

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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.

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

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

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan: BIG 'I' MEP 401(K) PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 001
1c Effective date of plan: 01/01/2014
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): BIG 'I' RETIREMENT SERVICES LLC
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 46-3043065
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 703-706-5466
2d Business code (see instructions): 524290

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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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	948
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1)	725
	6a(2)	691
	6b	2
	6c	164
	6d	857
	6e	0
	6f	857
	6g(1)	866
6g(2)	793	
6h	18	
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 2U 3D

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

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

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

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.

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 _____

<p>SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Insurance Information</p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p> <p>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p>2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<p>A Name of plan BIG 'I' MEP 401(K) PLAN</p>	<p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p>001</p>
<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BIG 'I' RETIREMENT SERVICES LLC</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 46-3043065</p>	

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

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
06-1050034	93629		201	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

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

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
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ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information
 Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

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

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

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

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

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

b Balance at the end of the previous year **7b** 20457093

c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	616673	
	7c(2)		
	7c(3)	596625	
	7c(4)	1043566	
	7c(5)	26272	
▶ LOAN REPAYMENT			

(6) Total additions **7c(6)** 2283136

d Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**) **7d** 22740229

e Deductions:

(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	2639819	
(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	7e(2)	82651	
(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)	815754	
(4) Other (specify below).....	7e(4)	550799	

▶ LOAN DISBURSEMENTS, FORFEITURES, & TRANSFER OUT OF PLAN

(5) Total deductions **7e(5)** 4089023

f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)..... **7f** 18651206

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

9 Experience-rated contracts:

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

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BIG 'I' RETIREMENT SERVICES LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 46-3043065	

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

THE VANGUARD GROUP

23-1945930

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

EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE COMPANY

06-1050034

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

CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST BANK

82-3967289

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

FIDELITY INVESTMENTS

06-1194217

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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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47-1605024

(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?
26 27 31 38 50	3(21) INVESTMENT ADVISOR	433063	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)

FIDUCIENT ADVISORS LLC

36-4001764

(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?
31 50	FIDUCIARY INVESTMENT ADVI	64561	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)

MVP PLAN ADMINISTRATORS, INC.

56-2263714

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
13 15 16 37 38 50 64 99	THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR	49940	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"/>

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

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82-3967289

(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?
19 37 50 62 99	CUSTODIAN	42820	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)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
31 50	FINANCIAL EDUCATION	7794	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)

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			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.

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

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) 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)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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Explanation:

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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BIG 'I' RETIREMENT SERVICES LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 46-3043065

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

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	31366	25627
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	645939	731922
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	152444	117693
(3) Other	1b(3)	9908	5370
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	106308	121772
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	935172	941600
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	108148980	117061412
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	20309890	18651206
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	130340007	137656602
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h	135883	142797
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	135883	142797
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	130204124	137513805

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.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	3222974	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	4092214	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	226838	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		7542026
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)	56079	
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		56079
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	2967003	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		2967003
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

	(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)	
(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)	14315276
c Other income	2c	1721
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d	24882105

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:		
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	8674583
(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)	8674583
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f	92830
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g	5273
h Interest expense.....	2h	
i Administrative expenses:		
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)	49940
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	505418
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	42820
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)	
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)	
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)	598178
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j	9370864

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k	15511241
l Transfers of assets:		
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)	506403
(2) From this plan	2l(2)	8707963

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: COHNREZNICK LLP

(2) EIN: 33-4144829

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
a 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.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	50499
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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c 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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
d 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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
g 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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
h 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?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
j 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.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
n 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)
BATES INSURANCE AGENCY SAFE HARBOR 401(K) PLAN	04-2598466	002
IMA FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 401(K) PSP & T	48-0805634	001

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 _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Retirement Plan Information 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). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

A Name of plan BIG 'I' MEP 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN)	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BIG 'I' RETIREMENT SERVICES LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 46-3043065	

Part I	Distributions
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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**

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): 82-3967259

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

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

Part II	Funding Information (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.

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

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

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

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

Part III	Amendments
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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

Part IV	ESOPs (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:

a 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).....	14a	
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).....	14b	
c 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).....	14c	

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:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	

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

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
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.....	16b	

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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q703119A.

