

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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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.) [x] a single-employer plan [] a DFE (specify) ____
B This return/report is: [] the first return/report [] the final return/report [x] 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: [x] 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

1a Name of plan THE CONTRACTORS RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 002
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2011
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) K.E. GUTRIDGE, LLC 88 SOUTH SECOND ST NEWARK, OH 43055
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-1007719
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 740-349-9411
2d Business code (see instructions) 238900

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 plan administrator, employer/plan sponsor, and DFE.

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3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	280
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1)	265
	6a(2)	293
	6b	0
	6c	21
	6d	314
	6e	0
	6f	314
	6g(1)	280
	6g(2)	314
6h	0	
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

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

A Name of plan <u>THE CONTRACTORS RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>002</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>K.E. GUTRIDGE, LLC</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>82-1007719</u>	

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>CONTRACTORS RET. PLAN MASTER TRUST</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>FRINGE BENEFIT GROUP, INC.</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>74-2485507-001</u>	d Entity code <u>E</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>5254259</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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d Entity code

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024	
A Name of plan THE CONTRACTORS RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 K.E. GUTRIDGE, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-1007719

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

	(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets		
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	
(3) Other	1b(3)	
c General investments:		
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)	
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)	
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	270800
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	5254259
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	
(15) Other	1c(15)	

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	4368836	5525059
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g		
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k		
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	4368836	5525059

Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	1329837	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		1329837
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	5741	
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		5741
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		442067
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		1777645

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	616922	
(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)		616922
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	4500	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		4500
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		621422

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		1156223
l 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: **ERICKSON DEMEL & ASSOCIATES, PLLC**

(2) EIN: **87-1577252**

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

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

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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A Name of plan THE CONTRACTORS RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 K.E. GUTRIDGE, LLC	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 82-1007719	

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

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

1		0
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2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):
EIN(s): 33-6134385 13-3689044

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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a Name of contributing employer _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

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

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 08 / 24 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q704152A.



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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE**

**December 31, 2024 and 2023
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Independent Auditor's Report

Trustee
The Contractors Retirement Plan
Sponsored by KE Guttridge, LLC

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

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

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of The Contractors Retirement Plan Sponsored by KE Guttridge, LLC's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-12 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 such asset information related to the Plan's investment in the Contractors Retirement Plan Master Trust, a trust meeting the requirements of 29 CFR 2520.103-12 (b) and (c) as a Direct Filing Entity (DFE) or 103-12 Investment Entity (103-12 IE) described in the instructions to Form 5500 Annual Return/Report.

Management has informed us that the 103-12 IE qualifies as a DFE under the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Act of 1974 for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Opinion

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

- the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the Plan's investment in the 103-12 IE, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.
- the information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by the 103-12 IE 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. 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 Contractors Retirement Plan Sponsored by KE Gutridge, LLC 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.

Basis of Accounting

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

Responsibility of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note B, this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and, therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards, 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 Contractors Retirement Plan Sponsored by KE Gutridge, LLC'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 Contractors Retirement Plan Sponsored by KE Gutridge, LLC's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the investment information associated with the 103-12 IE, except for obtaining and reading the Form 5500 of the 103-12 IE, comparing the 103-12 IE investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the 103-12 IE information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of the modified cash basis of accounting.

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

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

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule – Schedule H, Line 4i, Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2024 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the 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 schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the 103-12 IE information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the 103-12 IE information, we compared such information to the Form 5500 of the 103-12 IE.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the 103-12 IE 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 schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the 103-12 IE information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by the 103-12 IE meet the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Erickson Dewh & Associates, PLLC

Certified Public Accountants

November 11, 2025

**THE CONTRACTORS RETIREMENT PLAN
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**STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(Modified Cash Basis)**

ASSETS

	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Investments, at Fair Value	\$ 5,254,259	\$ 4,210,726
Notes Receivable from Participants	270,800	158,110
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u>\$ 5,525,059</u>	<u>\$ 4,368,836</u>

See notes to financial statements

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(Modified Cash Basis)

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024

Additions to Net Assets Attributed to:

Investment Income:

Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments \$ 442,067

Interest Income on Notes Receivable from Participants 5,741

Contributions:

Employer Contributions 1,329,837

Total Additions 1,777,645

Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to:

Benefit Payments 616,922

Administrative Expenses 4,500

Total Deductions 621,422

Increase in Net Assets Available for Benefits 1,156,223

Net Assets Available for Benefits:

Beginning of Year 4,368,836

End of Year \$ 5,525,059

See notes to financial statements

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(Modified Cash Basis)**

**December 31, 2024 and 2023
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A. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of The Contractors Retirement Plan sponsored by KE Guttridge, LLC (Plan) is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan was formed effective January 1, 2011, was restated on January 1, 2022 upon adoption of The Contractors Retirement Plan and is a non-standardized defined contribution plan which contains a cash or deferred arrangement pursuant to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Participation

Eligible individuals consist of employees rendering services for KE Guttridge, LLC (Plan Sponsor) on contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act, Service Contract Act or other federal, state or municipal prevailing wage laws. There is no age or service requirement to receive prevailing wage contributions.

