

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.**

OMB Nos. 1210-0110
1210-0089

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

- A** This return/report is for:
 - a multiemployer plan
 - a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
 - a single-employer plan
 - a DFE (specify) _____
- B** This return/report is:
 - the first return/report
 - the final return/report
 - an amended return/report
 - a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
- C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶
- D** Check box if filing under:
 - Form 5558
 - automatic extension
 - special extension (enter description)
 - the DFVC program
- 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 <u>ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
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) <u>ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH</u> <u>PO BOX 4095</u> <u>OCEANSIDE, CA 92056</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2020</u> 2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>83-3122688</u> 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>301-523-7807</u> 2d Business code (see instructions) <u>525920</u>

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.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/14/2025	JEWELL LIM ESPOSITO
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	3285
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1)	3005
	6a(2)	5135
	6b	24
	6c	604
	6d	5763
	6e	0
	6f	5763
	6g(1)	1508
	6g(2)	2936
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	

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

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

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input 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	b General Schedules
(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information)
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(3) <input type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>0</u>
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information)
(5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
	(6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

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

A Name of plan ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 83-3122688	

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)

TRUST INTEGRITAS

15275 COLLIER BLVD
SUITE 201-233
NAPLES, FL 34119

99-2058408

(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	CONSULTANT	66650	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)

HUB INTERNATIONAL

900 S CAPITAL OF TEXAS HWY
STE 350
AUSTIN, TX 78746

84-4758315

(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?
27	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	37958	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)

LEADING RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS, LLC

2226 EASTLAKE AVENUE EAST
#88
SEATTLE, WA 98102

45-1200308

(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	RECORDKEEPER	24829	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"/>

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)

MID ATLANTIC TRUST COMPANY

251 WATERFRONT PLACE
SUITE 525
PITTSBURG, PA 15222-4236

27-3169253

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
19	SUB-CUSTODIAN	16013	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)

LIGHTHOUSE BIZ SOLUTIONS LLC

229 PARKER ST.
GARDNER, MA 01440

83-2398406

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
19	CUSTODIAN	10280	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)

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(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.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

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

Explanation:

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

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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A Name of plan ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:80%;">B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►</td> <td style="width:20%; text-align:center;">001</td> </tr> </table>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
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Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	158774	144563
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	0
(3) Other	1b(3)	0	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	169468	270526
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	183542	210223
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	11419147	21059327
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	11930931	21684639
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g	0	0
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j	0	0
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	11930931	21684639

Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	2282390	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	5877781	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	343606	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2).....	2a(3)		8503777
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	7492	
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	9869	
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F).....	2b(1)(G)		17361
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	194999	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A), (B), and (C).....	2b(2)(D)		194999
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B).....	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		1834024
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		10550161

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	1987183	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		1987183
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		29248
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		23498
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)	101760	
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	41582	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	16013	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		159355
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		2199284

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		8350877
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		3717204
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		2314373

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: METZ CPA, PLLC

(2) EIN: 46-4558541

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	549466
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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

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

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)
TILRAY BRANDS USA RETIREMENT PLAN	93-2789821	001
G&C STAFFING RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN	87-1184436	001

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) Yes No Not determined
 If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

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

A Name of plan <u>ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>83-3122688</u>	

Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

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

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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): 75-3182674 27-3169253

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

b EIN _____ **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer _____

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

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

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

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

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q703995A.

<p>SCHEDULE MEP (Form 5500)</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p>	<p>MULTIPLE-EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN INFORMATION</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>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold;">2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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<p>A Name of plan ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN</p>	<p>B Three-digit Plan number (PN)..... ▶</p>	<p>001</p>
<p>C Plan administrator's name as shown on line 3a of Form 5500/Form 5500-SF ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH</p>	<p>D Administrator's EIN 83-3122688</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).

2a Name of Participating Employer ACE'S PLACE, LLC	2b EIN 46-5510179	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 0.00	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 93522
2a Name of Participating Employer CAPTAIN KIRK SERVICES, INC.	2b EIN 82-2555952	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year 0.00	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer 0

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.

