

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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

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

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

- A This return/report is for: [ ] a multiemployer plan [ ] a multiple-employer plan... [X] a single-employer plan [ ] a DFE... B This return/report is: [ ] the first return/report [ ] the final return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan... D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [ ] automatic extension... E If this is a retroactively adopted plan...

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan: LEE ENTERPRISES INC GROUP DENTAL PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 533
1c Effective date of plan: 10/01/1984
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): LEE ENTERPRISES, INC.
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 42-0823980
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 563-383-2100
2d Business code (see instructions): 511110

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>	2300
<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>	2257
	<b>6a(2)</b>	2034
	<b>6b</b>	29
	<b>6c</b>	0
	<b>6d</b>	2063
	<b>6e</b>	
	<b>6f</b>	
	<b>6g(1)</b>	
<b>6g(2)</b>		
<b>6h</b>		
<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:

**b** If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
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<b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	<b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input checked="" 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)

<p><b>a Pension Schedules</b></p> <p>(1) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MB</b> (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SB</b> (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____</p> <p>(5) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MEP</b> (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)</p>	<p><b>b General Schedules</b></p> <p>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>H</b> (Financial Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>I</b> (Financial Information – Small Plan)</p> <p>(3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) – Number Attached _____</p> <p>(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>C</b> (Service Provider Information)</p> <p>(5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>D</b> (DFE/Participating Plan Information)</p> <p>(6) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>G</b> (Financial Transaction Schedules)</p>
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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>LEE ENTERPRISES INC GROUP DENTAL PLAN</b>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<b>533</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>LEE ENTERPRISES, INC.</b>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>42-0823980</b>	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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(b) 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?
12	CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR	56092	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Explanation:

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
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Explanation:

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

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PULITZER INC

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>43-1819711-500</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>M</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>365370</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

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<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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<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.

Assets	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b>	
<b>c</b> General investments:		
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>	
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>	
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>	
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	
<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>	340268
<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>	365370

<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>	340268	365370
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>	99355	40000
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>		
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>		
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>	39911	103234
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	139266	143234
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	201002	222136

**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>	484704	
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>	749448	
<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>		1234152
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>		
<b>(F)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>	12132	
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		12132
<b>(2) Dividends:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common stock.....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		
<b>(3)</b> Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	2b(8)		13059
(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)		
<b>c</b> Other income .....	2c		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	2d		1259343

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	2e(1)	1156374	
(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)		1156374
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	2f		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	2g		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	2h		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	2i(3)		
(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)	81835	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11) .....	2i(12)		81835
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	2j		1238209

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d .....	2k		21134
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	2l(1)		
(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: COHNREZNICK LLP

(2) EIN: 33-4144829

**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		500000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
<b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.		X	

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

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

<b>5b(1)</b> Name of plan(s)	<b>5b(2)</b> EIN(s)	<b>5b(3)</b> PN(s)

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

**Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan**

**Financial Statements  
and Independent Auditor's Report**

**December 31, 2024 and 2023**

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# Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator  
Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan

*Opinion*

We have audited the financial statements of the Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits and of benefit obligations as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits and of changes in benefit obligations for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits and accumulated plan benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits and accumulated plan benefits for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Basis for Opinion*

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

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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.

*CohnReznick LLP*

Chicago, Illinois  
October 14, 2025

**Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan**

**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits  
December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Assets		
Investments, at fair value		
Plan interest in Pulitzer Inc. Employee Benefits Trust	<u>\$ 365,370</u>	<u>\$ 340,268</u>
Total assets	<u>365,370</u>	<u>340,268</u>
Liabilities		
Reimbursements payable to Plan Sponsor	99,217	39,911
Accrued expenses	<u>4,017</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	<u>103,234</u>	<u>39,911</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 262,136</u>	<u>\$ 300,357</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

**Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan**

**Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits  
Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	2024	2023
<b>Additions</b>		
Contributions		
Employer contribution	\$ 484,704	\$ 473,867
Participants' contributions	749,448	853,870
Total contributions	1,234,152	1,327,737
Investment income		
Plan interest in Pulitzer Inc. Employee Benefits Trust income	25,191	29,186
Total additions	1,259,343	1,356,923
<b>Deductions</b>		
Claims paid	(1,215,729)	(1,278,292)
Administrative expenses	(81,835)	(90,163)
Total deductions	(1,297,564)	(1,368,455)
Decrease in net assets	(38,221)	(11,532)
<b>Net assets available for benefits</b>		
Beginning of year	300,357	311,889
End of year	\$ 262,136	\$ 300,357

See Notes to Financial Statements.

**Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan**

**Statements of Benefit Obligations  
December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amounts currently payable		
Claims incurred but not yet reported	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$ 99,355</u>
Total benefit obligations	<u><u>\$ 40,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 99,355</u></u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

**Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan**

**Statements of Changes in Benefit Obligations  
Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Amounts currently payable		
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 99,355	\$ 116,644
Claims incurred	1,156,374	1,261,003
Claims paid	<u>(1,215,729)</u>	<u>(1,278,292)</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>40,000</u>	<u>99,355</u>
Plan total benefit obligations at end of year	<u>\$ 40,000</u>	<u>\$ 99,355</u>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

## Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### Note 1 - Description of the Plan

The following description of the Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only and is sponsored by Lee Enterprises, Inc. (the "Company" or "Plan Sponsor"). Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for complete information of the Plan's provisions.

##### **General**

The Plan constitutes an employee welfare benefit plan under the applicable section of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA") and is extended to substantially all active eligible employees and their eligible dependents. The Plan Sponsor has designated the Plan to pay the dental claims of its participants. Eligible employees may elect dental services through their preferred provider organizations participating in the Plan, or any dental organization of their choice. Claim payments are based on each participant's coverage election.

The Plan has an interest in the Pulitzer Inc. Employee Benefits Trust ("Master Trust") which covers benefits of only certain covered participants.

##### **Contributions**

The Plan is contributory, funded by both participant and employer contributions. Employee contributions are based upon rates determined by the Plan Sponsor and the claims processor. Any and all remaining participant claims and administrative fees are paid by the Company who has committed to make payments to the Plan as needed to pay any remaining benefits and expenses related to the Plan.

##### **Self-insured benefits**

All Plan benefits are self-insured. The claims are processed by the Plan's third-party claims processor under an administrative services only (ASO) arrangement. The claims processor pays claims directly to or on behalf of participants and is then reimbursed by contributions from the Company. The Company is reimbursed by the Master Trust for claims of certain participants. Despite the Plan's utilization of third-party claims' processors, ultimate responsibility for payments to providers and participants is retained by the Plan.

#### Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies

##### **Basis of accounting**

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

##### **Use of estimates**

The preparation of the Plan's financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires the Plan Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of net assets available for benefits and of benefit obligations, and changes in net assets available for benefits and of changes in benefit obligations during the reporting periods and when applicable, disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

##### **Payments of benefits**

Claim payments are recorded when paid by the third-party claims processor as claims paid in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits. Amounts due to claims processors that have yet to be reimbursed by the Plan are recorded as reimbursements payable to Plan Sponsor in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits.

## Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

#### **Administrative expenses**

The Plan pays administrative expenses that consist primarily of administrative fees paid to third-party claims administrators, the trustee, and actuary. These expenses are reported on the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits as administrative expenses. All other administrative expenses, such as professional fees, are paid by the Company on behalf of the Plan.

#### **Claims incurred but not reported**

Plan obligations at December 31 for claims incurred but not reported are estimated by the Plan's actuary in accordance with accepted actuarial principles based on claims data provided by the Plan's third-party claims administrators. These amounts are paid by the Plan only if claims are submitted and approved for payment.

#### **Investment valuation**

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The Plan's Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the trustee. See Note 3 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. Plan interest in Pulitzer Inc. Employee Benefits Trust income (loss) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

#### **Subsequent events**

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 14, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### **Note 3 - Fair value measurements**

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 under Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Codification 820 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 to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and
- 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.

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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 methodologies used at December 31, 2024 and 2023:

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

*Limited partnerships:* Valued at the NAV of units of a limited partnership. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient is not used when it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different than the reported NAV. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the limited partnership, the issuer reserves the right to require 12 months' notification in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner.

