

Form 5500

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

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

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

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2024

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

- A This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan, a multiple-employer plan, a single-employer plan, a DFE, etc.
B This return/report is: the first return/report, the final return/report, an amended return/report, a short plan year return/report, etc.
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.
D Check box if filing under: Form 5558, automatic extension, special extension, the DFVC program, etc.
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here.

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan: ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 002
1c Effective date of plan: 09/03/1999
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS HOLDINGS, INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 91-1921377
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 907-564-1290
2d Business code (see instructions): 517000

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

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

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

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<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>	143
<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>	2
	<b>6a(2)</b>	1
	<b>6b</b>	117
	<b>6c</b>	14
	<b>6d</b>	132
	<b>6e</b>	10
	<b>6f</b>	142
	<b>6g(1)</b>	
<b>6g(2)</b>		
<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:  
1A 3H 1I

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

<b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	<b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor

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

**a Pension Schedules**

- (1)  **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2)  **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3)  **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4)  **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached \_\_\_\_\_
- (5)  **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

**b General Schedules**

- (1)  **H** (Financial Information)
- (2)  **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3)  **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0
- (4)  **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5)  **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6)  **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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<b>SCHEDULE 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>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS RETIREMENT 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>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS HOLDINGS, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1921377</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500	

**Part I Basic Information**

<b>1</b> Enter the valuation date:	Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2024</u>		
<b>2</b> Assets:			
<b>a</b> Market value .....	<b>2a</b>		<u>9361689</u>
<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....	<b>2b</b>		<u>9990933</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>125</u>	<u>10823236</u>	<u>10823236</u>
<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	<u>16</u>	<u>708698</u>	<u>708698</u>
<b>c</b> For active participants .....	<u>2</u>	<u>48462</u>	<u>48462</u>
<b>d</b> Total .....	<u>143</u>	<u>11580396</u>	<u>11580396</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>4.98 %</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>177691</u>
<b>c</b> Target normal cost .....	<b>6c</b>		<u>177691</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>09/23/2025</u>	Date
	<u>JOSEPH NOWAKOWSKI</u>	<u>23-08967</u>	Most recent enrollment number
	<u>FIDELITY INVESTMENTS</u>	<u>312-730-1779</u>	Telephone number (including area code)
	<u>6501 S FIDDLERS GREEN CIRCLE SUITE 300-600 DENVER, CO 80111</u>		
	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 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	18434
<b>8</b>	Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year) .....	0	18434
<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>6.80</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) .....		1288
<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>5.11</u> % .....		0
<b>b(2)</b>	Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return .....		88
<b>c</b>	Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance .....		1376
<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>	86.27 %
<b>15</b>	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>15</b>	86.27 %
<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>	87.37 %
<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		
04/15/2024	86000	0					
07/15/2024	86000	0					
10/11/2024	86000	0					
01/03/2025	86000	0					
08/20/2025	35000	0					
			<b>Totals ▶</b>	<b>18(b)</b>	379000	<b>18(c)</b>	0

**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>	365649

**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

<b>Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost</b>			
<b>21</b> Discount rate:			
<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75 %	2nd segment: 4.87 %	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
<b>b</b> Applicable month (enter code) .....			<b>21b</b> 4
<b>22</b> Weighted average retirement age .....			<b>22</b> 60
<b>23</b> Mortality table(s) (see instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - combined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - separate <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute			

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

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

<b>Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year</b>			
<b>31</b> Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):			
<b>a</b> Target normal cost (line 6c) .....			<b>31a</b> 177691
<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 .....	1589463	181209	
<b>b</b> Waiver amortization installment.....	0	0	
<b>33</b> If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount .....			<b>33</b>
<b>34</b> Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33).....			<b>34</b> 358900
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance
<b>35</b> Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement .....	0	0	0
<b>36</b> Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35) .....			<b>36</b> 358900
<b>37</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c) .....			<b>37</b> 365649
<b>38</b> Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)			
<b>a</b> Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)			<b>38a</b> 6749
<b>b</b> Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances.....			<b>38b</b> 0
<b>39</b> Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37) .....			<b>39</b> 0
<b>40</b> Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years .....			<b>40</b> 0

<b>Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)</b>			
<b>41</b> If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> 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>A</b> Name of plan <b>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS RETIREMENT PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<b>002</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS HOLDINGS, INC.</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>91-1921377</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

**FID MGMT TRUST CO**

**04-3022712**

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

**MATRIX TRUST COMPANY**

**75-3182674**

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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)

FID INV INST OPS CO

04-2647786

(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?
50 15 49	NONE	67494	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

HUMAN INVESTING

74-3130983

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	NONE	19211	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

MOSS ADAMS

13-5381590

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10 29	NONE	5250	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

**2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation.** Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

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

MATRIX TRUST CORPORATION

75-3182674

(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?
50 15	NONE	2902	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

