

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

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.

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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 [X] the final return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... [X] D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension [ ] the DFVC program... 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 ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 004
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1985
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS, LLC
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-0817881
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 509-734-4000
2d Business code (see instructions) 331400

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

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

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

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<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN	
	<b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number	
<b>4</b> If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN	
	<b>4d</b> PN	
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b>	177
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. .... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> ..... <b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	<b>6a(1)</b>	15
	<b>6a(2)</b>	0
	<b>6b</b>	0
	<b>6c</b>	0
	<b>6d</b>	0
	<b>6e</b>	0
	<b>6f</b>	0
	<b>6g(1)</b>	
<b>6g(2)</b>		
<b>6h</b>		0
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
1A 3H

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<b>004</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS, LLC</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>91-0817881</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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13-2834414

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
11	ACTUARIAL	330212	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY

26-4310844

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27 51	NONE	37299	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP

41-0746749

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10	AUDITOR	16275	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

FIRST STATE TRUST COMPANY

23-3060382

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
19 21 27 28 51	NONE	15477	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

**4** Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS, LLC</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>91-0817881</b>

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

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	0	0
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	0	0
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>	140807	6808
<b>c</b> General investments:			
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	1487688	1556849
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>	11826285	0
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	7897955	0
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	256	0
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>		
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>		
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>		
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>		
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>		
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>		
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>		
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>		
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>		
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>		
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>		

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		<b>(a)</b> Beginning of Year	<b>(b)</b> End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	<b>1d(1)</b>		
(2) Employer real property.....	<b>1d(2)</b>		
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	<b>1e</b>		
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	<b>1f</b>	21352991	1563657
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>		
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>		
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>		
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>	0	1563657
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	0	1563657
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	21352991	0

**Part II Income and Expense Statement**

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

<b>Income</b>		<b>(a)</b> Amount	<b>(b)</b> Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers.....	<b>2a(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	<b>2a(2)</b>		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		0
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>	98019	
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>	84154	
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>	96701	
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>		
<b>(F)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>		
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		278874
<b>(2) Dividends:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common stock.....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>	205	
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		205
(3) Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>	59001384	
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>	59424275	
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		-422891
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>	1671	
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	<b>2d</b>		-142141

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	<b>2e(1)</b>	3589916	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>	15610417	
(3) Other.....	<b>2e(3)</b>	42549	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		19242882
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	<b>2g</b>		
<b>h</b> Interest expense.....	<b>2h</b>		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>		
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>	16275	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>	37299	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>	15477	
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>	330212	
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>	5048	
(11) Other expenses.....	<b>2i(11)</b>	3044	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		407355
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	<b>2j</b>		19650237

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		-19792378
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	<b>2l(1)</b>		
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		1560613

**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: CLIFTONLARSONALLEN

(2) EIN: 41-0746749

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

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

**Part IV Compliance Questions**

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
<b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
<b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1500000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
<b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	X		
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

**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 0.

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

<b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s)	<b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s)	<b>5b(3)</b> PN(s)
ALLEIMA USA LLC 401(K) PLAN	82-5283200	001

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

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year 540658.

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

<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>004</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS, LLC</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-0817881</u>	

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

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

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): 23-3060382

**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		24
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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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**4** Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?.....  Yes  No  N/A  
**If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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(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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Part VII IRS Compliance Questions**

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

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

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

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND**  
**ERISA-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES**  
**AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024 (IN LIQUIDATION)**  
**AND 2023 (ONGOING) AND**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 (IN LIQUIDATION)**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Plan Administrator  
Alleima Special Metals LLC Retirement Plan  
Kennewick, Washington

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of Alleima Special Metals LLC Retirement Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 (in liquidation) and 2023 (ongoing), and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024 (in liquidation), and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of Alleima Special Metals LLC Retirement Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

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

#### ***Opinion***

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

- the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

- the information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

***Basis for Opinion***

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

***Emphasis of Matter***

As discussed in Notes 1, 2, and 6 to the financial statements, the Board of Directors authorized the termination of the Plan, and Plan management determined liquidation is imminent during 2024. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Plan has changed its basis of accounting from the ongoing basis used in presenting the 2023 financial statements to the liquidation basis used in presenting the 2024 financial statements. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