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v. 240311**

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
ARIZONA AGRICULTURE MANAGEMENT LLC	46-2075246	0.00	536667
BAK FESTIVALS INC	82-3265616	1.00	353303
BLAZE LIFE HOLDINGS, LLC	86-3060670	0.00	10129
BLUESOL BIOMEDICAL LLC	81-4934038	0.00	28023
BUCKEYE RELIEF, LLC (W/AMPLIFY CH)	81-5443641	6.00	2018969
CANSORTIUM HOLDINGS, LLC	81-1431889	4.00	732159
CAPITAL TRANSPORT, LLC	82-3997938	0.00	9461
CULINARY CANNABIS COMPANY, LLC	27-1886010	0.00	9255
D&K VENTURES, LLC	82-2559077	3.00	246889

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
DEEP ROOTS HOLDINGS, INC.	92-3601855	4.00	511409
DIME INDUSTRIES LLC	36-4936016	0.00	0
DIME INDUSTRIES NM LLC	93-3598460	0.00	0
DREAMFIELDS BRANDS, INC.	84-2095775	2.00	284071
FAWN RIVER CULTIVATION COMPANY, LLC	82-5228870	2.00	174830
FOOTHILL RIVER FARMS	83-2680741	0.00	151626
GARDEN GREENS LLC	87-2115010	0.00	2858
GARDEN REMEDIES, INC.	46-3326321	7.00	2637395
GREEN PRECISION ANALYTICS, INC.	84-2507908	1.00	405132

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
GROUNDWORKS SERVICES, INC.	47-4261045	0.00	0
GROW OHIO 401(K) PLAN	87-3266770	3.00	576468
GROWN ROGUE UNLIMITED, LLC	81-5116779	4.00	441749
HARMONY FARMS LLC	38-3941039	0.00	167
HEYA MISSOURI HOLDINGS, INC.	84-2450237	1.00	64137
INDIGO DISPENSARY LLC	87-4196020	0.00	508
JET CITY RETAIL, INC.	85-0684253	0.00	0
KXD PARTNERS LLC	84-3883057	0.00	31245
LAZY RIVER PRODUCTS LLC	83-4312366	0.00	54565

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
MI LOUD FLOWER FARMS, LLC	82-3327892	1.00	57893
NORTHWEST COMMONWEALTH, LLC	82-4475910	21.00	4293185
NSMC-OPCO, LLC	82-2410978	1.00	492347
PLANET 13 (FORMERLY NEXT GREEN WAVE, LLC)	83-2787199	0.00	269684
REVOLUTION GLOBAL STAFFING, LLC	87-2764435	9.00	2649849
ROCKY ROAD REMEDIES	82-3096716	1.00	237485
SESPE CREEK COLLECTIVE, INC.	82-2615938	1.00	75799
STANDARD WELLNESS HOLDINGS, LLC 401(K) PLAN	84-2208201	9.00	1899541
STILLWATER LABORATORIES 401(K) PLAN	81-5268295	0.00	4152

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2a Name of Participating Employer	2b EIN	2c Percentage of Total Contributions for the Plan Year	2d Aggregate Account Balances Attributable to Participating Employer
THE CIMA GROUP	46-3681159	14.00	2134810
THE SOCIAL LEAF LLC	88-0539111	1.00	78657
TILRAY, INC.	82-4310622	0.00	0
TREELINE ANALYTICS, LLC	82-4673630	1.00	116706

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.

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

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

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

ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN

(Modified Cash Basis)
Financial Statements
December 31, 2024 and 2023



**ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH
MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Participants in and Administrator of
Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement Plan

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement 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 (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) 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 Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from qualified institutions 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 F to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

- the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note B.
- the information in the financial statements referred above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement 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.

Emphasis of Matter—Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note B of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note B, 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 Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement 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 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 Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement 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 Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement 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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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 the modified cash basis of accounting.

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

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules, Schedule H, Line 4i Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2024 and Schedule H, Line 4a Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions for the Plan year ended of December 31, 2024, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information are the responsibility of management and were 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 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 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, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion—

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Metz CPA PLLC".

