Form 5500	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089
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.**	**2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 03/01/2024 and ending 02/28/2025

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

1a Name of plan STERLING SUGARS, INC. RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN	**1b** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▸ 001 **1c** Effective date of plan 03/01/1959
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) STERLING SUGARS, INC. 611 IRISH BEND ROAD FRANKLIN, LA 70538	**2b** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 72-0327950 **2c** Plan Sponsor's telephone number 337-828-0620 **2d** Business code (see instructions) 311300

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	12/16/2025	TIM SOILEAU
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] 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**	110
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	**6a(1)**	16
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	15
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	56
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	37
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	108
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	108
g(1)	Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(1)**	
g(2)	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**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:

1A

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)

- **(1)** [X] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [ ] Trust
- **(4)** [ ] General assets of the sponsor

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

- **(1)** [X] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [ ] Trust
- **(4)** [ ] General assets of the sponsor

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code______________________

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)	Insurance Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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.** ▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).	**2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

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A Name of plan STERLING SUGARS, INC. RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN	**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 STERLING SUGARS, INC.	**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 72-0327950

Part I **Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions** Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier

PRUDENTIAL RETIREMENT INSURANCE AND ANNUITY CO.

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year (f) From	Policy or contract year (g) To
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2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	**(b)** Total amount of fees paid

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid **(c)** Amount	**(d)** Purpose	**(e)** Organization code

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	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

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(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		**(e)** Organization code
	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	1399030
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	6c	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.	6d	

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity

(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee

(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	1400202
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	115942		
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)	0		
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	44906		
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)	0		
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	17756		
	▶ LITIGATIONS AND OTHER ADDITIONA				
	(6)Total additions			7c(6)	178604
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			7d	1578806
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	94341		
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	0		
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)	0		
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	85435		
	▶ ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE				
	(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	179776
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			7f	1399030

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

a ☐ Health (other than dental or vision) **b** ☐ Dental **c** ☐ Vision **d** ☐ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness) **f** ☐ Long-term disability **g** ☐ Supplemental unemployment **h** ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible) **j** ☐ HMO contract **k** ☐ PPO contract **l** ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**			
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	0
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	**9b(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	**9b(2)**			
(3) Incurred claims (add **(1)** and **(2)**)			**9b(3)**	0
(4) Claims charged			**9b(4)**	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
(A) Commissions	**9c(1)(A)**			
(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	0
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
(2) Claim reserves			**9d(2)**	
(3) Other reserves			**9d(3)**	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	**10a**	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	**10b**	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☒ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

SCHEDULE SB (Form 5500)	Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**	**2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

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▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**

▶ **Caution:** A penalty of $1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF STERLING SUGARS, INC.	**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 72-0327950

E Type of plan: [X] Single [ ] Multiple-A [ ] Multiple-B **F** Prior year plan size: [ ] 100 or fewer [X] 101-500 [ ] More than 500

Part I Basic Information

1 Enter the valuation date: Month 03 Day 01 Year 2024

2	Assets:			
	a Market value		**2a**	1364945
	b Actuarial value		**2b**	1364945

3 Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target	(3) Total Funding Target
a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment	56	823195	823195
b For terminated vested participants	38	358340	358340
c For active participants	16	378562	378562
d Total	110	1560097	1560097

4	If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b) [ ]		
	a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions	**4a**	
	b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor	**4b**	
5	Effective interest rate	**5**	5.10 %
6	Target normal cost		
	a Present value of current plan year accruals	**6a**	0
	b Expected plan-related expenses	**6b**	100000
	c Target normal cost	**6c**	100000

Statement by Enrolled Actuary

To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

SIGN HERE

Signature of actuary — Date: 11/17/2025

PATRICK YIM
Type or print name of actuary

23-08426
Most recent enrollment number

EMPOWER
Firm name

303-737-7162
Telephone number (including area code)

20 N. WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 2500
CHICAGO, IL 60606
Address of the firm

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions [ ]

Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances

		(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7	Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year)	0	0
8	Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year)	0	0
9	Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8)	0	0
10	Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of ________%		
11	Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
	a Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year)		0
	b(1) Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of 5.23 %		0
	b(2) Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return		0
	c Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance		0
	d Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance		
12	Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections	0	0
13	Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d – line 12)	0	0

Part III Funding Percentages

14	Funding target attainment percentage	14	87.49 %
15	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage	15	87.49 %
16	Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement	16	88.47 %
17	If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage	17	%

Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls

18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:

(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees
06/04/2024	29280	0			
09/03/2024	29144	0			
12/13/2024	32169	0			
03/05/2025	32169	0			
09/10/2025	103	0			
			Totals ► 18(b)	122865	18(c) 0

19 Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:

a Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years	19a	0
b Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date	19b	0
c Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date	19c	118794

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

a Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? [X] Yes [ ] No

b If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? [X] Yes [ ] No

c If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year			
(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th
0	0	0	0

Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost

21 Discount rate:

a Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.75 %	2nd segment: 4.87 %	3rd segment: 5.59 %	☐ N/A, full yield curve used

b Applicable month (enter code)	**21b**	4
22 Weighted average retirement age	**22**	65

23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions) ☐ Prescribed - combined ☒ Prescribed - separate ☐ Substitute

Part VI Miscellaneous Items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☐ Yes ☒ No

25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☐ Yes ☒ No

26 Demographic and benefit information

a Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☒ Yes ☐ No

b Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ☐ Yes ☒ No

27 If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment	**27**	

Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

28 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years	**28**	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a)	**29**	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29)	**30**	0

Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

31 Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):

a Target normal cost (line 6c)	**31a**	100000
b Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a	**31b**	0

32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment
a Net shortfall amortization installment	195152	18794
b Waiver amortization installment	0	0

33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month ________ Day ________ Year ________) and the waived amount	**33**	
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33)	**34**	118794