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

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

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

<b>(a)</b> Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	<b>(b)</b> Service Codes (see instructions)	<b>(c)</b> Enter amount of indirect compensation
<b>(d)</b> Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	<b>(e)</b> Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
<b>(a)</b> Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	<b>(b)</b> Service Codes (see instructions)	<b>(c)</b> Enter amount of indirect compensation
<b>(d)</b> Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	<b>(e)</b> Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
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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: MOSS ADAMS, LLP	<b>b</b> EIN: 91-0189318
<b>c</b> Position: AUDITOR	
<b>d</b> Address: 601 W. RIVERSIDE AVE STE 1800 SPOKANE, WA 99201	<b>e</b> Telephone: 509-747-2600

Explanation: MOSS ADAMS, LLP MERGED WITH BAKER TILLY US, LLP ON JUNE 3,2025

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning <b>01/01/2024</b> and ending <b>12/31/2024</b>	
<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS RETIREMENT PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <b>002</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS HOLDINGS, INC.</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>91-1921377</b>

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

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	11484	0
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	133000	121000
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>	1097	0
<b>c</b> General investments:			
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	10572	8754
<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>		
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>		
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>		
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>		
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>	9338536	9609894
<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>	9494689	9739648
<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>	0	0
<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>	9494689	9739648

**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>	379000	
<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>		379000
<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>	664	
<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>		664
<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>	235928	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		235928
<b>(3)</b> Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		886716
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		1502308

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	1046016	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>		
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		1046016
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>	67494	
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>	5250	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	19211	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>	2902	
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>		
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>		
(11) Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>	116476	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		211333
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		1257349

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		244959
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **BAKER TILLY US LLP**

(2) EIN: **30-1413443**

**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		500000
<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 553700.

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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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>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS RETIREMENT 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>ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS HOLDINGS, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1921377</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.**

**1** 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): 75-3182674

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

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

3		0
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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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**4** Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....  Yes  No  N/A  
**If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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).)

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

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

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(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 \_\_\_\_\_.

Report of Independent Auditors  
and Financial Statements  
with Supplemental Schedule

**Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan**

December 31, 2024 and 2023



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## Report of Independent Auditors

The Trustees of  
Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's 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 qualified institutions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the years then ended, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 7 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 (GAAP).
- the information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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### ***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 Alaska Communications Systems Retirement 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 GAAP, 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 Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Alaska Communications Systems Retirement 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 GAAP.

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 GAAP.

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

***Other Matter***

*Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA*

The supplemental schedule of Schedule H, line 4(i) – schedule of assets (held at end of year), is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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

*Baker Tilly US, LLP*

Spokane, Washington  
October 8, 2025

## **Financial Statements**

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**Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan**  
**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits**  
**December 31, 2024 and 2023**

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	2024	2023
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value		
Mutual funds	\$ 9,609,894	\$ 9,338,536
Money market funds	-	10,572
	9,609,894	9,349,108
Receivables		
Employer contributions	121,000	133,000
Accrued interest and dividends	8,754	1,097
	129,754	134,097
Cash, noninterest-bearing	-	11,484
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 9,739,648	\$ 9,494,689

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See accompanying notes.

**Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan**  
**Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits**  
**Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023**

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	2024	2023
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Investment income		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 886,716	\$ 425,472
Dividends and interest	235,928	272,192
Total investment income	1,122,644	697,664
Employer contributions	379,000	340,000
Other receipts	664	-
Total additions	1,502,308	1,037,664
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Benefits paid directly to participants	1,046,016	1,069,541
Plan expenses	211,333	241,974
Total deductions	1,257,349	1,311,515
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	244,959	(273,851)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS		
Beginning of year	9,494,689	9,768,540
End of year	\$ 9,739,648	\$ 9,494,689

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See accompanying notes.

# Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan

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### Note 1 – Description of Plan

The following brief description of the Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan (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 established September 3, 1999, and was amended and restated effective December 31, 2012, to comply with statutory and regulatory changes. The Plan is a defined benefit pension plan administered by Alaska Communication Systems Holdings, Inc. (Company). It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended. The Plan is a frozen plan and covers only eligible transferred employees and special past service benefit employees.

Initially, the Plan was established as a frozen plan to cover certain employees as part of the acquisition of CenturyTel, Inc. Alaska Properties (Pacific Telecom, Inc. Retirement Plan). The Plan was subsequently amended October 1, 1999, to provide the full transferred benefit of a former employee of RCA Alaska Communications, Inc. The Plan was subsequently amended a second time, effective November 1, 2000, to provide a new past service benefit for employees. The Plan is frozen to new entrants and current participants no longer accrue additional benefits under the Plan.

