

Form 5500-SF

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Short Form Annual Return/Report of Small Employee Benefit Plan

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

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

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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: [X] a single-employer plan [ ] a multiple-employer plan (not multiemployer) (Pension Plan filers checking this box must attach Schedule MEP. Other plans must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
B This return/report is [ ] the first return/report [ ] the final return/report [ ] an amended return/report [ ] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension [ ] DFVC program [ ] special extension (enter description)
D If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here [ ]
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here [ ]

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan NOVA RESEARCH LABS PENSION PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 001
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2021
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) NOVA RESEARCH LABORATORIES LLC
1441 CANAL STREET NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-4377141
2c Sponsor's telephone number 504-885-0585
2d Business code (see instructions) 541700
3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor.
3b Administrator's EIN
3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report.
a Sponsor's name
c Plan Name
4b EIN
4d PN
5a Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year 3
b Total number of participants at the end of the plan year 4
c(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)
c(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)
d(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year 3
d(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year 4
e Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested 0

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established. Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including, if applicable, a Schedule SB or Schedule MB completed and signed by an enrolled actuary, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature, Date, and Name. Row 1: Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature, 10/09/2025, BENJAMIN BUTTERFIELD, Signature of plan administrator. Row 2: Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature, 10/09/2025, BENJAMIN BUTTERFIELD, Signature of employer/plan sponsor.

- 6a** Were all of the plan's assets during the plan year invested in eligible assets? (See instructions.) .....  Yes  No
- b** Are you claiming a waiver of the annual examination and report of an independent qualified public accountant (IQPA) under 29 CFR 2520.104-46? (See instructions on waiver eligibility and conditions.) .....  Yes  No
- If you answered "No" to either line 6a or line 6b, the plan cannot use Form 5500-SF and must instead use Form 5500.**
- c** If the plan is a defined benefit plan, is it covered under the PBGC insurance program (see ERISA section 4021)? .....  Yes  No  Not determined
- If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year \_\_\_\_\_ (See instructions.)

<b>Part III Financial Information</b>			
<b>7 Plan Assets and Liabilities</b>		<b>(a) Beginning of Year</b>	<b>(b) End of Year</b>
<b>a</b> Total plan assets .....	<b>7a</b>	606433	907167
<b>b</b> Total plan liabilities .....	<b>7b</b>	0	0
<b>c</b> Net plan assets (subtract line 7b from line 7a) .....	<b>7c</b>	606433	907167
<b>8 Income, Expenses, and Transfers for this Plan Year</b>		<b>(a) Amount</b>	<b>(b) Total</b>
<b>a</b> Contributions received or receivable from:			
(1) Employers .....	<b>8a(1)</b>	288688	
(2) Participants .....	<b>8a(2)</b>		
(3) Others (including rollovers) .....	<b>8a(3)</b>		
<b>b</b> Other income (loss) .....	<b>8b</b>	15489	
<b>c</b> Total income (add lines 8a(1), 8a(2), 8a(3), and 8b) .....	<b>8c</b>		304177
<b>d</b> Benefits paid (including direct rollovers and insurance premiums to provide benefits) .....	<b>8d</b>		
<b>e</b> Certain deemed and/or corrective distributions (see instructions) .	<b>8e</b>		
<b>f</b> Administrative service providers (salaries, fees, commissions) .....	<b>8f</b>	3443	
<b>g</b> Other expenses .....	<b>8g</b>		
<b>h</b> Total expenses (add lines 8d, 8e, 8f, and 8g) .....	<b>8h</b>		3443
<b>i</b> Net income (loss) (subtract line 8h from line 8c) .....	<b>8i</b>		300734
<b>j</b> Transfers to (from) the plan (see instructions) .....	<b>8j</b>		

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

<b>Part V Compliance Questions</b>		<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>10</b>	During the plan year:			
<b>a</b>	Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program) .....		X	
<b>b</b>	Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 10a.) .....		X	
<b>c</b>	Was the plan covered by a fidelity bond? .....	X		60644
<b>d</b>	Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty? .....		X	
<b>e</b>	Were any fees or commissions paid to any brokers, agents, or other persons by an insurance carrier, insurance service, or other organization that provides some or all of the benefits under the plan? (See instructions.) .....		X	
<b>f</b>	Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan? .....		X	
<b>g</b>	Did the plan have any participant loans? (If "Yes," enter amount as of year-end.) .....		X	
<b>h</b>	If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.) .....			
<b>i</b>	If 10h was answered "Yes," check the box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3 .....			

