>Yield curve rates</u></b>	Full yield curve. Use the rates through the month of January.
<b><u>PBGC premium basis</u></b>	Variable rate premiums are calculated using census, market value of assets and interest rates in effect on the current valuation date. Interest rates are the full yield curve rates used for annual cost. You elected this Alternative interest method for the 01/01/2020 plan year and this method must be used for five years before a change can be made.
<b><u>Retirees</u></b>	Assets and liabilities for current and future retirees are included.
<b><u>Vested benefits</u></b>	A benefit is included in vested benefits if it meets the requirements under PBGC. The benefit is multiplied by the participant's vesting percentage applicable to each benefit on the valuation date.
<b><u>Mortality</u></b>	Based on Pri-2012 White collar base rate mortality table for former non-union plan participants and Pri-2012 Blue collar base rate mortality table for former union plan participants, projected generationally using MP-2021.

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**NOTE 10. ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS, continued**

**Mortality base rates**      Before benefit payment period - Employee amount-weighted, male and female  
During benefit payment period - Retiree amount-weighted, male and female

The Society of Actuaries (SOA) is an actuarial organization that periodically reviews mortality data and publishes mortality tables and improvement scales. In October 2019, the SOA released the Pri-2012 Mortality Tables for private-sector retirement plans in the U.S. The Pri-2012 report contains different sets of mortality tables based on complete dataset or various subsets. The White collar base rate table was selected for former non-union plan participants and the Blue collar base rate table was selected for former union plan participants based on information provided by the Plan Sponsor.

Pri-2012 section 12.4. provided three approaches for designated beneficiaries in the calculation of joint-and-survivor annuities. Principal believes "Approach 1" is reasonable for the Plan.

**Mortality improvement**      MP-2021 is the most recent improvement scale published by the SOA in October 2021.

In selecting this assumption, Principal considered the other parameters available in the MIM-2021-v4 application tool issued by the SOA in October 2023 and consider the selections in MP-2021 reasonable. Based on the sponsor's input, plan experience does not show a need for long-term excess death or Covid death load adjustments.

**Interest rate used to value liabilities**      5.00% for the year ended December 31, 2024 and 5.50% for the year ended December 31, 2023

The interest rate used to value ASC 960 liabilities is developed as long-term expected geometric return on plan assets. Arithmetic expected return is calculated as the weighted average of broad asset classes' arithmetic returns of the plan's target asset allocation, and then converted to the geometric under lognormal distribution assumption.

**Treatment of administrative expenses**      No adjustments are made for administrative expenses, either through a reduction in the discount rate or by calculating a present value of future expenses.

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES

SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN  
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)  
December 31, 2024  
EIN: 20-2432257 Plan: 002

(a)	(b) Identity of issue	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
*	Principal	Prin LDI Prin Core Plus Bond	165,756	165,605
*	Principal	Prin Large Cap Growth	373,681	13,613,107
*	Principal	Prin LDI Extnd Duration	2,671,474	2,338,887
*	Principal	Prin Liquid Asset	2,009,746	2,010,015
		Total pooled separate accounts	<u>\$ 5,220,658</u>	<u>\$ 18,127,613</u>
	Vanguard	Vanguard Emg Mk Stk Idx Adm Fd	112,722	107,000
	Vanguard	Vanguard Hi-Yld Corp Adm Fd	752,270	1,683,766
	Vanguard	Vanguard Totl Stk Mrkt Idx Inst Fd	1,362,006	15,709,765
		Total mutual funds	<u>\$ 2,226,998</u>	<u>\$ 17,500,531</u>
*	Principal	Prin Gbl Inv Prin LDI 5-15	13,357,371	13,669,934
*	Principal	Prin Gbl Inv Prin LDI 15-25	27,605,258	27,022,787
*	Principal	Prin Gbl Inv Prin LDI 25+	15,138,354	14,516,168
		Total collective trust funds	<u>\$ 56,100,983</u>	<u>\$ 55,208,889</u>

\* - Represents a party-in-interest.  
See independent auditor's report.