### Payment of benefits

*Participants* – Former employees of CenturyTel, Inc., Pacific Telecom, Inc., and RCA Alaska Communications, Inc. acquired by and under the direction of Plan sponsor and administrator Alaska Communication Systems, Inc. hired before the Plan's freeze effective in September 1999 are applicable participants. This includes any Employee of the Employer who is a transferred employee, a special past service benefit employee, or both. An Employee who has become a participant shall be considered to continue as a participant in the Plan under the date of his death or, if earlier, the date when he is no longer employed by the employer and upon which the participant no longer has any vested accrued benefit under the Plan.

*Pension benefits and vesting* – Participants with five or more years of service are entitled to annual pension benefits beginning at normal retirement age (65) equal to the sum of transferred benefit and special past service benefit below:

*Transferred benefit* – The Participant's accrued benefit under the Pacific Telecom, Inc. Retirement Plan which was frozen as of May 14, 1999, and spun off and transferred to this Plan pursuant to a Transfer and Assumption Agreement between ACS and CenturyTel, Inc. a participant's transferred benefit equals the following:

1. With respect to any participant who is a transferred employee and who was not formerly a participant in the CenturyTel System Pension Plan, such participant's transferred benefit includes the PTI Base Benefit and the PTI Excess Benefit, as determined under the PTI Plan Document as of May 14, 1999,
2. With respect to any participant who is a transferred employee and who was formerly a participant in the CenturyTel Plan, such participant's transferred benefit equals the greater of: (A) the sum of the participant's frozen accrued benefit which was transferred from the Plan to the Pacific Telecom, Inc. Retirement Plan and the participant's PTI Base Benefit and the PTI Excess Benefit, as determined under the PTI Plan Document as of May 14, 1999, without crediting service under the CenturyTel Plan as service for accrual of benefits under the PTI Plan, or (B) the participant's

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PTI Base Benefit and the PTI Excess Benefit, as determined under the PTI Plan Document as of May 14, 1999, with service under the CenturyTel Plan credited as service for accrual of benefits under the PTI Plan.

3. With respect to a participant who is a transferred employee and who was formally a participant in the Retirement Plan for the Employees of RCA Corporation and Subsidiary Companies, such participant's transferred benefit includes the benefit in paragraph (1) above, plus a special benefit as a former employee of RCA Alaska Communications, Inc. Such benefit shall be included in such participant's accrued benefit in the amount listed on the applicable benefit schedule.

*Special past service benefit* – With respect to any participant who is a Special Past Service Benefit Employee, a payment of \$32 per month for each full year of creditable past service.

*Special Past Service Benefit Employee* - A special past service benefit employee is an employee not represented by a collective bargaining unit, who is actively employed by the employer on November 1, 2000, and who is eligible to receive creditable past service upon satisfying the requirements of the Plan. The employer's classification of a person at the time of inclusion or exclusion as a special past service benefit employee shall be conclusive for the purpose of the foregoing rules.

The Plan permits early retirement at ages 55 to 64. If participants terminate before rendering five years of service, they forfeit the right to receive the portion of their accumulated Plan benefits attributable to the Company's contributions. Participants may elect to receive the value of their accumulated Plan benefits as: (a) straight life annuity; (b) qualified joint and survivor annuity; (c) qualified optional survivor annuity; (d) 100% joint and survivor annuity; (e) 50% joint and survivor annuity; (f) Social Security adjustment option; or (g) ten-year certain annuity.

*Death and disability benefits* – If a participant dies before the age of retirement and before payment of benefits commence, a benefit will be payable to a surviving spouse. The participant must have been legally married to the surviving spouse at the time of death and in the preceding year, and the participant must have five or more years of vesting service. The surviving spouse will receive a monthly benefit equal to the amount of the qualified joint and survivor annuity option—50% of the amount payable during the joint lives of the participant and spouse—starting at the time the participant could have reached early retirement. There are no disability benefits provided in the Plan.

#### **Note 2 – Summary of Accounting Policies**

**Basis of accounting** – The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, using the accrual method of accounting.

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

**Investment valuation** – The investments are stated at fair value. The Plan's trustee, Fidelity Management Trust Company, certifies the fair market value of all investments. If available, quoted market prices are used to value investments.

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Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

**Income recognition** – Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. The net appreciation in fair value of investments consists of both the realized gains or losses and unrealized appreciation and depreciation of those investments.

**Payment of benefits** – Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution.

**Expenses** – The Plan's expenses are paid by the Plan or the Company, as specified in the Plan document. Expenses that are paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Certain expenses incurred in connection with the general administration of the Plan that are paid by the Plan are recorded as deductions in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits. In addition, certain investment-related expenses are deducted from investment earnings, as disclosed in the investment prospectus, and thus are not separately disclosed in the accompanying financial statements.

**Subsequent events** – Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after the statement of net assets available for benefits date but before the financial statements are available to be issued. The Plan recognizes in the financial statements the effects of all subsequent events that provide additional evidence about conditions that existed at the date of the statement of net assets available for benefits, including the estimates inherent in the process of preparing the financial statements. The Plan's financial statements do not recognize subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that did not exist at the date of the statement of net assets available for benefits but arose after the statement of net assets available for benefits date and before the financial statements are available to be issued.