**Part VI Pension Funding Compliance**

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

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

**b PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If the plan is covered by PBGC and the amount reported on line 11a is greater than \$0, has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

Yes.

No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

No. Other. Provide explanation \_\_\_\_\_

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

**a** If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions, and enter the date of the letter ruling granting the waiver. Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

13c(1) Name of plan(s):	13c(2) EIN(s)	13c(3) PN(s)

**Part VIII IRS Compliance Questions**

**14a** Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules?  Yes  No

**14b** If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

Design-based safe harbor method

"Prior year" ADP test

"Current year" ADP test

N/A

**15** If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 02 / 28 / 2023 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q705369A.

<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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▶ **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>NOVA RESEARCH LABS PENSION PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF <u>NOVA RESEARCH LABORATORIES LLC</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>82-4377141</u>	
<b>E</b> Type of plan: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-A <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-B	<b>F</b> Prior year plan size: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500	

**Part I Basic Information**

<b>1</b>	Enter the valuation date: Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2024</u>		
<b>2</b>	Assets:		
	<b>a</b> Market value .....	<b>2a</b>	<u>597906</u>
	<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....	<b>2b</b>	<u>597906</u>
<b>3</b>	Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target
	<b>a</b> For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment .....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<b>c</b> For active participants .....	<u>4</u>	<u>628825</u>
	<b>d</b> Total .....	<u>4</u>	<u>628825</u>
<b>4</b>	If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b)..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
	<b>a</b> Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions .....	<b>4a</b>	
	<b>b</b> Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor .....	<b>4b</b>	
<b>5</b>	Effective interest rate .....	<b>5</b>	<u>5.37 %</u>
<b>6</b>	Target normal cost		
	<b>a</b> Present value of current plan year accruals .....	<b>6a</b>	<u>261727</u>
	<b>b</b> Expected plan-related expenses .....	<b>6b</b>	<u>1553</u>
	<b>c</b> Target normal cost .....	<b>6c</b>	<u>263280</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>AMANDA OHLER, ENROLLED ACTUARY</u> Type or print name of actuary  <u>THE ANGELL PENSION GROUP, INC.</u> Firm name  <u>88 BOYD AVENUE</u> <u>EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02914</u>  Address of the firm	<u>09/22/2025</u> Date  <u>23-09188</u> Most recent enrollment number  <u>401-438-9250</u> Telephone number (including area code)
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If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions

<b>Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances</b>		(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
<b>7</b>	Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year) .....	0	29722
<b>8</b>	Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year) .....	0	0
<b>9</b>	Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8) .....	0	29722
<b>10</b>	Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of <u>-5.99</u> % .....	0	-1781
<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) .....		15414
<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>5.49</u> % .....		846
<b>b(2)</b>	Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return .....		0
<b>c</b>	Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance .....		16260
<b>d</b>	Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance .....		16260
<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	44201

<b>Part III Funding Percentages</b>			
<b>14</b>	Funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>14</b>	87.58 %
<b>15</b>	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage .....	<b>15</b>	87.58 %
<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>	92.10 %
<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		
07/17/2024	55040	0					
10/03/2024	39205	0					
10/17/2024	55040	0					
03/31/2025	55040	0					
09/15/2025	84363	0					
			<b>Totals ▶</b>	<b>18(b)</b>	288688	<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>	270456

**20** Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

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

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

**c** If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year			
(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th
0	0	0	0

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

<b>21</b> Discount rate:				
<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75 %	2nd segment: 4.96 %	3rd segment: 5.59 %	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
<b>b</b> Applicable month (enter code) .....				<b>21b</b> 0
<b>22</b> Weighted average retirement age .....				<b>22</b> 65
<b>23</b> Mortality table(s) (see instructions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - combined	<input type="checkbox"/> Prescribed - separate	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	

**Part VI Miscellaneous Items**

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

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

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

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

<b>31</b> Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):			
<b>a</b> Target normal cost (line 6c) .....	<b>31a</b>	263280	
<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 .....	78519	7176	
<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>	270456	
	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>	270456	
<b>37</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c) .....	<b>37</b>	270456	
<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>	0	
<b>b</b> Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances.....	<b>38b</b>		
<b>39</b> Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37) .....	<b>39</b>	0	
<b>40</b> Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years .....	<b>40</b>	0	

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

<b>41</b> If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. <input type="checkbox"/> 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> 2021
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## **SECTION XII** **ACTUARIAL COST METHODS**

### **Traditional Unit Credit (TUC)**

The actuarial cost method used in the development of the minimum contribution was the unit credit cost method.