SP NEWSPRINT CO. PENSION PLAN  
 SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j - SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS  
 December 31, 2024  
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(a) Identity of party involved	(b) Description of asset (include interest rate and maturity in case of a loan)	(c) Purchase price	(d) Selling price	(e) Lease rental	(f) Expense incurred with transaction	(g) Cost of asset	(h) Current value of asset on transaction date	(i) Net gain or (loss)
* Principal	Prin Liquid Asset	\$ 7,124,989	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
* Principal	Prin Liquid Asset	-	7,376,066	-	-	5,115,243	-	2,260,823
* Principal	Prin Intermediate Duration	-	11,170,300	-	-	-	-	11,170,300
* Principal	Prin Long Duration	-	33,494,566	-	-	-	-	33,494,566
* Principal	Prin Large Cap Growth	374,156	-	-	-	-	-	-
* Principal	Prin Large Cap Growth	-	14,656,959	-	-	475	-	14,656,484
* Principal	Prin Corporate 15-25	28,606,460	-	-	-	-	-	-
* Principal	Prin Corporate 15-25	-	959,852	-	-	1,001,202	-	(41,350)
* Principal	Prin Corporate 25+	15,687,414	-	-	-	-	-	-
* Principal	Prin Corporate 25+	-	518,147	-	-	549,059	-	(30,912)
* Principal	Prin Corporate 5-15	13,841,836	-	-	-	-	-	-
* Principal	Prin Corporate 5-15	-	477,391	-	-	484,464	-	(7,073)
Vanguard	Vanguard High-Yield Corporate	5,862,381	12,108,566	-	-	-	-	6,998,455
Vanguard	Vanguard Emerging Markets	5,624,426	5,536,734	-	-	-	-	25,030
		<u>\$ 77,121,662</u>	<u>\$ 86,298,584</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 7,150,444</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 68,526,324</u>

\* - Represents a party-in-interest.  
 See independent auditor's report.

#### Assumptions prescribed by law

Mortality	<p>Before benefit payment period</p> <p>IRS Prescribed Mortality - Generational Non-annuitant, male and female.</p> <p>During benefit payment period</p> <p>IRS Prescribed Mortality - Generational Annuitant, male and female.</p>
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#### Assumptions selected by actuary

Inflation	<p>2.40% increase per year.</p> <p>Our long-term inflation assumption considered the current economic environment, recent and historical data, and forecasts from Federal Reserve Bank FOMC, Congressional Budget Office, and Survey of Professional Forecasters. See Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions link.</p>
Asset return	<p>5.00% for the current plan year.</p> <p>The asset return is developed as a weighted average rate based on the target asset allocation of the plan and the long-term capital market assumptions. The calculated return is on an arithmetic mean basis. For details, see the See Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions link.</p>
Expected expense	<p>The expected expense included in target normal cost is an estimate based on prior year expenses paid from plan assets, with an updated estimate of PBGC premiums. This is the best estimate available of upcoming year's expenses.</p>
Retirement	<p>Previous union employees:</p> <p>Inactive participants are assumed to retire at age 62 and 10 years of service, but no earlier than age 65.</p> <p>Previous union employees:</p> <p>Inactive participants are assumed to retire at age 62.</p> <p>Due to our short tenure as actuaries on this plan, we don't have the plan experience necessary to set this assumption and we are relying on the assumptions set by the prior actuary. This assumption is reasonable with the plan's design</p>
Disability	<p>None.</p>
Marriage	<p>75% married; husbands are 3 years older than wives.</p> <p>This assumption does not have material impact on the results of this report and has been selected based on our best estimate of active workforce.</p>
Withdrawal	<p>None. All participants are already in terminated vested status.</p>
Form of benefit	<p>Participants are assumed to receive their benefits on the normal form at the assumed retirement age.</p>

#### Methods prescribed by law

##### Liability measure

Funding target is the present value of the benefits accrued on the valuation date. Included in Funding Target is the value of any missed required minimum distributions (defined in IRC §401(a)(9) and Treasury Regulation §1.401(a)(9)), equal to back payments with interest at 7.00%.