	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance
35 Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement			0

36 Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35)	**36**	118794
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c)	**37**	118794

38 Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)

a Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)	**38a**	0
b Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances	**38b**	
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37)	**39**	0
40 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years	**40**	0

Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)

41 If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. ☐ 2019 ☐ 2020 ☐ 2021

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

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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)

PRUDENTIAL RETIREMENT INSURANCE

06-1050034

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
19 11	NONE	85435	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(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 ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(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 ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

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

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

Explanation:

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)	Financial Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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.**	**2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 03/01/2024 and ending 02/28/2025

A Name of plan STERLING SUGARS, INC. RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN	**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 STERLING SUGARS, INC.	**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 72-0327950

Part I Asset and Liability Statement

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
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)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	1400202	1399030
(15) Other	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(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	1400202	1399030
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 through1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	1400202	1399030

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)	115942	
(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)		115942
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	44906	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		44906
(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)		0
(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)		0
(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)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		17756
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		178604

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	94341	
(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)		94341
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)	85435	
(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)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	2i(12)		85435
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		179776

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		-1172
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) [X] 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) [X] DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 **(2)** [X] 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: BROUSSARD POCHE LLP **(2)** EIN: 72-0538016

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.)	**4a**		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.)	**4b**		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.)	**4c**		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.)	**4d**		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	**4e**	X		170000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	**4f**		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?	**4g**		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?	**4h**		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.)	**4i**	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.)	**4j**	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?	**4k**		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	**4l**		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	**4m**		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.	**4n**			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? [ ] Yes [X] 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.) .... [X] Yes [ ] No [ ] Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year 597820.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)	Retirement Plan Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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.**	**2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 03/01/2024 and ending 02/28/2025

A Name of plan
STERLING SUGARS, INC. RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
STERLING SUGARS, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
72-0327950

Part I Distributions

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

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): 06-1050034 ____________

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

3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year **3** 56

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.)

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

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.

10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? .... ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) ____________
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify):

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) ____________
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): ______________________________

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) ____________
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): ______________________________

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) ____________
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): ______________________________

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) ____________
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): ______________________________

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box* ☐ *and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) ____________
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): ______________________________

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Public Equity: _______% Private Equity: _______% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _______%

High-Yield Debt: _______% Real Assets: _______% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _______% Other: _______%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:

☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more

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

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

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation.____

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).

☐ Design-based safe harbor method

☐ "Prior year" ADP test

☐ "Current year" ADP test

☒ N/A

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

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RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN
FEBRUARY 28, 2025

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
Sterling Sugars, Inc.
Retirement Income Plan
Franklin, Louisiana

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Sterling Sugars, Inc. Retirement Income Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits and of accumulated plan benefits as of February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024, the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits and in accumulated plan benefits for the year ended February 28, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024, and for the year ended February 28, 2025, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 7 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

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

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

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 Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets held at end of year and of reportable transactions are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment 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 GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

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

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Lafayette, Louisiana
December 15, 2025

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STERLING SUGARS, INC.
RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024

ASSETS	2025	2024
Investments:		
Investments at contract value	$1,399,030	$1,400,202
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$1,399,030	$1,400,202

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

STERLING SUGARS, INC.
RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Year Ended February 28, 2025

ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS	
Investment income:	
Interest	$ 44,906
Contributions:	
Employer	115,942
Other additions	17,756
Total additions to net assets	$ 178,604
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS	
Benefit payments	$ 94,341
Administrative expenses	85,435
Total deductions from net assets	$ 179,776
Net decrease	$ (1,172)
Net assets available for benefits:	
Beginning of year	1,400,202
End of year	$1,399,030

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

STERLING SUGARS, INC.
RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN

STATEMENTS OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS
February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024

	2025	2024
ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS		
Vested benefits:		
Active participants	$ 324,201	$ 413,659
Participants with deferred benefits	418,297	401,646
Participants receiving benefits	899,006	864,522
Total	$1,641,504	$1,679,827
Total actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits	$1,641,504	$1,679,827

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

STERLING SUGARS, INC.
RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS
Year Ended February 28, 2025

Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits at beginning of year	$ 1,679,827
Increase (decrease) during the year attributed to:	
Interest	$ 73,293
Benefits paid	(94,341)
Benefits accumulated and actuarial (gain)/loss	(17,275)
Net decrease	$ (38,323)
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits at end of year	$ 1,641,504

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Note 1. Description of Plan

The following brief description of the Sterling Sugars, Inc. Retirement Income Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan Agreement for more complete information.

As restated on March 1, 1998, the Sterling Sugars, Inc. (the "Company") Plan provides benefits at retirement to full-time salaried and hourly factory employees and to full-time agricultural employees who are at least 21 years of age and have at least one year of service. Contributions to the Plan, which are funded entirely by the Company, are computed on an actuarial basis. The Plan classifies employees as agricultural and factory employees. Benefits for factory employees (a classification that includes the Company's executive officers) are determined by multiplying the employee's years of service by the sum of (a) .60% times final average earnings up to covered compensation, and (b) 1.20% times final average earnings in excess of covered compensation. The term "covered compensation" means the average annual earnings used to calculate the participant's social security benefit. This average covers the entire employment history (including employment prior to employment by Sterling Sugars, Inc., if any), and assumes continued employment to age 65. It also assumes that, during each year of employment, the participant always earned the maximum amount subject to social security withholding (the taxable wage base).