#### Note 4 - Master Trust

The Plan's investments are in the Master Trust, which was established for the investment of assets of the Plan and other Company sponsored health and welfare plans. Each participating health and welfare plan has an undivided interest in the Master Trust. The assets of the Master Trust were held by State Street Bank & Trust Company until June 30, 2024. On July 1, 2024, the assets were transferred to Northern Trust.

The value of the Plan's interest in the Master Trust is based on the beginning of year value of the Plan's interest in the trust plus allocated investment income less Company reimbursements and allocated administrative expenses. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Plan's interest in the net assets of the Master Trust was approximately 1.4% and 1.3%, respectively. Investment income and administrative expenses that relate to the Master Trust are allocated by the percentage of interest each plan has in the Master Trust.

The following table presents the net assets of the Master Trust and the Plan's interest in the Master Trust as of December 31, 2024:

	<u>Master Trust</u>	<u>Plan's interest in Master Trust</u>
Assets		
Mutual funds	\$ 26,375,413	\$ 362,037
Limited partnerships	242,794	3,333
	<u>\$ 26,618,207</u>	<u>\$ 365,370</u>

**Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan**

**Notes to Financial Statements  
December 31, 2024 and 2023**

The following table presents the net assets of the Master Trust and the Plan's interest in the Master Trust as of December 31, 2023:

	Master Trust	Plan's interest in Master Trust
Assets		
Mutual funds	\$ 23,334,237	\$ 293,655
Limited partnerships	2,952,661	37,159
Due from broker	751,212	9,454
Total assets of the Master Trust	\$ 27,038,110	\$ 340,268

The following are the changes in net assets for the Master Trust for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024	2023
Changes in net assets		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 1,037,269	\$ 1,381,159
Interest	11,713	5,734
Dividends	951,890	767,868
Net investment income	2,000,872	2,154,761
Administrative expenses	(66,970)	(34,154)
Net transfers	(2,287,319)	(277,896)
Distributions	(66,486)	(26,381)
(Decrease) increase in net assets	(419,903)	1,816,330
Net assets		
Beginning of year	27,038,110	25,221,780
End of year	\$ 26,618,207	\$ 27,038,110

Refer to Note 3 for description of the valuation methodologies used.

## Lee Enterprises, Inc. Group Dental Plan

### Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2024 and 2023

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023. Classification within the fair value hierarchy table is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

	2024			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mutual funds	\$ 26,375,413	\$ 26,375,413	\$ -	\$ -
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	26,375,413	26,375,413	-	-
Investments measured at NAV (a)	242,794	-	-	-
Total investments at fair value	\$ 26,618,207	\$ 26,375,413	\$ -	\$ -
	2023			
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Mutual funds	\$ 23,334,237	\$ 23,334,237	\$ -	\$ -
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	23,334,237	23,334,237	-	-
Investments measured at NAV (a)	2,952,661	-	-	-
Total investments at fair value	\$ 26,286,898	\$ 23,334,237	\$ -	\$ -

(a) In accordance with Subtopic 820-10, certain investments that were measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

#### Fair value of investments in entities that use NAV

The following tables summarize investments for which fair value is measured using NAV per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

	2024			
	Fair value	Unfunded commitments	Redemption frequency (if currently eligible)	Redemption notice period
Pointer Offshore Fund III LTD	\$ 242,794	None	Semi-annual	105
Total	\$ 242,794			

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	2023			
	Fair value	Unfunded commitments	Redemption frequency (if currently eligible)	Redemption notice period
Marathon-London International Investment Trust I	\$ 618,376	None	Daily	Daily
Pointer Offshore Fund III LTD	751,212	None	Semi-annual	105
Pinehurst Institutional Fund Limited Partnership	1,583,073	None	Daily	Daily
Total	\$ 2,952,661			

#### Investment strategies for non-direct filing entities

##### **Marathon-London International Investment Trust I**

The investment objective of the trust is to enable unitholders to achieve growth of capital through investment in professionally managed portfolio of global securities.

##### **Pointer Offshore Fund III LTD**

The investment objective of the fund is to trade and invest in securities, private investment companies and other investments.

##### **Pinehurst International Fund Limited Partnership**

The fund's investment objective is to achieve substantial capital appreciation with limited volatility.

