

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... [X] an amended return/report [] a short plan year return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... [] D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [] automatic extension [] the DFVC program... [] special extension... 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: FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 002
1c Effective date of plan: 01/01/1964
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 34-0439680
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 440-243-0034
2d Business code (see instructions): 332700

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

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

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

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	277
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)	178
	6a(2)	207
	6b	0
	6c	136
	6d	343
	6e	4
	6f	347
	6g(1)	276
6g(2)	344	
6h	0	
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:
2E 2I 2J 2O 2Q 3I

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

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

b General Schedules

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

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 D (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	DFE/Participating Plan 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.	OMB No. 1210-0110 <hr/> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2024</u> and ending <u>12/31/2024</u>	
A Name of plan <u>FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>002</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>34-0439680</u>

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (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:	<u>GREAT GRAY TRUST EUROPACIFIC GROWTH</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>GREAT GRAY INVESTMENT TRUST</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>38-7289844-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>33966</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>MASSMUTUAL SMALL CAP GROWTH EQUITY</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>MASSMUTUAL</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>90-0342299-000</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>18767</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>MFS LARGE CAP VALUE CIT CLASS CT</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>GREAT GRAY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>38-7275332-781</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>742276</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>MFS MID CAP GROWTH FUND CLASS CT</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>GREAT GRAY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>38-7275332-781</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>60904</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>MFS MID CAP VALUE FUND CLASS CT</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>GREAT GRAY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>38-7275332-781</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>52993</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2005 TR-K</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>35-6941728-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>187787</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	<u>T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2010 TR-K</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	<u>T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>35-6941728-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	<u>546880</u>

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2015 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	429227
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2020 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	561383
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2025 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	730489
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2030 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	716957
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2035 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	1139667
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2040 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	709766
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2045 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	240236
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2050 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	86339
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2055 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	167548
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2060 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)	241734
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT 2065 TR-K

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

c EIN-PN 35-6941728-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 16347
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: WELLS FARGO STABLE VALUE E

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.

c EIN-PN 52-2250951-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2955122
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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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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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024	
A Name of plan FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-0439680

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.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	13495	15267
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	1595626	1798157
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)	10436	0
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	1243	202
(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)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	0	9638388
(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)	24953824	16749486
(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)	60218764	55901192
(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	86793388	84102692
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h	1243	0
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	1243	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	86792145	84102692

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)	0	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	346162	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	0	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)	1798157	2144319
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A), (B), (C), and line 2a(2).....	2a(3)		
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	5036	
(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)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F).....	2b(1)(G)		5036
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		412405
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	412405	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A), (B), and (C).....	2b(2)(D)		412405
(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)		-2917338
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)	-2917338	
(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)		357931
(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)		2944556
c Other income	2c		1900927
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		4847836

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	9169371	
(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)		9169371
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)	225	
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(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)		225
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		9169596

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-4321760
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		1632307
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: MALONEY & NOVOTNY LLC

(2) EIN: 34-0677006

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.)		X	
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	
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.)		X	
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.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		2000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
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?		X	
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?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
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.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
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.			

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)

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>FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>002</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>34-0439680</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.....	1	0
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2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):
EIN(s): 34-0439680

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

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

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 _____

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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 _____

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 ___/___/____ (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number _____.

**FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP
PLAN AND TRUST**

FINANCIAL REPORT

DECEMBER 31, 2024 and 2023



FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST
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Independent Auditors' Report

Plan Committee
Fastener Industries, Inc.
Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust
Cleveland, Ohio

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

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

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's ("DOL") Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA ("qualified institution").

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the period March 12, 2024 to December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audits 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 information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified to by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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

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

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

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the 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 the 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 schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosures 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, are presented in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosures 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 to by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Meloney + Novotny LLC

Cleveland, Ohio
October 14, 2025

FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

December 31, 2024 and 2023

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
CASH	\$ 15,267	\$ 13,495
INVESTMENTS, AT FAIR VALUE		
Employer common stock	55,901,192	60,218,764
Mutual funds	16,749,487	24,953,824
Common/collective trusts	9,638,387	-
Money market fund	<u>202</u>	<u>1,243</u>
Total investments, at fair value	82,289,268	85,173,831
RECEIVABLES		
Employer contribution	1,798,157	1,595,626
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>10,436</u>
Total receivables	1,798,157	1,606,062
Total assets	84,102,692	86,793,388
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Accrued plan expenses	<u>-</u>	<u>1,243</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$84,102,692</u>	<u>\$86,792,145</u>

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

FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Year Ended December 31, 2024

	<u>Employer Stock Funds (Non-Participant Directed)</u>	<u>Participant Directed Investment Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
ADDITIONS			
Contributions:			
Employer	\$ 1,798,157	\$ -	\$ 1,798,157
Employee	<u>-</u>	<u>346,162</u>	<u>346,162</u>
Total contributions	1,798,157	346,162	2,144,319
Investment income (loss):			
Interest and dividends	-	417,441	417,441
Net (depreciation) appreciation in fair value of investments	(2,917,338)	3,302,487	385,149
S-Corp distributions	<u>1,900,927</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,900,927</u>
Total investment income (loss)	<u>(1,016,411)</u>	<u>3,719,928</u>	<u>2,703,517</u>
Total additions	781,746	4,066,090	4,847,836
DEDUCTIONS			
Benefit payments directly to participants	-	(9,169,371)	(9,169,371)
Fees	<u>-</u>	<u>(225)</u>	<u>(225)</u>
Total deductions	-	(9,169,596)	(9,169,596)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN ACCOUNTS			
S-Corp distributions	(1,900,927)	1,900,927	-
Stock conversion	(2,989,098)	2,989,098	-
Stock diversification	<u>(6,762)</u>	<u>6,762</u>	<u>-</u>
Total transfers between accounts	<u>(4,896,787)</u>	<u>4,896,787</u>	<u>-</u>
NET DECREASE PRIOR TO TRANSFER	(4,115,041)	(206,719)	(4,321,760)
TRANSFER IN	-	1,632,307	1,632,307
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:			
Beginning of year	<u>61,814,390</u>	<u>24,977,755</u>	<u>86,792,145</u>
End of year	<u>\$57,699,349</u>	<u>\$26,403,343</u>	<u>\$84,102,692</u>

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

FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1. Summary of Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accounting records of the Fastener Industries, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust (the "ESOP" or the "Plan") are maintained on the accrual basis.

Fastener Industries, Inc. (the "Company" and "Plan Sponsor") has evaluated subsequent events through October 14, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. The Plan's management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by Matrix Trust Company, the Custodian from March 12, 2024 to December 31, 2024, and Newport Group, Inc., the Custodian at December 31, 2023 and from January 1, 2024 to March 12, 2024 (collectively, the "Custodians"). See Note 6 for discussion of fair value measurements. The investment in the Company's common stock is valued at fair value as determined annually by an independent appraisal from EideBailly as of the last business day of the year. This appraisal was based upon a combination of the market and income techniques consistent with prior years. GreatBanc Trust Company (the "Trustee") has concluded that an ESOP participant would recognize a discount for lack of marketability.

The valuation process involves the Trustee's selection of an independent appraiser. Plan management accumulates the data for the appraiser from the reviewed financial statements of the Company. The appraiser prepares a preliminary report which the Trustee reviews in detail, discusses, and approves. Plan management reviews the report for accuracy. The Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") and, separately, the ESOP Committee are presented with the report for discussion with the appraiser.

