

Form 5500

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security  
Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

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

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

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

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

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan SMS GROUP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 007
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1985
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) SMS GROUP INC. 100 SANDUSKY STREET PITTSBURGH, PA 15212
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 25-0912177
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 412-231-1200
2d Business code (see instructions) 541330

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

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

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

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| <b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor  | <b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN              |      |
|   | <b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number |      |
| <b>4</b> If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report:<br><b>a</b> Sponsor's name<br><b>c</b> Plan Name  | <b>4b</b> EIN                              |      |
|   | <b>4d</b> PN                               |      |
| <b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year   | <b>5</b>                                   | 1454 |
| <b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ).<br><b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year .....<br><b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year .....<br><b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....<br><b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits .....<br><b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> .....<br><b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. ....<br><b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> .....<br><b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) .....<br><b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) .....<br><b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested..... | <b>6a(1)</b>                               | 1042 |
|   | <b>6a(2)</b>                               | 1171 |
|   | <b>6b</b>                                  | 15   |
|   | <b>6c</b>                                  | 390  |
|   | <b>6d</b>                                  | 1576 |
|   | <b>6e</b>                                  | 7    |
|   | <b>6f</b>                                  | 1583 |
|   | <b>6g(1)</b>                               | 1381 |
|   | <b>6g(2)</b>                               | 1492 |
| <b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....  | <b>7</b>                                   |      |

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

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

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

**a Pension Schedules**

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

**b General Schedules**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><b>SMS GROUP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN</b>                          | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                            | <b>007</b> |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><b>SMS GROUP INC.</b> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>25-0912177</b> |            |

**Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)**

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

**1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation**

**a** Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).....  Yes  No

**b** If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

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

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

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

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| (b)<br>Service Code(s) | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>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)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
|------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 37 60 64<br>65         | RECORDKEEPER  | 114420   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                                  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>  | 0   | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>                          |

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

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| (b)<br>Service Code(s) | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>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)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
|------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 10                     | ACCOUNTANT/A<br>UDITOR  | 26000  | 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)<br>Service Code(s) | (c)<br>Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d)<br>Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e)<br>Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f)<br>Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g)<br>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)<br>Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
|------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 27                     | ADVISOR   | 17398  | 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"/>                                     |

**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 |
|---|--|---|
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| (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. |   |
| SEAFARER OS GR&IN IS - ALPS FUND S<br><br>20-3247785                | 0.10%  |   |
| (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. |   |
|   |  |   |
| (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.

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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| <b>SCHEDULE H</b><br><b>(Form 5500)</b><br><br><small>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</small><br><br><small>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</small><br><br><small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small> | <b>Financial Information</b><br><br>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).<br><br>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | OMB No. 1210-0110<br><br><b>2024</b><br><br><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b> |
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| For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning <b>01/01/2024</b> and ending <b>12/31/2024</b> |  |
| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><b>SMS GROUP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN</b>  | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <b>007</b>                 |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><b>SMS GROUP INC.</b>                   | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>25-0912177</b> |

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

|  |                 | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Assets</b>  |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....  | <b>1a</b>       | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):                                       |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....  | <b>1b(1)</b>    | 0                     | 102754          |
| <b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....   | <b>1b(2)</b>    | 0                     | 287930          |
| <b>(3)</b> Other .....   | <b>1b(3)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>c</b> General investments:  |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....   | <b>1c(1)</b>    | 9332416               | 8089918         |
| <b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....  | <b>1c(2)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):                            |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....   | <b>1c(3)(A)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(B)</b> All other .....   | <b>1c(3)(B)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):                                      |                 |                       |                 |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred .....   | <b>1c(4)(A)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(B)</b> Common .....  | <b>1c(4)(B)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....   | <b>1c(5)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....                                   | <b>1c(6)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....  | <b>1c(7)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....   | <b>1c(8)</b>    | 1407677               | 1553512         |
| <b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....                                     | <b>1c(9)</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....                                    | <b>1c(10)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....                            | <b>1c(11)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....                                  | <b>1c(12)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....        | <b>1c(13)</b>   | 139435888             | 156962983       |
| <b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) ..... | <b>1c(14)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>(15)</b> Other .....  | <b>1c(15)</b>   | 0                     | 0               |

| <b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:                                  |              | (a) Beginning of Year | (b) End of Year |
|--|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| (1) Employer securities.....   | <b>1d(1)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| (2) Employer real property.....  | <b>1d(2)</b> | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....        | <b>1e</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....      | <b>1f</b>    | 150175981             | 166997097       |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   |              |                       |                 |
| <b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....                                     | <b>1g</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>h</b> Operating payables.....   | <b>1h</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....                                   | <b>1i</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>j</b> Other liabilities.....  | <b>1j</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)..... | <b>1k</b>    | 0                     | 0               |
| <b>Net Assets</b>  |              |                       |                 |
| <b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....                 | <b>1l</b>    | 150175981             | 166997097       |