#### **Note 5 - Income tax status**

The Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association (VEBA) trust funding certain benefits of the Plan received an exemption letter from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") dated June 13, 1990, stating that the trust is tax-exempt under the provisions of Section 501(c)9 of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). However, as a result of the Plan's funding policy, from time to time the trust may be subject to income taxes. No federal or state income taxes have been recorded for unrelated business taxable income. In addition, the Plan and the trust are required to operate in conformity with the IRC to maintain the tax-exempt status of the trust. The Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes that the related trust is tax-exempt.

GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if it 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 6 - Plan termination**

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to modify the benefits provided to, and contributions required of, participants, to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of termination of the Plan, remaining assets will be applied in a uniform and nondiscriminatory manner toward the provision of benefits for or on account of the participants. No assets of the Plan may revert to the Company or be used for purposes other than for the exclusive benefit of the Plan's participants.

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#### Note 7 - Transactions with party-in-interest and related parties

Certain Plan assets were invested in a common trust fund managed by the trustee of the Plan. As described in Notes 1 and 2, the Plan has several arrangements with service providers. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions under ERISA.

#### 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 investment securities will occur in the near-term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

#### Note 9 - Reconciliation of financial statements to Form 5500

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

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 262,136	\$ 300,357
Benefit obligations currently payable	<u>(40,000)</u>	<u>(99,355)</u>
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 222,136</u>	<u>\$ 201,002</u>

The following is a reconciliation of claims paid per the financial statements to Form 5500:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Claims paid per the financial statements	\$ 1,215,729	\$ 1,278,292
Add amounts currently payable in current year	40,000	99,355
Less amounts current payable in prior year	<u>(99,355)</u>	<u>(116,644)</u>
Claims paid per Form 5500	<u>\$ 1,156,374</u>	<u>\$ 1,261,003</u>

Claims incurred but not reported are not considered liabilities under GAAP and, therefore, are not presented as liabilities or claims paid in the accompanying financial statements but are recorded on Form 5500 as a liability.



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**Form 5500**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security  
Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

**Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan**

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

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

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**2024**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

**Part I Annual Report Identification Information**

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

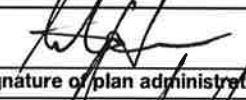
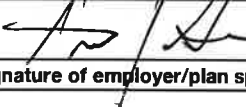
- A** This return/report is for:  a multiemployer plan  a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
- a single-employer plan  a DFE (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- B** This return/report is:  the first return/report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

**Part II Basic Plan Information** - enter all requested information

<b>1a</b> Name of plan <b>LEE ENTERPRISES INC GROUP DENTAL PLAN</b>	<b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<b>533</b>
	<b>1c</b> Effective date of plan	<b>10/01/1984</b>
<b>2a</b> Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <b>LEE ENTERPRISES, INC.</b>  <b>201 N. HARRISON STREET</b>  <b>DAVENPORT IA 52801</b>	<b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN)	<b>42-0823980</b>
	<b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number	<b>563-383-2100</b>
	<b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions)	<b>511110</b>

**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.

<b>SIGN HERE</b>		10/14/2025	ASTRID GARCIA
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>		10/14/2025	ASTRID GARCIA
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as 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
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<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
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<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b>	2300
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<b>6</b> 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).		
<b>a (1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year .....	<b>6a(1)</b>	2257
<b>a (2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year .....	<b>6a(2)</b>	2034
<b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits .....	<b>6b</b>	29
<b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits .....	<b>6c</b>	0
<b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c .....	<b>6d</b>	2063
<b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits .....	<b>6e</b>	
<b>f</b> Total. Add lines 6d and 6e .....	<b>6f</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>6g(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) .....	<b>6g(2)</b>	
<b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested .....	<b>6h</b>	
<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:

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

**4D**

<b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	<b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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**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> (1) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MB</b> (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SB</b> (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (4) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DCG</b> (Individual Plan Information) - Number Attached _____ (5) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MEP</b> (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	<b>b General Schedules</b> (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>H</b> (Financial Information) (2) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>I</b> (Financial Information - Small Plan) (3) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) - Number Attached _____ (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>C</b> (Service Provider Information) (5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>D</b> (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>G</b> (Financial Transaction Schedules)
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