Phoenix, Arizona
October 7, 2025

**ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH
MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN**
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits (Modified Cash Basis)
December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value:		
Mutual funds	\$ 21,059,327	\$ 11,419,147
Money market funds	270,526	169,468
Total investments	21,329,853	11,588,615
Cash - noninterest bearing	144,563	158,774
Receivables:		
Notes receivable from participants	210,223	183,542
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 21,684,639	\$ 11,930,931

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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MULTIPLE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PLAN
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits (Modified Cash Basis)
Year Ended December 31, 2024**

ADDITIONS

Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value investments	\$	1,834,024
Interest and dividend income		212,360
		<u>2,046,384</u>
Contributions:		
Employer		2,282,390
Participant		5,877,781
Rollover		343,606
		<u>8,503,777</u>
TOTAL ADDITIONS		10,550,161

DEDUCTIONS

Benefits paid to participants		2,039,929
Administrative expenses		159,355
		<u>2,199,284</u>
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		<u>2,199,284</u>
NET INCREASE		8,350,877
TRANSFERS OF ASSETS TO THIS PLAN		3,717,204
TRANSFERS OF ASSETS FROM THIS PLAN		(2,314,373)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS		
BEGINNING OF YEAR		<u>11,930,931</u>
END OF YEAR	\$	<u><u>21,684,639</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

**ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC COLLABORATION AND GROWTH
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Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2024 and 2023**

NOTE A – DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth Multiple Employer Retirement Plan (“Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions.

General – The multiple-employer Plan became effective January 1, 2020 with approval of the Board of Directors of Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth (the “Plan Sponsor”). This Plan is a multiple-employer defined contribution plan. Each Participating Employer elects its own provisions related to eligibility, contributions, notes receivable from participants, and payment of benefits. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

The Plan’s Plan Sponsor is responsible for oversight of the Plan, determining the appropriateness of the Plan’s investment offerings, and monitoring investment performance.

Contributions – Each year, participants may contribute up to 100% of their eligible pretax annual compensation, after-tax compensation (Roth contributions), or any combination thereof (as defined in the Plan) up to the limits defined by law. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified plans (rollover). Participants direct the investment of their contributions into the investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers selected mutual funds and a money market fund as investment options for participants.

The Employers contributes a matching amount equal to: (i) 100% of contributions that are not in excess of 3% of compensation, plus (ii) 50% of the amount of contributions that exceed 3% of compensation but that do not exceed 5% of compensation. Aggregate Participating Employer contributions for the year ended December 31, 2024 amounted to \$2,282,390. Participating Employer contributions are invested in funds in accordance with the participant’s direction and the Plan’s provisions. Contributions are subject to certain limitations as defined by the Plan.

Participant Accounts – Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contribution and allocations of (a) the Employers’ contribution and (b) Plan earnings (losses), and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

Vesting – Participants are immediately vested in all contributions plus actual earnings thereon.

Payment of Benefits – On termination of service due to reasons other than death, vested interest will be received by the participant as a lump distribution as soon as administratively feasible after employment is terminated. If vested interest is \$5,000 or more the participant may elect installment payments over a specific period of time. Distributions upon death can be elected, by the beneficiary, as lump sum or equal installment payments.

Notes Receivable from Participant – Subject to certain limitations in the plan document, 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 vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant’s account and bear interest at rates which are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions. As of December 31, 2024, participant loans have interest rates ranging from 1.00% to 9.75%.

Forfeited Accounts – Any accumulated benefits forfeited during a Plan year due to participant withdrawal prior to full vesting may be applied to reduce employer contributions or to pay administrative expenses which would otherwise be paid by the Plan. There was no forfeited non-vested account or forfeitures of terminated non-vested account balances allocated to remaining participants as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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NOTE B – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting – The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Contributions to the Plan are recognized when received, and deductions from net assets are recognized when paid. Investments are valued at fair value in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820.

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 charged directly to the borrowing participant's account and are included in administrative expenses when incurred. If a participant does not make loan repayments and the Plan administrator considers the participant loan to be in default, the loan balance is reduced, and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a benefit payment based on the terms of the plan document.

Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with modified cash basis of accounting requires the Plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition – The Plan's investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. In accordance with the policy of stating investments at fair value, the Plan presents, in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits, the net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of its investments, which consists of the realized gains or losses and the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on those investments. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Purchase and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis.

Payment of Benefits – Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administration Expenses – Certain administrative expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the Employers. Fees related to distribution and 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.