Target normal cost is based on benefits expected to accrue during the current plan year and includes an estimate of plan expenses for the year.

#### Methods selected by plan sponsor

##### Asset method

The asset valuation method is prescribed by law for plans that elect to use a value other than market value.

For each of the preceding two years, an expected value of assets at the end of the year is compared to the end of year market value. The resulting gain or loss is recognized evenly over three plan years.

The expected value includes contributions, distributions, any deducted administrative expenses, and expected earnings (based on the lesser of the assumed interest rate or the maximum allowable rate). The deferred gains and losses are added to the current market value and then restricted to no more than 110% and no less than 90% of that market value.

When actual returns exceed the assumed return, the actuarial value of assets will lag below market value. The lag and the smoothing effect are limited since the value must be within 10% of market value.

##### Yield curve rates

Full yield curve. Use the rates through the month of January.

##### PBGC premium basis

Variable rate premiums are calculated using census, market value of assets and interest rates in effect on the current valuation date. Interest rates are the full yield curve rates used for annual cost. You elected this Alternative interest method for the 01/01/2020 plan year and this method must be used for five years before a change can be made.

#### Methods elected by actuary

##### Retirees

Assets and liabilities for current and future retirees are included.

##### Vested benefits

A benefit is included in vested benefits if it meets the requirements under PBGC. The benefit is multiplied by the participant's vesting percentage applicable to each benefit on the valuation date.

The following ancillary benefits are always treated as nonvested: disability benefits payable to retirement age unless in pay status, pre-retirement death benefits in excess of the survivor annuity death benefit and post retirement death benefits for non-retired participants except as noted in the Plan provisions.

### Assumptions and methods elected by actuary - plan accounting (ASC 960)

With the exceptions below, all assumptions and methods are the same as those used in determining your plan's regular funding target and target normal cost.

<b>Mortality</b>	Based on Pri-2012 White collar base rate mortality table for former non-union plan participants and Pri-2012 Blue collar base rate mortality table for former union plan participants, projected generationally using MP-2021.
<b>Mortality base rates</b>	<b>Before benefit payment period</b> Employee amount-weighted, male and female <b>During benefit payment period</b> Retiree amount-weighted, male and female
	<p>The Society of Actuaries (SOA) is an actuarial organization that periodically reviews mortality data and publishes mortality tables and improvement scales. In October 2019, the SOA released the Pri-2012 Mortality Tables for private-sector retirement plans in the U.S. The Pri-2012 report contains different sets of mortality tables based on complete dataset or various subsets. The White collar base rate table was selected for former non-union plan participants and the Blue collar base rate table was selected for former union plan participants based on information provided by the plan sponsor.</p> <p>Pri-2012 section 12.4. provided three approaches for designated beneficiaries in the calculation of joint-and-survivor annuities. We believe "Approach 1" is reasonable for this plan.</p>
<b>Mortality improvement</b>	MP-2021 is the most recent improvement scale published by the SOA in October 2021.  In selecting this assumption, we considered the other parameters available in the MIM-2021-v4 application tool issued by the SOA in October 2023 and consider the selections in MP-2021 reasonable. Based on the sponsor's input, plan experience does not show a need for long-term excess death or Covid death load adjustments.
<b>Interest rate used to value liabilities</b>	5.00%  The interest rate used to value ASC 960 liabilities is developed as long-term expected geometric return on plan assets. Arithmetic expected return is calculated as the weighted average of broad asset classes' arithmetic returns of the plan's target asset allocation, and then converted to the geometric under lognormal distribution assumption. For details, see Long-Term Capital Market Assumptions link.

Treatment of administrative expenses

No adjustments are made for administrative expenses, either through a reduction in the discount rate or by calculating a present value of future expenses.

