

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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

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

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

- A This return/report is for: [ ] a multiemployer plan [ ] a multiple-employer plan... [X] a single-employer plan [ ] a DFE... B This return/report is: [ ] the first return/report [ ] the final return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension... 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 CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 001
1c Effective date of plan 10/01/2005
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 02-0625788
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 703-787-0088
2d Business code (see instructions) 517000

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

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

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

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<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN	
	<b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number	
<b>4</b> If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN	
	<b>4d</b> PN	
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b>	271
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. .... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> ..... <b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	<b>6a(1)</b>	138
	<b>6a(2)</b>	141
	<b>6b</b>	2
	<b>6c</b>	89
	<b>6d</b>	232
	<b>6e</b>	0
	<b>6f</b>	232
	<b>6g(1)</b>	258
	<b>6g(2)</b>	217
<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:  
2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 2T 3D

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<p><b>A</b> Name of plan <b>CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</b></p>	<p><b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p><b>001</b></p>
<p><b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS</b></p>	<p><b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>02-0625788</b></p>	

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

**1 Coverage Information:**

**(a)** Name of insurance carrier  
**JOHN HANCOCK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY (USA)**

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
01-0233346	65838	113869	4	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

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

<p><b>(a)</b> Total amount of commissions paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;">0</p>	<p><b>(b)</b> Total amount of fees paid</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6148</p>
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**3 Persons receiving commissions and fees.** (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

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

**THE ROSE FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC**      **6602 EAST 75TH STREET, SUITE 200 INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250**

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
3398	TPA COMPENSATION	5	

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

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2750	TPA FEES PAID	5	

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

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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Investment and Annuity Contract Information</b> Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.
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<b>4</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end .....	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	<b>5</b>	62626

**6** Contracts With Allocated Funds:

**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶

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

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

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

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

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

<b>b</b> Balance at the end of the previous year .....	<b>7b</b>	
<b>c</b> Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year .....	<b>7c(1)</b>	
	<b>7c(2)</b>	
	<b>7c(3)</b>	
	<b>7c(4)</b>	
	<b>7c(5)</b>	
	<b>7c(6)</b>	
(6) Total additions .....	<b>7c(6)</b>	
<b>d</b> Total of balance and additions (add lines <b>7b</b> and <b>7c(6)</b> ) .....	<b>7d</b>	
<b>e</b> Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year .....	<b>7e(1)</b>	
	<b>7e(2)</b>	
	<b>7e(3)</b>	
	<b>7e(4)</b>	
	<b>7e(5)</b>	
(5) Total deductions .....	<b>7e(5)</b>	
<b>f</b> Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line <b>7e(5)</b> from line <b>7d</b> ).....	<b>7f</b>	

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

**8** Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

**9** Experience-rated contracts:

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

**10** Nonexperience-rated contracts:

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

Specify nature of costs.

**Part IV Provision of Information**

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

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



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**(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)

NFP RETIREMENT INC/ADVISOR SERVICES

120 VANTIS  
SUITE 400  
ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
16 26 27 50	NONE	31474	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
13 14	NONE	14532	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

T ROWE PRICE RPS INC

1307 POINT STREET  
BALTIMORE, MD 21231

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 21 25 28 37 38 49 50 52 59 62 64 65	NONE	7055	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

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

<b>a</b> Name: LONG & ASSOCIATES	<b>b</b> EIN: 35-2009629
<b>c</b> Position: ACCOUNTANT	
<b>d</b> Address: 8388 E. 116TH ST, SUITE A FISHERS, IN 46038	<b>e</b> Telephone: 317-577-5975