The normal cost is the sum of all the individual normal costs for each participant. For active participants, the individual normal cost is the present value of the benefit earned during the year being valued. For active participants whose credited service equals or exceeds the plan maximum, if any, and for non-active participants, the normal cost is zero.

The actuarial accrued liability is the sum of the individual accrued liabilities for all participants. The individual accrued liability for an active participant is the present value of the accrued benefit as of the valuation date. The unfunded liability is the actuarial accrued liability less the valuation assets.

The total annual cost of the plan is the normal cost plus an amount to amortize the shortfall amount.

### **Projected Unit Credit (PUC)**

The actuarial cost method used in the development of the maximum contribution was the projected unit credit cost method.

Under this method, the normal cost is the sum of the individual normal costs for all participants. For an active participant, the individual normal cost is the present value at the current age of the projected benefit at the assumed retirement age, based on the actuarial assumptions, divided by the participant's expected years of credited service at that age. For a non-active participant, the normal cost is zero.

The actuarial accrued liability is the sum of the individual accrued liabilities for all plan participants. For an active participant, the individual accrued liability is the product of the normal cost and the total years of credited service at the current age. For non-active participants, the individual accrued liability is the present value at the current age of future benefits. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability equals the actuarial accrued liability less the valuation assets.

**SECTION XIII**  
**ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS**

A summary of the actuarial assumptions used in the valuation is presented below:

Valuation Assets

The Actuarial Value of Assets equals the adjusted Market Value of Assets.

IRS Required Discount Rates

Minimum Required Contribution (as adjusted for MAP-21/HATFA/ARPA)

- |  |        |
|--|--------|
| 1. Segment Rate 1 for Years 1 Through 5  | 4.75%. |
| 2. Segment Rate 2 for Years 6 Through 20 | 4.96%. |
| 3. Segment Rate 3 for Years After 20     | 5.59%. |

Maximum Deductible Contribution

- |  |        |
|--|--------|
| 1. Segment Rate 1 for Years 1 Through 5  | 4.37%. |
| 2. Segment Rate 2 for Years 6 Through 20 | 4.96%. |
| 3. Segment Rate 3 for Years After 20     | 4.95%. |

Plan Effective Interest Rate

5.37%.

Financial Accounting Standards Board ASC 960 Discount Rates and Mortality

Discount Rates: Same as Minimum Required Contribution

Mortality Tables

- |  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| 1. Employee Mortality - Male           | NOT USED                 |
| Employee Mortality - Female            | NOT USED                 |
| 2. Healthy Annuitant Mortality - Male  | 2024 IRS Combined Male   |
| Healthy Annuitant Mortality - Female   | 2024 IRS Combined Female |
| 3. Disabled Annuitant Mortality - Male | 2024 IRS Combined Male   |
| Disabled Annuitant Mortality - Female  | 2024 IRS Combined Female |
| 4. Beneficiary Mortality - Male        | 2024 IRS Combined Male   |
| Beneficiary Mortality - Female         | 2024 IRS Combined Female |

**SECTION XIII**  
**ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS (cont'd)**

<u>Salary Scale</u>	Salaries increases were not assumed in the valuation
<u>Taxable Wage Base Increase Assumption</u>	No TWB increase was assumed in the valuation.
<u>Social Security CPI Assumption</u>	No CPI increase was assumed in the valuation.
<u>Plan Benefit COLA Assumption</u>	No COLA increase was assumed in the valuation.
<u>Retirement Rates</u>	Participants are assumed to retire at the later of Normal Retirement Age or the end of the plan year.
<u>Termination Rates</u>	Termination Rates were not assumed in the valuation.
<u>Disability Rates</u>	Disability Rates were not assumed in the valuation.
<u>Pre-Retirement Mortality Rates:</u>	Pre-Retirement Mortality was assumed in the valuation.
<u>Post-Retirement Mortality Rates:</u>	Post-Retirement Mortality was assumed in the valuation.