As restated on February 28, 2007, the Plan was amended to freeze benefit accruals and participation in the Plan effective as of close of business on February 28, 2007. After March 1, 2007, no further benefits accrue under the Plan. Existing participants retain the benefits they have through February 28, 2007, but do not accrue additional benefits after this date. A participant's "accrued benefit" as of any date means his monthly normal retirement benefit determined as of February 28, 2007. If a participant has not yet reached his normal retirement date, he continues employment as an employee to his normal retirement date, but based on his average annual earnings as of February 28, 2007, multiplied by a fraction, not to exceed one, the numerator of which is his number of years of credited service as of February 28, 2007 and the denominator of which is the number of years of credited service the participant would have if he continued in employment as an employee to his normal retirement date. Earnings for employment after February 28, 2007 are not included in determining a participant's average annual earnings. Service under the Plan will continue to accrue for purposes of determining participants' vesting percentages only.

As amended, no new or re-employed employees shall become participants under the Plan on or after March 1, 2007.

The Plan was restated and amended March 1, 2023.

Vesting:

A participant's vested interest in his accrued benefit shall be determined in accordance with the following schedule, based upon the number of full years of service credited to him; provided, however, that a participant's vested interest in his accrued benefit shall be 100% if he is employed by the employer or an affiliated company on his normal retirement date, regardless of whether he has completed the number of years of service required under the schedule for 100% vesting.

Years of Service	Vested Interest
Less than 5	-0-%
5 or more	100%

Employer contributions:

As long as the Plan continues, contributions will be made by the Company at such times and in such amounts as the Plan sponsor, in its sole discretion, from time to time determine, based on the advice of the actuary and consistent with the funding policy of the Plan.

Forfeitures:

Any forfeitures resulting from the termination of employment or death of an employee or death of a covered employee, or for any reason, shall be used to reduce employer contributions to the pension fund, and shall not be applied to increase the benefits any participant otherwise would receive under the Plan at any time prior to the termination of the Plan.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting:

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

Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of Plan assets available for benefits and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits as the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The Plan uses an actuary to determine the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits. A change in the actuarial assumptions used could significantly change the amount of the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits reported in the accompanying financial statements.

Investment valuation, income recognition, and contracts with insurance companies:

The Company entered into a Group Annuity Contract (contract) with Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company (Insurance Company) when the Plan was established. The contract was amended as of January 1, 1978 and is carried at contract value. Under this Contract, an Immediate Participant Guarantee Contract/Fund (IPG Fund) was established. The IPG Fund established under the Contract with the Insurance Company will, at any time, be equal to:

1. The sum of (a) all contributions received and accepted by the Insurance Company, and (b) interest previously credited.

2. Less (a) expenses deducted by the Insurance Company, (b) pension payments and other payments which may become payable, and (c) retirement annuity payments which may become payable.

Contributions made under the Contract are placed in the Insurance Company's general account.

Actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits:

Accumulated Plan benefits are those future periodic payments, including lump sum distributions that are attributable under the Plan's provisions to the service employees have rendered. Accumulated Plan benefits include benefits expected to be paid to (a) retired or terminated employees or their beneficiaries, and (b) beneficiaries of employees who have died, and (c) present employees or their beneficiaries. Benefits under the

Plan are based on employees' compensation during the highest five years out of their last consecutive 10 years of credited service determined as of February 28, 2007. Benefits payable under all circumstances – retirement, death, disability, and termination of employment – are included, to the extent they are deemed attributable to employee service rendered as of February 28, 2007.

The actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits is determined by an actuary from Empower and is that amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to adjust the accumulated Plan benefits to reflect the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment. The significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuation as of February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024 were:

Mortality Rate –

The IRS 2024 Generational Mortality Table and the IRS 2043 Static Mortality Table were used for funding target for February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024, respectively. However, for accounting liabilities, the Pri-2012 Private Retirement Plans Mortality Table Report issued by the Society of Actuaries (SOA) in October 2019 and the Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2021 Report issued by the SOA in October 2021 was used at February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024.

Expected Retirement Age –

The actuary used the later of age 65 or five years of service.

Discount Rate –

Annual discount rates compounded annually were used for accounting retirement benefits and amounted to 4.50% for Plan years ending February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024, respectively.

The foregoing actuarial assumptions are based on the presumption that the Plan will continue. Were the Plan to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits.

Payment of benefits:

Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distributions.

Administrative expenses:

The Plan's administrative expenses are paid either by the Plan or the Company, as provided by the Plan document. Expenses that are paid directly by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Certain expenses incurred in connection with the general administration of the Plan that are paid by the Plan are recorded as deductions in the accompanying statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Date of management's review of subsequent events:

Subsequent events were evaluated through December 15, 2025, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 3. Deposit Administration Contract with Insurance Company

The Plan has a deposit administration contract with the Insurance Company under which the Plan deposits contributions yearly. The Insurance Company maintains the contributions in an unallocated fund to which it adds interest at variable interest rates. Interest was credited to the account at varying rates between 3.80% and 4.95% during the plan year.

The Plan's deposit administration contract with the Insurance Company is valued at contract value. Contract value represents contributions made under the contract, plus interest at the contract rate, less funds used to pay retirement benefits and pay administration expenses charged by Empower.

Note 4. Funding Policy

It's the Company's policy to fund the Plan with the minimum contribution deductible for tax purposes as recommended by the actuary of Empower. The Actuarial Cost Method had been changed to the Unit Credit Funding Method from the Entry Age Normal Method due to the adoption of the Freeze Amendment in February 2007. The Company contributed $115,942 in the Plan year ending February 28, 2025.

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA.

Note 5. Plan Termination

The sponsor reserves the right, by means of written instrument executed in the name of the sponsor by its duly authorized representatives, at any time to terminate the Plan. In the event of termination, the net assets of the Plan will be allocated, as prescribed by ERISA and its related regulations, generally to provide the following benefits in the order indicated:

a. Benefits to participants or beneficiaries who began receiving benefits at least three years before the termination date of the Plan (including those benefits which would have been received for at least three years if the employee had retired) based on Plan provisions in effect during the five years prior to termination which produce the least benefits.

b. All other benefits insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) (including benefits that would be guaranteed except for the special limitation on coverage of a "substantial owner").

c. All other benefits that were nonforfeitable hereunder immediately prior to Plan termination.

d. All other benefits under the Plan.

Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the PBGC if the Plan terminates. Generally, the PBGC guarantees most vested normal age retirement benefits, early retirement benefits, and certain disability and survivor's pension. However, the PBGC does not guarantee all types of benefits under the Plan, and the amount of benefit protection is subject to certain limitations.

Note 6. Tax Status

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated November 5, 2020, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC).

The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Plan administrator to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability for any uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by tax authorities; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Plan administrator believes the Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations for tax years prior to 2021.

Note 7. Information Certified by the Insurance Company

The following is a summary of the Plan's asset information as of February 28, 2025 and February 29, 2024, and for the year ended February 28, 2025, included throughout the Plan's financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedules, obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified by the Insurance Company, the trustee of the Plan. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from the trustee that information provided to the Plan Administrator by the trustee related to the following assets is complete and accurate. Accordingly, as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the Plan Administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to information which appears throughout the financial statements and ERISA-required supplemental schedules related to the following assets:

	2025	2024
Investments at contract value	$ 1,399,030	$ 1,400,202
Investment income:		
Interest	$ 44,906	$ 41,551

Note 8. Party-In-Interest and Related Party Transactions

Parties in interest as defined under ERISA include persons and entities such as the Plan sponsor, employers and Plan administrators, investment management team and plan auditors among other. The Plan investment under the Contract is guaranteed deposits placed in the Insurance Company's general account and is managed by the Insurance Company. The Insurance Company is the Plan's trustee and also actuary, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Total fees paid to the Insurance Company for the retirement and investment services and actuarial services amounted to $85,435 for the year then ended February 28, 2025.

All of these party-in-interest transactions are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

Note 9. Risks and Uncertainties

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

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

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
February 28, 2025

(a) Party-In Interest	(b) Identity of Issue	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
*	Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Guaranteed deposit	$1,399,030	$1,399,030

* Denotes Party-In-Interest

NOTE: This schedule is provided in answer to item 4(i), Part IV, Schedule H of Federal Form 5500.

STERLING SUGARS, INC.
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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j – SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
February 28, 2025

(a) Identity of Party Involved Series in the same security	(b) Description of Asset	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset on Trans Date	(i) Realized Gain or (Loss)
Empower Annuity Insurance Company	Guaranteed Deposit	$ 116,671	$ -	$ 116,671	$ 116,671	$ -
Empower Annuity Insurance Company	Guaranteed Deposit	$ -	$ 180,505	$ 180,505	$ 180,505	$ -

NOTE: This schedule is provided in answer to 4(j), Part IV, Schedule H of Federal Form 5500.

Distribution of active participants by age and service

Number of active participants as of March 1, 2024 – distribution by age and service

Active participant counts are shown below.

	Years of credited service										
Attained age	**Under 1**	**1–4**	**5–9**	**10–14**	**15–19**	**20–24**	**25–29**	**30–34**	**35–39**	**40+**	**Total**
Under 25											
25–29											
30–34											
35–39											
40–44											
45–49		1		1							2
50–54		2	1								3
55–59		1	1		1	1					4
60–64		1		2	1						4
65–69			1	1		1					3
70+											
Total		5	3	4	2	2					16

Actuarial methods

Under the actuarial methods described below, if all current assumptions remain constant and are realized, funding at least the minimum required contribution each year will eventually accumulate sufficient plan assets to cover the funding target. Future widening of the interest rate stabilization corridor may extend the time period for the plan to become fully funded.

Cost method

Costs have been computed in accordance with the unit credit actuarial cost method and reflect the actuarial assumptions described under "Actuarial assumptions" of this report as provided under the applicable regulations of the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

Target normal cost

The target normal cost is the present value of benefits expected to accrue during the plan year plus an estimate of the expenses to be paid from plan assets during the plan year.

Funding target and funding shortfall

The funding target is the present value of benefits accrued as of the beginning of the plan year and the funding shortfall is the excess of the funding target over the actuarial value of assets (reduced by the credit balance). The initial funding shortfall is amortized over 15 years.

In subsequent years, the funding shortfall less the present value of prior year amortization installments is amortized over 15 years, and added to any prior year amortization installments.

Segment rates are adjusted as necessary to fall within the specified corridor of the corresponding 25-year average of segment rates for the period ending September 30 of the calendar year preceding the first day of the plan year. The specified corridor is:

Plan year	Corridor
Through 2030	95% - 105%
2031	90% - 110%
2032	85% - 115%
2033	80% - 120%
2034	75% - 125%
2035 and later	70% - 130%

In the event the 25-year average of either the first, second, or third segment rate falls below 5%, the 25-year average of such rate will be deemed to be 5%.

The adjustments to fall within the specified corridor of the 25-year average of segment rates apply for determining the minimum required contribution and related funded percentages. They do not apply for determining the maximum tax deductible contribution or certain other situations.

Sponsor elections

Discount rate: Segment rates, with a 4-month lookback

Mortality table: Prescribed IRS static mortality table – separate

At-risk determination

The at-risk funding target is determined by assuming that participants eligible to retire in the current plan year and next 10 plan years retire at the earliest possible date, but not before the end of the plan year. All participants are assumed to elect the optional form resulting in the highest possible present value.

A load is added to the at-risk funding target and at-risk target normal cost when a plan is at-risk in at least two years during the preceding four years. The load increases the at-risk funding target by 4% of the not at-risk funding target plus $700 per participant, and increases the at-risk target normal cost by 4% of the not at-risk target normal cost.

The funding target and target normal cost are calculated by multiplying the not at-risk values by 100% minus the phase-in percentage, plus the at-risk values multiplied by the phase-in percentage.