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

Use of Estimates

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

Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan holds investments in various investment securities including the Company's common stock. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings, cash flows, and other techniques. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and uncertainties inherent in estimates and assumptions, 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 recorded in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Note 1. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Benefit Payments

Benefit payments are recorded when paid.

Note 2. Description of Plan

The following description of 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 ESOP is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of the Plan Sponsor who have completed one month of uninterrupted full-time service (excluding employees of Ohio Nut & Bolt of Canada). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as amended.

During 1980, the Fastener Industries, Inc. Employees' Retirement Plan: Profit-Sharing ("Profit-Sharing Plan") was amended, restated, and renamed the Fastener Industries, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust. Participants having an interest in amounts held by the Trustee under the Profit-Sharing Plan prior to these changes were offered a one-time irrevocable election to have a portion or all of their interest under the Profit-Sharing Plan reinvested in the Employer Stock Fund maintained under the ESOP. Participants who did not elect to have any portion of their interest reinvested in the Employer Stock Fund could direct that such portion of their interest be invested in participant directed accounts. In 1987, the Fastener Industries, Inc. Tax Credit Employee Stock Ownership Plan was merged into the Plan. The merged Plan now includes the Tax Credit Employer Stock Fund which is included in the Employer Stock Fund in the financial statements but is a separate fund of the Plan for record keeping purposes.

Effective November 12, 2024, the Die Co, Inc. Profit Sharing 401(k) Plan ("Die Co.") was merged into the Plan (the "Merger"). Pursuant to the Merger, all assets and liabilities of Die Co. were transferred to the Plan at the effective time of the Merger. Employees who were participants in Die Co. on November 12, 2024 maintain the same benefits under the Plan. As a result of the Merger, \$1,632,307 was transferred into the Plan.

Employer Contribution

Each year, the Company makes a contribution to the ESOP in such amount, if any, as determined by the Board at its discretion. The contribution may be made in cash, in shares of the Company's common stock, or both. The Company's contribution is immediately allocated among participants in accordance with Plan provisions. The Company contribution of 46,313 and 39,041 shares valued at \$1,798,625 and \$1,596,626 at December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively, was a receivable to the Plan.

The ESOP is designed to invest primarily in shares of Company common stock. The ESOP contains no limitation on the number of shares of the Company that may be contributed to or purchased by or from the ESOP. The Trustee may purchase shares from the Company or from individual shareholders, including former participants in the ESOP.

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Note 2. Description of Plan (Continued)

Employer Contribution (Continued)

The Company regulations, as recommended by its Board and approved by a majority vote of its shareholders, limit ownership of the Company to employees of the Company or a trust qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code").

Employee Contributions

The Plan allows participants the ability to make tax deferred contributions to the Plan, subject to certain limitations. Participants may also elect to make voluntary after-tax contributions of compensation upon becoming eligible, also subject to certain limitations. All eligible employees who have attained age 50 before the close of the plan year shall be eligible to make catch-up contributions in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Code. In addition, participants can make Roth contributions to the Plan.

Participants making such voluntary contributions may direct that such amounts be invested in any combination of the Participant Directed Investment Funds with Matrix Trust Company (the "Custodian") and One America Retirement Services LLC (the "Recordkeeper"); but such amounts may not be invested in the Employer Stock Fund or the Tax Credit Employer Stock Fund (collectively, the "Employer Stock Funds"). Participants may change their investment direction without limitations.

Diversification

Participants who are at least age 55 with at least ten years of participation in the Plan may elect to diversify a portion of their account. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a six-year period. Participants may diversify up to 25% of their account during the first five years and up to 50% in the sixth year, less any previous shares diversified. Participants who elect to diversify may invest the value of their shares in the other investment options within the Plan, directly rollover to another qualified plan, or take a cash distribution. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the Plan had diversifications of \$6,762.

Participant Accounts

Separate accounts are maintained for each participant representing his or her interest in each of the Participant Directed Investment Funds and the Employer Stock Funds (collectively, the "Funds"). A participant's interest in the Funds is represented by the balance credited to his or her account maintained with respect to such Funds as of the most recent applicable valuation date.

Any dividends, interest, or other income received by the Trustee from any of the Funds are reinvested by the Trustee and Custodians in the Fund from which such income was received, except that dividends or S-Corporation distributions paid on shares held in the Employer Stock Funds may be paid directly to participants at the participants' election, subject to certain limitations.

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution, an allocation of the Company's contributions, and plan earnings. Participants may also be charged with an allocation of any administrative expenses not paid directly by the Company. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, all assets of the Plan were fully allocated.

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Note 2. Description of Plan (Continued)

Vesting

All funds in a participant's account are fully vested and nonforfeitable at all times.

Payment of Benefits

Upon termination of employment, a participant may elect to receive payment in a lump sum or in a series of payments. If a participant does not provide direction during the year of termination, then the stock is converted to cash as soon as practicable following the last day of the plan year. The value of the shares of the Company in the participant's account, which is based on the most recent stock valuation at the time of the distribution, will be paid in cash or in stock at his or her election. In addition, participants have the ability to receive payments prior to retirement, subject to certain limitations.

Under the provisions of the Plan, distributions of stock will only be made if the participant agrees prior to the distribution to sell the shares back to the Company immediately after the distribution. During 2024, the Company repurchased from participants 73,046.8294 shares for \$2,985,424 at a price determined from the independent appraisal. This amount is included in stock conversions on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits and moved into the participant directed accounts and, therefore, included in participant directed distributions.

Distributions from a participant's Employer Stock account will be made either in the form of Employer shares or in a series of cash installments, at the discretion of the participant, provided that the total of all cash installment payments in any plan year shall not exceed an amount as established, annually, for the plan year by the Board. If the distribution requested is more than the established amount, the Company will repurchase the shares with a note payable directly to the participant for the balance greater than the established amount, the term of which will not exceed five years.

Voting Rights

Participants are entitled to exercise voting rights attributable to the shares allocated to their account. Participants are notified by the Trustee prior to the time that such rights are to be exercised. The Trustee is not permitted to vote any allocated share for which instructions have not been given by a participant.

Notes Receivable From Participants

Notes receivable from participants are not permitted in the Plan.

Plan Termination

The Company reserves the right, by action of its Board, to terminate the Plan at any time, subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of a termination of the Plan, the assets of the Plan would be distributed to the participants based upon their respective interests.

Administrative Expenses

The costs of Plan administration are paid by the Company or the Plan at the option of the Company.

FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Note 3. Administration of Plan Assets

The Plan's assets, which consist principally of Fastener Industries, Inc. common stock, mutual funds, and common/collective trusts, are held by the Trustee and Custodian of the Plan.

Company and employee contributions are held and managed by the Trustee, Recordkeeper, and Custodian, who invest cash received, interest, and dividend income, and make distributions to participants. Certain fees of the Trustee, Recordkeeper, Custodians, legal counsel, and auditors of the Plan are not reflected in the financial statements as they are paid by the Company. Certain Plan administrative responsibilities are performed by Company employees for no compensation.