Male: 2024 IRS Combined Male

Female: 2024 IRS Combined Female

The following are sample post-retirement mortality rates for various ages:

	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
55	0.002060	0.001380
60	0.004580	0.002990
65	0.008610	0.006190
70	0.014190	0.010820
75	0.024330	0.019750
80	0.044420	0.037150
85	0.081260	0.065270
90	0.147330	0.117900
95	0.233190	0.190200
100	0.327880	0.278620
105	0.421910	0.375760
110	0.494480	0.462820

**SECTION XIII**  
**ACTUARIAL METHODS AND ASSUMPTIONS (cont'd)**

Post-Disablement Mortality Rates Post-Disablement Mortality was assumed in the valuation.

Male: 2024 IRS Combined Male

Female: 2024 IRS Combined Female

The following are sample post-disablement mortality rates for various ages:

	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
55	0.002060	0.001380
60	0.004580	0.002990
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70	0.014190	0.010820
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110	0.494480	0.462820

Administrative Expenses Assumed to equal last year's expense of \$1,553.

Percent Married 100.00 % of males and 100.00 % of females are assumed to be married.

Age of Spouse Spouses of Males are assumed to be 3 year(s) younger than the participant.  
Spouses of Females are assumed to be 3 year(s) older than the participant.

Form of Payment Participants are assumed to elect a Lump Sum payment.

SELECTION OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS

Assumption		Entity Who Selects Assumption	Basis for Assumption Selection	Change in Assumption
Segment Interest Rates for Minimum Contribution	Segment 1: 4.75% Segment 2: 4.96% Segment 3: 5.59%	Prescribed by Internal Revenue Service (IRC Sec. 430(h)(2)(C))	The Funding Target Liability for Minimum Contribution is determined using three 24-month average interest rates ("segment rates"), each of which applies to cash flows during specified periods. The Plan Sponsor has elected a 0 month look back for determining these rates each Plan Year. These segment rates are adjusted by the applicable percentage of the 25-year average segment rates.	The segment 1, segment 2 and segment 3 interest rates changed from 4.75%, 5.00%, and 5.74%, respectively as of the prior measurement date, January 1, 2023, to reflect the current prescribed rates. This change increased the Funding Target Liability for Minimum Contribution as of the current measurement date, January 1, 2024, by 1.88%.
Segment Interest Rates for Maximum Contribution	Segment 1: 4.37% Segment 2: 4.96% Segment 3: 4.95%	Prescribed by Internal Revenue Service (IRC Sec. 404(o)(6))	The Funding Target Liability for Maximum Contribution is determined using three 24-month average interest rates ("segment rates"), each of which applies to cash flows during specified periods. The Plan Sponsor has elected a 0 month look back for determining these rates each Plan Year.	The segment 1, segment 2 and segment 3 interest rates changed from 2.13%, 3.62%, and 3.93%, respectively as of the prior measurement date, January 1, 2023, to reflect the current prescribed rates. This change decreased the Funding Target Liability for Maximum Contribution as of the current measurement date, January 1, 2024, by 18.74%.
ASC 960 Interest Rate	Segment 1: 4.75% Segment 2: 4.96% Segment 3: 5.59%	Nova Research	The ASC 960 interest rate is determined using three 24-month average interest rates ("segment rates"), each of which applies to cash flows during specified periods. The Plan Sponsor has elected a 0 month look back for determining these rates each Plan Year. These segment rates are adjusted by the applicable percentage of the 25-year average segment rates.	The segment 1, segment 2 and segment 3 interest rates changed from 4.75%, 5.00%, and 5.74%, respectively as of the prior measurement date, January 1, 2023, to reflect the current prescribed rates. This change increased the Actuarial Value of Accrued Benefits as of the current measurement date, January 1, 2024, by 1.88%.
Inflation Rate	3.00%	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	Long-term CPI-U experience.	None
Salary Scale	N/A	N/A	Plan benefits are frozen and do not depend on future salary.	None
Taxable Wage Base Increase	N/A	N/A	Plan benefits are frozen and do not depend on future taxable wage base.	None
IRC 415 and 401(a)(17) Limit Projection	N/A	N/A	Projected increases to benefit and pay limits are not applicable under the Actuarial Funding Method used for the Funding Target Liability and the ASC 960 Actuarial Present Value of Accrued Benefits.	None
Pre-Retirement Mortality	N/A	N/A	Pre-Retirement Mortality was not assumed.	None

