

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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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

- A This return/report is for: [ ] a multiemployer plan [ ] a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) [x] a single-employer plan [ ] a DFE (specify) \_\_\_\_
B This return/report is: [ ] the first return/report [ ] the final return/report [ ] an amended return/report [ ] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. [ ]
D Check box if filing under: [x] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension [ ] the DFVC program [ ] special extension (enter description)
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. [ ]

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan: RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U. S. 401(K)
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 002
1c Effective date of plan: 07/01/1988
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 13-4941099
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 437-980-1843
2d Business code (see instructions): 522110

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 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>	2324
<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>	1430
	<b>6a(2)</b>	1417
	<b>6b</b>	115
	<b>6c</b>	783
	<b>6d</b>	2315
	<b>6e</b>	4
	<b>6f</b>	2319
	<b>6g(1)</b>	2191
<b>6g(2)</b>	2269	
<b>6h</b>	37	
<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:  
2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 2T 3H

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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<b>SCHEDULE C</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Service Provider Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U. S. 401(K)</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>BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>13-4941099</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

**FIDELITY INVESTMENTS INST** **PO BOX 770002**  
**CINCINNATI, OH 45277**

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

**VANGUARD MARKETING CORP** **100 VANGUARD BLVD**  
**MALVERN, PA 19355**

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

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

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

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PO BOX 120754  
DALLAS, TX 75312

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10 50	NONE	52687	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)

T ROWE PRICE RPS INC

1307 POINT STREET  
BALTIMORE, MD 21231

(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?
15 21 25 28 37 38 49 50 52 59 62 64 65	NONE	19839	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

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

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

**Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information**

**4** Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE D</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	<b>DFE/Participating Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <hr/> <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>13-4941099</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b> (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>T. ROWE PRICE BLUE CHIP GRWTH TRUST</u>		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>80-0470272-004</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>63583518</u>
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>T. ROWE PRICE EQUITY INDEX TRUST</u>		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>52-6559833-001</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>85690107</u>
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TRP U.S. MID-CAP GROWTH EQUITY TRST</u>		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>35-2425738-001</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>21642582</u>
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN	<b>d</b> Entity code	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

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**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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**c** EIN-PN

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**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

**c** EIN-PN

**d** Entity code

**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)



<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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<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.

<b>Assets</b>	<b>(a) Beginning of Year</b>	<b>(b) End of Year</b>
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>	
<b>c</b> General investments:		
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>	
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>	
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>	
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	2259131
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>	170916207
<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>	272850232
<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>	409989203	492647008
<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>	55213	60027
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	55213	60027
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	409933990	492586981

**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>	15312218	
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>	20812209	
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>	3346961	
(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>		39471388
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>	179809	
<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>		179809
<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>	13024212	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		13024212
<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 .....	2b(6)		35631269
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	2b(10)		24796424
<b>c</b> Other income .....	2c		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		113103102

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	30371671	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3) .....	2e(4)		30371671
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	2f		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
<b>h</b> Interest expense.....	2h		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	2i(3)	19839	
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	2i(4)	52687	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees .....	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees .....	2i(8)	1100	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)	4814	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) .....	2i(12)		78440
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		30450111

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		82652991
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan .....	2l(2)		

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **KPMG LLP**

(2) EIN: **13-5565207**

**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		208666620
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
<b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

<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>RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U. S. 401(K)</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>BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>13-4941099</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): 58-1428634

**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..... 

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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).)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Part VII IRS Compliance Questions**

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

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

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

**RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES  
OF SCOTIABANK U.S. (401(k))**

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule

December 31, 2024 and 2023

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

# RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U.S. (401(k))

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* All other schedules required by 29 CFR 2520.103-10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 have been omitted because they are not applicable.	



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## Independent Auditors' Report

To the Plan Participants and Plan Administrator  
Retirement Plan for Employees of Scotiabank U.S. (401(k)):

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Retirement Plan for Employees of Scotiabank U.S. (401(k)) (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise 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 the 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 a qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 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 Auditors' 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 U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.
- 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).

### *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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.



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

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for 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.

### *Auditors' 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 auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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



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 U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

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

*Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA*

The supplemental schedule of Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2024 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is 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 audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental 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 Disclosure 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).