Contributions

The Plan allows for employer nonelective contributions. Such contributions cannot exceed the lesser of 100% of the employee's compensation or \$69,000 for the reportable plan year. Prevailing wage contributions, determined by the employer based on rates that satisfy the wage determination issued by the governmental agency responsible for certain contracts and rollover contributions are also allowed.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with an allocation of the employer's contribution. Each participant has the authority to direct the investment of their account to one or more of the investment funds designated as investment options by the Plan Sponsor. Investment gain or loss is recognized in participants' accounts on a daily basis as the unit values of the funds change. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the distributable value of the participant's account.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED
(Modified Cash Basis)**

A. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN – Continued

Notes Receivable from Participants

Upon application by any participant of the Plan, and subject to such rules as the Plan Administrator may establish, the Plan Administrator may in his/her discretion direct the Trustee to make a loan to such participant, not to exceed (including interest) the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of the participant's vested balance. Any loans made pursuant to the Plan prior to January 1, 2024, will bear a rate of interest equal to the prime rate at the loan origination date. Loans made after January 1, 2024, will bear a rate of interest equal to the prime rate at the loan origination date plus one percent. The interest rate on loan balances was 3.25%-9.50% for the year ended December 31, 2024. The loan is secured by a pledge of such participant's vested balance and principal and interest are paid ratably by the participant.

Vesting

Participants are immediately 100% vested in their employer prevailing wage contributions and net Trust earnings allocated to their accounts. Employer nonelective contributions vest according to the following schedule:

Years of Service	Vested Percentage
0-1	0%
2	20%
3	40%
4	60%
5	80%
6	100%

Regardless of the vesting schedule above, a participant is automatically fully vested in their share of employer nonelective upon death, total and permanent disability, or reaching the age of early retirement, which is age 55.

Forfeitures

Forfeitures, if any, may be used to reduce future employer contributions. There were no unallocated forfeiture balances as of December 31, 2024 or 2023. During the year ended December 31, 2024, no forfeiture balances were used to reduce employer contributions.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED
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A. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN – Continued

Benefit Payments

Under terms of the Plan, participants are eligible for benefit payments upon reaching age 55. The Plan also provides for distributions to participants, or their beneficiaries, upon death, disability, and termination of employment. Participants may choose to have benefits paid directly to them or to have benefits paid directly to another qualified retirement plan or individual retirement arrangement on their behalf.

Plan Termination

The employer has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA.

Trustee and Special Trustee

SMARTTS, LLC dba SMART Trust Services (previously known as ERISA Smart, Inc.) is the directed trustee, and LeafHouse Financial is the ERISA 3(38) Investment Manager Fiduciary of The Contractors Retirement Plan Master Trust (Trust). The duties of the Investment Manager include selection and monitoring of the investment funds available to the Plan Sponsors that participate in the Trust. The directed trustee fee is a flat fee of \$34,880 annually, paid monthly and allocated on a per capita basis to the participants in the Trust. The investment manager's fee is 0.04% of the Trust assets annually, paid monthly and allocated on a per capita basis to the participants in the Trust. The employer also designates a Special Trustee for the Plan in the adoption agreement and is responsible for the collection of plan contributions.

B. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting and present net assets available for benefits and changes in those net assets. Under the modified cash basis of accounting utilized, contributions are recognized when received rather than when accrued by the employer. In addition, benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid and administrative expenses are accrued monthly by the Plan.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED
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B. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – Continued

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance. Delinquent notes receivable from participants are recorded as distributions based upon the terms of the plan document.

Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan provides for investments in various investment securities, which in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risks. Market risks include global events, which could impact the value of investment securities, such as international conflicts. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participant account balances and the amounts reported in the financial statements and supplemental schedule.

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. The fair value of the Plan's interest in the Trust (as defined in Note D) is based on the beginning of year value of the Plan's interest in the Trust plus actual contributions and allocated investment income less actual distributions and allocated administrative expenses.

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

Management fees and expenses charged to the Plan for some investment accounts are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not separately reflected. Consequently, management fees and operating expenses are reflected as a reduction of investment return for such investments.

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B. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – Continued

Benefit Payments

Benefits to participants are recorded by the Plan when actual payment is made.

Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants and benefit payment transactions are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses.

C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Plan follows FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, which defines and establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as 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 (i.e. an exit price). FASB ASC 820 includes 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 and liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described below:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible to the Plan at the measurement date for identical assets and liabilities.

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities that are observable either directly or indirectly for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. Level 2 inputs include the following:

- Quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets of liabilities in active 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

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C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS – Continued

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the assets or liabilities (i.e., supported by little or no market activity). Level 3 inputs include management’s own assumption about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk).

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 need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

Group Trust - 103-12 Investment Entity: The investment is valued based on the value of the underlying assets owned by the fund, minus its liabilities, and then divided by the number of shares outstanding. The Net Asset Value (“NAV”) is based on the market value of the underlying investments. The NAV is not a publicly quoted price in an active market.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflected of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

Investments, at fair value, that are valued using NAV as a practical expedient totaled \$5,254,259 and \$4,210,726 at December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. There are no unfunded commitments at December 31, 2024 or 2023. The fund has a daily redemption frequency and redemption notice period.