**SECTION XIII (Cont.)**

**SELECTION OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS**

<b>Assumption</b>		<b>Entity Who Selects Assumption</b>	<b>Basis for Assumption Selection</b>	<b>Change in Assumption</b>
Post-Retirement Mortality	2024 IRS Optional Combined (M/F)	Prescribed by Internal Revenue Service (IRC Sec. 430(h)(3) for Minimum and IRC Sec. 404(o)(6) for Maximum)	The IRS prescribes by regulation mortality tables to be used in determining minimum and maximum contributions. Those tables are based on the actual experience of pension plans and projected trends in that experience. Current prescribed tables are based on the Pri-2012 Mortality Tables Report, adjusted for mortality improvement using Projection Scale MP-2021. Sponsors of small plans are permitted to use a combined table that applies the same mortality rates to both annuitants and nonannuitants.	The mortality tables changed from the 2023 IRS Optional Combined (M/F) tables as of the prior measurement date, January 1, 2023, to reflect the current prescribed tables. This change decreased the Funding Target Liability for Minimum Contribution and Maximum Contribution as of the current measurement date, January 1, 2024, by 0.99% and 1.08%, respectively.
Pre-Retirement Mortality for ASC 960	N/A	N/A	Pre-Retirement Mortality was not assumed.	None
Post-Retirement Mortality for ASC 960	2024 IRS Optional Combined (M/F)	Nova Research	The IRS prescribes by regulation mortality tables to be used in determining minimum and maximum contributions. Those tables are based on the actual experience of pension plans and projected trends in that experience. Current prescribed tables are based on the Pri-2012 Mortality Tables Report, adjusted for mortality improvement using Projection Scale MP-2021. Sponsors of small plans are permitted to use a combined table that applies the same mortality rates to both annuitants and nonannuitants.	The mortality tables changed from the 2023 IRS Optional Combined (M/F) tables as of the prior measurement date, January 1, 2023. The change was made to reflect the best estimate of future experience under the plan. This change decreased the Actuarial Present Value of Accrued Benefits as of the current measurement date, January 1, 2024, by 0.99%.
Disability Mortality	None	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	The incidence of disability under the Plan is negligible.	None
Disability Rates	None	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	The incidence of disability under the Plan is negligible.	None
Withdrawal Rates	None	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	The incidence of withdrawal under the Plan is negligible.	None
Retirement Rates	Active and inactive participants are assumed to retire at age 65.	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	This assumption was set based on a review of experience under the Plan.	None
Administrative Expenses	Equals the amount of Plan-related expenses paid from Plan assets in the prior Plan year.	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	Internal Revenue Service regulations require the Target Normal Cost to be increased by the amount of Plan-related expenses expected to be paid from Plan assets during the Plan year. Our best estimate of these expenses is the actual amount of Plan-related expenses paid from Plan assets in the prior Plan year.	None
Percent Married	100% of males and 100% of females are assumed to be married.	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	This assumption was set based on a review of experience under the Plan.	None
Age of Spouse	The female spouse is assumed to be 3 years younger than the male spouse.	The Angell Pension Group, Inc.	This assumption was set based on a review of experience under the Plan and general experience from similarly situated plans.	None

Form 5500-SF

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Short Form Annual Return/Report of Small Employee Benefit Plan

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

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

A This return/report is for: [X] a single-employer plan [ ] a multiple-employer plan (not multiemployer) (Pension Plan filers checking this box must attach Schedule MEP. Other plans must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)

B This return/report is [ ] the first return/report [ ] the final return/report [ ] an amended return/report [ ] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

C Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension [ ] DFVC program [ ] special extension (enter description)

D If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here [ ]

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

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan Nova Research Labs Pension Plan 1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 001

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2021

2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) Nova Research Laboratories LLC 1441 Canal Street New Orleans LA 70112 2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-4377141

2c Sponsor's telephone number 504-885-0585

2d Business code (see instructions) 541700

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor. 3b Administrator's EIN

3c Administrator's telephone number

4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report.

4b EIN 4d PN

a Sponsor's name c Plan Name

5a Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year 3

b Total number of participants at the end of the plan year 4

c(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)

c(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)

d(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year 3

d(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year 4

e Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested 0

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

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including, if applicable, a Schedule SB or Schedule MB completed and signed by an enrolled actuary, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE Signature of plan administrator Date 10/9/2024 Benjamin Butterfield Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator

SIGN HERE Signature of employer/plan sponsor Date 10/9/2024 Benjamin Butterfield Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor

- 6a** Were all of the plan's assets during the plan year invested in eligible assets? (See instructions.) .....  Yes  No
- b** Are you claiming a waiver of the annual examination and report of an independent qualified public accountant (IQPA) under 29 CFR 2520.104-46? (See instructions on waiver eligibility and conditions.) .....  Yes  No
- If you answered "No" to either line 6a or line 6b, the plan cannot use Form 5500-SF and must instead use Form 5500.**
- c** If the plan is a defined benefit plan, is it covered under the PBGC insurance program (see ERISA section 4021)? .....  Yes  No  Not determined
- If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year \_\_\_\_\_ . (See instructions.)