*KPMG LLP*

Houston, Texas  
October 8, 2025

## RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U.S. (401(k))

### Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
<b>Assets:</b>		
Investments, at fair value		
Mutual funds	\$ 318,987,949	\$ 272,850,232
Common collective trust funds	<u>170,916,207</u>	<u>134,879,840</u>
Total investments	<u>489,904,156</u>	<u>407,730,072</u>
<b>Receivables:</b>		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>2,742,852</u>	<u>2,259,131</u>
Total receivables	<u>2,742,852</u>	<u>2,259,131</u>
Total Assets	<u>492,647,008</u>	<u>409,989,203</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Accrued expenses	<u>60,027</u>	<u>55,213</u>
Total liabilities	<u>60,027</u>	<u>55,213</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 492,586,981</u>	<u>\$ 409,933,990</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U.S. (401(k))

### Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Additions (reductions) to net assets:		
Investment income (loss):		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 60,427,693	\$ 60,507,562
Dividends	<u>13,024,212</u>	<u>12,712,260</u>
Total investment income (loss)	<u>73,451,905</u>	<u>73,219,822</u>
Interest income on note receivable from participants	179,809	130,757
Contributions:		
Participants <sup>(1)</sup>	24,159,170	21,445,926
Employer	<u>15,312,218</u>	<u>14,686,205</u>
Total contributions	<u>39,471,388</u>	<u>36,132,131</u>
Total additions (reductions) to net assets	<u>113,103,102</u>	<u>109,482,710</u>
Deductions to net assets:		
Benefits paid to participants	(30,371,671)	(52,095,974)
Administrative Expenses	<u>(78,440)</u>	<u>(138,903)</u>
Total deductions to net assets	<u>(30,450,111)</u>	<u>(52,234,877)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits	82,652,991	57,247,833
Net assets available for benefits at:		
Beginning of year	409,933,990	352,686,157
End of year	<u>\$ 492,586,981</u>	<u>\$ 409,933,990</u>

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes participant rollover contribution of \$3,346,961 in 2024 and \$1,994,532 in 2023.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U.S. (401(k))

Notes to Financial Statements  
December 31, 2024 and 2023

### 1) Description of the Plan

The following brief description of the Retirement Plan for Employees of Scotiabank U.S. (401(k)) (the Plan) is presented for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document and related amendments for more complete information.

#### a) *General*

The Plan is a defined contribution plan which is sponsored by The Bank of Nova Scotia (the Bank, the Company, or the Sponsor). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) of 1986 section 401(k), as amended. The participant's benefits at any time depend on the value of assets in the participant's account. The Plan Administrator is the Scotiabank U.S. Tax-Qualified Retirement Plans Committee (QPC).

#### b) *Eligibility*

Participation in the Plan is required; however, employee contributions are voluntary. Any individual who either (i) is a United States (U.S.) resident who is on the U.S. payroll of the Company, or (ii) is a U.S. expatriate employee of the Company with a U.S. based pay component working in other parts of the world is eligible to participate in the Plan.

#### c) *Contributions*

Each participant may elect to contribute from 1% to 75% of base compensation to any of the investment funds of the Plan. Employee contributions may not exceed the annual limits as set by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on a pre-tax or Roth basis (additional contributions may be made on an after-tax basis. Participants age 50 and over can make additional catch-up contributions which are subject to separate IRS limits and rules). Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (rollover). Participants are also subject to automatic enrollment. This means that unless the participant elects otherwise, he/she will be deemed to have elected to make contributions to the Plan on a before-tax basis in the amount equal to three percent (3%) of his/her base compensation each pay period.

The Bank makes an automatic non-elective contribution of 4% of base salary (to a maximum base salary of \$100,000); and contributes 100% of each participant's contribution up to the first 3% of base compensation and 50% of each participant's contribution up to the next 3% of base compensation. Participants may elect to invest employee and employer contributions in any of the funds available. If no election is made, contributions will be invested in an age-appropriate Retirement Date Fund (the default fund).

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### **d) *Participants' Accounts***

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's and Bank's contributions and allocations of Plan earnings or losses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

### **e) *Vesting***

Participants in the Plan are fully vested in their elective contributions and related investment earnings.