Credit balance

The credit balance consists of the carryover balance from excess contributions prior to the Pension Protection Act (PPA) of 2006, plus the prefunding balance from elected excess contributions after the PPA. Balances accumulate with interest and are reduced for amounts applied towards the minimum required contribution, voluntary waivers by the plan sponsor, and compelled waivers to avoid benefit restrictions. The actuarial value of assets is reduced by the credit balance to determine certain funded percentages and to determine the funding shortfall.

Asset valuation method

The actuarial value of assets is equal to the fair market value of assets.

The actuarial value of assets for determining the maximum tax deductible contribution reflects interest rate stabilization rates for discounting contributions and limiting expected earnings.

The fair market value of assets used for funds invested in the general account of an insurance company is the stated contract value with a market value adjustment factor. This value is an estimate only and not the precise calculation which would be done at contract discontinuance or to measure the impact of excess withdrawals in any calendar year. It does not constitute a final offer by Empower or a final experience adjustment.

Actuarial assumptions

Funding Assumptions

The discount rate and mortality assumptions are prescribed assumptions set by law. All other assumptions are non-prescribed assumptions set by the actuary which reflect estimates of future experience, are appropriate for the purpose of the measurement, consider relevant plan characteristics, and contain no significant bias unless otherwise noted. Relevant historical information, such as credible plan experience and experience from representative populations, was considered in the selection of the non-prescribed assumptions with a significant effect on the measurement. Factors that may affect future experience and the views of experts were also considered.

The termination assumption reflects experience from representative populations, based on the Prudential Financial Term Scale A.

The retirement age assumption is the normal retirement date for each participant as described in the Plan Provisions.

ASC 960 Assumptions

All assumptions are set by the plan sponsor and they align with the Funding Assumptions except for the discount rate and mortality assumption.

The discount rate is based on the plan's asset allocation and reflects a weighted average of expected returns by asset class based on the Empower Capital Market Assumptions.

The mortality assumption reflects experience from representative populations, based on the Pri-2012 Private Retirement Plans Mortality Table Report issued by the Society of Actuaries (SOA) in October 2019 and the Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2021 Report issued by the SOA in October 2021.

Below are the actuarial assumptions as of March 1, 2024.

Discount Rate	**With Interest Rate Stabilization**	**Without Interest Rate Stabilization**	**ASC 960**
Effective Rate	5.10%	4.69%	4.50%
First Segment – First 5 Years	4.75%	4.02%	N/A
Second Segment – Next 15 Years	4.87%	4.73%	N/A
Third Segment – After 20 Years	5.59%	4.75%	N/A

Salary Scale None

Social Security

Primary Insurance Amount — Not Applicable

Covered Compensation — Not Applicable

Expenses — $100,000 per annum

Mortality

Funding — The IRS 2024 Generational Mortality Table

Accounting — Pri-2012 Total Dataset Mortality Table with Scale MP-2021

Termination

The probabilities that Participants at the ages indicated will terminate before reaching the assumed retirement age are:

Age	Male	Female
20	82.0%	92.6%
25	71.2%	86.7%
30	52.1%	67.8%
35	32.0%	46.8%
40	38.3%	24.7%
45	15.4%	7.3%
50	0.0%	0.0%

This is the Prudential Term Scale A.

Retirement Age — The later of Age 65 or 5 years of Service.

Disability — None

Survivor's Benefit

It is assumed that husbands are 3 years older than wives and that 90% of the male Participants and 60% of the female Participants who are or will become eligible for coverage under the Survivor's Benefit will be survived by an eligible survivor.

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RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN
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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j – SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
February 28, 2025

(a) Identity of Party Involved Series in the same security	(b) Description of Asset	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset on Trans Date	(i) Realized Gain or (Loss)
Empower Annuity Insurance Company	Guaranteed Deposit	$ 116,671	$ -	$ 116,671	$ 116,671	$ -
Empower Annuity Insurance Company	Guaranteed Deposit	$ -	$ 180,505	$ 180,505	$ 180,505	$ -

NOTE: This schedule is provided in answer to 4(j), Part IV, Schedule H of Federal Form 5500.

SCHEDULE SB (Form 5500)	Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**	**2024** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 03/01/2024 and ending 02/28/2025

▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**

▶ **Caution:** A penalty of $1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

A Name of plan
STERLING SUGARS, INC RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF
STERLING SUGARS, INC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
720327950

E Type of plan: ☒ Single ☐ Multiple-A ☐ Multiple-B

F Prior year plan size: ☐ 100 or fewer ☒ 101-500 ☐ More than 500

Part I Basic Information

1 Enter the valuation date: Month 03 Day 01 Year 2024

2 Assets:

a Market value	**2a**	1,364,945
b Actuarial value	**2b**	1,364,945

3 Funding target/participant count breakdown	(1) Number of participants	(2) Vested Funding Target	(3) Total Funding Target
a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment	56	823,195	823,195
b For terminated vested participants	38	358,340	358,340
c For active participants	16	378,562	378,562
d Total	110	1,560,097	1,560,097

4 If the plan is in at-risk status, check the box and complete lines (a) and (b) ☐

a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions	**4a**	
b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor	**4b**	
5 Effective interest rate	**5**	5.10 %
6 Target normal cost		
a Present value of current plan year accruals	**6a**	0
b Expected plan-related expenses	**6b**	100,000
c Target normal cost	**6c**	100,000

Statement by Enrolled Actuary

To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

SIGN HERE PATRICK YIM PY — 11/17/2025

Signature of actuary — Date

PATRICK YIM — 2308426

Type or print name of actuary — Most recent enrollment number

EMPOWER — 303-737-7162

Firm name — Telephone number (including area code)