Plan sponsors may change their administrative expense handling at any time. Our approach provides consistent handling of ASC 960 liabilities from year to year, whether expenses are paid with plan assets or directly by the employer.

Note - expenses paid with plan assets are required to be included in funding normal cost. As a result, the plan is reimbursed annually through required funding. Exception - contributions are not required due to assets sufficiently in excess of liabilities to fund both expenses and normal cost. In this case, administrative expenses are taken from the excess assets.

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

▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**  
 ▶ **Caution:** A penalty of \$1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.


<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>SP Newsprint Co. 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>Brant Industries, Inc.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>20-2432257</u>	

**E** Type of plan:  Single  Multiple-A  Multiple-B  Other  
**F** Prior year plan size:  100 or fewer  101-500  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>93370246</u>
	<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....	<b>2b</b>	<u>95211540</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>702</u>	<u>81780659</u>
	<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	<u>259</u>	<u>15730615</u>
	<b>c</b> For active participants .....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<b>d</b> Total .....	<u>961</u>	<u>97511274</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>5.12 %</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>608000</u>
	<b>c</b> Target normal cost .....	<b>6c</b>	<u>608000</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>	 Signature of actuary	<u>09/10/2025</u> Date
	<u>William G. Matthews</u> Type or print name of actuary	<u>2307410</u> Most recent enrollment number
	<u>Principal Financial Group</u> Firm name	<u>678-322-3609</u> Telephone number (including area code)
	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

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances</b>	
	(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>16.32</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) .....		826
<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>5.20</u> % .....		43
<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 .....		869
<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

<b>Part III</b>	<b>Funding Percentages</b>	
<b>14</b> Funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>14</b>	97.64 %
<b>15</b> Adjusted funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>15</b>	97.64 %
<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>	94.64 %
<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>	%

<b>Part IV</b>	<b>Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls</b>				
<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
05/09/2024	184436	0			
07/22/2024	183230	0			
10/31/2024	184000	0			
11/01/2024	500	0			
01/14/2025	327000	0			
07/08/2025	165314	0			
<b>Totals ▶</b>			<b>18(b)</b>	1044480	<b>18(c)</b>

<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> 998769
<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
0	0
(3) 3rd	(4) 4th
0	0

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

**21** Discount rate:

<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: %	2nd segment: %	3rd segment: %	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
<b>b</b> Applicable month (enter code) .....				<b>21b</b> 0

**22** Weighted average retirement age ..... **22** 0

**23** Mortality table(s) (see instructions)  Prescribed - combined  Prescribed - separate  Substitute

**Part VI Miscellaneous Items**

**24** Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....  Yes  No

**25** Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....  Yes  No

**26** Demographic and benefit information

**a** Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ....  Yes  No

**b** Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ...  Yes  No

**27** If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment..... **27**

**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**

**31** Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):

<b>a</b> Target normal cost (line 6c) .....	<b>31a</b>	608000
<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 .....	2299734	236744
<b>b</b> Waiver amortization installment .....	0	0

**33** 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 ..... **33**

<b>34</b> Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33).....	<b>34</b>	844744
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance
<b>35</b> Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement .....	0	0
<b>36</b> Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35) .....	<b>36</b>	844744
<b>37</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c) .....	<b>37</b>	998769

**38** 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>	154025
<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)**

**41** 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.  2019  2020  2021

Schedule SB, Line 2a - Explanation of Assets  
SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan  
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The market value of assets on line 2a does not equal assets shown on Schedule H, Schedule I or Form 5500-SF. Schedule H, Schedule I and Form 5500-SF use the full value of contributions received after plan year end of the amount \$1,837,000 was made on 11/01/2024. Line 2a includes the discount value on 09/15/2024 of \$1,825,080 contributions received after the plan year end with a discounted value of \$1,761,013 due to the plan sponsor has directed us that they are eligible for tax relief issued on September 10, 2024 for business in Connecticut affected by severe storms, flooding, landslides that began on August 18, 2024.