Note 4. Unaudited Information

The plan administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, the Matrix Trust Company, Custodian, of the participant directed investments has certified to the completeness and accuracy of all participant directed investments reflected in the statement of net assets available for benefits at December 31, 2024, the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) at December 31, 2024, the related participant directed investment activity reflected in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the period March 12, 2024 to December 31, 2024, and such investment related information in the accompanying notes to the financial statements. Newport Group Inc. has certified to the completeness and accuracy of all participant directed investment reflected in the statement of net assets available for benefits at December 31, 2023. This information is unaudited by independent accountants.

Note 5. Non-Participant Directed Investments

Information about the net assets related to non-participant directed investments is as follows:

	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Fastener Industries, Inc. common stock	\$55,901,192	\$60,218,764
Employer contribution receivable	1,798,157	1,595,626
Money market fund	202	1,243
	\$57,699,551	\$61,815,633

The Fastener Industries, Inc. common stock was valued by EideBailly at \$38.836 per share at December 31, 2024. For the year ended December 31, 2024, the net depreciation and S-Corp distributions received by the Plan are \$2,917,338 and \$1,900,927, respectively. Total outstanding shares excluding the receivable shares is 1,439,417 at December 31, 2024.

The Fastener Industries, Inc. common stock was valued by Apple Growth Partners at \$40.870 per share at December 31, 2023. Total outstanding shares excluding the receivable shares is 1,473,422 at December 31, 2023.

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Note 6. Fair Value Measurements

The Plan estimates the fair value of financial instruments using available market information and other generally accepted valuation methodologies. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or would be paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The inputs used to measure fair value are classified into three levels:

- Level 1 – Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities
- Level 2 – Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data
- Level 3 – Unobservable inputs in which little or no market data exists

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies use for Plan assets measured at fair value:

- The shares of mutual funds are valued daily at quoted market prices in active markets for identical investments.
- The shares of the money market fund consist of a short-term investment fund that maintains daily liquidity and has a constant value of \$1.00.
- Common/collective trusts are managed by Matrix Trust Company. The fair value of investments held in these accounts is based on their reported net asset value ("NAV"). The NAV is based primarily on observable inputs and the market value of the underlying investments, and is classified as Level 2.
- The fair value of the common stock of Fastener Industries, Inc. is determined by an annual independent appraisal that is based upon commonly used market and income valuation techniques and is classified as Level 3. The appraisers obtain information including business, general economic, and other market conditions that reasonably could be evaluated in determining the fair value of the Company. In addition, historical information based on reviewed financial statements is obtained and considered by the appraisers.

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. There have been no changes in the methodologies used from 2023 to 2024. 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.

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Note 6. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The following tables set forth by level the Plan's:

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Fastener Industries, Inc. common stock	\$ -	\$ -	\$55,901,192	\$55,901,192
Mutual funds	16,749,487	-	-	16,749,487
Common/collective trusts		9,638,387		9,638,387
Money market fund	202	-	-	202
Total	\$16,749,689	\$ 9,638,387	\$55,901,192	\$82,289,268

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Fastener Industries, Inc. common stock	\$ -	\$ -	\$60,218,764	\$60,218,764
Mutual funds	24,953,824	-	-	24,953,824
Money market fund	1,243	-	-	1,243
Total	\$24,955,067	\$ -	\$60,218,764	\$85,173,831

The table below sets forth a summary of transfers, purchases, and issuances of the Plan's Level 3 assets for the year ended December 31, 2024:

	<u>Fastener Industries, Inc. Common Stock</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$60,218,764
Unrealized losses relating to instruments still held at the reporting date	(2,917,338)
Employer contributions	1,595,626
Distributions, conversions, and diversifications	(2,995,860)
Balance, end of year	\$55,901,192

Note 7. Related Party Transactions

The Plan invests in Company common stock which is a related party transaction. As described in Note 2, the Company or the Plan can pay administrative expenses of the Plan.

FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
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Note 8. Federal Income Tax Status

As of the date of this report, the Plan has not completed the annual compliance testing required for this plan year. This testing is expected to be completed during November 2025. Management does not anticipate that the results of this testing will have a material impact on the financial statements.

The Plan received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated May 9, 2016, stating that the Plan was qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code and, therefore, the related trust was exempt from taxation. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the plan administrator believes the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable sections of the Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified and the related trust is tax exempt.

The plan administrator has analyzed 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 such recognition or disclosure in the financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

FASTENER INDUSTRIES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST

EMPLOYER NO. 34-0439680
PLAN NO. 002

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE 4(i)
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

December 31, 2024

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of issue, borrower, lessor or similar party	Description of investment, including maturity date, rate of interest, par or maturity value, or shares	Cost**	Current Value
	Employer common stock			
*	Fastener Industries, Inc.	1,439,416.833 common shares	\$54,636,621	\$55,901,192
	Mutual funds:			
	Fidelity Investments	Capital & Income Fund	-	5,096,381
	Fidelity Investments	Total Bond K6	-	2,258,929
	Principal	SmallCap Value Fund II R6	-	21,105
	Vanguard	500 Index Trust Fund Investor - Admiral Fund	-	4,870,289
	Vanguard	Extended Market Index - Admiral Fund	-	3,798,755
	Vanguard	Total Bond Market Index - Admiral Fund	-	165,859
	Vanguard	Total International Stock Index Admiral Fund	-	538,169
	Common/collective trusts:			
	Great Gray Trust	EuroPacific Growth Class CT	-	33,966
	MassMutual	Small Cap Growth Equity CIT Class CT	-	18,767
	Great Gray Trust	MFS Large Cap Value CIT Class CT	-	742,276
	Great Gray Trust	MFS Mid Cap Growth Fund Class CT	-	60,904
	Great Gray Trust	MFS Mid Cap Value Fund Class CT	-	52,993
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2005 Tr-K	-	187,787
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2010 Tr-K	-	546,880
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2015 Tr-K	-	429,227
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2020 Tr-K	-	561,383
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2025 Tr-K	-	730,489
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2030 Tr-K	-	716,957
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2035 Tr-K	-	1,139,667
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2040 Tr-K	-	709,766
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2045 Tr-K	-	240,236
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2050 Tr-K	-	86,339
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2055 Tr-K	-	167,548
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2060 Tr-K	-	241,734
	T. Rowe Price	T Rowe Price Retirement 2065 Tr-K	-	16,347
	Wells Fargo	Stable Value E	-	2,955,121
	Money market fund:			
	Vanguard	Treasury Money Market Investor	-	202
				<u>\$82,289,268</u>

* Indicates related party or party-in-interest to the Plan

** Cost information is presented only for the non-participant directed investments

Matrix Trust Company's Role in Assisting Plan Sponsors in Completing Schedule C

Plan sponsors are responsible for completing the annual Form 5500 filing and are tasked with identifying and reviewing the reportable Schedule C compensation paid to service providers for employee benefit plans (the “Plans” and each a “Plan”). The information contained in this communication is being provided to assist the Plan sponsor in its obligation to complete Schedule C for Form 5500 filing for the 2024 Plan year (which would be filed during 2025).

It is important for recordkeepers, third-party administrators, designated representatives, and authorized persons for the Plans (collectively, “**Designated Representatives**”) and Plan sponsors to understand that Matrix Trust Company (“**Matrix Trust**”) can only provide information related to its compensation as a service provider. Matrix Trust can provide activity related to payments made to other service providers only to the extent that the compensation flows through either the trust account, the custodial account, or a fund service fee account. Investment product disclosures, annual reports and prospectuses (as applicable) should be reviewed for other components of reportable compensation under Schedule C.