Employees, who are participants in the Plan, become fully vested in the value of their accounts attributable to the Bank's non-elective and matching contribution, upon the earliest of:

- Completion of two years of service; or
- Their death, total and permanent disability, or attainment of age 65 during employment.

### **f) *Forfeited Accounts***

The portion of a participant's balance, which is not vested upon termination of employment, is forfeited and remains in the Plan. Forfeitures are applied to reduce the Bank's contributions or pay Plan administrative expenses. Forfeitures must be used no later than the Plan year following the Plan year in which the forfeiture occurred. Forfeitures from participants during 2024 were \$1,376,543 (2023: \$299,788). Forfeitures applied to reduce the Bank's contributions or pay Plan administrative expenses during 2024 were \$684,656 (2023: \$1,164), from utilizing forfeited non-vested accounts available in the Plan year. Forfeitures balance remaining from participants as of December 31, 2024 were \$1,169,228 (December 31, 2023: \$477,341).

### **g) *Payment of Benefits***

Employees participating in the Plan, or their beneficiaries, are eligible to receive benefit payments upon termination of service by reason of death, permanent disability, normal retirement at or after age 65, or early retirement. Such benefit payments are based on the participants' vested interest in their accounts. Upon receipt of appropriate termination forms and liquidation requests, the eligible participants or their beneficiaries receive lump-sum payments within six months following the participant's termination date. Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) increased to age 73 from 72 effective January 1, 2023, as part of SECURE Act 2.0 legislation.

Should employees participating in the Plan terminate their employment with the Bank for reasons other than death, permanent disability, retirement at or after age 65 or early retirement and their account balance is \$1,000 or less, a distribution will be made in the form of a lump-sum payment as soon as practicable after the participants' termination date. If the account balance is greater than \$1,000, eligible participants have the option of leaving the funds in their account in the Plan until they retire or request a distribution.

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Prior to termination of service, a portion of participants' contributions may be withdrawn under financial hardship upon qualifying under guidelines specified in the Plan. Any participant who has not attained the age of 59 ½ may be subject to a 10% penalty and applicable income taxes. In-service withdrawals from participants' after-tax contributions are permissible in accordance with Plan rules. Tax-free Roth withdrawals are permissible when taken as a qualified distribution (5-years after the first contribution and attained age 59 ½, become disabled or die).

Upon termination of employment, participants shall receive a termination options package, outlining the various options available to them with their accrued account balance. In general, participants may rollover their account balance to a new employer 401(k) (if permitted), rollover to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) or become a deferred participant within the Plan. Upon the death of participants, the value of such participants' account shall be distributed to their beneficiaries.

### *h) Investment Options*

Prior to December 1, 2011, the Bank's matching contribution was invested in common stock of the Bank and the participant contributions were invested in mutual funds and common collective trust funds.

Effective December 1, 2011, contributions cannot be used to purchase the Bank common stock. Participants invest employee and employer contributions in any of the mutual funds and common collective trust funds available.

In December 2022, the Plan was amended to remove remaining common stock of the Bank from the Plan. At that time, the majority of remaining common stock of the Bank within the Plan was held by former employees. The Plan was also amended to allow for in-kind external transfers of common stock of the Bank for terminated participants and active participants who met IRS criteria for in-kind transfers. Following a 6-month option window, remaining common stock of the Bank was liquidated on June 29, 2023 and remaining assets were transitioned to the T. Rowe Price Equity Index Trust Fund within participant accounts.

### *i) Notes Receivable from Participants*

Under specific circumstances, the rules of the Plan allow participants to borrow against their accumulated balances in the Plan. In general, participants may borrow up to 50% of their account balances from a minimum of \$1,000 to a maximum of \$50,000.

Notes receivable from participants are carried at their loan principal value plus accrued interest on the financial statements. These loans are repaid through payroll deductions of equal installments of principal and interest over a period of up to 60 months (five years). If loans are for participants' principal residence, participants may repay loans over a 360-month period (30 years). The interest rate for all loans is equivalent to the prime rate, plus 1%, and remains fixed throughout the term of the loan. Loan repayments are returned to the participants' balances according to the investment mix in effect during repayment. Full repayment of any outstanding loan, as well as lump sum payments, can be made at any time without penalty.