D. INVESTMENT IN RETIREMENT PLAN GROUP TRUST

The Plan invests in a group trust, The Contractors Retirement Plan Master Trust (Trust), sponsored by Fringe Benefit Group, Inc. Under the terms of the plan document, all assets of the Plan are maintained in the Trust.

The Trust files a Form 5500 as a 103-12 Investment Entity.

The Plan Administrator has elected the method of compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-12 of the Department of Labor Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

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D. INVESTMENT IN RETIREMENT PLAN GROUP TRUST – Continued

Accordingly, as permitted under such election, the following information was not subjected to any auditing procedures performed by the Plan’s independent auditor other than comparing such information provided by the Trust to information included in the Plan’s financial statements and supplemental schedule:

- Investments, at fair value, as shown in the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.
- Total investment income as shown in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2024.
- Schedule H, line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2024.

The Contractors Retirement Plan Master Trust does not meet the definition of a master trust as that term is most commonly used. The Plan’s investment in the Trust represents the allocated net portion of the Trust that is attributable to The Contractors Retirement Plan sponsored by KE Gutridge, LLC and includes all the Plan’s investments.

The Plan’s share of the net assets of the Trust is based on the underlying participant account values including the effects of contributions, allocated net investment income, withdrawals, and allocated administrative expenses. Net investment income, gains and losses are allocated to participating plans on a daily basis based on participants’ investment choices. At December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Plan’s interest in the net assets of the Trust was less than 1%.

The following summarizes the assets of the Trust:

	December 31,	
	2024	2023
Investments, at Fair Value:		
Pooled Separate Accounts	\$ 1,427,223,139	\$ 510,310,635
Insurance Company General Account	–	1,013,072,811
Collective Trusts	1,338,183	–
	1,428,561,322	1,523,383,446
Investments, at Contract Value:		
Insurance Company General Account	25,507,673	–
Cash and Cash Equivalents	3,702,844	8,623,074
Other Receivables	64,528	–
	\$1,457,836,367	\$1,532,006,520

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – CONTINUED
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D. INVESTMENT IN RETIREMENT PLAN GROUP TRUST – Continued

Investment income for the Trust for the year ended December 31, 2024 is as follows:

Investment Income

Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 171,568,349
	<u>\$ 171,568,349</u>

During the year ended December 31, 2023, Administration of the Trust elected to consolidate the assets of the Trust to a single insurance company, and on December 28, 2023, all investments held by Nationwide Trust Company were transferred to Transamerica Life Insurance Company. The investments held in the Trust are stated at either fair or contract value. Investments are valued based on unit values as reported to the Trust, by Transamerica Life Insurance Company holding assets for the Trust.

E. PARTY IN INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan is part of the Trust whose recordkeeper and sponsor is Fringe Benefit Group, Inc. Various administrative expenses and asset charges of the Trust are paid to Fringe Benefit Group, Inc. and are allocated to the Plan. The Plan Administrator for the Plan is the employer, or any other individual, committee or group appointed by the employer to serve in that capacity. Effective January 1, 2024, Transamerica Retirement Solutions (“TRS”) was assigned certain transactional and recordkeeping duties of the Plan.

The Plan Administrator, Special Trustee as referenced in Note A, Investment Manager and the Trustee are named as fiduciaries under the Plan. The sponsor of the Trust, Investment Manager, and Trustee are fiduciaries of the Trust as described in the Trust Agreement. All the above-named service providers for the Plan are considered parties in interest under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and are subject to ERISA rules concerning transactions with the Plan.

F. INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE STATUS

The Master Plan Sponsor obtained its latest opinion letter, dated August 24, 2020, in which the Internal Revenue Service stated that the Master Plan was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code. Such an opinion is not a determination as to whether The Contractors Retirement Plan sponsored by KE Guttridge, LLC itself qualifies under IRC Section 401(a); however, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, they believe the Plan was qualified as of the financial statement date.

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F. INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE STATUS – Continued

The Plan Administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdiction; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

G. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan evaluated its December 31, 2024 financial statements for subsequent events through November 11, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 31, 2024

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**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)**

DECEMBER 31, 2024

(a)	(b) Identity	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Contractors Retirement Plan			
	Master Trust	103-12 I.E.	**	\$ 5,254,259
*	Participant Loans	3.25%-9.50%	-	270,800

*Denotes Party-in-Interest

**Historical cost information is not required as all investments are participant-directed.

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Name of Plan: The Contractors Retirement Plan
Plan Sponsor's Name: K.E. Gutridge, LLC
EIN No.: 82-1007719, Plan No. 002
Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets
Plan Year Ending: 12/31/2024

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment, Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Par or Maturity Value	(d) CURRENT VALUE
	Contractors Ret Plan Master Trust	103-12 IE	\$ 5,254,259
*	Participants	Notes Receivable with interest rates of 3.25% to 9.50%	\$ 270,800
TOTAL PLAN ASSETS			\$ 5,525,059

* Indicates Party-In-Interest to the Plan