Explanation: PLAN, RECORDKEEPERS, AND ADVISOR CHANGES 2024

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE D</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	<b>DFE/Participating Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <hr/> <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>Part I</b>	<b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b> (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: CORE BOND FUND CLASS I1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY, LLC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>82-1986152-325</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>31992</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FLEXPATH STABLE VALUE CL I1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY, LLC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>85-4031707-653</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>347130</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY, LLC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>38-4139853-631</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>24351</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: LARGE CAP GROWTH FUND III I1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY, LLC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>38-7275327-001</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>496767</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: LARGE CAP VALUE I1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY, LLC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>38-4065329-426</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>422713</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SMALL CAP GROWTH II I1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY, LLC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>38-4126288-592</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>25462</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: SMALL CAP VALUE FUND III CL I1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY, LLC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>38-7289846-001</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>26882</u>
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<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2020 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 32-6493445-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 337637
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2025 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 37-6658226-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2352644
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2030 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 35-7192509-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2001529
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2035 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 37-6658473-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 3907177
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2040 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 30-6596089-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 3209232
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2045 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 35-2611309-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1293270
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2050 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 35-7192720-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 867603
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2055 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 30-1011718-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1128537
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2060 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 35-7193113-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 518616
<b>a</b> Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: TRP RETIREMENT BLEND 2065 TRUST		
<b>b</b> Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY		
<b>c</b> EIN-PN 85-1790880-001	<b>d</b> Entity code C	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 7735





<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning <b>01/01/2024</b> and ending <b>12/31/2024</b>	
<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <b>001</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>02-0625788</b>

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

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	0	1586
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	13813	27188
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	5263	0
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>		
<b>c</b> General investments:			
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>		
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>		
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>		
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>		
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>		
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	7784	41378
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>	0	16999277
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>	19415320	62626
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>		
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>		
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>	0	5128745
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>		
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>		

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	<b>1d(1)</b>		
(2) Employer real property.....	<b>1d(2)</b>		
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	<b>1e</b>		
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	<b>1f</b>	19442180	22260800
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>		
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>		
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>		
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>		
<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>	19442180	22260800

**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>	371216	
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>	1757357	
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>	25917	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	<b>2a(2)</b>		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		2154490
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>	815	
<b>(F)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>		
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		815
<b>(2) Dividends:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common stock.....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>	51533	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		51533
<b>(3)</b> Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		1706384
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		662788
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		398996
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		4975006

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	2059549	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>		
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		2059549
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		40051
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>	14532	
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>	9805	
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	20695	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>		
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>		
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>		
(11) Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>	11754	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		56786
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		2156386

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		2818620
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: ASSURANCE DIMENSIONS, LLC

(2) EIN: 26-3429295

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

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

**Part IV Compliance Questions**

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
<b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
<b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		300000
<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)

**5c** Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) .....  Yes  No  Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year \_\_\_\_\_.

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>CHINA TELECOM AMERICAS</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>02-0625788</u>	

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

**1** Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions..... 

<b>1</b>		<b>0</b>
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**2** Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):  
EIN(s): 58-1428634

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**a** Name of contributing employer

**b** EIN

**c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

**a** Name of contributing employer

**b** EIN

**c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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**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

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

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**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 08 / 19 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q704138A.

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Financial Statements, Supplemental Schedule and  
Independent Auditor's Report

**China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan  
(EIN): 02-0625788 Plan #001**

December 31, 2024 and 2023

# China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Committee Members and Plan Administrator of

### China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan:

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of **China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement 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) ("ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit"). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024, and 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 audit of the 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. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2024, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note C to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

#### Opinion on the Financial Statements

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

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").
- the certified information in the accompanying financial statements agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

#### Basis for Opinion on the Financial Statements

We conducted our audit 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 audit. 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.

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## Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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 for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

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

Except as described in the *Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the Financial Statements* 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 audit 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.

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

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

## **Other Matter – Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA**

The supplemental schedule, Schedule H, line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the 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 schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are 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 schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the certified investment information in the supplemental schedule agrees to or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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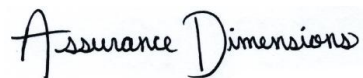
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## Other Matter – Report on the 2023 Financial Statements

The financial statements of China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan as of December 31, 2023, were audited by predecessor auditors. In accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the prior year audit did not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan that were certified by a qualified institution. Their report dated September 15, 2024 indicated that in their opinion (a) the amounts and disclosures in the 2023 financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, were presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and (b) the information in the 2023 financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Their report also indicated that the form and content of the 2023 supplemental schedules, other than the information in the 2023 supplemental schedules that agrees to or is derived from the certified investment information, were presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, and the information in the 2023 supplemental schedules related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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Tampa, Florida  
October 13, 2025