**Part II Income and Expense Statement**

**2** Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

| <b>Income</b>  |                 | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|--|-----------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>a Contributions:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| (1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers.....   | <b>2a(1)(A)</b> | 3190772    |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Participants.....   | <b>2a(1)(B)</b> | 7974352    |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....   | <b>2a(1)(C)</b> | 3096972    |           |
| (2) Noncash contributions.....   | <b>2a(2)</b>    | 0          | 41262096  |
| (3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> ..... | <b>2a(3)</b>    |            |           |
| <b>b Earnings on investments:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(1) Interest:</b>   |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....        | <b>2b(1)(A)</b> | 448384     |           |
| <b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....   | <b>2b(1)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....   | <b>2b(1)(C)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....   | <b>2b(1)(D)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....  | <b>2b(1)(E)</b> | 88692      |           |
| <b>(F)</b> Other.....  | <b>2b(1)(F)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....                              | <b>2b(1)(G)</b> |            | 537076    |
| <b>(2) Dividends:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....  | <b>2b(2)(A)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Common stock.....   | <b>2b(2)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....                                   | <b>2b(2)(C)</b> | 4771692    |           |
| <b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....                  | <b>2b(2)(D)</b> |            | 4771692   |
| <b>(3)</b> Rents.....  | <b>2b(3)</b>    |            | 0         |
| <b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>  |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....   | <b>2b(4)(A)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....   | <b>2b(4)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....                   | <b>2b(4)(C)</b> |            |           |
| <b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>   |                 |            |           |
| <b>(A)</b> Real estate.....  | <b>2b(5)(A)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(B)</b> Other.....  | <b>2b(5)(B)</b> | 0          |           |
| <b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....         | <b>2b(5)(C)</b> |            |           |

|   | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|---|------------|-----------|
| (6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....                              | 2b(6)      | 0         |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....                              | 2b(7)      | 0         |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....                      | 2b(8)      | 0         |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....                            | 2b(9)      | 0         |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) ..... | 2b(10)     | 17082932  |
| <b>c</b> Other income .....   | 2c         | 0         |
| <b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....        | 2d         | 36653796  |

**Expenses**

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| <b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:                                  |        |          |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....             | 2e(1)  | 19674862 |
| (2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....                               | 2e(2)  | 0        |
| (3) Other .....   | 2e(3)  | 0        |
| (4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3) .....                               | 2e(4)  | 19674862 |
| <b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....                                  | 2f     | 0        |
| <b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....         | 2g     | 0        |
| <b>h</b> Interest expense .....   | 2h     | 0        |
| <b>i</b> Administrative expenses:   |        |          |
| (1) Salaries and allowances .....   | 2i(1)  | 0        |
| (2) Contract administrator fees .....   | 2i(2)  | 2700     |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees .....  | 2i(3)  | 111720   |
| (4) IQPA audit fees .....   | 2i(4)  | 26000    |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....                                | 2i(5)  | 17398    |
| (6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....                                      | 2i(6)  | 0        |
| (7) Actuarial fees .....  | 2i(7)  | 0        |
| (8) Legal fees .....  | 2i(8)  | 0        |
| (9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....  | 2i(9)  | 0        |
| (10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....  | 2i(10) | 0        |
| (11) Other expenses .....   | 2i(11) | 0        |
| (12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) .....                      | 2i(12) | 157818   |
| <b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total ..... | 2j     | 19832680 |

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

|   |       |          |
|---|-------|----------|
| <b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d ..... | 2k    | 16821116 |
| <b>l</b> Transfers of assets:                                   |       |          |
| (1) To this plan .....  | 2l(1) | 0        |
| (2) From this plan .....  | 2l(2) | 0        |