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 8, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### **Note 3 – 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 employees have rendered. Accumulated Plan benefits include benefits expected to be paid to: (a) retired or terminated employees or their beneficiaries; (b) beneficiaries of employees who have died; and (c) present employees or their beneficiaries. Benefits under the Plan are based on the average of the five consecutive calendar years of employees' compensation during the years of credited service. 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.

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The actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits is determined by an independent actuary 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 used in the valuations as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, were: (a) for 2024 and 2023, life expectancy of participants were *PRI-2012 Total Dataset Employee Amount-Weighted Mortality and projected with MP-2021 Mortality Improvement Scale, applied on a generational basis*; (b) retirement age assumptions (the assumed average retirement age was 65; and (c) discount rate. The 2024 and 2023 valuations included assumed average rates of return of 6.40% for both years.

The foregoing actuarial assumptions are based on the presumption the Plan will continue. Were the Plan to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits. The computations of the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits were made as of January 1, 2025 and 2024. Had the valuations been performed as of December 31 there would be no material differences.

	2024	2023
Actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits		
Vested benefits		
Participants currently receiving payments	\$ 9,375,632	\$ 9,705,466
Participants entitled to deferred benefits	568,869	629,298
Other participants	21,470	40,402
Total actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits	\$ 9,965,971	\$ 10,375,166
	2024	2023
Actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits at beginning of year	\$ 10,375,166	\$ 10,713,885
Increase (decrease) during the year attributable to		
Interest due to the decrease in the discount period	631,057	550,052
Benefits paid	(1,046,016)	(1,069,541)
Benefits accumulated	5,764	180,770
Net increase (decrease)	(409,195)	(338,719)
Actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits at end of year	\$ 9,965,971	\$ 10,375,166

#### Note 4 – Funding Policy

**Participant contributions** – Contributions by participants are not required or permitted by the Plan.

**Employer contributions** – The Company’s funding policy is to make annual, or more frequent, contributions to the Plan in amounts that, together with the principal and accumulated earnings, will comply with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) and ERISA.

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The Company's contributions for 2024 and 2023 exceeded the minimum funding requirements of ERISA.

#### **Note 5 – Plan Termination**

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

In the event the Plan terminates, the net assets of the Plan will be allocated, as prescribed by ERISA and its related regulations, generally to provide the following benefits in the order indicated:

- Benefits attributable to employee contributions, taking into account those paid out before termination, if any.
- Annuity benefits that former employees or their beneficiaries have been receiving for at least three years, or that employees eligible to retire for that three-year period would have been receiving if they had retired with benefits in the normal form of annuity under the Plan. The priority amount is limited to the lowest benefit that was payable (or would have been payable) during those three years. The amount is further limited to the lowest benefit that would be payable under Plan provisions in effect at any time during the five years preceding Plan termination.
- Other vested benefits insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) (a U.S. government agency) up to the applicable limitations (discussed below).
- All other vested benefits (that is, vested benefits not insured by the PBGC).
- All nonvested benefits.

Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the 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. Vested benefits under the Plan are guaranteed at the level in effect on the date of the Plan's termination. However, there is a statutory ceiling, which is adjusted periodically, on the amount of an individual's monthly benefit the PBGC guarantees. For Plan terminations occurring during 2024, that ceiling is \$7,108 per month. That ceiling applies to those annuitants who elect to receive their benefits in the form of a single-life annuity and are at least 65 years old at the time of retirement or Plan termination (whichever comes later). For younger annuitants or for those who elect to receive their benefits in some form more valuable than a single-life annuity, the corresponding ceilings are actuarially adjusted downward.

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 may also depend on the financial condition of the Plan sponsor and the level of benefits guaranteed by the PBGC.

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### Note 6 – Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

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

**Level 2** – Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

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

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

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

*Mutual funds and exchange-traded funds* – Shares of exchange-traded funds and mutual funds are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds and exchange-traded funds held by the Plan are open-end funds that are registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds and exchange-traded funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

*Money market funds* – The money market funds are a public investment vehicle valued using \$1 for the net asset value. The money market funds are classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy.

The valuation methods used by the Plan 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.

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The following tables disclose the fair value hierarchy of the Plan's assets by level as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 9,609,894	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,609,894
Total Investments at fair value	\$ 9,609,894	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,609,894
	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 9,338,536	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,338,536
Money market funds	-	10,572	-	10,572
Total Investments at fair value	\$ 9,338,536	\$ 10,572	\$ -	\$ 9,349,108

#### Note 7 – Information Certified by the Trustee

The Plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Fidelity Management Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, have certified to the completeness and accuracy of:

- Investments, dividends and accrued interest reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments, dividends, and interest reflected on the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended 2024 and 2023.
- Investments reflected on the schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024.