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

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 Audit of the Financial Statements***

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an 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 for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Alleima Special Metals LLC Retirement Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

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

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

***Other Matters — Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA***

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

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

In our opinion

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

*CliftonLarsonAllen LLP*

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Kennewick, Washington  
October 15, 2025

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 (IN LIQUIDATION) AND 2023 (ONGOING)**

	<u>2024</u> <u>(in Liquidation)</u>	<u>2023</u> <u>(Ongoing)</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)</b>		
Money Market Funds	\$ 1,556,849	\$ 1,487,688
Common Stock	-	256
U.S. Government Securities	-	11,826,285
Corporate Bonds	-	7,897,955
Total Investments at Fair Value	1,556,849	21,212,184
<b>RECEIVABLES</b>		
Investment Income	5,137	140,807
Investment Income Expected to be Earned in Liquidation	1,671	-
Total Receivables	6,808	140,807
Total Assets	1,563,657	21,352,991
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Estimated Payments to Another Plan Upon Liquidation	1,560,613	-
Accrued Expenses Expected to be Incurred in Liquidation	3,044	-
Total Liabilities	1,563,657	-
<b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS (ONGOING)</b>		<b>\$ 21,352,991</b>
<b>NET ASSETS IN LIQUIDATION</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024 (IN LIQUIDATION)**

**ADDITIONS:**

**INVESTMENT LOSS**

Net Depreciation in Fair Value of Investments	\$ (422,891)
Interest and Dividend Income	279,079
Total Investment Loss	<u>(143,812)</u>
 Total Additions	 (143,812)

**DEDUCTIONS:**

**BENEFITS PAID**

Directly to Participants	(3,589,916)
To Insurance Carriers for the Provision of Benefits	(15,610,417)
Other	(42,549)
Total Benefits Paid	<u>(19,242,882)</u>

**ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

	<u>(404,311)</u>
Total Deductions	<u>(19,647,193)</u>

**NET DECREASE**

(19,791,005)

**ADJUSTMENTS TO LIQUIDATION BASIS**

Investment Income Expected to be Earned in Liquidation	1,671
Estimated Payments to Another Plan Upon Liquidation	(1,560,613)
Accrued Expenses Expected to be Incurred in Liquidation	(3,044)

Beginning of Year (Net Assets Available for Benefits [Ongoing])	<u>21,352,991</u>
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End of Year (Net Assets in Liquidation)	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>
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**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 (IN LIQUIDATION) AND 2023 (ONGOING)**

**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN**

The following description of Alleima Special Metals LLC Retirement Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

**General**

The Plan is a noncontributory defined benefit pension plan covering substantially all employees of Alleima Special Metals LLC (the Company) who were hired or rehired before May 20, 2010, and are members of a collective bargaining unit. The Plan was originally effective January 1, 1985. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended.

**Plan Termination**

In April 2023, the Board of Directors signed a resolution to terminate the Plan and freeze accruals effective July 23, 2023 (See Note 6). The resolution also approved certain benefit enhancements, effective January 1, 2023. Participants that were both active and accruing benefits on this date were credited with an additional five years of Benefit Service and the Social Security offset was removed from the benefit calculation. The Plan was amended to allow for lump sum payments or annuity purchases. Plan management notified participants of their options. In March 2024, \$2,989,136 in lump sum payments were paid out to participants who elected this option.

The Plan signed an agreement, dated May 2, 2024, with American National Insurance Company (ANICO) to annuitize the remaining accumulated plan benefits and transfer liability to ANICO effective May 9, 2024. Net premiums of \$15,610,417 were paid to ANICO during the Plan year.

Management has deemed liquidation to be imminent as of December 31, 2024 as distributions have commenced under the plan of liquidation. Subsequent to yearend, management transferred excess funds totaling \$1,560,613 to another sponsored plan to complete their plan of liquidation.