**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: **BDO USA, P.C.**

(2) EIN: **13-5381590**

**d** The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1)  This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2)  It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

**Part IV Compliance Questions**

**4** CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

|  | Yes | No | Amount  |
|--|-----|----|---------|
| <b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)                 | X   |    | 27874   |
| <b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.) |     | X  |         |
| <b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)   |     | X  |         |
| <b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)  |     | X  |         |
| <b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?   | X   |    | 3000000 |
| <b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?  |     | X  |         |
| <b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?   |     | X  |         |
| <b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?   |     | X  |         |
| <b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)   | X   |    |         |
| <b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)   |     | X  |         |
| <b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?  |     | X  |         |
| <b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?   |     | X  |         |
| <b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)   |     | X  |         |
| <b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.  |     | X  |         |

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

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

| <b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s) | <b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s) | <b>5b(3)</b> PN(s) |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|                              |                     |                    |
|                              |                     |                    |
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**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 \_\_\_\_\_.

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| <b>SCHEDULE R</b><br><b>(Form 5500)</b><br><br><small>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</small><br><br><small>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</small><br><br><small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small> | <b>Retirement Plan Information</b><br><br>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).<br><br><b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b> | <small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small><br><br><b>2024</b><br><br><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b> |
|--|---|---|

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

|  |  |            |
|--|--|------------|
| <b>A</b> Name of plan<br><b>SMS GROUP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN</b>                          | <b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶                            | <b>007</b> |
| <b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500<br><b>SMS GROUP INC.</b> | <b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)<br><b>25-0912177</b> |            |

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

|  |          |  |
|--|----------|--|
| <b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....  | <b>1</b> |  |
| <b>2</b> 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):<br>EIN(s): <u>04-6568107</u> |          |  |
| <b>Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.</b>  |          |  |
| <b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....   | <b>3</b> |  |

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| <b>Part II</b> | <b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.) |
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|   |                              |                             |                              |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>4</b> Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| <b>If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.</b>   |                              |                             |                              |
| <b>5</b> 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. <b>Date:</b> Month _____ Day _____ Year _____<br><b>If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.</b> |                              |                             |                              |
| <b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....  | <b>6a</b>                    |                             |                              |
| <b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....  | <b>6b</b>                    |                             |                              |
| <b>c</b> Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....   | <b>6c</b>                    |                             |                              |
| <b>If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.</b>  |                              |                             |                              |
| <b>7</b> Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?.....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| <b>8</b> 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? .....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |

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| <b>Part III</b> | <b>Amendments</b> |
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|  |                                   |                                   |                               |                             |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>9</b> 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..... | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|

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| <b>Part IV</b> | <b>ESOPs</b> (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part. |
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|  |                              |                             |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>10</b> Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>11 a</b> Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? .....  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>b</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.) ..... | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>12</b> Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? .....   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Part VII IRS Compliance Questions**

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

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

**22** If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702438A.

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| <p><b>SCHEDULE MEP<br/>(Form 5500)</b></p> <p>Department of the Treasury<br/>Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor<br/>Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> | <p><b>MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT<br/>PLAN INFORMATION</b></p> <p>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)</p> <p>▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b></p> | <p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;"><b>2024</b></p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b></p> |
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

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| <p><b>A</b> Name of plan<br/><b>SMS GROUP 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN</b></p>   | <p><b>B</b> Three-digit Plan number (PN)..... ▶</p>       | <p><b>007</b></p> |
| <p><b>C</b> Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF<br/><b>SMS GROUP INC.</b></p> | <p><b>D</b> Administrator's EIN<br/><b>25-0912177</b></p> |                   |

**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).**

|   |                                    |   |   |
|---|------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>2a</b> Name of Participating Employer<br><b>SMS GROUP INC.</b> | <b>2b</b> EIN<br><b>25-0912177</b> | <b>2c</b> Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br><b>83.14</b> | <b>2d</b> Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br><b>157524808</b> |
| <b>2a</b> Name of Participating Employer<br><b>EMG USA INC</b>    | <b>2b</b> EIN<br><b>34-1894150</b> | <b>2c</b> Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year<br><b>9.51</b>  | <b>2d</b> Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer<br><b>131768</b>    |