#### Note 8 – Tax Status

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated April 22, 2014, that the Plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the Plan administrator believes the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

In accordance with guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, the Plan administrator has evaluated the Plan's tax positions and does not believe the Plan has any uncertain tax positions that require disclosure or adjustment to the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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#### **Note 9 – Risks and Uncertainties**

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

Plan contributions are made, and the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits are reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions, in the near term, would be material to the financial statements.

#### **Note 10 – Party-in-Interest Transactions**

The Plan paid administrative fees to the investment manager, and asset custodian during the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Certain Plan investments are managed by Fidelity Investments. Fidelity Investments is an affiliate of Fidelity Management Trust Company and is a service provider of the Plan, and, therefore, transactions with this entity qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions.

#### **Note 11 – Reconciliation to Form 5500**

The Form 5500 has certain items that differ from amounts shown in the accompanying financial statements. These differences relate to classification only and have no effect upon net assets available for benefits for either period.

**Supplemental Schedule  
Required by the Department of Labor**

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**Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan**  
**EIN: 91-1921377, Plan #: 002**  
**Schedule H, Line 4(i) – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**  
**December 31, 2024**

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment, Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Mutual funds			
*	Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	Mutual funds	\$ 97,105	\$ 97,105
	Vanguard 500 IDX; ADM	Mutual funds	2,722,671	3,334,797
	Vanguard Developed Markets IDX	Mutual funds	1,237,790	1,250,099
	Vanguard EM St I; ADM	Mutual funds	287,267	312,372
	Vanguard Inflation-Protected	Mutual funds	503,176	485,270
	Vanguard Int-T B; ADM	Mutual funds	886,713	873,330
	Vanguard MD-CP I; ADM	Mutual funds	635,818	717,872
	Vanguard S-C ID; ADM	Mutual funds	536,339	600,014
	Vanguard SH-TM B; ADM	Mutual funds	1,926,464	<u>1,939,035</u>
	Total investments			<u>\$ 9,609,894</u>

\* Indicates related parties-in-interest

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Schedule SB Part V – Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods

**ERISA Interest Rates** as required by IRC Section 430 based on plan sponsor election of the look-back month for the segment rates:

“Minimum” means for the purpose of calculating the PPA funding liability and normal cost for the minimum required contribution.

“Maximum” means for the purpose of calculating the PPA funding liability and normal cost for the maximum tax-deductible contribution.

Purpose	2024 Plan Year		2023 Plan Year	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
Interest Rate Type	Stabilized	Non-Stabilized	Stabilized	Non-Stabilized
Segment rates or full yield curve	Segment	Segment	Segment	Segment
Look-back months	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
First 5 years	4.75%	3.62%	4.75%	1.41%
Next 15 years	4.87%	4.46%	5.00%	3.09%
Over 20 years	5.59%	4.52%	5.74%	3.58%
Applicable Law for the segment rates corridor	ARPA	Not Applicable	ARPA	Not Applicable

**Expected Long-Term Return on Plan Assets:** 6.40% (no change from the prior year), limited by the third segment rate. The return is net of administrative expense paid from the trust.

**Salary Scale:** Not Applicable.

**Increase in Consumer Price Index (CPI):** 3.00%. This is based on long-term historical inflation rates of about 3.00%. This assumption does not have an impact on the liability, as all benefits under the plan are frozen and no participants are close to hitting the IRS benefit limits..

**Administrative Expenses included in Target Normal Cost:** \$177,691 (previously \$176,647) determined as follows: Previous year’s administrative expenses plus the current year’s anticipated PBGC premium for the target normal cost expense load.

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**Mortality:**

IRS 2024 Small Plan Combined Static Mortality Table using separate tables for annuitants and non-annuitants as prescribed by IRC Section 430. These tables include future mortality improvement of eight years for males and nine years for females with the following adjustments: For ages below 80, the projection period is increased by one year for each year below age 80. For ages above 80, the projection period is reduced (but not below zero) by 1/3 year for each year above 80. (Previously IRS 2023 Static Mortality Table.) This plan does not have a large enough population to vary from the standard tables.

**Retirement Rates:** Rates varying by age and Social Security Normal Retirement Age (SSNRA): based on the assumption used by the prior actuary for this plan. The plan is not large enough to generate credible data for a plan-level experience study. There has been no pattern of significant consistent gains or consistent losses related to this decrement.

Age	Rate
48-54	5.00%
55-57	10.00%
58	45.00%
59-61	10.00%
62	60.00%
63-64	10.00%
65-74	100.00%

**Termination Rates:** Rates varying by age based on the assumption used by the prior actuary for this plan. The plan is not large enough to generate credible data for a plan-level experience study. There has been no pattern of significant consistent gains or consistent losses related to this decrement. Sample rates are shown below:

Age	Rate
25-29	9.83%
30-34	7.90%
35-39	7.36%
40-44	7.09%
45-48	6.57%

**Marital Status:** 100% of males and females are assumed married, with females 3 years younger than males, based on the assumption used by the prior actuary. The plan is not large enough to generate credible data for a plan-level experience study.