SCHEDULE MEP (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN INFORMATION 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) ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 <hr/> 2024 <hr/> This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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A Name of plan BIG 'I' MEP 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit Plan number (PN)..... ▶	001
C Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF BIG 'I' RETIREMENT SERVICES LLC	D Administrator's EIN 46-3043065	

Part I **Type of Multiple-Employer Pension Plan.** All multiple-employer pension plans must complete.

1 Check the appropriate box to indicate type of multiple-employer pension plan. (Only defined contribution plans may check lines 1a, 1b, and 1c. Defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans not checking lines 1a, 1b, or 1c should check line 1d. See Instructions).

- a** association retirement plan (See 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- b** professional employer organization plan (PEO Plan) (See 29 CFR 29 CFR 2510.3-55) (Complete Part II)
- c** pooled employer plan (PEP) (See 29 CFR 2510.3-44) (Complete Parts II and III)
- d** other multiple-employer pension plan (Describe) _____ (Complete Part II)

Part II **Participating Employer Information.**

2 All multiple-employer pension plans that are subject to section 210(a) of ERISA (see instructions for filing the Form 5500) must complete Part II, in addition to Part I, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information for each employer participating in the multiple-employer pension plan. **Defined contribution plans must complete lines 2a-2d. All other multiple-employer pension plans complete lines 2a-2c only. Complete as many entries as needed to list the required information for each participating employer that is not an individual person (see instructions).**

2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE AGENTS	73-1392293	1.60	1038052
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS & BROKERS OF SC, INC.	57-0248455	2.48	2128196

CAUTION Do not individually list information for working owners (see instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-55(d)(2)) or other individuals who are participants or beneficiaries in the plan or arrangement that are no longer associated with a particular participating employer or participating employer plan (see instructions). Providing identifying information for individuals may result in rejection of this filing. If there are any such individuals in the plan, answer "Yes" to line 2e and provide the total information for all such individuals, without providing names or other identifying information.

2e Does the plan include any individuals not participating through an employer or who are individual working owners?	2e	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2f If you answer "Yes" in line 2e, enter a good faith estimate of the percentage of total contributions made by all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a during the plan year.	2f	
2g If you answer "Yes" in Line 2e, enter the aggregate account balances for all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a.	2g	

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Part II Participating Employer Information (Continued).

Use this page for additional participating employer information.

2 All multiple-employer pension plans that are subject to section 210(a) of ERISA (see instructions for filing the Form 5500) must complete Part II, in addition to Part I, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information for each employer participating in the multiple-employer pension plan.

Defined contribution plans must complete lines 2a-2d. All other multiple-employer pension plans complete lines 2a-2c only. Complete as many entries as needed to list the required information for each participating employer that is not an individual person (see instructions).

2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
SMITH INSURANCE SERVICES, LTD.	42-1083062	1.31	1846776
ANCAP INSURANCE CO., INC.	86-0469539	1.08	1218517
SCHIZZANO INSURANCE AGENCY	11-3534706	0.94	2129393
MONDICS INSURANCE GROUP, INC.	01-0797095	0.70	1237650
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF MARYLAND	52-0578409	0.12	19062
THE INSURANCE CENTER, INC.	58-0829670	1.70	1595446
TAMPA BAY INSURANCE, LLC	59-3733938	1.18	1424005
CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS AGENCY	16-0851389	1.60	2872630
BATES INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	04-2598466	0.54	0

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INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF MISSISSIPPI, INC.	64-0204857	0.81	1921229
MAINE INSURANCE AGENTS ASSOCIATION	01-0219810	0.65	355108
BREWSTER-ALLEN-WICHERT	11-2326625	1.00	1506131
UPCHURCH & JOWERS INSURANCE	57-0467775	2.23	5739659
WHITE & RE AGENCY, INC.	11-2325497	0.58	2743820
STREETER BROTHERS INSURANCE INC.	81-0401627	1.35	992828
JACK C. LOYDA & ASSOCIATES	39-1262370	0.25	707803
CHASE INSURANCE AGENCY INC	59-0821658	0.75	1018075
MOORE & ALVORD INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	06-0458240	0.00	258504