Where compensation can be classified as Eligible Indirect Compensation (“**EIC**”), Matrix Trust has provided the appropriate disclosures in this document rather than a set dollar amount for each plan, as permitted under guidance issued by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Reporting Requirements

Plan sponsors of retirement plans with over 100 participants at the beginning of the Plan year must identify persons who indirectly or directly received \$5,000 or more in compensation during the Plan year for services rendered to the Plan on Schedule C of Form 5500. Please visit: [Form 5500 Corner | Internal Revenue Service \(irs.gov\)](#) for complete information and consult with your legal and tax advisors.

Compensation

Compensation is received by, as applicable, Matrix Trust, Matrix Settlement & Clearance Services, LLC, (“**MSCS**”) and MSCS Financial Services Division of Broadridge Business Process Outsourcing, LLC (“**MSCS Financial**”) (collectively, “**Matrix**”), in connection with your Plan. All three of these companies are Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. (“**Broadridge**”) subsidiaries and are therefore under common control. Thus, MSCS and MSCS Financial are both “affiliates” of Matrix Trust, and “affiliates” of each other.

Direct Compensation

To the extent Matrix is directed to assess Matrix's fees upon the account (i.e., the Plan), the fees represent direct compensation paid to Matrix. Direct compensation paid to Matrix Trust by your Plan is reported on your account statement or other reports provided by Matrix Trust, for example, a check register. These reports enable you to determine any payments that may have been made directly from Plan assets.

To the extent Matrix Trust fees are asset based, fees will be calculated utilizing a daily average balance for the invoice period.

To the extent that Matrix Trust fees are paid by the Plan sponsor and not reimbursed by Plan assets, the fees do not represent direct or indirect compensation paid to Matrix Trust for purposes of 408(b)(2).

Indirect Compensation

Matrix Trust, or an affiliate, may have received indirect compensation from sources other than your Plan during the past calendar year. Matrix Trust is providing a description of the formula used to calculate or determine indirect compensation so this compensation can be reported as “Eligible Indirect Compensation” paid to Matrix Trust or an affiliate on Schedule C of the Form 5500 for the 2024 Plan year, if compensation paid meets the reporting thresholds.

Matrix Trust may have received indirect compensation in connection with services:

- in the form of “float” income; and/or
- through its affiliate(s) and/or other parties as described below, and to the extent applicable, with respect to Mutual Fund Fee / Administrative Fee Services, NSCC Transaction fees, ETF/Closed End Fund Trading Services, Self-Directed Brokerage Accounts, Retirement Cash Account, Proprietary Funds, ModelTool(K)it™ Services, Level Compensation Services, Stale Dated Check Services, Lifetime Income Products, and/or Proceeds of Corrective Transactions.

Float Income

Matrix Trust maintains omnibus bank accounts at, and provides sub-accounting services with respect to such bank accounts to, certain banking institutions, with respect to cash held on a short-term basis in such omnibus bank accounts. As compensation for such sub-accounting services, Matrix Trust may derive compensation from the use of this short-term cash, which is referred to as “float income.” With respect to your Plan, this may occur where, for example, Plan funds are awaiting investment, distribution or other processing. Currently, Matrix Trust has arrangements with two banks – JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (“**JPMorgan**”) and TD Bank, N.A. (“**TD Bank**”)– under which the banks pay float income to Matrix Trust in exchange for its sub-accounting services. Float income is reflected as an earnings credit or service fee on monthly bank invoices. JPMorgan and TD Bank are unaffiliated institutions to Matrix Trust.

The exact amount of float income credited from these three banks to Matrix Trust cannot be described in precise terms, because the rate of float income paid fluctuates over time (it generally tracks the Federal Funds Rate), and it is also impossible to predict exactly how much Plan cash will be held on a short-term basis, and for how long. Please see “*Rate on Float Earnings*” below. The disclosures contained in the following paragraphs have been prepared in accordance with U.S. Department of Labor guidance contained in Field Assistance Bulletin 2002-3 concerning service provider float disclosure obligations to employee benefit plan customers.

Float earnings are considered eligible indirect compensation for Schedule C of Form 5500 purposes and indirect compensation under ERISA Section 408(b)(2).

Matrix Trust Float Earnings

In connection with Matrix Trust’s provision of services to Plan customers, Matrix Trust maintains various banking arrangements to facilitate movements of cash as necessary to process Plan customer transactions, including arrangements with one or more banks. Under these arrangements, cash may be held in general or “omnibus” bank accounts established by or at the direction of Matrix Trust, pending investment, trade settlement, or the presentment of distribution checks for payment. These accounts generate float earnings for Matrix Trust. The proportionate share of those earnings attributable to the funds of a particular plan constitutes compensation that is paid by the plan and retained by Matrix Trust in connection with Matrix Trust’s services and is in addition to any other fees or compensation payable under the service arrangement.

Summary of Float Paragraphs

The paragraphs below describe the specific circumstances under which float will be earned and retained, the time frames applicable to float earnings periods, and a general description of the rate of float earnings.

Contributions - Plan Account Cash Sweep

Plans direct cash contributions to Matrix Trust through a demand deposit account Matrix Trust maintains for that purpose. Matrix Trust credits the amount of a plan's cash contribution to the plan's Matrix Trust account ("**Plan Account**") on the business day it is received. If the Plan Account uses a cash sweep, the cash contribution is swept from the demand deposit account and invested on the Plan's behalf on the next business day. Matrix Trust earns float on the cash contribution between the business day of deposit and the next business day. A "business day" is a day on which the New York Stock Exchange is open for business.

Contributions - Plan Account - No Cash Sweep

If a Plan Account does not use a cash sweep, Matrix Trust earns float on the cash contribution from the business day of deposit until Matrix Trust receives investment instructions from the Plan and the investment transaction settles. Upon Matrix Trust's receipt of investment instructions in good order, settlement of mutual fund trades generally occurs within one business day and settlement of individual securities trades (*i.e.*, stocks and bonds) generally occurs within three business days.

Purchases of Securities Timeline

When Matrix Trust receives instructions, in good order and in accordance with prescribed procedures, to purchase a security for a Plan Account, Matrix Trust places the purchase trade order that same business day if the instructions are received prior to Matrix Trust trading cut-off times. If instructions are received after the Matrix Trust trading cut-off times, the purchase trade order is placed on the next business day.

Settlement of Purchase Trade Order

When Matrix Trust settles a purchase trade order for a Plan Account, the Plan Account assets required to pay for the purchase are transferred to a demand deposit account maintained by Matrix Trust on the trade settlement date. When a purchase trade order is cancelled or rejected, the funds previously set aside to pay for the purchase are re-credited to the Plan Account and either invested through the cash sweep, if applicable, or retained in the deposit account pending other investment instructions, as described previously.

Same Day Placement of Sale Trade Order

When Matrix Trust receives instructions, in good order and in accordance with prescribed procedures, to sell a security for a Plan Account, Matrix Trust places the sale trade order that same business day if the instructions are received prior to Matrix Trust trading cut-off times. If instructions are received after the Matrix Trust trading cut-off times, the sale trade order will be placed on the next business day.