Schedule SB, Line 19 - Discounted Employer Contributions  
 SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan  
 EIN 20-2432257 Plan No. 002

The attached schedule shows the date and amount of individual employer contributions, interest adjusted contribution, year to which the contributions are applied, applicable effective interest rate and amount applied to each quarterly contribution.

**Contributions allocated toward minimum required contributions (Line 19c)**

Contributions not applied to quarterly contributions are applied to Annual Cost.

Date	Full Amount of Contribution by Employer	Interest Adjusted Amount of Contribution	Plan Year Applied	Effective Interest Rate	1Q Full Amount	1Q Interest Adjusted <sup>1</sup>	1Q Days Late	2Q Full Amount	2Q Interest Adjusted <sup>1</sup>	2Q Days Late	3Q Full Amount	3Q Interest Adjusted <sup>1</sup>	3Q Days Late	4Q Full Amount	4Q Interest Adjusted <sup>1</sup>	4Q Days Late
5/9/2024	\$184,436	\$180,667	2024	5.12 %	\$184,436	\$180,667	24									
7/22/2024	\$183,230	\$178,003	2024	5.12 %	\$5,632	\$5,410	98	\$177,598	\$172,593	7						
10/31/2024	\$184,000	\$176,028	2024	5.12 %				\$12,470	\$11,800	108	\$171,530	\$164,228	16			
11/1/2024	\$500	\$479	2024	5.12 %							\$500	\$479	17			
1/14/2025	\$327,000	\$310,323	2024	5.12 %							\$18,038	\$16,932	91	\$190,043	\$180,465	0
7/8/2025	\$165,314	\$153,269	2024	5.12 %												
TOTAL	\$1,044,480	\$998,769														

<sup>1</sup> Includes increased rate for late quarterly contribution (calculated using the Effective Interest Rate plus 5% for the number of days late).

Schedule SB, Line 22 - Description Of Weighted Average Retirement Age  
SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan  
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The plan has no active participants, therefore line 22 is blank.

This report reflects the maximum benefit limits under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 415 and maximum compensation limits under IRC Section 401 in effect on the first day of each plan year.

The following is a summary of plan provisions and does not alter the intent or meanings of the provisions contained in the contract or plan document. This report reflects the provisions of the plan signed 12/31/2019 including amendments through number 1 signed 03/19/2020.

#### Plan eligibility

**Service** One year of service in which at least 1,000 hours worked.  
Eligibility was frozen for non-union plan participants effective 12/31/2008 and union plan participants effective 09/12/2012.  
SP Newsprint ceased to exist on 09/12/2012, therefore no participants accrue service after 09/12/2012.

#### Normal retirement benefit

**Age** Attained age 65.

**Service** 5 years of participation/accrual/vesting service.

**Form** Monthly annuity payable for life (optional forms may be elected in advance of retirement).

**Amount (accrued benefit)**

**Non-union plan participants**  
The greater of a), b) and c)  
a) 1.10% of average compensation up to the integration level plus 1.60% of average compensation in excess of integration level, multiplied by accrual service (not in excess of 30 years).  
Accrued benefit was frozen effective 12/31/2008.  
b) \$14.00 multiplied by accrual service (not to exceed 30 years)  
c) Salaried plan accrued benefit determined as of 12/31/1988 (or as of 12/31/2000, if greater)

**Union plan participants**  
\$70.00 multiplied by accrual service.  
Accrued benefit was frozen effective 09/12/2012.

#### Early retirement benefit

Age	Attained age 55.
Service	Completed 10 years of service.
Form	Same as normal retirement benefit.
Amount	Accrued benefit on early retirement date reduced by 5% for each year early retirement data precedes normal retirement date.  Unreduced early retirement benefit for union plan participants who attain age 62 and 15 years of vesting service.