NOTE C – PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Plan's sponsor has the right to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of whole or partial plan termination; participants would become fully vested as to the amount credited to their accounts after deductions for estimated liquidation and distribution expenses.

NOTE D – RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities which are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market fluctuations, and credit risks. Due to the risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in market values, interest rates, or other factors in the near term would materially affect participants' account balances as well as the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis).

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NOTE E – TAX STATUS

The Plan uses a non-standardized pre-approved plan document sponsored by CCH Incorporated DBA FTWilliam Com and has received an opinion letter dated June 30, 2020 from the Internal Revenue Service which states that the non-standardized pre-approved plan's form satisfies the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. The non-standardized pre-approved plan's opinion letter has been relied upon by the Plan. The Plan administrator believes the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirement of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

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 Department of Labor or Internal Revenue Service. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024, 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 routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any open tax periods in progress.

NOTE F – INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY CUSTODIANS

The Plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29-CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosures under ERISA. Accordingly, Matrix Trust Company and Mid Atlantic Trust Company, the custodians of the Plan, has certified as being complete and accurate the investments and notes receivable from participants on the statements of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the investment and interest activity reflected in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits, and the investment information included in the supplemental schedule of the financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2024. Accordingly, as permitted under such election, the Plan administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to information certified as complete and accurate.

The Board of Directors of Association of Economic Collaboration and Growth approved the change in custodian of the Plan, effective August 1, 2024. Matrix Trust Company held the investment assets as of December 31, 2023 and executed investment transactions from January 1, 2024 to July 31, 2024. Mid Atlantic Trust Company held the investment assets and executed investment transactions as of December 31, 2024 and for the period August 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024.

NOTE G – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) *820 Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* (ASC 820), provides the framework for measuring fair value. Fair value of a financial instrument 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. 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 under ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 Fair Value Measurements

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.

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NOTE G – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

Level 2 Fair Value Measurements

Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

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

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

Level 3 Fair Value Measurements

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

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

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 net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Money Market Fund – Valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. The amortized cost is determined by valuing it at its original cost and thereafter amortizing any discount or premium from its face value at a constant rate until maturity. Securities held by the money market fund are generally high quality and liquid; however, they are reflected as a Level 2 because the inputs used to determine fair value are not quoted prices in an active market.

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

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024		
	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 21,059,327	\$ -	\$ 21,059,327
Money market funds	-	270,526	270,526
Total investments at fair value	\$ 21,059,327	\$ 270,526	\$ 21,329,853

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023		
	Level 1	Level 2	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 11,419,147	\$ -	\$ 11,419,147
Money market funds	-	169,468	169,468
Total investments at fair value	\$ 11,419,147	\$ 169,468	\$ 11,588,615

Transfers between Levels – The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. In such instances the transfer is reported at the beginning of the reporting period.

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NOTE H – EXEMPT PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are managed by Matrix Trust Company and Mid Atlantic Trust Company, which are the custodians, as defined by the Plan. These transactions are considered exempt party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid for investment management services were included as a reduction of the return earned on each respective fund. The Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the vested balances in the participants' accounts.

NOTE I – PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS TRANSFERRED LATE TO THE PLAN

The Plan sponsor has identified late contribution transactions of \$181,421 that occurred in the Plan year ended December 31, 2024. An additional \$368,045 of late contributions were identified in the Plan years December 31, 2021 to 2023. All amounts which were subsequently remitted within in the respective Plan years, however, they were outside of the maximum time frame to segregate employee funds under 29 CFR 32510.3-102. The previously reported amounts of 368,045 have been corrected outside of the VFCP program. The correction process is currently underway for the \$181,421 identified in the Plan year ended December 31, 2024 but has not been finalized as of October 7, 2025, the date the financial statements were available for issuance.

NOTE J – TRANSFERS OF ASSETS

During 2024, assets totaling \$3,717,204 were transferred into the Plan from other defined contribution plans of companies that joined the Plan. Also, during 2024, the Plan transferred to other plans assets totaling \$2,314,373.

NOTE K – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan's management has evaluated subsequent events through October 7, 2025, the date the financial statements were available for issuance.

Trust Integritas, LLC will begin sponsoring the Plan effective January 1, 2025.