<b>Part III Financial Information</b>			(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>7</b>	Plan Assets and Liabilities			
<b>a</b>	Total plan assets .....	<b>7a</b>	606,433	907,167
<b>b</b>	Total plan liabilities .....	<b>7b</b>	0	0
<b>c</b>	Net plan assets (subtract line 7b from line 7a).....	<b>7c</b>	606,433	907,167
<b>8</b>	Income, Expenses, and Transfers for this Plan Year		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a</b>	Contributions received or receivable from:			
	(1) Employers .....	<b>8a(1)</b>	288,688	
	(2) Participants.....	<b>8a(2)</b>		
	(3) Others (including rollovers) .....	<b>8a(3)</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other income (loss).....	<b>8b</b>	15,489	
<b>c</b>	Total income (add lines 8a(1), 8a(2), 8a(3), and 8b).....	<b>8c</b>		304,177
<b>d</b>	Benefits paid (including direct rollovers and insurance premiums to provide benefits).....	<b>8d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Certain deemed and/or corrective distributions (see instructions) .	<b>8e</b>		
<b>f</b>	Administrative service providers (salaries, fees, commissions) ....	<b>8f</b>	3,443	
<b>g</b>	Other expenses .....	<b>8g</b>		
<b>h</b>	Total expenses (add lines 8d, 8e, 8f, and 8g).....	<b>8h</b>		3,443
<b>i</b>	Net income (loss) (subtract line 8h from line 8c).....	<b>8i</b>		300,734
<b>j</b>	Transfers to (from) the plan (see instructions) .....	<b>8j</b>		

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

<b>Part V Compliance Questions</b>		Yes	No	Amount
<b>10</b>	During the plan year:			
<b>a</b>	Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program) .....	<b>10a</b>	X	
<b>b</b>	Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 10a.).....	<b>10b</b>	X	
<b>c</b>	Was the plan covered by a fidelity bond? .....	<b>10c</b>	X	60,644
<b>d</b>	Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty? .....	<b>10d</b>	X	
<b>e</b>	Were any fees or commissions paid to any brokers, agents, or other persons by an insurance carrier, insurance service, or other organization that provides some or all of the benefits under the plan? (See instructions.) .....	<b>10e</b>	X	
<b>f</b>	Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan? .....	<b>10f</b>	X	
<b>g</b>	Did the plan have any participant loans? (If "Yes," enter amount as of year-end.) .....	<b>10g</b>	X	
<b>h</b>	If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.) .....	<b>10h</b>		
<b>i</b>	If 10h was answered "Yes," check the box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3 .....	<b>10i</b>		

**Part VI Pension Funding Compliance**

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

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

**b PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If the plan is covered by PBGC and the amount reported on line 11a is greater than \$0, has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

Yes.

No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

No. Other. Provide explanation \_\_\_\_\_

**12** Is this a defined contribution plan subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Code or section 302 of ERISA? .....  Yes  No

(If "Yes," complete line 12a or lines 12b, 12c, 12d, and 12e below, as applicable.) If this is a defined benefit pension plan, leave line 12 blank and complete line 11 above.

**a** If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions, and enter the date of the letter ruling granting the waiver. .... Month Day Year

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

13c(1) Name of plan(s):	13c(2) EIN(s)	13c(3) PN(s)

**Part VIII IRS Compliance Questions**

**14a** Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules?  Yes  No

**14b** If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

- Design-based safe harbor method
- "Prior year" ADP test
- "Current year" ADP test
- N/A

**15** If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 02/28/2023 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q705369a.

**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**

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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.