Plan Account Proceeds on Trade Settlement Date

When Matrix Trust places or settles a sale trade for a Plan Account, the Plan Account receives the sales proceeds on the trade settlement date. If the Plan Account does not use a sweep, Matrix Trust will earn float from the date Matrix Trust receives the sale settlement proceeds until Matrix Trust receives instructions to reinvest the sale proceeds as described previously.

Float When Issuing Checks

Matrix Trust may earn float when it issues checks on behalf of plans including checks for (i) distributions to participants and/or beneficiaries, (ii) participant loan distributions, or (iii) fees paid to Plan service providers. Matrix Trust does not earn float when payments or distributions are made by direct deposit (ACH) or by a federal funds wire transfer.

Float on Mailed Distribution Checks

Matrix Trust will mail a distribution check to a Plan participant or beneficiary on the payable date (the date printed on the check). On the same day, Matrix Trust debits the Plan Account in the amount of the check. Matrix Trust will earn float on the amount of the check from the date the check is issued until the date the check is presented and paid.

Float on Periodic/Recurring Distributions

Where Matrix Trust has been directed to establish periodic or recurring distribution checks, such payments are typically mailed to Plan participants and beneficiaries prior to the payable date (for example, periodic payments are mailed six business days prior to the payable date). Matrix Trust debits the Plan Account in the amount of the checks on the payable date. Matrix Trust is able to mail the checks before assets are withdrawn from the Plan Account and sold because periodic distributions are of a predictable amount (generally a set dollar amount each payment cycle). Matrix Trust will only earn float on the amount of the check from the date the check is payable until the date check is presented and paid.

Recredit to Plan Account of Outstanding Distribution Checks

On a periodic basis, Matrix Trust will notify Plans or their Designated Representative of outstanding periodic and lump sum distribution checks that Matrix Trust has issued. If an originally-issued check is reported lost or missing, Matrix Trust will re-issue the check upon receipt of direction from the Plan and/or other authorized party to instruct on the account. If the participant or beneficiary does not negotiate the check within a reasonable time, Matrix Trust reserves the right to re-credit (redeposit) the payment to the Plan Account and to invest these funds at the direction of a Plan Account fiduciary or authorized party to instruct on the account, or to disburse the funds as directed or otherwise in accordance with applicable law.

Rate on Float Earnings

The rate at which Matrix Trust earns float over the time periods described above is generally comparable to the effective Federal Funds Rate as reported in the Wall Street Journal over the applicable time frame. While the banks have discretion in the setting of the exact rates, the Federal Funds Rate at a given time is a reasonable estimate of the rate paid to Matrix Trust.

Mutual Fund Fees / Administrative Fee Services

Where Matrix Trust has been so authorized, Matrix Trust through its affiliate and registered broker dealer, MSCS Financial, may receive fees from certain investment companies, mutual funds, stable value funds, guaranteed investment contracts, guaranteed annuity contracts and similar investment vehicles (the “**Funds**”) in the form of 12b-1 fees or firm concessions, or in the form of shareholder servicing, sub-transfer agent and sub-accounting fees (“**Mutual Fund Fees**”). Mutual Fund Fees are paid by the applicable investment company(ies) or other Fund(s) to MSCS Financial or Matrix Trust pursuant to shareholder servicing and similar agreements. You can contact Matrix Trust at 888-947-3472 for specific information about the levels of Mutual Fund Fees paid with respect to Funds currently on the Matrix platform, which will allow you to ascertain the Mutual Fund Fees paid by those Funds actually held by your Plan in a Matrix Trust account.

In addition, the recordkeeper for your Plan (which may be the Designated Representative) will generally provide you with information about the fees and costs, and certain other aspects, of any Funds or other investments that are designated under your Plan as investment alternatives to be made available to participants (assuming your Plan permits participant investment direction), which in many cases may be provided through fund prospectuses, fact sheets or similar documents. We encourage you to review these materials carefully to better understand the various fees and costs associated with these investments, including the payments they may make to Matrix Trust and other parties.

In accordance with agreements related to your Plan (some arrangements will be stipulated in an Administrative Fee Collection Addendum while others will be determined by the agreement between Matrix and the Designated Representative), Matrix Trust may deposit administrative servicing fees (“**Administrative Fees**”) in an amount equal to a percentage of any Mutual Fund Fees collected for administrative services provided to the Plan. MSCS Financial is compensated by the collection of Mutual Fund Fees. In accordance with an intercompany agreement between MSCS Financial and Matrix Trust, MSCS Financial pays to Matrix Trust the Administrative Fees, which Matrix Trust, in turn, pays out in accordance with the Administrative Fee Collection Addendum or Matrix agreements with the Designated Representative.

Administrative Fees will either be: (a) credited to an Administrative Fee Account until Matrix Trust is instructed to disburse them; (b) applied to offset the fees the Designated Representative owes to Matrix; (c) directed by the Designated Representative for credit to a Plan's account; or (d) directed by the Designated Representative to wire out to third-party service providers. As compensation for the collection of Mutual Fund Fees, MSCS Financial may retain for its services an amount equal to a percentage of Mutual Fund Fees collected or charge an annual flat fee amount; the actual percentage or flat fee amount for the Mutual Fund Fee collection is reflected in your Plan's Fee Sheet or obtainable from the Designated Representative (if your Plan has a Designated Representative).

Administrative Fees are generated only to the extent that Mutual Fund Fees are collected by MSCS Financial. If a Fund has not paid to MSCS Financial or does not pay Mutual Fund Fees, then no Administrative Fees will be generated.

If your Plan is invested in the CMFG Life Insurance Company Guaranteed Account or the BANC Master Deposit Account B, the entire 0.25% (25 basis point) administrative service fee is retained by MSCS Financial unless otherwise stipulated in your Plan's Fee Sheet.

In addition, payments to parties other than MSCS Financial or Matrix Trust from the related Administrative Fee Account statement may be reportable as direct or indirect compensation paid to *those* parties.

NSCC Transaction Fees

For each Fund transaction processed through the National Securities Clearing Corporation ("**NSCC**"), the NSCC's parent the Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation ("**DTCC**"), a financial services firm unaffiliated with Matrix, assesses a \$0.06 to \$0.08 transaction-based fee, subject to change by the DTCC, for providing clearing and counterparty services. In accordance with the agreement between Matrix Trust/MSCS and the Designated Representative, DTCC transaction fees may be invoiced to, and paid by, the Designated Representative, unless otherwise stipulated in your Plan's Fee Sheet. Neither Matrix Trust nor its affiliates retain any portion of any DTCC transaction fees assessed.

ETF/Closed End Fund Trading Services

If the Plan offers one or more exchange-traded funds ("**ETFs**") and/or closed end funds ("**CEFs**") as investment options to Plan participants, a third-party unaffiliated subcontractor of Matrix, currently Virtu Americas LLC ("**Virtu**"), a broker-dealer, is paid certain commissions for executing ETF/CEF trades processed on the Matrix trading platform. Other unaffiliated third-party broker-dealers may be added as subcontractors (or replace Virtu) and may perform substantially equivalent services as Virtu. The commissions paid to such third-party broker-dealer(s) (including Virtu) (each an "**Outside BD**") are either: (a) passed through to the Plan by "netting" the commission amount from the trade in the Plan's account; (b) invoiced to the Designated Representative; or (c) paid by Matrix, with Matrix assessing additional basis points and/or minimum fees per the Plan's Fee Sheet. Currently, the Outside BD's commission charges, as the executing ETF/CEF broker, are:

- \$0.005 per share per ETF/CEF trade batch processed with execution by the Outside BD during market hours;
- \$0.01 per share per ETF/CEF trade, batch processed with standard Market-on-Close execution by the Outside BD;
- \$0.04 per share per ETF/CEF trade, batch processed with Market-on-Close execution by the Outside BD, with trade files received by the Outside BD after market close and with estimate files received by the Outside BD before market close (and with trade instructions received from the underlying Plan participant before market close requires special authorization from Outside BD and Matrix); or
- \$0.09 per share per ETF/CEF trade, batch processed with Market-on-Close execution by the Outside BD, with trade files received by the Outside BD after market close without pre-market close estimate files (but with trade instructions received from the underlying Plan participant before market close requires special authorization from Outside BD and Matrix).