**Maximum Benefit:** \$275,000 for 2024.

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**Maximum Salary:** Not applicable, as all benefits are frozen under the plan.

**Form of Payment:** Benefits are assumed to be paid in the normal form.

**Data Assumptions:** None

**Actuarial Value of Plan Assets for Funding Purposes:**

The actuarial value of assets is equal to:

- a) the market value of assets, including discounted receivables, on the valuation date, less
- b) the following percentages of prior years' investment gains (losses):
  - i) 67% of the prior year, and
  - ii) 33% of the second prior year,

Investment gains and losses are defined as the excess or deficiency of the expected return on the market value (not to exceed the third segment rate for that year) over the actual return on the market value of assets, including discounted receivables, for any given year.

- c) The actuarial value of assets can be neither less than 90% nor greater than 110% of the market value of assets, including discounted receivables.

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**Shortfall Amortization Charge for ERISA Funding Purposes:** Per IRC Section 430(c), the shortfall amortization charge for any plan year is the aggregate total (not less than zero) of the shortfall amortization installments for such plan year with respect to any shortfall amortization base which has not been fully amortized. The shortfall amortization installments are the amounts necessary to amortize the shortfall amortization base of the plan for any plan year in level annual installments over the 15-year period beginning with such plan year.

**Actuarial Cost Method:** The unit credit cost method is used for ERISA funding target (FT). Under this method, accrued pension benefits are determined for all eligible active participants. These benefits reflect service, salary and negotiated benefit increases to date. The liability is then equal to the present value of all benefits (PVAB) for inactive participants plus the PVAB for active participants.

The projected unit credit method is used for IRS maximum deductible limit cushion amount. Under this method, accrued pension benefits are determined for all eligible active participants reflecting service to date and anticipated salary and negotiated benefit increases to the assumed retirement age. This liability for active participants is then added to the present value of all benefits for inactive participants to determine the total liability under this method.

Because this plan is frozen, there are no future benefit accruals, and therefore the normal cost is zero for all liability measures. As such, the target normal cost for the ERISA funding valuation is equal to the administrative expense load described above.

**SCHEDULE SB  
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security Administration  
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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

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).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

OMB No. 1210-0110

**2024**

**This Form is Open to Public  
Inspection**

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 ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS RETIREMENT PLAN	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF ALASKA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS HOLDINGS, INC.	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1921377	
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500	

Part I	Basic Information		
<b>1</b>	Enter the valuation date: Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2024</u>		
<b>2</b>	Assets:		
	<b>a</b> Market value .....	<b>2a</b>	9,361,689
	<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....	<b>2b</b>	9,990,933
<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 .....	125	10,823,236
	<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	16	708,698
	<b>c</b> For active participants .....	2	48,462
	<b>d</b> Total .....	143	11,580,396
<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>	4.98%
<b>6</b>	Target normal cost		
	<b>a</b> Present value of current plan year accruals .....	<b>6a</b>	0
	<b>b</b> Expected plan-related expenses .....	<b>6b</b>	177,691
	<b>c</b> Target normal cost .....	<b>6c</b>	177,691

**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	Date
	JOSEPH NOWAKOWSKI	2308967
	Type or print name of actuary	Most recent enrollment number
	FIDELITY INVESTMENTS	312-730-1779
	Firm name	Telephone number (including area code)
	6501 S FIDDLERS GREEN CIRCLE SUITE 300-600 DENVER CO 80111	
	Address of the firm	

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

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

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v. 240311



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

**21** Discount rate:

<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75%	2nd segment: 4.87%	3rd segment: 5.59%	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
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**b** Applicable month (enter code)..... **21b** 4

**22** Weighted average retirement age ..... **22** 60

**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**

**28** Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years ..... **28** 0

**29** Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a)..... **29** 0

**30** Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29) ..... **30** 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>	177,691
<b>b</b> Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a .....	<b>31b</b>	0

**32** Amortization installments:

	Outstanding Balance	Installment
<b>a</b> Net shortfall amortization installment .....	1,589,463	181,209
<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**

**34** Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33)..... **34** 358,900

	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance
<b>35</b> Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement .....	0	0	0

**36** Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35)..... **36** 358,900

**37** Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c)..... **37** 365,649

**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>	6,749
<b>b</b> Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances .....	<b>38b</b>	0

**39** Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37) ..... **39** 0

**40** Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years ..... **40** 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

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Schedule SB, line 22 – Description of Weighted Average Retirement Age

The average retirement age shown in line 22 has been calculated by assuming the following retirement rates, with all retirement assumed to occur at the beginning of the year. No other decrements were considered in this calculation.