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INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF NEW MEXICO	85-0278890	0.95	524398
OLIVER L.E. SODEN AGENCY	22-1722940	2.43	4264181
TRI-TOWN AGENCY	16-0963557	0.34	794009
HILLCREST AGENCY, INC.	59-3584767	2.09	1873952
TCC ASSOCIATES, INC.	65-0831644	0.29	467434
LEDBETTER INSURANCE AGENCY	37-1274822	0.55	1044320
MAURER-NOEL-EVANS, LLC	86-0959929	0.09	0
BRIAN WALLACH AGENCY, INC.	13-2560433	2.12	3778966
HUNT MILLER INSURANCE AGENCY	58-1949942	1.48	536762

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THE FALEY CORPORATION	13-1709523	0.43	1973344
THE ADAMS AGENCY, LLC	86-1025546	3.24	4458122
POLO INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	65-0039057	0.00	148481
BNC INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	13-3963965	0.00	354728
INSURANCE SERVICES NETWORK, INC.	91-1607911	0.00	72318
ALLIED INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	75-1764147	0.00	130369
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF ARKANSAS	71-0038990	0.45	633412
ECONO-WISE INSURANCE AGENCY	73-1434054	0.09	126979
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF OF WASHINGTON	91-6033271	0.69	876605

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THE PAULEY COMPANY, INC.	95-2301917	0.00	400750
REKERDRES & ASSOCIATES	75-2117524	0.27	247676
ED WEEREN INSURANCE AGENCY	74-1982328	0.20	1035637
BENEFIT QUEST, INC.	02-0539115	1.60	1495355
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF GEORGIA	58-0254843	1.63	630783
JOSEPH W MCCARTIN INSURANCE	52-2062577	2.91	4128933
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS AND BROKERS OF NEW YORK, INC.	15-0544434	3.04	7119505
STOWE INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.	30-0221565	0.83	768771
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS & BROKERS OF AMERICA, INC.	13-5665571	14.36	31992834

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AGENTS MARKETING CORPORATION	43-1348932	1.61	4571295
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF NEW JERSEY	22-1151205	0.75	1778691
INDEPENDENT AGENT SERVICES CORP	35-1848709	1.41	1550862
BOONE-RITTER INSURANCE SERVICE	71-0401866	0.47	331484
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS VIRGINIA, INC.	54-0417627	1.55	1393499
HARTLAND INSURANCE GROUP INC	38-2526126	2.80	2382735
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.	56-0340370	6.26	5490864
STRATEGIC INSURANCE PARTNERS, LLC	80-0513572	0.00	9913
MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE AGENTS	43-1348932	4.19	6140236

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EDWARDS, CHURCH & MUSE, INC.	20-0573038	0.00	0
OIA SERVICE CORPORATION	31-1452252	4.59	4010717
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF TEXAS	75-1244398	4.47	4336836
INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF OF KENTUCKY	61-0244696	0.94	649606
HARRISON AGENCY, INC.	43-1381597	1.02	1316609
PROFESSIONAL INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF COLORADO	84-1203189	1.68	870229
LAKESIDE INSURANCE	84-1523032	1.31	390380
DAN L. TILLMAN & SONS, INC.	57-0807356	2.21	329294
CHEEK INSURANCE AGENCY	62-0795318	1.12	62373

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INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF NEBRASKA, INC.	47-0248193	0.69	387238
BAKER INSURANCE AGENCY OF LENNON, INC.	76-0810075	0.26	27307
KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE AGENTS	48-0636365	0.75	553302

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Part III	Pooled Employer Plan Information
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Line 3. All Pooled employer plans must answer all of the questions in Part III, in addition to completing all of Parts I and II.

3a Is the pooled plan provider (identified as the plan sponsor and administrator in Part II of the Form 5500) currently in compliance with the Form PR (Pooled Plan Provider Registration Statement) requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2510.3-44)..... Yes No

3b If line 3a is "Yes", enter the ACK ID for the most recent Form PR that was required to be filed under the Form PR filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid ACK ID will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

ACK ID _____

Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

**Financial Statements
(With Supplementary Information)
and Independent Auditor's Report**

December 31, 2024

Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Trustees
Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the 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 a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 9 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- The information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified 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 *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements.