**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.

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| <b>2e</b> Does the plan include any individuals not participating through an employer or who are individual working owners?  | <b>2e</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>2f</b> 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. | <b>2f</b> |   |
| <b>2g</b> If you answer "Yes" in Line 2e, enter the aggregate account balances for all such individuals that are not listed on line 2a.  | <b>2g</b> |   |

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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 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| BST NORTH AMERICA INC             | 36-3508987 | 7.35   | 6553526  |
| THE RL BEST COMPANY               | 34-1102083 | 0.0  | 713420   |
| HYC                               | 34-1705039 | 0.0  | 1085717  |
| SMS GROUP DALLAS LLC              | 84-1808337 | 0.0  | 0  |
| PAUL WURTH INC                    | 25-1564167 | 0.0  | 205167   |
| ACCUWEB INC.                      | 39-1483069 | 0.0  | 0  |
| SMS ELOTHERM NA LLC               | 45-4024044 | 0.0  | 713015   |
| DIF                               | 75-3219820 | 0.0  | 15760  |
| QUINLOGIC                         | 26-3531745 | 0.0  | 53916  |

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| <b>Part III</b> | <b>Pooled Employer Plan Information</b> |
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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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# SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan

Financial Statements and  
ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedules  
As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and  
for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

The report accompanying these financial statements was issued by BDO USA, P.C., a Virginia professional service corporation, and the U.S. member of BDO International Limited, a UK company limited by guarantee.



## **SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan**

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Financial Statements and ERISA-Required Supplemental Schedules  
As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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## Independent Auditor's Report

The Plan Administrator  
SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of SMS Group 401(k) Savings 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 (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). 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 (qualified institution), provided that the investment information is prepared and certified to by the qualified institution in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

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 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

### *Opinion*

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

- The amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).
- The certified investment information in the accompanying financial statements agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by a qualified 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 GAAP, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

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

Management is responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments. Management is also responsible for 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 GAAP.

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

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

***Other Matter – Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA***

The supplemental schedules of Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions and Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the DOL'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 its form and content, is presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

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

*BDO USA, P.C.*

October 13, 2025

## SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan

### Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

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| <i>December 31,</i>                            | 2024                  | 2023                  |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                                  |                       |                       |
| Registered investment companies, at fair value | \$ 165,052,901        | \$ 148,768,304        |
| Receivables:                                   |                       |                       |
| Employer contributions                         | 102,754               | -                     |
| Employee contributions                         | 287,930               | -                     |
| Notes receivable from participants             | 1,553,512             | 1,407,677             |
| <b>Total Receivables</b>                       | <b>1,944,196</b>      | <b>1,407,677</b>      |
| <b>Net Assets Available for Benefits</b>       | <b>\$ 166,997,097</b> | <b>\$ 150,175,981</b> |

*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

## SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan

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

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*Year ended December 31, 2024*

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**Additions**

|   |    |            |
|---|----|------------|
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments         | \$ | 17,082,932 |
| Interest and dividend income                          |    | 5,220,076  |
| Interest income on notes receivable from participants |    | 88,692     |
| Employer contributions                                |    | 3,190,772  |
| Participant contributions                             |    | 7,974,352  |
| Rollovers contributions                               |    | 3,096,972  |

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**Total Additions** 36,653,796

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**Deductions**

|                               |  |            |
|-------------------------------|--|------------|
| Benefits paid to participants |  | 19,676,115 |
| Administrative expenses       |  | 156,565    |

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**Total Deductions** 19,832,680

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**Net Increase** 16,821,116

**Net Assets Available for Benefits, beginning of year** 150,175,981

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**Net Assets Available for Benefits, end of year** \$ 166,997,097

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*See accompanying notes to financial statements.*

# SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

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### 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

#### *General*

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all U.S. employees of the Company, which refers collectively to SMS group Inc., EMG USA Inc., BST North America Inc., Paul Wurth Inc., Quinlogic, The RL Best Company, HYC, AccuWeb Inc., SMS Elotherm NA LLC, DIF, and SMS group Dallas LLC., who have attained the age of 18 and have completed at least one month of service. An eligible employee may become a Plan participant on the first day of each month following completion of such service. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 5% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated fund until changed by the participant. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Company is responsible for the administration of the Plan. Fidelity Management Trust Company is the Trustee of the Plan.