<b>(a) Age</b>	<b>(b) Rate</b>	<b>(c) Weight</b>	<b>Product</b>
56	10.00%	0.1000	5.6000
57	10.00%	0.1897	10.8156
58	45.00%	0.7659	44.4250
59	10.00%	0.0930	5.4888
60	10.00%	0.0834	5.0015
61	10.00%	0.0746	4.5531
62	60.00%	0.4007	24.8444
63	10.00%	0.0263	1.6571
64	10.00%	0.0235	1.5033
65	100.00%	0.2096	13.6225
Weighted Average			59.7500



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I, as plan administrator, verify that the explanation that is reproduced below is the explanation concerning your termination reported on the Schedule C (Form 5500) attached to the 2024 Form 5500, Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan, for the following plans:


Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan; 91-1921377; 002

**Explanation:** Moss Adams, LLP merged with Baker Tilly US LLP June 3, 2025

You have the opportunity to comment to the Department of Labor concerning any aspect of this explanation. Comments should include the name, EIN, and PN of the plan and be submitted to:

Office of Enforcement,  
Employee Benefits Security Administration  
U.S. Department of Labor,  
200 Constitution Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20210

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Plan Administrator

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Schedule SB Part V – Summary of Plan Provisions

**Name of Plan:** Alaska Communications Systems Retirement Plan

**Employer Identification Number / Plan Number:** 91-1921377/002

**Effective Date:** September 3, 1999. As of the effective date of the plan, all future benefit accruals have been frozen and the plan is closed to new entrants. Effective date of most recent amendment, January 16, 2013.

**Covered Employees:** Employees with accrued benefits from the PTI retirement plan or Contel retirement plan are eligible to participate.

**Participation Date:** Date of becoming a covered employee.

**Definitions:**

*Vesting Service:* One year of vesting service for each year during which 1,000 or more hours were completed.

*Benefit Service:* One year of benefit service is credited if 1,000 or more hours of service are completed.

*Pensionable Pay:* All taxable wages, excluding the following: overtime or premium pay, shift in location differentials, bonuses in excess of 10% of your base salary, imputed income from expense reimbursements or fringe benefits, commissions that do not accompany a discounted salary rate or are not in lieu of participation in a bonus program, payments for unused leave time, prizes and awards (such as employee recognition awards and safety awards), payments for termination of employment (such as retirement bonuses, disability benefits and severance pay), and long-term incentive compensation.

*Average Earnings:* The average of the highest five consecutive calendar years of compensation paid during the participant's years of credited service. Eligible compensation is limited by law and adjusted each year in accordance with federal regulations.

*Normal Retirement Date (NRD):* The Normal Retirement Date for all participants is the first day of the month following or coincident with the date upon which the participant attains age 65.

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**Plan Provisions** (continued)

*Monthly Pension Benefit:* The formula for the Monthly Pension Benefit is the sum of (A) and (B), as follows:

(A) The greater of (i) and (ii), as follows:

- i. The sum of the Base Benefit and the Excess Benefit
- ii. The sum of the Contel Benefit, PTI Base Benefit, and PTI Excess Benefit

(B) The Special Past Service Benefit

*Monthly pre-retirement spouse death benefit:* A pre-retirement death benefit is payable to the surviving spouse of a participant if the following conditions are met:

- a) The death occurs before the participant's benefit commences
- b) The participant and surviving spouse were legally married for at least one year prior to the date of death
- c) The participant has five or more years of vesting service

The death benefit is payable to the surviving spouse as the survivorship portion of a 50% joint and survivor annuity on the participant's Early Retirement Date (defined below). If the participant attained 30 or more years of vesting service, the benefit is payable as of the first day of the month following the participant's death, and calculated as if the participant had reached the Early Retirement Date, regardless of the age at which the participant passed away.

**Eligibility for Benefits:**

*NRD:* Retirement on NRD.

*Early retirement:* Participants actively employed by the Employer on November 1, 2000 can commence a reduced early retirement benefit at age 48.

*Postponed retirement:* A participant may continue employment with the Employer after his NRD.

*Deferred vested:* Terminations for reasons other than death, disability, or retirement after completing five years of Vesting Service. All participants are 100% vested in their accrued benefit.

*Pre-retirement spouse benefit:* Death while eligible for Normal, Early, Postponed, or Deferred Vested Retirement benefits, with a surviving spouse.

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**Plan Provisions** (continued)

*Disability:* A participant is eligible for a disability benefit if they meet the definition of “permanently and totally disabled” defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the Code.

**Monthly Benefits Paid Upon the Following Events:**

*Normal retirement:* Monthly Pension Benefit determined as of NRD.