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As of July 1, 2016, the Plan was amended to reduce the number of loans a participant may have outstanding at one-time from three to one. A participant is permitted to have more than one loan outstanding, if these loans were outstanding as of June 30, 2016. The interest rates on the loans range from 4.25% to 9.50%, with maturities ranging from 2025 through 2054.

### 2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### *a) Basis of Presentation*

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan have been prepared under the accrual method of accounting in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. GAAP).

#### *b) Use of Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires the Plan Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities, as at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions.

#### *c) Investment Valuation and Income Recognition*

The Plan's investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 3 for a discussion of fair value measurement. The QPC determines the Plan's valuation policies in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The QPC meets twice per year and performs ongoing due diligence reviews of the Plan's investments.

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

#### *d) Contributions*

Contributions from Plan participants and the Employer are recorded in the year in which participant compensation is earned.

#### *e) Notes Receivable from Participants*

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred.

#### *f) Payment of Benefits*

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

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### *g) Administrative Expenses*

Administrative expenses that arise in connection with the administration of the Plan shall be paid through an Administrative Budget account which was created by the Plan to be used solely for payment of plan expenses. Investment related expenses, if any, are included in net appreciation (depreciation) of fair value of investments and borne by plan participants.

### **3) Fair Value Measurements**

The Plan applies the relevant accounting guidance of the fair value framework to provide a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

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

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

All units of investment companies (mutual funds) are valued at quoted closing market prices. Common collective trust funds are valued based upon the net asset value of units owned by the Plan. These funds are not traded on an active market; however, they are priced and can be traded daily.

The methodologies 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. There were no changes in methodologies used as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

**RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U.S. (401(k))**

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December 31, 2024	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds:				
Bond funds	\$ 48,317,861	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,317,861
Stock funds	112,354,040	-	-	112,354,040
Target date funds	158,316,048	-	-	158,316,048
Total mutual funds	318,987,949	-	-	318,987,949
Common collective trust funds				
Equity funds	170,916,207	-	-	170,916,207
Total common collective trust funds	170,916,207	-	-	170,916,207
<b>Total investment at fair value</b>	<b>\$ 489,904,156</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 489,904,156</b>

December 31, 2023	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds:				
Bond funds	\$ 45,861,902	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,861,902
Stock funds	95,015,696	-	-	95,015,696
Target date funds	131,972,634	-	-	131,972,634
Total mutual funds	272,850,232	-	-	272,850,232
Common collective trust funds				
Equity funds	134,879,840	-	-	134,879,840
Total common collective trust funds	134,879,840	-	-	134,879,840
<b>Total investment at fair value</b>	<b>\$ 407,730,072</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 407,730,072</b>

All common collective trust funds made available to employees through T. Rowe Price Trust Company (the Trustee) can be purchased or sold every business day. There are no unfunded commitments related to common collective trust funds as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

**4) Information Certified by Trustee**

The Plan's investments are held in a trust by T. Rowe Price Trust Company. The Plan Administrator has elected to have the audit 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. The Plan administrator determined that the certification received from T. Rowe Price Trust Company meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). T. Rowe Price Trust Company certified that the following data included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule are complete and accurate:

	2024	2023
Mutual funds	\$ 318,987,949	\$ 272,850,232
Common collective trust funds	170,916,207	134,879,840
Total investments	<u>\$ 489,904,156</u>	<u>\$ 407,730,072</u>
Notes receivable from participants	\$ 2,742,852	\$ 2,259,131

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Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	<b>60,427,693</b>	60,454,295
Dividends	<b>13,024,212</b>	11,908,354
Interest income on note receivable from participants	<b>179,809</b>	130,757

Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2024.

The Plan's independent accountants did not extend their audit procedures to the information certified by T. Rowe Price Trust Company, 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 U.S. GAAP.

Effective June 29, 2023, the Bank's common stock was liquidated and the balance at the year ended 2023 was nil. The activity related to the common stock of the Bank was not certified and included net appreciation (depreciation) of \$53,267 and dividend income of \$803,906 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

### 5) Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed an intention of doing so, the Plan Sponsor has the right under the plan document to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. Each member who is affected by the plan termination shall be one hundred percent vested in the value of all amounts credited to his/her account.