20 N WACKER DR. SUITE 2500
CHICAGO IL 60606

Address of the firm

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions ☐

Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances

	(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7 Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year)	0	0
8 Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year)	0	0
9 Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8)	0	0
10 Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of 3.40 %	0	0
11 Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
a Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year)		0
b(1) Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of 5.23 %		0
b(2) Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return		0
c Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance		0
d Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance		0
12 Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections	0	0
13 Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d – line 12)	0	0

Part III Funding Percentages

14 Funding target attainment percentage	14	87.49 %
15 Adjusted funding target attainment percentage	15	87.49 %
16 Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement	16	88.47 %
17 If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage.	17	%

Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls

18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:

(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees
06/04/2024	29,280				
09/03/2024	29,144				
12/13/2024	32,169				
03/05/2025	32,169				
09/10/2025	103				
			Totals ► 18(b)	122,865	18(c) 0

19 Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:

a Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years.	19a	0
b Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date.	19b	0
c Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date.	19c	118,794

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

a Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? ☒ Yes ☐ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? ☒ Yes ☐ No

c If line 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year			
(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th
0	0	0	0

Part V Assumptions Used to Determine Funding Target and Target Normal Cost

21 Discount rate:

	1st segment:	2nd segment:	3rd segment:	
a Segment rates:	4.75 %	4.87 %	5.59%	☐ N/A, full yield curve used

b Applicable month (enter code)	**21b**	4
22 Weighted average retirement age	**22**	65

23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions) ☐ Prescribed - combined ☒ Prescribed - separate ☐ Substitute

Part VI Miscellaneous Items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☐ Yes ☒ No

25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☐ Yes ☒ No

26 Demographic and benefit information

a Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment. ☒ Yes ☐ No

b Is the plan required to provide a projection of expected benefit payments? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment ☐ Yes ☒ No

27 If the plan is subject to alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment	**27**	

Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

28 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all prior years	**28**	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (line 19a)	**29**	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (line 28 minus line 29)	**30**	0

Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

31 Target normal cost and excess assets (see instructions):

a Target normal cost (line 6c)	**31a**	100,000
b Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a	**31b**	0

32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment
a Net shortfall amortization installment	195,152	18,794
b Waiver amortization installment	0	0

33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _________ Day _________ Year _________) and the waived amount	**33**	
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33)	**34**	118,794

	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance	Total balance
35 Balances elected for use to offset funding requirement	0	0	0

36 Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35)	**36**	118,794
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c)	**37**	118,794

38 Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions)

a Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36)	**38a**	0
b Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances	**38b**	
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37)	**39**	0
40 Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years	**40**	0

Part IX Pension Funding Relief Under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (See Instructions)

41 If an election was made to use the extended amortization rule for a plan year beginning on or before December 31, 2021, check the box to indicate the first plan year for which the rule applies. ☐ 2019 ☐ 2020 ☐ 2021

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EIN/PN: 72-0327950/001
2024 Schedule SB - Line 22 - Description of Weighted Average Retirement Age

100% of participants are assumed to retire at age 65.

Actuarial methods

Under the actuarial methods described below, if all current assumptions remain constant and are realized, funding at least the minimum required contribution each year will eventually accumulate sufficient plan assets to cover the funding target. Future widening of the interest rate stabilization corridor may extend the time period for the plan to become fully funded.

Cost method

Costs have been computed in accordance with the unit credit actuarial cost method and reflect the actuarial assumptions described under "Actuarial assumptions" of this report as provided under the applicable regulations of the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

Target normal cost

The target normal cost is the present value of benefits expected to accrue during the plan year plus an estimate of the expenses to be paid from plan assets during the plan year.

Funding target and funding shortfall

The funding target is the present value of benefits accrued as of the beginning of the plan year and the funding shortfall is the excess of the funding target over the actuarial value of assets (reduced by the credit balance). The initial funding shortfall is amortized over 15 years.

In subsequent years, the funding shortfall less the present value of prior year amortization installments is amortized over 15 years, and added to any prior year amortization installments.

Segment rates are adjusted as necessary to fall within the specified corridor of the corresponding 25-year average of segment rates for the period ending September 30 of the calendar year preceding the first day of the plan year. The specified corridor is:

Plan year	Corridor
Through 2030	95% - 105%
2031	90% - 110%
2032	85% - 115%
2033	80% - 120%
2034	75% - 125%
2035 and later	70% - 130%

In the event the 25-year average of either the first, second, or third segment rate falls below 5%, the 25-year average of such rate will be deemed to be 5%.

The adjustments to fall within the specified corridor of the 25-year average of segment rates apply for determining the minimum required contribution and related funded percentages. They do not apply for determining the maximum tax deductible contribution or certain other situations.

Sponsor elections

Discount rate: Segment rates, with a 4-month lookback

Mortality table: Prescribed IRS static mortality table – separate

At-risk determination

The at-risk funding target is determined by assuming that participants eligible to retire in the current plan year and next 10 plan years retire at the earliest possible date, but not before the end of the plan year. All participants are assumed to elect the optional form resulting in the highest possible present value.

A load is added to the at-risk funding target and at-risk target normal cost when a plan is at-risk in at least two years during the preceding four years. The load increases the at-risk funding target by 4% of the not at-risk funding target plus $700 per participant, and increases the at-risk target normal cost by 4% of the not at-risk target normal cost.

The funding target and target normal cost are calculated by multiplying the not at-risk values by 100% minus the phase-in percentage, plus the at-risk values multiplied by the phase-in percentage.

Credit balance

The credit balance consists of the carryover balance from excess contributions prior to the Pension Protection Act (PPA) of 2006, plus the prefunding balance from elected excess contributions after the PPA. Balances accumulate with interest and are reduced for amounts applied towards the minimum required contribution, voluntary waivers by the plan sponsor, and compelled waivers to avoid benefit restrictions. The actuarial value of assets is reduced by the credit balance to determine certain funded percentages and to determine the funding shortfall.

Asset valuation method

The actuarial value of assets is equal to the fair market value of assets.