**Pension Benefits**

Under the Plan, employees who have attained age 65 and who have accumulated five or more years of service are entitled to monthly pension benefits beginning at normal retirement age (65). Employees who have attained age 65 and who have accumulated five or more years of service are entitled to a benefit that is based on "Final Average Earnings," years of benefit service, and estimated Social Security benefit at the time of retirement. "Final Average Earnings" is the highest average of the rate of monthly earnings at the end of five consecutive years during the last 10 years of service. Monthly earnings are based on regular base salary or wage rate at the end of the year as recorded in the permanent payroll record and include deferrals made to the 401(k) plan.

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
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**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)**

**Pension Benefits (Continued)**

As a pension plan subject to Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 412, participants receive their accrued vested benefits in the form of a Qualified Joint and Survivor Annuity. Under the terms of the Plan, a Qualified Joint and Survivor Annuity is a joint and 100% survivor annuity. In the event that the participant is married and the participant's spouse waives the Qualified Joint and Survivor Annuity, the participant may elect to receive his or her accrued benefit in the form of a straight-life annuity, the normal form of benefit in the Plan.

Participants became fully vested on July 23, 2023, the effective date of the Plan Termination.

Normal retirement age is defined as the older of age 65 or the age of the participant on the date five years after the first day of the Plan year in which his Plan entry date occurred. A participant's early retirement date is the first day of the month on which the participant ceases to be an employee and has attained age 55 and completed 10 years of vesting service.

**Death and Disability Benefits**

If an active employee dies at age 55 or older, a death benefit equal to half the value of the employee's accumulated pension benefits is paid to the employee's spouse (if applicable). Active employees who become totally disabled receive annual disability benefits that are equal to the normal retirement benefits they have accumulated as of the time they become disabled. Disability benefits are paid until normal retirement age, at which time disabled participants begin receiving normal retirement benefits computed as though they had been employed to normal retirement age with their annual compensation remaining the same as at the time they became disabled.

**Funding Policy**

The Company contributes to the Plan as determined by an independent actuary and minimum funding standards under current federal income tax laws. Participants may not make contributions to the Plan. The Company contribution for the year ended December 31, 2024, met the minimum funding requirements of ERISA.

**NOTE 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Accounting**

As a result of the Plan termination effective July 23, 2023, Plan management determined liquidation of the Plan is imminent during 2024 when distributions under the plan of liquidation commenced. In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Plan has changed its basis of accounting from the ongoing basis used in presenting the 2023 financial statements to the liquidation basis used in presenting the 2024 financial statements.

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2024 (IN LIQUIDATION) AND 2023 (ONGOING)**

**NOTE 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNT POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Basis of Accounting (Continued)**

Under the liquidation basis of accounting, assets are stated at their estimated net realized cash value expected to be collected in settling or disposing of assets during the liquidation process and liabilities are stated at their anticipated settlement amounts. As of December 31, 2024, the Plan accrued costs of \$3,044 expected to be incurred, accrued estimated payments to another Plan in the amount of \$1,560,613, and accrued investment earnings of \$1,671 expected to be recognized, through the end of its liquidation as there is a reasonable basis for estimation.

**Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Investment Valuation and Income Recognition**

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 5 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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

**Payment of Benefits**

Benefits are recorded when paid.

**Administrative Expenses**

Administrative expenses (consisting of management fees, trustee fees, and investment consulting fees) associated with operation of the Plan are paid by the Plan. Other administrative expenses are paid by the Company.

**Subsequent Events**

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 15, 2025, the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
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**NOTE 3 ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS**

Accumulated Plan benefits are those future periodic payments, including lump-sum distributions that are attributable under the Plan's provisions to the service employees have rendered. Accumulated Plan benefits include benefits expected to be paid to:

- a) Retired or terminated employees or their beneficiaries,
- b) Beneficiaries of employees who have died, and
- c) Present employees or their beneficiaries.

Benefits under the Plan are based on the employees' compensation during their years of credited service. The accumulated plan benefits for active employees are based on their salary history through July 23, 2023, the date Plan benefits were frozen as a result of the Plan termination.

Benefits payable under all circumstances (retirement, death, and termination of employment) are included, to the extent they are deemed attributable, to employee service rendered to the valuation date.

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits is determined by the Plan's actuary, Mercer, and is that amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to adjust the accumulated plan benefits to reflect the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment.

The significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuation as of December 31, 2024, were:

- a) Life expectancy of participants (PRI-2012 sex distinct with contingent survivor adjustments for beneficiaries with blue collar based on Scale MP-2021).
- b) A rate of return on assets of 3.94%.
- c) Retirement age (see table below).

The significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuation as of December 31, 2023, were:

- a) Life expectancy of participants (PRI-2012 sex distinct with contingent survivor adjustments for beneficiaries with blue collar based on Scale MP-2021).
- b) A rate of return on assets of 3.94%.

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
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**NOTE 3 ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

c) Retirement age (see table below).

<u>Attained Age</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Under 55	0 %
55	2
56	2
57	2
58	2
59	2
60	20
61	5
62	30
63	50
64	5
65 and Above	100

The foregoing actuarial assumptions are based on the presumption that the Plan was terminating. The computation of the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits were made as of January 1. Had the valuations been performed as of December 31, there would be no material modifications.

The following is a summary of actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits		
Vested Benefits		
Retired Participants	\$ -	\$ 15,789,544
Other Participants	-	5,259,455
Total Vested Benefits	-	21,048,999
Nonvested Benefits	-	85,976
Total Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits	\$ -	\$ 21,134,975

The changes in the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits are summarized as follows for the year ended December 31, 2024:

Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits - Beginning of Year	\$ 21,134,975
Increase (Decrease) During the Year Attributable to:	
Benefits Accumulated and Gains (Losses)	(2,165,558)
Change in Discount Period	273,465
Benefits Paid	(19,242,882)
Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits - End of Year	\$ -

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
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**NOTE 4 CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION**

Certain information related to investments disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules, including investments held at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and net depreciation in fair value of the investments, interest and dividends for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained or derived from information supplied to the Plan administrator and certified as complete and accurate by First State Trust Company, the qualified institution of the Plan.

**NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS**

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

*Level 1* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

*Level 2* – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

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

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

*Level 3* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair market value measurement.

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

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

*Investments in Corporate and Governmental Entity Bonds:* Valued based on yields currently available on comparable securities of issuers with similar credit ratings.

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**NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

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

*Investments in Common Stock:* Valued at the closing price reported in the active market in which the individual security is traded.

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

	2024 (in Liquidation)			Total
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Money Market Funds	\$ 1,556,849	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,556,849
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 1,556,849</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,556,849</u>
	2023 (Ongoing)			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money Market Funds	\$ 1,487,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,487,688
U.S. Government Securities	-	11,826,285	-	11,826,285
Corporate Bonds	-	7,897,955	-	7,897,955
Common Stock	256	-	-	256
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 1,487,944</u>	<u>\$ 19,724,240</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 21,212,184</u>

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

**NOTE 6 PLAN TERMINATION**

The Board of Directors have signed a resolution to terminate the Plan, effective July 23, 2023.

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**NOTE 6 PLAN TERMINATION (CONTINUED)**

In the event the Plan terminates, the net assets of the Plan will be allocated, as prescribed by ERISA and its related regulations, generally to provide the following benefits in the order indicated:

1. Annuity benefits to former employees or their beneficiaries that have been receiving benefits for at least three years, or employees eligible to retire for that three-year period that would have been receiving benefits if they had retired with benefits in the normal form of annuity under the Plan. The priority amount is limited to the lowest benefit that was payable (or would have been payable) during those three years. The amount is further limited to the lowest benefit that would be payable under Plan provisions in effect at any time during the five years preceding plan termination.
2. Other vested benefits insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) (a U.S. governmental agency) up to the applicable limitations (discussed subsequently).
3. All other vested benefits (that is, vested benefits not insured by the PBGC).
4. All nonvested benefits.

Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the PBGC if the Plan terminates. Generally, the PBGC guarantees most vested normal age retirement benefits, early retirement benefits, and certain disability and survivor's pensions. However, the PBGC does not guarantee all types of benefits under the Plan, and the amount of benefit protection is subject to certain limitations. Vested benefits under the Plan are guaranteed at the level in effect on the date of the Plan's termination. However, there is a statutory ceiling on the amount of an individual's monthly benefit that the PBGC guarantees. That ceiling applies to those pensioners who elect to receive their benefits in the form of a single-life annuity and are at least 65 years old at the time of retirement or Plan termination, whichever comes later. For younger annuitants, or for those who elect to receive their benefits in some form more valuable than a single-life annuity, the corresponding ceilings are actuarially adjusted downward.