#### Late retirement benefit

Age	No maximum age.
Form	Same as normal retirement benefit.
Amount	Greater of accrued benefit on late retirement date or accrued benefit on normal retirement date actuarially increased to late retirement date.

#### Termination benefit

Vesting percentage	100% after five years of vesting service.
Form	Same as normal retirement benefit with income deferred until normal retirement date.

#### Survivor annuity death benefit (a vested benefit)

Eligibility	Qualified married participant fully or partially vested in an accrued benefit.
Form	Monthly annuity payable to spouse, deferred to participant's earliest retirement date if later than the date of death.
Amount	If death occurs, the amount paid to the surviving spouse is equal to the amount that would have been paid had the participant terminated employment on the date of death and survived to his/her earliest retirement age, retired with a qualified joint and 50% survivor annuity (if they were a salaried employee), or a 80% survivor annuity (if they were a union employee), then died the next day.

## Definitions

### Optional forms of benefit payments

The optional forms of benefit payments are:

- Monthly annuity payable for life or 10 years certain and life.
- Monthly annuity payable as a survivorship life annuity with survivorship percentages of 50, 75, or 100.
- **Union plan participants:** Monthly annuity payable as a survivorship life annuity with survivorship percentage of 80.

The optional form conversion basis is 7.0% interest and the 1971 TPF&C (combined) table setback 1 year for participant and 5 years for contingent annuitant.

### Lump sum provisions

Small amount force out (SAFO) – allowed up to \$5,000.

Lump sums in excess of SAFO aren't allowed at termination of employment and retirement but are allowed for death benefit.

The optional form conversion basis uses the applicable interest rate and applicable mortality table as set forth in Code Section 417 for lump sum payments. The applicable interest rate uses the second calendar month preceding the first day of the stability period which is the plan year.

## Changes in Principal Eligibility or Benefit Provisions

There have been no changes in principal eligibility or benefit provisions since the last valuation.

## Significant Event

The enrolled actuary has not been made aware that any significant events have occurred during the year.

Schedule SB, Line 32 - Schedule of Amortization Bases  
SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan  
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[Details of shortfall charges](#)

The historical information used to determine the total shortfall charge.

Date created	Present value	Remaining years	Shortfall charge
01/01/2024	\$(3,446,612)	15	\$(317,397)
01/01/2023	5,746,346	14	554,141
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,299,734</b>		<b>\$236,744</b>

Last year's total shortfall annual charge was \$554,141.

The total annual charge used in calculating your annual cost can't be less than zero.

Schedule SB, Line 25 – Change in Method  
SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan  
EIN 20-2432257 Plan No. 002

The Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, Section 103(c)(4), requires the plan administrator to furnish an explanation of a change in the enrolled actuary as part of the annual report. There was a change in enrolled actuaries since last year. The actuarial valuation work continues to be done by Principal Life Insurance Company. However, the individual involved with this plan as the enrolled actuary has changed due to a change in the plan assignment among enrolled actuaries at Principal Life Insurance Company.

Schedule SB, Line 24 – Change in Actuarial Assumptions  
SP Newsprint Co. Pension Plan  
EIN 20-2432257 Plan No. 002

Certain non-prescribed assumptions have been changed since last year. These assumptions were changed to better reflect the anticipated experience of your plan. See the attachment, Part V – Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods, for the rationale for each assumption.

The assumed asset return for the current year has decreased from 5.50% to 5.00%. This rate is used in the calculation of the actuarial value of plan assets.