Matrix does not retain any of the Outside BD's commissions described above; rather, the Outside BD retains 100% of these ETF/CEF commissions. Additionally, for ETF/CEF trades to receive pricing as of market close ("**Market-on-Close ETF/CEF Trades**"), the Outside BD will price such trades as of the closing price for such ETFs/CEFs, and in the process may incur gains and losses from such trades by executing hedging transactions in advance of the market close for the purpose of helping to ensure that the desired Market-on-Close ETF/CEF Trades can be timely processed at the closing price. As noted above, trade instructions for Market-on-Close ETF/CEF Trades may be received by the Outside BD after market close (but with trade instructions received from the underlying plan participants before market close). When this occurs, the resulting transactions may be processed the following business day. Because the price of an investment may change between the receipt of instructions and the execution of instructions, such transaction may result in either a shortfall or an excess. If the transaction results in a shortfall, the Outside BD would cover the shortfall to the extent necessary to process the transaction based on the price that would have been paid or realized by the Plan had the transaction been processed on the day the Outside BD received the instruction. If the transaction results in an excess, the Outside BD would retain the amount of the excess. Consistent with positions expressed by the U.S. Department of Labor, any such gains may be treated as compensation to the Outside BD for its services. The exact amount of any such net "compensation" cannot be predicted in advance, but it would be reasonable to assume that, over time, these transactions will involve both shortfalls (losses) and excesses (gains) to the Outside BD that should generally offset each other, and are therefore not expected to result in material net "profit" or "compensation" to the Outside BD.

Matrix may, as necessary to complete the processing of an ETF/CEF trade, process such trade in whole or fractional ETF/CEF shares by entering wholly or partially offsetting orders for the purchase or sale of ETF/CEF shares. In the process, Matrix will retain nominal trading gains and incur nominal trading losses as a result of its acquisition or disposal of fractional ETF/CEF shares necessary to complete such ETF/CEF trade and that such nominal gains and losses should generally offset each other, and are therefore not expected to result in any material net "profit" or "compensation" to Matrix.

Self-Directed Brokerage Accounts

If the Plan offers a self-directed brokerage account ("**SDBA**") option to Plan participants, SDBA balances remain subject to the services and fees described under other sections of this disclosure and any related Fee Sheet, to the extent applicable. Also, where the Plan sponsor or other Plan fiduciary of the Plan and/or its Designated Representative has directed Matrix Trust to establish SDBA that is a Schwab Brokerage Account, which Schwab refers to as the Schwab Personal Choice Retirement Account ("**PCRA**") pursuant to an agreement with Schwab, MSCS will provide account reconciliation services, account set-up and maintenance, movement of cash between the Plan's core accounts and PCRA's, and related administrative tasks. For these services and others, MSCS will receive quarterly, in arrears, an amount equal to 0.00375% (0.375 basis points) of the value of Plan assets in the PCRA's during such quarter, based on the daily average of the balance of all active PCRA's for each business day of the month during such quarter. Schwab pays these fees to MSCS.

In all cases, the fees described above do not include brokerage commissions or other fees payable to Schwab, or other SDBA provider, who are unaffiliated with Matrix Trust, MSCS and MSCS Financial.

Retirement Cash Account

Matrix Trust receives fees with respect to the Retirement Cash Account (if your Plan has selected the Retirement Cash Account as an investment option for participants), to the extent permitted by Applicable Rules (defined below), for providing services with respect to the account and the accountholders. Specifically, as provided under an agreement with JPMorgan, Matrix Trust receives a servicing fee in exchange for providing sub-accounting and support services, processing transactions and reconciling aggregate account activity with respect to funds deposited in the Retirement Cash Account with JPMorgan. The servicing fee is deducted by Matrix Trust from the total interest paid to Matrix Trust by JPMorgan, and is the difference between the total interest rate paid to Matrix Trust by JPMorgan, and the stated interest rate paid to Plan participants on their investments in the

Retirement Cash Account. In other words, the servicing fees paid to Matrix Trust reduce the interest rate paid to Plan participants by a corresponding amount.

At each rate of total interest paid by JPMorgan (from 0.00% up to 7.00%), the share of such total interest that is credited as the “stated rate” of interest to Plan participants on their Retirement Cash Account balances, and the share of such total interest that is retained by Matrix Trust as its servicing fees, are set forth under a pre-established rate table. Such servicing fees are based on the average daily deposit balances in the Retirement Cash Account. The rate of the servicing fee that Matrix Trust receives may exceed the interest rate or effective yield the depositors receive from the Retirement Cash Account. No portion of these servicing fees will reduce or offset the fees otherwise due to Matrix Trust unless required by Applicable Rules. “**Applicable Rules**” means all applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations, rules of any self-regulatory organization, and the constitution and applicable rules, regulations, customs, and usages of the exchange or market and its clearinghouse. Unless stated otherwise in a separate schedule, other than the applicable fees charged on Plan custody accounts, there are no separate charges, fees (other than the servicing fee described above), or commissions paid to Matrix Trust or its affiliates as a result of, or otherwise in connection with, the Retirement Cash Account.

As the total interest rate paid by JPMorgan increases, the servicing fees will likewise increase, and if the total interest rate paid by JPMorgan decreases, the servicing fees will likewise decrease. While the full rate table is available and accessible (as explained above), it is very voluminous. However, the following summarizes the general ranges of the stated interest rates paid to Plan participants and Matrix Trust’s servicing fees at various rates of total interest, as determined under the rate table:

When the total rate of interest* paid (annually) by JPMorgan is between:	The stated interest rate paid to Plan Participants ranges from:	The servicing fees retained by Matrix Trust ranges from:
0.00% and 0.50%	0.00% and 0.13%	0.00% and 0.37%
0.51% and 1.00%	0.13% and 0.25%	0.38% and 0.75%
1.01% and 2.00%	0.26% and 0.50%	0.75% and 1.50%
2.01% and 3.00%	0.51% and 1.23%	1.50% and 1.77%
3.01% and 4.00%	1.23% and 1.90%	1.78% and 2.10%
4.01% and 5.00%	1.91% and 2.63%	2.10% and 2.37%
5.01% and 6.00%	2.64% and 3.45%	2.37% and 2.55%
6.01% and 7.00%	3.46% and 4.38%	2.55% and 2.62%

*With respect to the cash balances within the ModelTool(k)it™, this “total rate of interest” shown in the table is the net rate of interest paid by JPMorgan after applicable Bank Balance Based Charges billed to and paid by Matrix Trust Company.