Benefit improvements attributable to Plan amendments may not be fully guaranteed if the effective date of Plan termination is within five years of the Plan amendment. After the first year, the PBGC would guarantee 20% of any benefit improvements that resulted in benefits below the ceiling, with an additional 20% guaranteed each year the Plan continued beyond the Plan amendment date. If the amount of the benefit increase below the ceiling is also less than \$100, \$20 of the increase (rather than 20%) becomes guaranteed by the PBGC each year following the effective date of the amendment. As a result, only the primary ceiling would be applicable after five years.

All participants were distributed 100% of their beneficial interest as the Plan was adequately funded.

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN  
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**NOTE 7 PLAN TAX STATUS**

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has determined and informed the Company by letter that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, they believe that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax-exempt.

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

**NOTE 8 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

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

Plan contributions are made and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits are reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term would be material to the financial statements.

**NOTE 9 PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

Certain Plan investments are managed by JPMorgan Chase & Co. (JPMorgan), an investment advisor. First State Trust Company serves as trustee for the Plan. These arrangements qualify as party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules.

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**NOTE 10 RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500**

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500 as of December 31:

	2024 <u>(in Liquidation)</u>	2023 <u>(Ongoing)</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Financial Statements	\$ -	\$ 21,352,991
Adjustments to Liquidation Basis	<u>1,561,986</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 1,561,986</u>	<u>\$ 21,352,991</u>

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN**  
**E.I.N. 91-0817881 PLAN NO. 004**  
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2024**

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment, Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	Cost	Current Value	
	<b><u>Money Market Funds:</u></b>			
*	FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	<u>\$ 1,556,849</u>	<u>\$ 1,556,849</u>
	Total		<u><u>\$ 1,556,849</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,556,849</u></u>

\* Indicates party-in-interest

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN**  
**E.I.N. 91-0817881 PLAN NO. 004**  
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset/Transaction	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value	Net Gain (Loss)
<b><u>Category (iii) - Series of Transactions in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets</u></b>						
FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	U.S. Government Security (59 Buy)	\$ 37,516,408	\$ -	\$ 37,516,408	\$ 37,516,408	\$ -
FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	U.S. Government Security (52 Sell)	-	37,447,247	37,447,247	37,447,247	-
United States Treasury Notes	U.S. Government Security (2 Sell)	-	1,153,882	1,153,882	1,153,882	-

*Columns (e) and (f) are omitted as they are not applicable.*

*There were no category (i), (ii) or (iv) transactions for the year ended December 31, 2024.*



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**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN**  
**E.I.N. 91-0817881 PLAN NO. 004**  
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024**

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(g)	(h)	(i)
Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset/Transaction	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value	Net Gain (Loss)
<b><u>Category (iii) - Series of Transactions in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets</u></b>						
FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	U.S. Government Security (59 Buy)	\$ 37,516,408	\$ -	\$ 37,516,408	\$ 37,516,408	\$ -
FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	U.S. Government Security (52 Sell)	-	37,447,247	37,447,247	37,447,247	-
United States Treasury Notes	U.S. Government Security (2 Sell)	-	1,153,882	1,153,882	1,153,882	-

*Columns (e) and (f) are omitted as they are not applicable.*

*There were no category (i), (ii) or (iv) transactions for the year ended December 31, 2024.*

**ALLEIMA SPECIAL METALS LLC RETIREMENT PLAN**  
**E.I.N. 91-0817881 PLAN NO. 004**  
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2024**

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment, Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	Cost	Current Value	
	<b><u>Money Market Funds:</u></b>			
*	FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	FDIC Bank Deposit Fund	<u>\$ 1,556,849</u>	<u>\$ 1,556,849</u>
	Total		<u><u>\$ 1,556,849</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,556,849</u></u>

\* *Indicates party-in-interest*