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

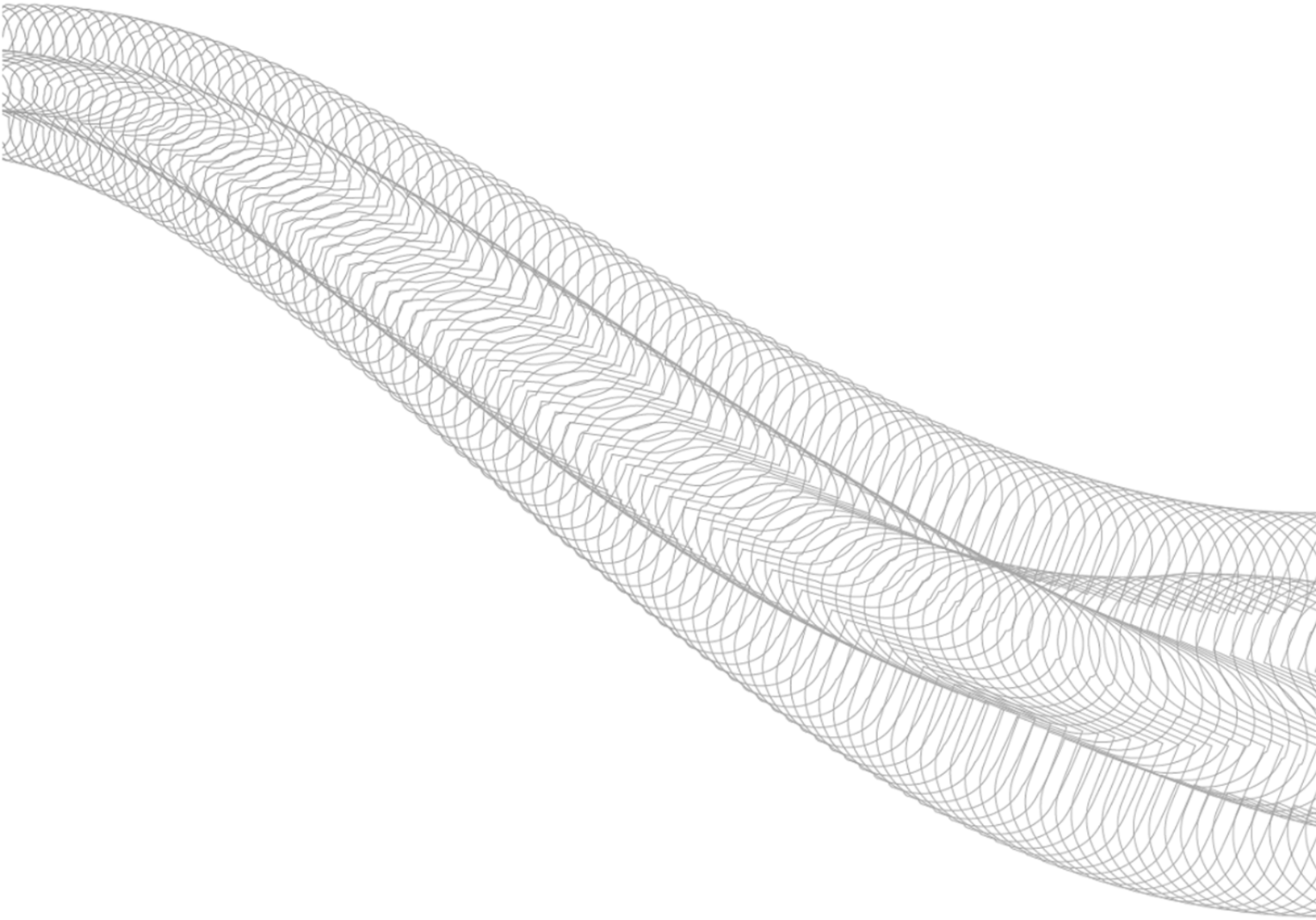
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similarly party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost **	Current Value	
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund	Mutual funds	\$	3,988,171
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	Mutual funds		3,339,041
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	Mutual funds		2,767,005
	Vanguard 500 Index Fund	Mutual funds		1,996,570
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	Mutual funds		1,980,217
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	Mutual funds		1,769,437
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	Mutual funds		794,876
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2065 Fund	Mutual funds		789,133
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	Mutual funds		679,775
	Pioneer Large Cap Growth Portfolio Fee	Mutual funds		481,664
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	Mutual funds		359,318
	BlackRock Russell 2500 Index Fund	Mutual funds		277,171
	Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund	Mutual funds		272,065
	NYLI PineStone International Equity	Mutual funds		260,840
	MFS Mid Cap Growth Fund	Mutual funds		229,017
	MFS Value Fund	Mutual funds		213,101
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund	Mutual funds		179,005
	MFS Mid Cap Value Fund	Mutual funds		148,229
	American Century Small Cap Growth Fund	Mutual funds		115,528
	Allspring Special Small Cap Value Fund	Mutual funds		100,548
	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	Mutual funds		91,992
	PGIM Core Conservative Bond Fund	Mutual funds		75,372
	PGIM Jennison Mid-Cap Growth Fund	Mutual funds		70,827
	Nuveen Small Cap Growth Opportunities Fund	Mutual funds		60,071
	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	Mutual funds		19,306
	Vanguard Extended Market Index Fund	Mutual funds		594
	American Century Multisector Income Fund	Mutual funds		306
	Vanguard Mid-Cap Index Fund	Mutual funds		78
	TCW MetWest Total Return Bond Fund	Mutual funds		70
	Vanguard Money Market Reserves	Money market		270,526
	Cash noninterest-bearing	Cash noninterest-bearing		144,563
*	Participant Loans	Interest rates from 1.00% to 9.75%	\$0	210,223
			<u>\$</u>	<u>21,684,639</u>