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**China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan**  
**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits**  
**As of December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Non-interest bearing cash	\$ 1,586	\$ -
Investments, at fair value:		
Pooled separate accounts	62,626	19,415,320
Mutual funds	5,128,745	-
Common/collective trusts	16,999,277	-
Total investments, at fair value	<u>22,190,648</u>	<u>19,415,320</u>
Receivables:		
Notes receivable from participants	41,378	7,784
Employee contribution receivable	-	5,263
Employer contribution receivable	27,188	13,813
Total receivables	<u>68,566</u>	<u>26,860</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 22,260,800</u>	<u>\$ 19,442,180</u>

**China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan**  
**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 2024**

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Additions to net assets attributed to:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 2,768,168
Dividends and interest	51,533
Total investment income	<u>2,819,701</u>

Interest earned on notes receivable from participants	815
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Contributions:

Participant	1,757,357
Employer	371,216
Rollover	25,917
Total contributions	<u>2,154,490</u>
Total additions, net	<u>4,975,006</u>

Deductions from net assets attributed to:

Benefits paid to participants	2,059,549
Administrative expenses	56,786
Corrective distributions	40,051
Total deductions	<u>2,156,386</u>
Net increase	2,818,620

Net assets available for benefits

Beginning of year	<u>19,442,180</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 22,260,800</u>

# China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

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### Note A – Description of Plan

The following description of the China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement 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 all employees of China Telecom Americas (collectively, the “Company” or “Employer”). The Plan was formed and adopted on October 1, 2005. The Plan was most recently restated effective May 1, 2024. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”).

Effective May 1, 2024, the Plan has amended has eligible automatic contribution arrangement deferring 6% upon meeting the eligibility requirements and automatically increase the participant’s deferral percentage by 1% per year, up to a maximum of 10%. This automatic increase does not apply to participants who have made an affirmative deferral election.

Employees become eligible to participate in the Plan when they reach 18 years of age and have completed 30 days of service. Entry into the Plan is then possible on the first day of each calendar month following the date the eligibility requirements met.

#### Administration

The Plan is administered by the Company. The Plan’s assets for the year were held and managed by T. Rowe Price Trust Company and John Hancock Life Insurance Company (the “Trustees”). The Plan’s recordkeeping services and maintenance of participant account records are managed by T. Rowe Price.

#### Contributions

Participants may contribute up to 100% of their compensation to their participant account subject to limitations imposed by the Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”). The maximum participant deferral for the year ended December 31, 2024 was \$23,000. A participant who has attained the age of 50 may also make catch up contributions, subject to Internal Revenue Services (“IRS”) limitations of \$7,500 for the year ended December 31, 2024. Roth deferrals are permitted under the Plan. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans.

The Company make regular matching contributions equal to 50% of the participant deferrals up to 6% of their compensation. For the year ended December 31, 2024, employer regular matching contributions are invested into the various investment options of the Plan in accordance with the participants’ contributions.

The Company may also make a discretionary non-elective standard contribution to those participants who are active and have completed 501 hours of service during the Plan year. There was no discretionary contribution for the year ended December 31, 2024.

#### Participant Accounts

Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contribution and the Company’s matching contribution and profit sharing amounts, if applicable. Each participant’s account shall be allocated earnings, gains, expenses, and losses with respect to the investments of the participant’s account. Allocations of Plan earnings or losses are based on each participant’s investment fund balance in proportion to the total investment fund balance.

# China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan

## Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2024 and 2023

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### Note A – Description of Plan (continued)

#### Vesting

Participants are fully vested in their elective contributions, as well as any rollover contributions plus or minus any earnings or losses thereon. A participant's vested percentage in the portion of his/her account attributable to any Employer regular matching contribution plus actual earnings/losses thereon are 100% vested in the event of death, reaching normal retirement age, in case of permanent disability, or after 4 years of credited services as follow:

<b>Years of Services</b>	<b>Vesting Percentage</b>
0	0%
1	25%
2	50%
3	75%
4 or more	100%

Vesting of their discretionary non-elective standard contribution is pro-rated based upon years of continuous service with 100% vesting achieved after six years.