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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

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

Other Matter

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Schedule H, Line 4i) as of December 31, 2024 and Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions (Schedule H, Line 4a) for the year ended December 31, 2024, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

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

CohnReznick LLP

Bethesda, Maryland
October 10, 2025

Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 25,627	\$ 31,366
Investments, at fair value	117,183,184	108,255,288
Investments, at contract value	<u>18,651,206</u>	<u>20,309,890</u>
Total investments	<u>135,834,390</u>	<u>128,565,178</u>
Receivables		
Employer contributions	731,922	645,939
Participant contributions	117,693	152,444
Notes receivable from participants	941,600	935,172
Other receivable	<u>5,370</u>	<u>9,908</u>
Total receivables	<u>1,796,585</u>	<u>1,743,463</u>
Total assets	<u>137,656,602</u>	<u>130,340,007</u>
Liabilities		
Operating payables	<u>142,797</u>	<u>135,883</u>
Total liabilities	<u>142,797</u>	<u>135,883</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 137,513,805</u>	<u>\$ 130,204,124</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
Year Ended December 31, 2024**

Additions	
Investment income	
Dividends and interest	\$ 2,967,003
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	<u>14,315,276</u>
Total investment income	<u>17,282,279</u>
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	<u>56,079</u>
Other income	<u>1,721</u>
Contributions	
Participants	4,092,214
Employer	3,222,974
Rollovers	<u>226,838</u>
Total contributions	<u>7,542,026</u>
Total additions	<u>24,882,105</u>
Deductions	
Benefits paid to participants	8,772,686
Administrative expenses	<u>598,178</u>
Total deductions	<u>9,370,864</u>
Increase in net assets	15,511,241
Net transfers to other plans	(8,201,560)
Net assets available for benefits	
Beginning	<u>130,204,124</u>
End	<u><u>\$ 137,513,805</u></u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2024

Note 1 - Description of Plan

The following description of the Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution, multiple-employer plan operated by Big "I" Retirement Services LLC (the "Plan Administrator") and covered participating employers which have adopted the Plan (collectively referred to as the "Participating Employers"). The Plan covers employees of each Participating Employer, as defined in the individual adoption agreements. The Plan Administrator is responsible for oversight of the Plan. Big "I" Advisory Resources LLC ("BIAR"), an affiliate of the Plan Administrator, determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings, monitors investment performance and reports to the Plan Administrator. Each Participating Employer may modify the provisions of the Plan for its own employees based on their individual adoption agreements. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute between 1% and 100% of their pre-tax annual compensation or after-tax basis, or a combination of the two, as defined by the Plan, not to exceed the annual maximum deferral amount and annual additions amount as set forth by the Internal Revenue Code (the "IRC"), as defined in the Plan. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

The Participating Employers may make contributions to the Plan in the form of matching contributions or discretionary profit sharing contributions. The matching contributions are determined annually by the Participating Employers, and may vary for each of the Participating Employers within the Plan. The employer contributions made to the Plan were \$3,222,974 for the year ended December 31, 2024. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, employer contributions receivable were \$731,922 and \$645,939, respectively.

Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") limitations.

Participant accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and the Participating Employers' matching contributions, as well as allocations of the Participating Employers' profit sharing contribution and Plan earnings. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Participating Employers have the option of paying these expenses directly. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their participant contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Participating Employers' contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service and the individual adoption agreements of each Participating Employer.

Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2024

Forfeitures

At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$75,814 and \$169,455, respectively. The accounts are allocated to Participating Employers and can be used to first pay Plan expenses, and then reduce the Participating Employers' contributions to the Plan at each of Participating Employer's discretion. During 2024, forfeitures in the amount of \$19,628 and \$178,123 were used to pay Plan expenses and reduce Participating Employer contributions, respectively.

Notes receivable from participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear a reasonable rate of interest, which is commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Participating Employers. A participant may only have two loans outstanding at any time. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions.