SCHEDULE H, line 4j - SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS

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SCHEDULE H, line 4j - SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS

SP N C. P P  
 EIN 20 2432257  
 PLAN NUMBER 002  
 PLAN YEAR 01/01/2024 TO 12/31/2024

DESCRIPTION OF ASSET	(A) Total Number of Purchases	(B) Total Number of Sales	(C) Total Value of Purchases	(D) Total Value of Sales	(E) Net Gain/(Loss)
Pooled Separate Accounts PRINCIPAL LIQUID ASSETS SEPARA	14		\$ 7,124,989.30		\$ 0.00
Pooled Separate Accounts PRINCIPAL LIQUID ASSETS SEPARA		41		\$ 7,376,066.07	\$ 2,260,822.85
Pooled Separate Accounts PRINCIPAL LDI INTERMEDIATE DUR		1		\$ 11,170,300.37	\$ 11,170,300.37
Pooled Separate Accounts PRINCIPAL LDI LONG DURATION SE		1		\$ 33,494,566.48	\$ 33,494,566.48
Pooled Separate Accounts PRINCIPAL LARGE CAP GROWTH I SE	2		\$ 374,156.19		\$ 0.00
Pooled Separate Accounts PRINCIPAL LARGE CAP GROWTH I SE		5		\$ 14,656,959.03	\$ 14,656,484.07
Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CORPORATE 15-25	1		\$ 28,606,460.35		\$ 0.00
Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CORPORATE 15-25		1		\$ 959,852.45	\$ 41,349.65-
Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CORPORATE 25+ YE	1		\$ 15,687,413.72		\$ 0.00
Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CORPORATE 25+ YE		1		\$ 518,147.43	\$ 30,912.05-
Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CORPORATE 5-15 Y	1		\$ 13,841,835.63		\$ 0.00
Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CORPORATE 5-15 Y		1		\$ 477,391.07	\$ 7,073.18-
Registered Investment Company VANGUARD HIGH-YIELD CORPORATE	13		\$ 5,862,380.97		\$ 0.00
Registered Investment Company VANGUARD HIGH-YIELD CORPORATE		3		\$ 12,108,566.48	\$ 6,998,455.43
Registered Investment Company VANGUARD EMERGING MARKETS STOC	3		\$ 5,624,425.84		\$ 0.00

\* Schedule is prepared using the alternative way of reporting (iii) series transactions under DOL Regulation 2520.103-6(d)(2).



**SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**

SP N C. P P  
 EIN 20 2432257  
 PLAN NUMBER 002  
 PLAN YEAR 01/01/2024 TO 12/31/2024

(A) Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor or similar party.	(B) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value.	(C) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value.	(D) Cost	(E) Current Value
* Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN CORE PLUS BOND SEP ACCT-Z	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN CORE PLUS BOND SEP ACCT-Z	\$ 165,756.43	\$ 165,604.84
* Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN LARGE CAP GROWTH I SA-Z	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN LARGE CAP GROWTH I SA-Z	\$ 373,681.23	\$ 13,613,106.62
* Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN LDI EXT DUR SEP ACCT-Z	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN LDI EXT DUR SEP ACCT-Z	\$ 2,671,474.27	\$ 2,338,886.57
* Principal Life Insurance Company	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN LIQUID ASSETS SEP ACCT-Z	Pooled Separate Accounts PRIN LIQUID ASSETS SEP ACCT-Z	\$ 2,009,746.08	\$ 2,010,015.41
* Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CR 15-25 YR II	Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CR 15-25 YR II	\$ 27,605,258.25	\$ 27,022,787.30
* Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CR 5-15 YR FD II	Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CR 5-15 YR FD II	\$ 13,357,371.38	\$ 13,669,933.87
* Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CRP 25+ YR FD II	Common/Collective Trust PRINCIPAL LDI CRP 25+ YR FD II	\$ 15,138,354.24	\$ 14,516,167.88
Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company VANGUARD EMG MK STK IDX ADM FD	Registered Investment Company VANGUARD EMG MK STK IDX ADM FD	\$ 112,721.69	\$ 107,000.08
Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company VANGUARD HI-YLD CORP ADM FUND	Registered Investment Company VANGUARD HI-YLD CORP ADM FUND	\$ 752,269.92	\$ 1,683,766.97
Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company VGD TOTL STK MKKT IDX INST FD	Registered Investment Company VGD TOTL STK MKKT IDX INST FD	\$ 1,362,006.20	\$ 15,709,765.45