#### *Contributions*

A participant may make contributions on a pre-tax basis, after-tax basis, or a combination of both, through payroll deductions. Participants may contribute up to 60% of pre-tax annual compensation, as defined, in increments of 1%, subject to the limitations of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Participants may also contribute on an after-tax basis of their annual gross wages. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also make rollover contributions from qualified plans maintained by their previous employers, subject to the approval of the Plan administrator.

Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

The Company contributes a safe harbor non-elective matching contribution to participants of the Plan upon the completion of six months of service. The Company made a safe harbor contribution equal to 100% of each participant's elective deferrals not exceeding 3% of the participant's compensation, plus 50% of each participant's elective deferrals in excess of 3% but not in excess of 5% of the participant's annual compensation (for a maximum safe harbor contribution of 4%).

Additionally, the Plan provides for discretionary non-elective Company contributions upon the completion of six months of service to be contributed at the option of the Company. There were \$135,482 discretionary non-elective Company contributions made during the year ended December 31, 2024. Contributions are subject to certain IRC limitations.

#### *Participant Accounts*

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and Company matching contributions, as well as allocations of (a) any additional discretionary non-elective Company contributions, (b) Plan earnings, and (c) administrative fees that are charged by the Trustee to each

# SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan

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account holder. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. 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.

### ***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 collateralized by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates that are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions over a term not exceeding five years, or ten years for loans used for the purchase of a primary residence.

### ***Payment of Benefits***

On retirement, termination of employment, death, permanent disability, or attainment of age 59½, a participant is entitled to the full share of his or her account balance. Participants may receive the value of their account as a lump-sum distribution, installment payments, an annuity, or as a rollover to another entity. Distributions of account balances less than \$7,000 are made upon termination of service. Under certain conditions, participants may be eligible to receive a hardship distribution.

### ***Vesting***

All contributions and earnings thereon are 100% vested immediately.

### ***Forfeited Accounts***

As a result of all contribution types being immediately vested, the Plan does not typically have a forfeiture balance at period end. There were no non-vested forfeiture balances used to reduce Company contributions in 2024 and no ending forfeiture balances at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

### ***Plan Termination***

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

## **2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

### ***Basis of Accounting***

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

### ***Use of Estimates***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make significant estimates and assumptions

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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. 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 advisors and custodians. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on the 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.

### ***Risks and Uncertainties***

The Plan, through its participants, 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 value 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.

### ***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. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2024 or 2023. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced, and a benefit payment is recorded.

### ***Benefit Payments***

Benefit payments are recorded when paid.

### ***Administrative Expenses***

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment-related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.

### ***Subsequent Events***

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 13, 2025, the date the financial statements were approved for issuance.

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### 3. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received from selling an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at a measurement date. When determining the fair value measurements for assets and liabilities required to be recorded at fair value, the Plan considers the principal or most advantageous market in which it would transact and considers the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability.

Accounting Standards Codification Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes 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 inputs that may be used to measure fair value are as follows:

*Level 1* - This level consists of quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

*Level 2* - This level consists of observable inputs other than quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.

*Level 3* - This level consists of inputs that are generally unobservable and typically reflect management's estimates of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

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 methodologies used at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

*Registered Investment Companies* - Shares of registered investment companies are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Registered investment companies held by the Plan are open-end funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The registered investment companies held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded and classified as Level 1 investments.

The preceding method described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

### 4. Certification of Investment Information

Certain information disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, related to investments and notes receivable from participants held as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, interest and

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dividend income, and interest income on notes receivable from participants for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Fidelity Management Trust Company, a qualified institution.

### 5. Tax Status

The Plan adopted a volume submitter plan from Fidelity Management & Research Company, which received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service on June 30, 2020, stating that the Plan document, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the Plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel 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.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

### 6. Related Parties and Parties-in-Interest Transactions

Certain Plan assets are managed by Fidelity Management Trust Company, the Trustee as defined by the Plan. Additionally, the Plan paid certain administrative fees for Trustee and recordkeeping services. Fees paid by the Plan for Trustee and recordkeeping services were \$26,000 for the year ended December 31, 2024. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. These transactions are not, however, considered prohibited transactions under Section 408(b) of ERISA regulations.

Certain employees of the Company provide administrative services to the Plan. These employees are not paid by the Plan for their services.

The Plan has notes receivable from participants subject to specific guidelines as defined in the Plan document (Note 1).