Payment of benefits

Upon termination of employment, retirement, disability, or death, a participant may elect distribution in the form of either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of his or her vested account, or defer receiving payments until age 70½. Benefits are also available to participants for hardship situations as defined in the Plan and in-service distributions are available for participants greater than the age of 59½.

If the participant's account is less than \$5,000, the account balance is paid out in the form of a lump-sum distribution. In the event of a mandatory distribution greater than \$1,000, the Plan Administrator will pay the distribution in a direct rollover to an individual retirement arrangement designated by the Plan Administrator if the participant does not elect a direct rollover or lump-sum distribution.

Note 2 - Summary of accounting policies

Basis of accounting

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

Investment contracts held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value, except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. Contract value is the relevant measure for that portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition

Investments are reported at fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract 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. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers and custodian. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Big "I" MEP 401(k) Plan

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2024

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

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. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan Administrator deemed the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

Contributions

Contributions from Plan participants and the matching contributions from the Participating Employers are recorded in the year in which the employee contributions are withheld from compensation.

Payment of benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan. Other expenses are paid by the Participating Employers and therefore are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participants' accounts and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments. Third-party administrator expenses can be paid from forfeitures or directly by the Participating Employers. BIAR charges fees to the Plan for advisory and non-advisory services which are allocated to participant accounts.

Subsequent events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 10, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3 - Fair value measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities ("Level 1") and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs ("Level 3"). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Codification 820 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; and

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- Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

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

Registered investment companies: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Registered investment companies held by the Plan are open-end registered investment companies that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The registered investment companies held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Registered investment companies	\$ 117,183,184	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 117,183,184
Total investments, at fair value	\$ 117,183,184	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 117,183,184
	Assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Registered investment companies	\$ 108,255,288	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,255,288
Total investments, at fair value	\$ 108,255,288	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108,255,288

Note 4 - Fully benefit-responsive investment contract

The Plan holds an investment in the Empower Stable Value Fund, which is a traditional investment contract. This contract meets the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and, therefore, is reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value represents contributions made under each contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses.

The traditional investment contract held by the Plan is a group annuity contract. The contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and interest at a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The crediting rate is based on a formula established by the contract issuer but may not be less than 1.5%. The crediting rate is reviewed on a semi-annual basis for resetting. The contract can be terminated with 90 days' notice.

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The Plan's ability to receive amounts due in accordance with fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is dependent on the third-party issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

Certain events might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuer. These events may be different under each contract. Examples of such events include the following:

1. The Plan's failure to qualify under Section 401(a) of the IRC or the failure of the trust to be tax-exempt under Section 501(a) of the IRC.
2. Premature termination of the contracts.
3. Plan termination or merger.
4. Changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options.
5. Bankruptcy of the Participating Employers or other events (for example, divestitures or spinoffs of a subsidiary) that significantly affect the Plan's normal operations.

No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuers and that also would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contracts with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. Those events may be different under each contract. Examples of such events include the following:

1. An uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines.
2. A breach of material obligation under the contract.
3. A material misrepresentation.
4. A material amendment to the agreements without the consent of the issuer.

Note 5 - Related party transaction and party-in-interest transactions

The Schwab Government Money Fund is managed by Charles Schwab Trust Bank. Charles Schwab Trust Bank is the custodian as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. For the year ended December 31, 2024, fees in the amount of \$42,820 were incurred by the Plan. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, \$11,279 and \$9,690, respectively, remain payable to Charles Schwab Trust Bank and are included in operating payables on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits.

BIAR charges fees to the Plan for advisory and non-advisory services in connection with a service agreement with the Plan Administrator. For the year ended December 31, 2024, fees in the amount of \$433,063 were incurred by the Plan. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, \$113,310 and 101,660, respectively, remain payable to BIAR and are included in operating payables on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits.

Fiducient Advisors LLC provided fiduciary services in connection with an agreement with Big "I" Retirement Services LLC. For the year ended December 31, 2024, fees in the amount of \$64,561

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were incurred by the Plan. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, \$16,259 and \$15,785, respectively, remain payable to Fiducient Advisors LLC and are included in operating payables on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits.

iGrad provided financial education services to the Plan. For the year ended December 31, 2024, fees in the amount of \$7,794 were incurred by the Plan. As of both December 31, 2024 and 2023, \$1,949 remains payable to iGrad and is included in operating payables on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits.