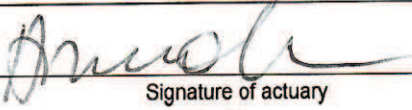
<b>A</b> Name of plan Nova Research Labs Pension Plan		<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF Nova Research Laboratories LLC		<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-4377141	
<b>E</b> Type of plan: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-A <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple-B		<b>F</b> Prior year plan size: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100 or fewer <input type="checkbox"/> 101-500 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 500	

**Part I Basic Information**

<b>1</b> Enter the valuation date: Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2024</u>			
<b>2</b> Assets:		<b>2a</b>	597,906
<b>a</b> Market value .....		<b>2b</b>	597,906
<b>b</b> Actuarial value .....			
<b>3</b> Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target	(3) Total Funding Target
<b>a</b> For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment .....	0	0	0
<b>b</b> For terminated vested participants .....	0	0	0
<b>c</b> For active participants .....	4	628,825	632,224
<b>d</b> Total .....	4	628,825	632,224
<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>	5.37%
<b>6</b> Target normal cost			
<b>a</b> Present value of current plan year accruals .....		<b>6a</b>	261,727
<b>b</b> Expected plan-related expenses .....		<b>6b</b>	1,553
<b>c</b> Target normal cost .....		<b>6c</b>	263,280

**Statement by Enrolled Actuary**

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

<b>SIGN HERE</b>		<u>9/22/25</u>
	Signature of actuary	Date
AMANDA OHLER, ENROLLED ACTUARY		2309188
Type or print name of actuary		Most recent enrollment number
THE ANGELL PENSION GROUP, INC.		401-438-9250
Firm name		Telephone number (including area code)
88 BOYD AVENUE		
EAST PROVIDENCE RI 02914		
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.

Schedule SB (Form 5500) 2024 v. 240311

<b>Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances</b>		(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7	Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year) .....	0	29,722
8	Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year) .....	0	0
9	Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8) .....	0	29,722
10	Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of <u>-5.99%</u> .....	0	-1,781
11	Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
	a Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year) .....		15,414
	b(1) 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>5.49%</u> .....		846
	b(2) Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return .....		0
	c Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance .....		16,260
	d Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance .....		16,260
12	Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections .....	0	0
13	Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d - line 12) .....	0	44,201

<b>Part III Funding Percentages</b>			
14	Funding target attainment percentage .....	14	87.58 %
15	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage .....	15	87.58 %
16	Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement .....	16	92.10 %
17	If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage .....	17	%

<b>Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls</b>		18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:					
(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees		
07/17/2024	55,040	0					
10/03/2024	39,205	0					
10/17/2024	55,040	0					
03/31/2025	55,040	0					
09/15/2025	84,363	0					
			<b>Totals ▶</b>	<b>18(b)</b>	288,688	<b>18(c)</b>	0

19	Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:		
	a Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years. ....	19a	0
	b Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date .....	19b	0
	c Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date .....	19c	270,456

20	Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:		
	a Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	b If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
	c If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:		
Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year			
(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th
0	0	0	0

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

**21** Discount rate:

<b>a</b> Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75 %	2nd segment: 4.96 %	3rd segment: 5.59 %	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A, full yield curve used
<b>b</b> Applicable month (enter code).....				<b>21b</b> 0
<b>22</b> Weighted average retirement age .....				<b>22</b> 65

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

**Part VI Miscellaneous Items**

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

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

**26** Demographic and benefit information

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<b>a</b> Target normal cost (line 6c).....	<b>31a</b>	263,280
<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 .....	78,519	7,176
<b>b</b> Waiver amortization installment .....	0	0

**33** If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_) and the waived amount ..... **33**

<b>34</b> Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33).....	<b>34</b>	270,456
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	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> 270,456
<b>37</b> Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c).....			<b>37</b> 270,456

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

<b>39</b> Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37).....	<b>39</b>	0
<b>40</b> Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years .....	<b>40</b>	0

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

**41** If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies.  2019  2020  2021

As indicated on line 22 of the 2024 Schedule SB, the Weighted Average Retirement Age is 65. Under the 2024 Plan Year, the Weighted Average Retirement Age is the same as the Normal Retirement Age.