These transactions are not deemed prohibited party-in-interest transactions because they are covered by the statutory or administrative exemptions from the IRC and ERISA's rules on prohibited transactions.

### 7. Contribution Corrections

The Company did not timely remit employee deferrals and loan repayments to the Plan in January 2024 in the amount of \$27,874. This deposit was subsequently remitted to the Plan in April 2024. The Company computed the lost earnings on this deposit and will make a contribution for lost earnings to the Plan during the 2025 Plan year.

# SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan

Schedule H, Line 4a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions  
 EIN: 25-0912177 Plan Number: 007

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*Year ended December 31, 2024*

|  |   | Total That Constitutes<br>Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions |   |  |      |   |
|--|---|---|---|--|------|---|
|  | Participant<br>Contributions<br>Transferred<br>Late to Plan | Contributions<br>Not Corrected                              | Contributions<br>Corrected<br>Outside VFCP* | Contributions<br>Pending<br>Correction in<br>VFCP* |      | Total Fully<br>Corrected<br>Under VFCP*<br>and PTE**<br>2002-51 |
| Check here if late<br>participant loan<br>repayments are<br>included:<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 2024  | \$ 27,874   | \$ 27,874                                   | \$ -   | \$ - | \$ -  |

\* Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program (DOL)

\*\*Prohibited Transaction Exemption (DOL)

# SMS Group 401(k) Savings Plan

## Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

EIN: 25-0912177

Plan Number: 007

December 31, 2024

| (a)   | (b)                      | (c)   | (d)    | (e)                  |
|---|--------------------------|---|--------|----------------------|
| Identity of Issuer, Borrower,<br>Lessor, or Similar Party |                          | Description of Investment,<br>Including Maturity Date,<br>Rate of Interest, Collateral,<br>Par, or Maturity Value | Cost** | Current<br>Value     |
| <b>Registered Investment Companies</b>                    |                          |   |        |                      |
|   | American Funds           | American Mutual R6  | \$     | 4,941,378            |
|   | American Funds           | Inflation Linked Bond Fund R6   |        | 229,288              |
|   | Allspring                | Allspring Special Mid Cap Value R6  |        | 3,734,651            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | 500 Index Fund  |        | 19,017,870           |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Contrafund Fund K6  |        | 20,909,165           |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Diversified International Funds K6  |        | 4,604,638            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Extended Market Index Fund  |        | 1,800,912            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2010 Fund K6  |        | 430,950              |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2015 Fund K6  |        | 155,792              |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2020 Fund K6  |        | 2,330,668            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2025 Fund K6  |        | 10,067,089           |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2030 Fund K6  |        | 13,930,451           |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2035 Fund K6  |        | 10,243,006           |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2040 Fund K6  |        | 9,931,042            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2045 Fund K6  |        | 8,025,653            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2050 Fund K6  |        | 8,359,319            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2055 Fund K6  |        | 5,293,181            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2060 Fund K6  |        | 3,276,229            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2065 Fund K   |        | 1,311,826            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom 2070 Fund K6  |        | 18,107               |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Freedom Income Fund K6  |        | 255,275              |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Balanced Fund K6  |        | 4,349,132            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Global Ex US Index Fund   |        | 1,650,547            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Gov't Money Market Fund K6  |        | 8,089,918            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Investment Grade Bond Fund  |        | 2,181,016            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Low Priced Stock Fund K6  |        | 4,062,869            |
| *   | Fidelity Investments     | Small Cap Discovery   |        | 2,260,556            |
|   | Janus                    | JH Enterprise Fund Class N  |        | 2,604,935            |
|   | JP Morgan                | Large Cap Growth Fund Class R6  |        | 6,653,495            |
|   | Neuberger Berman         | High Income Bond R6   |        | 1,115,275            |
|   | PIMCO Investments        | Total Return Institutional Fund   |        | 2,477,265            |
|   | Seafarer                 | Overseas Growth and Income Fund   |        | 741,403              |
| <b>Total Registered Investment Companies</b>              |                          |   |        | <b>165,052,901</b>   |
| *   | <b>Participant Loans</b> | Interest rates of 5.25% to 7.50%  | -      | 1,553,512            |
| <b>Total Investments</b>                                  |                          |   |        | <b>\$166,606,413</b> |

\* A party-in-interest, as defined by ERISA.

\*\*The cost of participant-directed investments is not required to be disclosed.