*Early retirement:* The following percentages shall apply to the Monthly Pension Benefit of all Participants who are not actively employed by the Employer on November 1, 2000:

<b>Age at Benefit Starting Date</b>	<b>Base Benefit Percentage</b>	<b>Excess Benefit Percentage</b>	<b>Contel Benefit Percentage</b>
65	100%	100%	100%
64	100%	92%	100%
63	100%	84%	100%
62	100%	76%	100%
61	95%	72%	100%
60	90%	68%	100%
59	84%	64%	96%
58	78%	60%	92%
57	72%	56%	88%
56	66%	52%	84%
55	60%	48%	80%

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**Plan Provisions** (continued)

The following percentages shall apply to the Monthly Pension Benefit of all Participants who are actively employed by the Employer on November 1, 2000:

<b>Age at Benefit Starting Date</b>	<b>Base Benefit Percentage</b>	<b>Excess Benefit Percentage</b>	<b>Contel Benefit Percentage</b>	<b>Special Past Service Benefit</b>
65	100%	100%	100%	100%
64	100%	92%	100%	100%
63	100%	84%	100%	100%
62	100%	76%	100%	100%
61	100%	72%	100%	100%
60	100%	68%	100%	100%
59	100%	64%	100%	100%
58	100%	60%	100%	100%
57	94%	56%	96%	94%
56	88%	52%	92%	88%
55	82%	48%	88%	82%
54	76%	44%	84%	76%
53	70%	40%	80%	70%
52	64%	36%	76%	64%
51	60%	32%	72%	60%
50	56%	28%	68%	56%
49	52%	24%	64%	52%
48	48%	20%	60%	48%

*Postponed Retirement:* Monthly Pension Benefit determined as of NRD. A Suspension of Benefits Notice is sent to participants who defer retirement past NRD, and Actuarial Equivalence is given to active participants who work past MRD.

*Termination with deferred vested benefit:* In the event that the participant had completed 5 years of service at the date of termination, he may elect to receive his vested interest at age forty-eight if the participant was active on November 1, 2000, otherwise at age fifty-five. Monthly Pension Benefit reduced as described under Early Retirement Benefit.

*Death with pre-retirement spouse benefit:* Monthly Pre-Retirement Spouse Death Benefit adjusted as described under Monthly Pre-Retirement Spouse Death Benefit.

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**Plan Provisions** (continued)

*Disability:* If the participant has five or more years of vesting service, then the Monthly Pension Benefit is payable immediately.

**Forms of Payment:**

*Normal form*

- Single participants: Single life annuity.
- Married participants: Actuarially reduced 50% joint and survivor annuity with spouse as beneficiary.

*Optional forms:* Participants who retire under the plan may elect a ten-year certain and continuous annuity, 75% or 100% joint and survivor annuities, a level income social security replacement option, or, if the present value of their benefit is \$10,000 or less, a lump sum distribution.

*Description of optional form conversion factors:* The optional joint & survivor and 10-year certain and life annuity benefit forms available to participants are of relatively equal value to the single life annuity form of payment. This relative value comparison is made using the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Basic Table – Unisex (50/50 blend) with a 6% discount rate.

**Maximum on Benefits and Pay:** All benefits and pay for any calendar year may not exceed the maximum limitations for that year as defined in the Internal Revenue Code. The plan provides for increasing the dollar limits automatically as such changes become effective.

**Future Plan Changes:** No future plan changes were recognized in determining pension cost or in determining minimum and maximum contributions.

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**Schedule H, Line 4(i) – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**  
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(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment, Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Mutual funds			
*	Fidelity Government Cash Reserves	Mutual funds	\$ 97,105	\$ 97,105
	Vanguard 500 IDX; ADM	Mutual funds	2,722,671	3,334,797
	Vanguard Developed Markets IDX	Mutual funds	1,237,790	1,250,099
	Vanguard EM St I; ADM	Mutual funds	287,267	312,372
	Vanguard Inflation-Protected	Mutual funds	503,176	485,270
	Vanguard Int-T B; ADM	Mutual funds	886,713	873,330
	Vanguard MD-CP I; ADM	Mutual funds	635,818	717,872
	Vanguard S-C ID; ADM	Mutual funds	536,339	600,014
	Vanguard SH-TM B; ADM	Mutual funds	1,926,464	1,939,035
	Total investments			<u>\$ 9,609,894</u>

\* Indicates related parties-in-interest

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Schedule SB, line 32 – Schedule of Amortization Bases

<u>Type of Base</u>	Present Value of Any Remaining <u>Installments</u>	Years <u>Remaining</u>	Amortization <u>Installment</u>
2024 Shortfall	\$ 159,502	15	\$ 14,512
2023 Shortfall	\$ 621,660	14	\$ 59,333
2022 Shortfall	\$ (387,226)	13	\$ (38,962)
2021 Shortfall	\$ 138,070	12	\$ 14,730
2020 Shortfall	\$ (229,544)	11	\$ (26,142)
2019 Shortfall	\$ 1,287,001	10	\$ 157,738