The actuarial value of assets for determining the maximum tax deductible contribution reflects interest rate stabilization rates for discounting contributions and limiting expected earnings.

The fair market value of assets used for funds invested in the general account of an insurance company is the stated contract value with a market value adjustment factor. This value is an estimate only and not the precise calculation which would be done at contract discontinuance or to measure the impact of excess withdrawals in any calendar year. It does not constitute a final offer by Empower or a final experience adjustment.

Actuarial assumptions

Funding Assumptions

The discount rate and mortality assumptions are prescribed assumptions set by law. All other assumptions are non-prescribed assumptions set by the actuary which reflect estimates of future experience, are appropriate for the purpose of the measurement, consider relevant plan characteristics, and contain no significant bias unless otherwise noted. Relevant historical information, such as credible plan experience and experience from representative populations, was considered in the selection of the non-prescribed assumptions with a significant effect on the measurement. Factors that may affect future experience and the views of experts were also considered.

The termination assumption reflects experience from representative populations, based on the Prudential Financial Term Scale A.

The retirement age assumption is the normal retirement date for each participant as described in the Plan Provisions.

ASC 960 Assumptions

All assumptions are set by the plan sponsor and they align with the Funding Assumptions except for the discount rate and mortality assumption.

The discount rate is based on the plan's asset allocation and reflects a weighted average of expected returns by asset class based on the Empower Capital Market Assumptions.

The mortality assumption reflects experience from representative populations, based on the Pri-2012 Private Retirement Plans Mortality Table Report issued by the Society of Actuaries (SOA) in October 2019 and the Mortality Improvement Scale MP-2021 Report issued by the SOA in October 2021.

Below are the actuarial assumptions as of March 1, 2024.

Discount Rate	**With Interest Rate Stabilization**	**Without Interest Rate Stabilization**	**ASC 960**
Effective Rate	5.10%	4.69%	4.50%
First Segment – First 5 Years	4.75%	4.02%	N/A
Second Segment – Next 15 Years	4.87%	4.73%	N/A
Third Segment – After 20 Years	5.59%	4.75%	N/A

Salary Scale None

Social Security

Primary Insurance Amount	Not Applicable
Covered Compensation	Not Applicable

Expenses $100,000 per annum

Mortality

Funding	The IRS 2024 Generational Mortality Table
Accounting	Pri-2012 Total Dataset Mortality Table with Scale MP-2021

Termination

The probabilities that Participants at the ages indicated will terminate before reaching the assumed retirement age are:

Age	Male	Female
20	82.0%	92.6%
25	71.2%	86.7%
30	52.1%	67.8%
35	32.0%	46.8%
40	38.3%	24.7%
45	15.4%	7.3%
50	0.0%	0.0%

This is the Prudential Term Scale A.

Retirement Age The later of Age 65 or 5 years of Service.

Disability None

Survivor's Benefit

It is assumed that husbands are 3 years older than wives and that 90% of the male Participants and 60% of the female Participants who are or will become eligible for coverage under the Survivor's Benefit will be survived by an eligible survivor.

Plan provisions

Earnings	Basic compensation excluding overtime, commissions, bonuses and any other additional compensation up to a maximum amount of $170,000 indexed for cost of living adjustments.
Final Earnings	Highest average earnings received in any five consecutive full calendar years during the last ten years before retirement date or average earnings received in the last five full calendar years before early retirement or termination of employment.
Service	All years of Service with the Employer from date of employment to earliest of retirement, termination of employment, or death.
Credited Service	All years of Service with the Employer from date of employment to early retirement, termination of employment, or retirement date, except for participants hired after March 1, 1976, the first year of Service and Service prior to age 25 is excluded. Also, any years in which the Participant did not work 1000 hours is excluded. Credited Service ceased to accrue as of February 28, 2007.
Normal Form of Annuity	Life annuity.
Social Security	
Covered Compensation	35 year Average of Taxable Wage Bases in effect during working lifetime; subject to the automatic increases under the current law.
Normal Retirement Date	The first day of the month coinciding with or next following the Participant's 65th birthday or if later, the fifth anniversary of participation in the plan.
Participation Eligibility	Age 21 with one year of Service.

Benefit Formula	Factory Division: .60% of the Participant's Final Earnings up to the Participant's Covered Compensation plus 1.2% of the Participant's Final Earnings in excess of Covered Compensation times total Credited Service. Agriculture Division: .65% of the Participant's Final Earnings up to the Participant's Covered Compensation plus 1.3% of the Participant's Final Earnings in excess of Covered Compensation times Credited Service. Benefits are frozen as of February 28, 2007.
Income Payable	Amount described in sections (a) or (b) below, whichever applies: a. If Participant has a Spouse as of his retirement date and does not elect otherwise, retirement income shall be paid on the basis of Joint and Survivor form, as stipulated by ERISA, and will be the amount determined under the benefit formula multiplied by the appropriate factor. b. If Participant either has no Spouse as of his retirement date or elects to receive his income under the Normal Form, retirement income will be the amount determined under the benefit formula.
Early Eligibility	Ten years early with five years of Service.
Early Benefit Amount	Normal retirement benefit accrued to early retirement, actuarially reduced by the appropriate early retirement factor.
Vesting Schedule	Five years of Service equals 100% vesting. Normal Retirement Date equals 100% vesting.
Vested Benefit	Benefit accrued to date of termination adjusted by the appropriate vesting percentage.

Preretirement Spouse Benefit

A. Eligibility	Eligible for early retirement, lawful spouse at date of death.
Benefit Formula	50% of the pension benefit accrued to date of death reduced by appropriate early retirement and joint-and-survivor factors.
B. Eligibility	Eligible for vesting but not eligible for early retirement, lawful spouse at date of death.
Benefit Formula	50% of the vested pension benefit accrued to date of death, payment deferred to no earlier than the early retirement date of the deceased Participant and reduced by the appropriate early retirement and joint-and-survivor factors.