### 6) Tax Status

The Plan obtained a determination letter on April 20, 2015 in which the IRS stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC, and therefore, is exempt from taxes. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. The Plan Administrator believes that the Plan continues to qualify as tax exempt and operates in accordance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

U.S. GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or derecognize an asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan Administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability or disclosure in the financial statements.

The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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### 7) **Parties-in-Interest Transactions**

The Bank is the Sponsor of the Plan, and as such, is a party-in-interest to the Plan.

T. Rowe Price Trust Company and certain of its affiliates are the recordkeeper and Trustee of the Plan, and as such, are a party in interest to the Plan.

T. Rowe Price Investment Management (Investment Manager) manages many of the investments offered by the Plan. The Investment Manager is an affiliate of T. Rowe Price Trust Company, and as such, is a party-in-interest to the Plan. Fees charged by the Investment Manager reduce net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments as reported by the mutual funds and common collective trust funds.

### 8) **Risks and Uncertainties**

Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risks. Due to the level of risk associated with investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the value 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 and participant account balances.

The Plan's exposure to risk is mitigated by the diversification of investments across participant-directed mutual fund elections. Additionally, the investments within each participant-directed mutual fund and common collective trust fund elections are further diversified into varied financial instruments.

### 9) **Subsequent Event**

The Plan Administrator has evaluated all events or transactions that occurred from December 31, 2024 through October 7, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. No additional significant adjustment or disclosures are required.

**RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF SCOTIABANK U.S. (401(k))**  
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i**

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)  
December 31, 2024

IDENTITY OF ISSUER, BORROWER, LESSOR, OR SIMILAR PARTY	DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT	COST **	CURRENT VALUE
<u>MUTUAL FUNDS</u>			
*T ROWE PRICE	BALANCED MUTUAL FUND	**	\$ 9,556,959
*T ROWE PRICE	DIVIDEND GROWTH MUTUAL FUND	**	20,209,291
*T ROWE PRICE	INTERNATIONAL GROWTH & INCOME MUTUAL FUND	**	5,892,610
*T ROWE PRICE	GOVERNMENT MONEY MUTUAL FUND	**	32,345,922
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2005 MUTUAL FUND	**	160,437
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2010 MUTUAL FUND	**	124,176
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2015 MUTUAL FUND	**	359,337
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2020 MUTUAL FUND	**	7,300,517
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2025 MUTUAL FUND	**	10,428,964
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2030 MUTUAL FUND	**	15,680,711
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2035 MUTUAL FUND	**	19,847,552
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2040 MUTUAL FUND	**	27,854,752
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2045 MUTUAL FUND	**	24,966,227
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2050 MUTUAL FUND	**	22,488,316
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2055 MUTUAL FUND	**	16,187,122
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2060 MUTUAL FUND	**	8,352,998
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT 2065 MUTUAL FUND	**	4,564,940
*T ROWE PRICE	RETIREMENT BALANCE INV MUTUAL FUND	**	986,636
*T ROWE PRICE	SMALL-CAP STOCK MUTUAL FUND	**	15,650,682
*T ROWE PRICE	SPECTRUM INCOME MUTUAL FUND	**	9,024,316
FIDELITY	CONTRA MUTUAL FUND	**	41,449,735
VANGUARD	TOTAL BOND INDEX ADM MUTUAL FUND	**	6,947,623
VANGUARD	WINDSOR II MUTUAL FUND	**	12,899,034
VANGUARD	DVLPD MARKET IND ADM ETF FUND	**	5,709,092
			<u>\$ 318,987,949</u>
<u>COMMON COLLECTIVE FUNDS</u>			
*T ROWE PRICE	BLUE CHIP GROWTH TRUST	**	\$ 63,583,518
*T ROWE PRICE	EQUITY INDEX TRUST	**	85,690,107
*T ROWE PRICE	US MID-CAP GROWTH EQUITY TRUST	**	21,642,582
			<u>\$ 170,916,207</u>
* NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS	INTEREST RATES RANGING FROM 4.25% TO 9.5% WITH MATURITIES RANGING FROM 2025 THROUGH 2054		<u>\$ 2,742,852</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			<u><u>\$ 492,647,008</u></u>

\* Party-in-Interest as defined by ERISA.

\*\*Cost is not required for participant directed investments.

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