(a) * A party-in-interest as defined by ERISA

(d) ** Cost is not required for participant directed funds

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2024 Form 5500 Line 4 a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions				
Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total that Constitute Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
\$549,466	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
Check here if late Participant Loan Repayments are included: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$181,421	\$368,045		



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2024 Form 5500 Line 4 a - Schedule of Delinquent Participant Contributions				
Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total that Constitute Prohibited Transactions			
\$549,466	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
Check here if late Participant Loan Repayments are included: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$181,421	\$368,045		

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

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similarly party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost **	Current Value	
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2055 Fund	Mutual funds	\$	3,988,171
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	Mutual funds		3,339,041
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	Mutual funds		2,767,005
	Vanguard 500 Index Fund	Mutual funds		1,996,570
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2045 Fund	Mutual funds		1,980,217
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	Mutual funds		1,769,437
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2035 Fund	Mutual funds		794,876
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2065 Fund	Mutual funds		789,133
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	Mutual funds		679,775
	Pioneer Large Cap Growth Portfolio Fee	Mutual funds		481,664
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2025 Fund	Mutual funds		359,318
	BlackRock Russell 2500 Index Fund	Mutual funds		277,171
	Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund	Mutual funds		272,065
	NYLI PineStone International Equity	Mutual funds		260,840
	MFS Mid Cap Growth Fund	Mutual funds		229,017
	MFS Value Fund	Mutual funds		213,101
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund	Mutual funds		179,005
	MFS Mid Cap Value Fund	Mutual funds		148,229
	American Century Small Cap Growth Fund	Mutual funds		115,528
	Allspring Special Small Cap Value Fund	Mutual funds		100,548
	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	Mutual funds		91,992
	PGIM Core Conservative Bond Fund	Mutual funds		75,372
	PGIM Jennison Mid-Cap Growth Fund	Mutual funds		70,827
	Nuveen Small Cap Growth Opportunities Fund	Mutual funds		60,071
	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	Mutual funds		19,306
	Vanguard Extended Market Index Fund	Mutual funds		594
	American Century Multisector Income Fund	Mutual funds		306
	Vanguard Mid-Cap Index Fund	Mutual funds		78
	TCW MetWest Total Return Bond Fund	Mutual funds		70
	Vanguard Money Market Reserves	Money market		270,526
	Cash noninterest-bearing	Cash noninterest-bearing		144,563
*	Participant Loans	Interest rates from 1.00% to 9.75%	\$0	210,223
				\$ 21,684,639

(a) * A party-in-interest as defined by ERISA
(d) ** Cost is not required for participant directed funds