<b>Years of Services</b>	<b>Vesting Percentage</b>
0-1	0%
2	20%
3	40%
4	60%
5	80%
6 or more	100%

#### Forfeitures

Non-vested benefits of terminated participants are forfeited on the date the participant receives a complete distribution of vested benefits. Forfeitures are used to reduce the Company's Plan administration costs. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled approximately \$41,000 and nil, respectively. The Plan utilized forfeitures to pay for contributions and Plan expenses in the amount of approximately \$44,000 during the year ended December 31, 2024.

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### Note A – Description of Plan (continued)

#### Distribution of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account or installments paid over various periods, as defined in the Plan agreement. If a participant's vested balance is \$5,000 or less, the Company may distribute the entire vested account balance to the participant without their consent. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump-sum distribution less 20% withheld for taxes. Benefits may be received when a participant demonstrates a situation of extreme financial hardship as defined by the IRC and the distribution is approved by the Plan's Trustees.

The Plan was voluntarily amended effective January 1, 2024, which increased the force-out amount from \$5,000 to \$7,000.

#### 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 percent of their account balance. Participants may only have one loan outstanding from the Plan. Loan transactions are treated as a transfer to (from) the investment fund from (to) the participant notes receivable. These loans are collateralized by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at prevailing rates as determined by the Plan Administrator. Principal and interest are paid by payroll deduction in substantially equal payments over the life of the loan, with payments not less frequently than bi-weekly. The maximum note repayment period is five years unless the note is for the purchase of a primary residence in which case the repayment schedule may be for a term in excess of five years.

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued but unpaid interest. In the event of default, the unpaid portion of the participant's loan will be treated as a taxable distribution from the Plan.

#### Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Employer has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of termination of the Plan, each participant's account will become fully vested and non-forfeitable. All appropriate accounting provisions of the Plan will continue to apply until the accounts of all participants have been distributed.

### Note B – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Presentation

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#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as the reported amounts of changes in net assets during the reporting period. Such estimates include those regarding fair value. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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#### Valuation of Investments

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Quoted market prices are used to value investments. Shares of money market funds and mutual funds are valued at the net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year end. The Plan's interest in the common/collective trusts are valued based on information reported by the investment advisor using the audited financial statements of the collective trust at year-end.

Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

#### Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

#### Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the Employer. Expenses that are paid by the Employer 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.

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### Note B – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Fair Value Measurements

The FASB has established a framework for measuring fair value in ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements*. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements.) The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

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| <i>Level 1</i> | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.  |
| <i>Level 2</i> | Inputs to the valuation methodology include:<br>Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;<br>Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;<br>Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;<br>Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.<br><br>If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. |
| <i>Level 3</i> | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.  |

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

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

*Pooled separate accounts:* Valued at the net asset value ("NAV") provided by the Trustees. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying assets owned by the trust, minus its liabilities, divided by the number of units outstanding. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV. There were no unfunded commitments to purchase investments at December 31, 2024 and 2023. Participant-directed redemptions have no restrictions and are recorded at the end of every business day.

*Mutual funds:* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily NAV and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

*Common/collective trusts:* Valued at NAV provided by the Trustees. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. The NAV is based on the fair value of the underlying assets owned by the trust, minus its liabilities, divided by the number of units outstanding. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV. There were no unfunded commitments to purchase investments at December 31, 2024 and 2023. Participant-directed redemptions have no restrictions and are recorded at the end of every business day.

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### Note B – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Fair Value Measurements (continued)

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while 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.

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

	Assets Measured at Fair Value at 12/31/2024	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)
Mutual funds	\$ 5,191,371	\$ 5,191,371
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	5,191,371	\$ 5,191,371
Investments measured at net asset value	16,999,277	
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 22,190,648</u>	

Investments measured using the NAV as a practical expedient are exempt from being presented in the fair value hierarchy. As all of the Plan's investments as of December 31, 2023 are exempt from the fair value hierarchy, the table has been excluded.