For more specific information, Retirement Cash Account disclosures and the current interest rate payable at any given time will be available online at: <https://www.broadridge.com/assets/pdf/broadridge-msb-retirement-cash-account.pdf>.

A copy of the full rate table and the current interest rate payable at any given time may be obtained by calling Matrix Trust Client Services at 888-947-3472.

Based upon the total rates of interest paid by JPMorgan in recent periods, and the total rates of interest that Matrix Trust generally expects that JPMorgan would intend to pay in the future, a reasonable estimate of the servicing fees retained by Matrix Trust would usually be between 0% and 2.62%. However, we should emphasize that Matrix Trust cannot control or predict the total interest rates payable by JPMorgan in the future, which makes it impossible to predict the rate of Servicing Fees we will receive at any given time. Therefore, to help you make a fully informed decision about whether to utilize (or continue utilizing) the Retirement Cash Account at any given time, we strongly recommend that you access the online materials or contact Matrix Trust Client Services as described above, to be provided with more detailed information.

Lifetime Income Products

If the Plan offers one or more lifetime income investment products (e.g., annuities or other products issued by insurance companies) (“**Lifetime Income Products**”, each a “**Lifetime Income Product**”) to the investment offerings for participants and beneficiaries, such balances in Lifetime Income Products remain subject to the services and fees described in other sections of this disclosure and any related Fee Sheet, to the extent applicable. Also, where the sponsor or other responsible plan fiduciary of the Plan and/or its Designated Representative has directed Matrix Trust to provide connectivity to the IPX Retirement Edge Platform (“**IPX RE Platform**”) offered by Congruent, Inc. (“**IPX**”) to the Plan and its participants and beneficiaries access to one or more Lifetime Income Products, Congruent will pay Matrix Trust a fee (the “**Connectivity Fee**”) to establish and maintain connectivity with the IPX RE Platform. As part of providing connectivity to the IPX RE Platform, Matrix Trust will provide pursuant to directions, the transmission of account information to and from the third-party administrator/recordkeeper, Plans and participants, as applicable, transaction processing, settlement and money movement services. The Connectivity Fee is paid by Congruent to Matrix Trust at a rate of two (2) basis points annually, calculated pro rata and remitted quarterly, on the Plan’s balances in Lifetime Income Products on the IPX RE Platform. In all cases, the fees described above do not include brokerage commissions or other fees payable to Congruent or Congruent’s partner in offering the IPX RE Platform, LDI-MAP LLC dba iJoin (“**iJoin**”), or to any insurance provider or any other company unaffiliated with Matrix. Matrix is not affiliated with Congruent, iJoin, the IPX RE Platform or any insurance provider whose products are available on the IPX RE Platform.

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary funds (“**Proprietary Funds**”) are collective investment trusts or other funds for which Matrix Trust serves as trustee. Collective investment fund options that are currently indicated on the following website are considered Proprietary Funds: <https://www.broadridge.com/cit/matrix-cits>.

If the Plan has selected a Proprietary Fund as an investment option, Matrix Trust may receive compensation for providing trustee or investment management services to the Proprietary Fund. Such compensation varies by Proprietary Fund and generally ranges on a gross basis from 0.03% (3 basis points) annually to 0.85% (85 basis points) annually, not including audit fees, which are fixed amounts that may represent fees from essentially 0.00% (0 basis points) annually to 0.05% (5 basis points) annually. Larger compensation rates may be inclusive of advisory fees and custodian fees paid to advisors to plans or to custodians/platforms for plans. Matrix Trust generally retains as compensation a net of 0.03% (3 basis points) annually through 0.10% (10 basis points) annually. Compensation earned by Matrix Trust in connection with services provided to the Proprietary Fund is described in the Proprietary Fund’s participation agreement and disclosure materials, which you would have received from the recordkeeper for your Plan (which may be your Plan’s Designated Representative). We encourage you to review these materials carefully to better understand the various fees and costs associated with these Proprietary Fund investments, including the payments they may make to Matrix Trust and other parties.

Proprietary Funds may be selected to be included within your Plan, and any compensation Matrix Trust may receive for providing trustee or investment management service to the Proprietary Fund would be in addition to any fees that Matrix Trust or its affiliates may receive as described in this Fee Disclosure, including but not limited to fees in connection with ModelTool(k)it™ Services (discussed below).

ModelTool(k)it™ Services

Where the named fiduciary of the Plan and/or Designated Representative has entered into an agreement to subscribe to ModelTool(k)it™ (“**MTK**”) for the Plan, a total annual fee of 0.025% (2.5 basis points), the ModelTool(k)it™ Platform Fee, charged monthly in arrears applies to the market value of assets covered under the MTK agreement. This fee is deducted directly from the Plan Account from the assets covered under the MTK agreement. Of the total fee, a third-party subcontractor of MSCS, Envestnet Retirement Services (“**ERS**”) receives approximately (no less than) 0.02% (2.0 basis points) as its compensation for providing services detailed in the

Plan's MTK agreement, and MSCS itself will retain approximately (no more than) 0.005% (0.5 basis points) for facilitating MTK as a service on the MSCS trading platform. All other applicable services and fees will continue to apply, except that if investments subject to the MTK agreement generate Mutual Fund Fees, MSCS Financial will collect such Mutual Fund Fees as compensation, but Matrix Trust will pay an Administrative Fee in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of such Mutual Fund Fees to the Plan's MTK unitized portfolio.

If ETF/CEF shares are part of a model, the ETF/CEF share trades will be assessed commission charges at the rate charged for ETF/CEF trades batch processed with execution during market hours, currently \$0.005 per share. ETF/CEF and mutual fund trade instructions may be received by MSCS after market close. When this occurs, the transaction may be processed the following business day. Because the price of an investment may change between the receipt of instructions and the execution of instructions, a transaction may result in either a shortfall or an excess. If the transaction results in a shortfall, Matrix Trust will promptly cover the shortfall to the extent necessary to process the transaction based on the price that would have been paid or realized by the Plan had the transaction been processed on the day Matrix Trust received instruction. If the transaction results in an excess, Matrix Trust will retain the amount of the excess to be applied to future shortfalls. Additionally, Matrix Trust will retain nominal trading gains and incur nominal trading losses as a result of Matrix Trust's acquisition or disposal of fractional ETF/CEF shares necessary to complete ETF/CEF trade instructions. Consistent with positions expressed by the U.S. Department of Labor, any such excesses or gains may be treated as compensation to Matrix Trust for its services. The exact amount of any such net "compensation" cannot be predicted in advance, but it would be reasonable to assume that, over time, these transactions will involve both shortfalls (losses) and excesses (gains) to Matrix Trust that should generally offset each other, and are therefore not expected to result in material net "profit" or "compensation" to Matrix Trust.

If ETF/CEF shares are part of a model, a portion of the unitized portfolio must be kept in a liquidity vehicle. Currently, this liquidity vehicle, or cash investment allocation, is a bank account maintained by Matrix Trust at JPMorgan, and Matrix Trust will credit interest on such liquidity vehicle. Matrix Trust may retain as part of its compensation, for sub-accounting services related to the liquidity vehicle, a reasonable fee based on the difference of the rate paid by the bank (after deduction of "Bank Balance Based Charges" representing JPMorgan fees billed to and paid by Matrix Trust) and the rate credited to the unitized portfolio for the liquidity vehicle.