Distribution of active participants by age and service

Number of active participants as of March 1, 2024 – distribution by age and service

Active participant counts are shown below.

	Years of credited service										
Attained age	Under 1	1–4	5–9	10–14	15–19	20–24	25–29	30–34	35–39	40+	Total
Under 25											
25–29											
30–34											
35–39											
40–44											
45–49		1		1							2
50–54		2	1								3
55–59		1	1		1	1					4
60–64		1		2	1						4
65–69			1	1		1					3
70+											
Total		5	3	4	2	2					16

Shortfall amortization

The prior year amortization values and the development of the amortization for the current plan year are shown below.

Prior year amortization amounts

Plan year	Installment	Years remaining	Present value
2023	$12,247	14	$128,318
2022	4,873	13	48,431
2021		n/a	
2020		n/a	
2019		n/a	
Total	$17,120		$176,749

Current year amortization

1.	Exemption from current year amortization	No
2.	Funding shortfall to be amortized	$195,152
3.	Present value of prior year amortization installments	176,749
4.	Current year amortization base [2 – 3]	18,403
5.	Current year amortization installment	$1,674

Net shortfall amortization installment

6.	Current year amortization installment	$1,674
7.	Sum of prior year amortization installments	$17,120
8.	Net shortfall amortization installment [6 + 7, not less than $0]	$18,794

Plan provisions

Earnings

Basic compensation excluding overtime, commissions, bonuses and any other additional compensation up to a maximum amount of $170,000 indexed for cost of living adjustments.

Final Earnings

Highest average earnings received in any five consecutive full calendar years during the last ten years before retirement date or average earnings received in the last five full calendar years before early retirement or termination of employment.

Service

All years of Service with the Employer from date of employment to earliest of retirement, termination of employment, or death.

Credited Service

All years of Service with the Employer from date of employment to early retirement, termination of employment, or retirement date, except for participants hired after March 1, 1976, the first year of Service and Service prior to age 25 is excluded. Also, any years in which the Participant did not work 1000 hours is excluded. Credited Service ceased to accrue as of February 28, 2007.

Normal Form of Annuity

Life annuity.

Social Security

Covered Compensation

35 year Average of Taxable Wage Bases in effect during working lifetime; subject to the automatic increases under the current law.

Normal Retirement Date

The first day of the month coinciding with or next following the Participant's 65th birthday or if later, the fifth anniversary of participation in the plan.

Participation Eligibility

Age 21 with one year of Service.

Benefit Formula

Factory Division: .60% of the Participant's Final Earnings up to the Participant's Covered Compensation plus 1.2% of the Participant's Final Earnings in excess of Covered Compensation times total Credited Service.

Agriculture Division: .65% of the Participant's Final Earnings up to the Participant's Covered Compensation plus 1.3% of the Participant's Final Earnings in excess of Covered Compensation times Credited Service.

Benefits are frozen as of February 28, 2007.

Income Payable

Amount described in sections (a) or (b) below, whichever applies:

a. If Participant has a Spouse as of his retirement date and does not elect otherwise, retirement income shall be paid on the basis of Joint and Survivor form, as stipulated by ERISA, and will be the amount determined under the benefit formula multiplied by the appropriate factor.

b. If Participant either has no Spouse as of his retirement date or elects to receive his income under the Normal Form, retirement income will be the amount determined under the benefit formula.

Early Eligibility

Ten years early with five years of Service.

Early Benefit Amount

Normal retirement benefit accrued to early retirement, actuarially reduced by the appropriate early retirement factor.

Vesting Schedule

Five years of Service equals 100% vesting. Normal Retirement Date equals 100% vesting.

Vested Benefit

Benefit accrued to date of termination adjusted by the appropriate vesting percentage.

Preretirement Spouse Benefit

A. Eligibility	Eligible for early retirement, lawful spouse at date of death.
Benefit Formula	50% of the pension benefit accrued to date of death reduced by appropriate early retirement and joint-and-survivor factors.
B. Eligibility	Eligible for vesting but not eligible for early retirement, lawful spouse at date of death.
Benefit Formula	50% of the vested pension benefit accrued to date of death, payment deferred to no earlier than the early retirement date of the deceased Participant and reduced by the appropriate early retirement and joint-and-survivor factors.

Schedule H, Line 4i
Schedule of Assets (Held At End of Year)

Name of Plan:

► Sterling Sugars, Inc. Retirement Income Plan

Employer Identification Number:►	72-0327950		
For plan year (beginning/ending):►	03/01/2024 - 02/28/2025	Plan number:►	1

(a)	**(b)** Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	**(c)** Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	**(d)** Cost	**(e)** Current value
	Prudentail Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Guaranteed Deposit		1,399,030

STERLING SUGARS, INC.
RETIREMENT INCOME PLAN
E.I.N.: 72-0327950
P.N.: 001

SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
February 28, 2025

(a) Party-In Interest	(b) Identity of Issue	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
*	Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company	Guaranteed deposit	$1,399,030	$1,399,030

* Denotes Party-In-Interest

NOTE: This schedule is provided in answer to item 4(i), Part IV, Schedule H of Federal Form 5500.

Shortfall amortization

The prior year amortization values and the development of the amortization for the current plan year are shown below.

Prior year amortization amounts

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Current year amortization

1.	Exemption from current year amortization	No
2.	Funding shortfall to be amortized	$195,152
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4.	Current year amortization base [2 – 3]	18,403
5.	Current year amortization installment	$1,674

Net shortfall amortization installment

6.	Current year amortization installment	$1,674
7.	Sum of prior year amortization installments	$17,120
8.	Net shortfall amortization installment [6 + 7, not less than $0]	$18,794