#### Note C – Certified Investments

Certain information related to investments and notes receivable from participants disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedule, including investments and notes receivable from participants held at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, interest and dividends, 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 T. Rowe Price Trust Company and John Hancock Life Insurance Company, qualified institutions. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and for the year ended December 31, 2024, the Plan Administrator instructed the auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the information certified by the Trustees, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements, as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

#### Note D – Party-In-Interest Transactions

Fees paid during the year for accounting and other services rendered by parties-in-interest were based on customary and reasonable rates for such services. Certain Plan investments and the related transactions as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, were in investment fund managed by the Trustees; therefore, these investments and transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Notes receivable from participants are also considered to be party-in-interest transactions because they are transacted with Plan participants. Fees paid to parties-in-interest by the Plan for services amounted to approximately \$57,000 during the year ended December 31, 2024.

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### Note E – Income Tax Status

The Plan has received a determination letter from the IRS dated August 19, 2020, stating that the written form of the underlying prototype document is qualified under Section 401(a) of the IRC, and that any employer adopting this form of the Plan will be considered to have a plan qualified under Section 401(a) of the IRC. Therefore, the related trusts is exempt from taxation. Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with IRC to maintain its qualification. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the Plan Administrator believes the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Plan management has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to audit by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. Plan management believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2021.

### Note F – Risks and Uncertainties

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

### Note G – Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The Plan holds investments in pooled separate accounts, which is how they are reported on Form 5500, Schedule D, DFE/Participating Plan Information. Plan number "000" has been used to report these investments on Schedule D because the Trustees has not filed a Form 5500 directly with the Department of Labor for these investments. As such, the Plan's interest in such investments cannot be included in Schedule H, line 1c(10). Instead, the Plan's interest in the underlying assets of the pooled separate accounts must be allocated and reported in the appropriate categories on a line-by-line basis. Therefore, these investments are reflected as mutual funds on Form 5500, Schedule H, line 1c(13) but as pooled separate accounts for financial statement purposes.

### Note H – Subsequent Events

Effective January 1, 2025, the catch-up deferral limit for eligible participants aged 60-63 will generally increase to the greater of \$10,000 or 150% of the standard catch-up limit in 2024, if the Plan permits. This is an increase from the previous catch-up amount of \$7,500. Participants reaching age 64 will revert to the lower standard annual catch-up limit.

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 10, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

## Supplemental Schedule

**China Telecom Americas 401(k) Retirement Plan (EIN): 02-0625788 Plan #001**

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

As of December 31, 2024

(a)	(b) Identity of issuer/ (c) Description of investment	(e) Current value
	(i) Non-interest bearing cash	\$ 1,586
	(i) Mutual funds:	
	FIDELITY 500 INDEX FUND	4,195,340
	FIDELITY US BOND INDEX FUND	400,509
	FIDELITY INFL PROT BD IND	162,910
	PIONEER STRATEGIC INCOME K	125,090
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX FUND	104,446
	FIDELITY SMALL CAP INDEX FUND	82,125
*	John Hancock Stable Value	62,626
*	T ROWE PRICE GOVERNMT MONEY I	39,538
	FIDELITY INTL INDEX FUND	18,787
	Total mutual funds	5,191,371
	(ii) Common collective trusts:	
*	TRP RET BLEND 2035 TRUST A	3,907,177
*	TRP RET BLEND 2040 TRUST A	3,209,232
*	TRP RET BLEND 2025 TRUST A	2,352,644
*	TRP RET BLEND 2030 TRUST A	2,001,529
*	TRP RET BLEND 2045 TRUST A	1,293,270
*	TRP RET BLEND 2055 TRUST A	1,128,537
*	TRP RET BLEND 2050 TRUST A	867,603
*	TRP RET BLEND 2060 TRUST A	518,616
	LARGE CAP GROWTH FUND III I1	496,767
	LARGE CAP VALUE I1	422,713
	FLEXPATH STABLE VALUE CL I1	347,130
*	TRP RET BLEND 2020 TRUST A	337,637
	CORE BOND FUND CLASS I1	31,992
	SMALL CAP VALUE FUND III CL I1	26,882
	SMALL CAP GROWTH II I1	25,462
	INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND	24,351
*	TRP RET BLEND 2065 TRUST A	7,735
	Total common collective trusts	16,999,277
*	Notes receivable from participants (6.25% - 9.50%)	41,378
	Total investments and notes receivable from participants	\$ 22,233,612

\* Represents a party-in-interest as defined by ERISA.

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