Pursuant to an arrangement between Matrix Trust and JPMorgan, Matrix Trust receives a servicing fee in exchange for providing sub-accounting and support services, processing transactions and reconciling aggregate account activity with respect to funds deposited in the liquidity vehicle. The servicing fee is paid by JPMorgan; more specifically, the servicing fee is deducted by Matrix Trust from the total interest paid to Matrix Trust by JPMorgan, and is the difference between the total interest rate paid to Matrix Trust by JPMorgan under the arrangement described above (net of the Bank Balance Based Charges) and the stated interest rate paid to the unitized portfolio for the liquidity vehicle. In other words, the servicing fees paid to Matrix reduce the interest rate paid to unitized portfolio by a corresponding amount. As the total interest rate paid by JPMorgan increases, the servicing fees will likewise increase, and if the total interest rate paid by JPMorgan decreases, the servicing fees will likewise decrease.

While the full rate table is available and accessible, it is very voluminous. For a summary of the general ranges of the stated interest rates paid to the unitized portfolio for the liquidity vehicle and Matrix Trust's servicing fees at various rates of total interest, please see Table 1 under Retirement Cash Account section of this disclosure. For the current stated interest rate paid to the unitized portfolio for the liquidity vehicle and Matrix Trust's servicing fee rate, please see the Rate Table found by accessing the following link:

<https://www.broadridge.com/assets/pdf/broadridge-msb-retirement-cash-account.pdf>.

Please note, while the rates involved in the liquidity vehicle are comparable to the rates involved in the Retirement Cash Account, the unitized portfolio is not invested in the Retirement Cash Account.

Level Compensation Services (if elected and to the extent applicable)

Where the named fiduciary of the Plan has engaged a broker (registered representative) whose firm utilizes the Matrix Trust Level Compensation Services, in addition to any other applicable services and fees, MSCS Financial will serve as Broker of Record for investment transactions, and will retain up to 0.02% (2 basis points) of the Plan's total assets, with such fees coming from any 12b-1 fees and shareholder servicing ("**Level Compensation Fees**") it collects from Funds on behalf of the broker. For certain plans whose investment lineup pays differing compensation per investment, brokers may receive Level Compensation Fees based on an approximate weighted average ("**Weighted Average**") of fees paid by or on behalf of Funds. Where Weighted Average is in place, MSCS Financial may retain an overage in the amount fees received from or on behalf of the Funds. This overage amount may be an amount up to 0.05% (5 basis points) of plan assets because Weighted Average Level Compensation Fee percentages are set by MSCS on 0.05% (5 basis point) increments. If you have engaged an investment adviser for your Plan whose firm utilizes the RIA Remittance Services of the MSCS Level Compensation Services, in addition to any other applicable services and fees, MSCS will be paid a fee of up to 0.015% (1.5 basis points) of the Plan's total assets (also referenced as "**Level Compensation Fees**"). With respect to brokers, the Level Compensation Fees are in exchange for MSCS Financial's administrative services in collecting and distributing Level Compensation Fees to the broker. With respect to investment advisers, the Level Compensation fees are in exchange for MSCS's administrative services in collecting from the Designated Representative and distributing to the investment adviser the adviser's advisory fees (*i.e.*, facilitating RIA fee remittance services). Per the agreement setting forth the Level Compensation Services between MSCS and the broker-dealer or investment advisory firm, this compensation is deducted from Level Compensation Fees as received from the Plan's Funds.

Stale Dated Check Services

Matrix Trust provides services to assist with the resolution of Plan participants' stale dated checks, as directed by a Designated Representative. Where the named fiduciary of the Plan and/or its Designated Representative has elected to utilize certain services to assist in the resolution of participant related stale dated checks, an unaffiliated subcontractor to Matrix Trust and MSCS, PBI Research Services, Pension Benefit Information, LLC ("**PBI**"), receives \$40 per check as direct compensation which is deducted directly from the Plan (*i.e.*, from the stale dated check amount). This compensation to PBI is for its services which includes conducting a search, related communications, and distributing funds to affected Plan participants. Matrix Trust and its affiliates do not retain any portion of the \$40 per check fee that is payable to PBI. All float income to Matrix Trust will cease with respect to the stopped check from the time the check is stopped, but float income related to the period beginning with the issuance of the distribution check through the date the check was stopped will be retained by Matrix Trust.

Proceeds of Corrective Transactions

Matrix Trust receives investment instructions and, although rare, occasional errors in the instructions themselves or the processing of instructions may occur. The causes of such errors may include, but are not necessarily limited to, entry of an erroneous trade ("buy" vs. "sell," or vice versa), dollar amount or number of shares, incorrect identification of the security, duplication of orders (such as, instructions entered more than once), or untimely transmittal of instructions. When an error is discovered, action is taken to correct the transaction in a manner intended to avoid or minimize harm or disruption to the Plan. Because the price of an investment may change between the processing of erroneous instructions and the execution of corrective instructions, a corrective transaction may result in either a shortfall or an excess. If the error originates with Matrix Trust and the corrective transaction results in a shortfall, Matrix Trust will promptly cover the shortfall to the extent necessary to process the transaction based on the price that would have been paid or realized by the Plan had the transaction been processed as instructed. If the corrective transaction results in an excess, Matrix Trust will retain the amount of the excess to be applied to future shortfalls resulting from trade errors. Consistent with positions expressed by the U.S. Department of Labor, any such excess proceeds may be treated as compensation to Matrix Trust for its services. The exact amount of any such net "compensation" cannot be predicted in advance, but it would be reasonable to assume that, over time, corrective transactions will involve both shortfalls (losses) and excesses

(gains) to Matrix Trust that should generally offset each other, and are therefore not expected to result in material net “profit” or “compensation” to Matrix Trust.

Non-Monetary Compensation

Matrix Trust and MSCS Financial maintain policies that place limits on the circumstances under which gifts, travel and entertainment may be accepted by employees. Other than for modest gifts given or received in the normal course of business, employees are not permitted to receive gifts from clients and vendors. Under the 408(b)(2) regulation, a service provider's acceptance of these non-monetary items may involve the receipt of indirect compensation from a plan where the value attributable to the plan, on a pro rata basis, exceeds \$250 over the term of the plan's contract with the service provider. In light of the policies, Matrix Trust does not anticipate that the value of any such non-monetary items will approach the \$250 threshold with respect to the Plan.

Completing Schedule C

You will need the following information to complete Schedule C.

Matrix Trust Company 717 17th Street, Suite 1300 Denver, CO 80202 Employer Identification Number: 75-3182674	MSCS Financial Services Division of Broadridge Business Process Outsourcing, LLC 717 17 th Street, Suite 1300 Denver, CO 80202 Employer Identification Number: 33-1151291
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For Direct Compensation, you will be required to provide the Matrix Trust address or Employer Identification Number.

For Indirect Compensation, Matrix Trust provided you with a formula so that you can report this arrangement as Eligible Indirect Compensation, and you will be required to enter the MSCS Financial and Matrix Trust names and Employer Identification Numbers or addresses.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your Matrix Trust Company Relationship Manager.

These materials and any attachments do not constitute tax or legal advice. Please seek the advice of competent investment, tax or legal counsel with respect to your investment, tax or legal questions.

SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i, SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)*
DECEMBER 31, 2024

*See attached financial statements with auditor's report.