MVP Plan Administrators, Inc. provided administrative services to the Plan during 2024 and is paid by the Participating Employers. Distribution processing and loan fees are paid directly out of participant accounts.

Note 6 - Plan termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Plan Administrator has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their employer contributions.

Note 7 - Tax status

The prototype plan that the Plan has adopted has obtained its latest opinion letter on March 31, 2014, in which the IRS stated that the prototype plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. The Plan has not yet filed for an individual determination letter. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter on the prototype plan, the Plan Administrator and the Plan's third-party administrator believe that the Plan is designed, and is currently being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believe that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax-exempt.

GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

Note 8 - Risks

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

Note 9 - Certified investments

The Plan Administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Investments and notes receivable from participants held at December 31, 2024 and 2023 and investment income and interest income on notes receivable from participants for the year ended December 31, 2024 that are disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule (Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Schedule H, Line 4i)), were obtained or

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derived from information supplied to the Plan Administrator and certified as complete and accurate by Charles Schwab Trust Bank, the custodian of the Plan.

Note 10 - Transfers

As discussed in Note 1, the Plan is a multiple-employer plan. During the year, various employers enter and exit the Plan. During 2024, there were net transfers out of the Plan of \$8,201,560.

Note 11 - Nonexempt transactions

As reported on the supplementary Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions (Schedule H, Line 4a), certain Plan contributions were not remitted to the trust within the time frame specified by 29 CFR 2510.3-102 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, thus constituting nonexempt transactions between the Plan and certain Participating Employers for the year ended December 31, 2024. Plan management is currently working on correcting the late contributions and expects to complete the correction in 2025.

Supplementary Information

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Plan #001**

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

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, or similar party	(c) Description of investment	(e) Current value
*	SCHWAB GOVERNMENT MONEY FUND	Registered investment companies	\$ 121,772
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT INCM INV	Registered investment companies	2,318,497
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2020 FD I	Registered investment companies	4,706,338
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2025 FD I	Registered investment companies	7,108,658
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2030 FD I	Registered investment companies	7,316,608
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2035 FD I	Registered investment companies	8,996,859
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2040 FD I	Registered investment companies	7,374,085
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2045 FD I	Registered investment companies	5,123,988
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2050 FD I	Registered investment companies	3,302,348
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2055 INV	Registered investment companies	2,353,200
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2060 INV	Registered investment companies	1,111,608
	VANGUARD TARGET RETIREMENT 2065 INV	Registered investment companies	285,078
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX	Registered investment companies	4,220,765
	FIDELITY SMALL CAP INDEX	Registered investment companies	805,032
	FIDELITY TOTAL INTL INDEX	Registered investment companies	6,336,012
	FIDELITY US BOND INDEX FD	Registered investment companies	1,945,735
	FIDELITY 500 INDEX FD	Registered investment companies	14,760,660
	VANGUARD GROWTH INDEX FUND INSTL	Registered investment companies	20,591,711
	VANGUARD SM CAP GROWTH INDEX INSTL	Registered investment companies	5,929,093
	VANGUARD SM CAP VALUE INDEX INSTL	Registered investment companies	5,683,299
	VANGUARD VALUE INDEX INSTL SHARES	Registered investment companies	<u>6,791,838</u>
		Investments, at fair value	117,183,184
	EMPOWER STABLE VALUE FUND	Group annuity contract	18,651,206
*	Notes receivable from participants	Interest at 3.00% to 9.50%, maturing at various dates, secured by participant account balances	<u>941,600</u>
	Total assets held		<u>\$ 136,775,990</u>

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**Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions (Schedule H, Line 4a)
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Year	Participant contributions transferred late to Plan	Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are included	Total that constitutes nonexempt prohibited transactions			Total fully corrected under Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program ("VFCP") and PTE 2002-51
			Contributions not corrected	Contributions corrected outside the VFCP	Contributions pending correction in the VFCP	
2023	\$ 43,968	✓	\$ 19,547	\$ 24,421	\$ -	\$ -
2024	6,531	✓	6,531	-	-	-

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