**Nova Research Labs Pension Plan**  
**EIN: 82-4377141; Plan Number: 001**  
**2024 Schedule SB, line 19 - Discounted Employer Contributions**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4a)	(4b)	(5)
Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	Amount paid by employer(s)	Year to which Contribution is Applied	Applicable Effective Interest Rate	Increased Rate for late quarterly installments	Interest Adjusted Contribution
7/17/2024	\$55,040	2024	5.37%	10.37%	1 \$52,878
10/3/2024	39,205	2024	5.37%	10.37%	2 37,309
10/17/2024	15,835	2024	5.37%	10.37%	2 15,012
10/17/2024	39,205	2024	5.37%	10.37%	3 37,604
3/31/2025	15,835	2024	5.37%	10.37%	3 14,527
3/31/2025	39,205	2024	5.37%	10.37%	4 36,389
9/15/2025	15,835	2024	5.37%	10.37%	4 14,047
9/15/2025	68,528	2024	5.37%		7 62,690
9/15/2025	0	2024	5.37%		7 0
9/15/2025	0	2024	5.37%		7 0
9/15/2025	0	2024	5.37%		7 0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$288,688</b>				<b>\$270,456</b>

Valuation Date:  
1/1/2024

NOTES: footnote before column (5) describes due date for Quarterly Contribution  
"1" is for 4/15/2024 due date  
"2" is for 7/15/2024 due date  
"3" is for 10/15/2024 due date  
"4" is for 1/15/2025 due date  
"7" is not subject to Quarterly Contributions

## APPENDIX A SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS

<i>Plan Effective Date:</i>	January 1, 2021
<i>Eligibility Requirements:</i>	Age: 21 Service: 1 year
<i>Year of Eligibility Service:</i>	A 12-consecutive-month computation period in which an employee is credited with 1,000 or more hours of service. The computation period begins on the employee's date of hire.
<i>Year of Benefit Service:</i>	A participant will be credited with a Year of Benefit Service if the participant is credited with 1,000 or more hours of service in a plan year or if employed on the last day of the plan year. The plan year commences on January 1.
<i>Year of Vesting Service:</i>	A 12-consecutive-month computation period in which an employee is credited with 1,000 or more hours of service. The computation period commences on January 1.
<i>Plan Entry Date:</i>	An eligible employee will enter the plan on the January 1st or July 1st coincident with or next following completion of the eligibility requirements.
<i>Normal Retirement Date:</i>	The first day of the month coincident with or next following the later of a participant's 65th birthday.
<i>Compensation:</i>	The total W-2 compensation paid for the plan year including 401(k) and Section 125 contributions.  Effective January 1, 2024, the limit is \$345,000.
<i>Average Compensation:</i>	Compensation averaged over the 3 consecutive plan years producing the highest average prior to termination of employment.
<i>Normal Retirement Benefit:</i>	4.8% of Average Compensation multiplied by Years of Benefit Service measured from date of entry into the plan up to a maximum of 10 years.
<i>Normal Form of Benefit:</i>	Life Annuity.
<i>Accrued Benefit:</i>	The amount to which a participant would be entitled under the benefit formula at Normal Retirement Date based upon the Average Monthly Compensation, Years of Benefit Service, and the plan provisions in effect as of the determination.

*Top-Heavy Minimum  
Accrued Benefit:*

A non-key participant will receive a minimum benefit equal to 2% of a 5 year average compensation for each Year of Service in which the plan is top-heavy.

*Early Retirement:*

None.

*Late Retirement:*

A participant who continues employment after Normal Retirement Date is eligible for a late retirement benefit equal to the greater of (a) the actuarial equivalent of the monthly benefit which would have been payable at his Normal Retirement Date or (b) the monthly benefit determined under the benefit formula based on Average Compensation and Years of Benefit Service determined as of the date of determination.

*Death Benefit:*

The Actuarial Equivalent of the Accrued Benefit.

*Disability Benefit:*

None.

*Vesting:*

Based on Years of Service, subject to the following schedule:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vested Percentage</u>
Less than 1 years	0%
1 years	20%
2 years	40%
3 years	60%
4 years	80%
5 years or more	100%

Notwithstanding the above vesting schedule, a participant will become 100% vested upon reaching the Normal Retirement Date, death or disability.

*Optional Forms of Benefit:* Lump sum, joint and survivor annuity.

**SECTION V**  
**AMORTIZATION BASES UNDER SECTION 430 OF THE IRS CODE**

**Shortfall Amortization Bases**

Description	<u>Date Base Established</u>	<u>Initial Base</u>	<u>Initial Years</u>	<u>Remaining Years</u>	<u>Present Value of Remaining Payments</u>	<u>Amortization Amount</u>
Shortfall	1/1/2024	\$ 78,519	15	15	\$ 78,519	\$ 7,176
Subtotal - Shortfall Bases					\$78,519	\$7,176

**Total Amortization Bases** **\$ 78,519** **\$ 7,176**