

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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

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

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

- A This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan, a multiple-employer plan, a single-employer plan, a DFE, the first return/report, the final return/report, an amended return/report, a short plan year return/report.
B This return/report is: the first return/report, the final return/report, an amended return/report, a short plan year return/report.
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.
D Check box if filing under: Form 5558, automatic extension, the DFVC program, special extension.
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here.

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan LAKE FOODS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) 002
1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2022
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) LAKE FOODS LLC 6566 STRINGER ROAD CLERMONT, GA 30527
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 47-1275129
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 706-376-8804
2d Business code (see instructions) 311610

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

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

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

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<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN	
	<b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number	
<b>4</b> If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name <b>c</b> Plan Name	<b>4b</b> EIN	
	<b>4d</b> PN	
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b>	398
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ). <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year ..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year ..... <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits ..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. .... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> ..... <b>g(1)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>g(2)</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) ..... <b>h</b> Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	<b>6a(1)</b>	0
	<b>6a(2)</b>	0
	<b>6b</b>	360
	<b>6c</b>	38
	<b>6d</b>	398
	<b>6e</b>	0
	<b>6f</b>	398
	<b>6g(1)</b>	398
	<b>6g(2)</b>	398
<b>6h</b>	0	
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>	

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:  
2P 3I

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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**SCHEDULE H  
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor  
Employee Benefits Security Administration  
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

**Financial Information**

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**

OMB No. 1210-0110

**2024**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

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

<b>A</b> Name of plan <b>LAKE FOODS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN</b>		<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<b>002</b>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <b>LAKE FOODS LLC</b>		<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <b>47-1275129</b>	

**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.

<b>Assets</b>	<b>(a) Beginning of Year</b>	<b>(b) End of Year</b>
<b>a</b> Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b> 0	0
<b>b</b> Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):		
<b>(1)</b> Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Other .....	<b>1b(3)</b> 0	279138
<b>c</b> General investments:		
<b>(1)</b> Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	
<b>(2)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>1c(2)</b>	
<b>(3)</b> Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> All other .....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>	
<b>(4)</b> Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):		
<b>(A)</b> Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>	
<b>(B)</b> Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>	
<b>(5)</b> Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>	
<b>(6)</b> Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>	
<b>(7)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>	
<b>(8)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	
<b>(9)</b> Value of interest in common/collective trusts .....	<b>1c(9)</b>	
<b>(10)</b> Value of interest in pooled separate accounts .....	<b>1c(10)</b>	
<b>(11)</b> Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>	
<b>(12)</b> Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>	
<b>(13)</b> Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>1c(13)</b>	
<b>(14)</b> Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) .....	<b>1c(14)</b>	
<b>(15)</b> Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>	

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	<b>1d(1)</b>	7000000	1750000
(2) Employer real property.....	<b>1d(2)</b>		
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	<b>1e</b>		
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	<b>1f</b>	7000000	2029138
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable.....	<b>1g</b>		
<b>h</b> Operating payables.....	<b>1h</b>		
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness.....	<b>1i</b>	49580757	49580757
<b>j</b> Other liabilities.....	<b>1j</b>		
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	<b>1k</b>	49580757	49580757
<b>Net Assets</b>			
<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	<b>1l</b>	-42580757	-47551619

**Part II Income and Expense Statement**

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

<b>Income</b>		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers.....	<b>2a(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Participants.....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers).....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	<b>2a(2)</b>		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		0
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
<b>(1) Interest:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities.....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments.....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants).....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans.....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>		
<b>(F)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>		
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		0
<b>(2) Dividends:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Preferred stock.....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common stock.....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>	5250000	
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		5250000
<b>(3)</b> Rents.....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
<b>(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds.....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result.....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		
<b>(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:</b>			
<b>(A)</b> Real estate.....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other.....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>	-5250000	
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		0

**Expenses**

<b>e</b> Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	4970862	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>		
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		4970862
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances .....	<b>2i(1)</b>		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>		
(3) Recordkeeping fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>		
(4) IQPA audit fees .....	<b>2i(4)</b>		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees .....	<b>2i(5)</b>		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees .....	<b>2i(6)</b>		
(7) Actuarial fees .....	<b>2i(7)</b>		
(8) Legal fees .....	<b>2i(8)</b>		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees .....	<b>2i(9)</b>		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses .....	<b>2i(10)</b>		
(11) Other expenses .....	<b>2i(11)</b>		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(11)</b> .....	<b>2i(12)</b>		0
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		4970862

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		-4970862
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **FORRESTALL CPAS, LLC.**

(2) EIN: **58-2412540**

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

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

**Part IV Compliance Questions**

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

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
<b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
<b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
<b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
<b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X	
<b>n</b> If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

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

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

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

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

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

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).  <b>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2024</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>LAKE FOODS LLC</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>47-1275129</u>	

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

<b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
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**2** Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):  
EIN(s): 58-1428634

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

<b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year .....	3	
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<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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**4** Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....  Yes  No  N/A  
**If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Part VII IRS Compliance Questions**

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

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

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

LAKE FOODS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN  
Financial Statements and Supplementary Information  
December 31, 2024 and 2023

Forrestall CPAs, LLC  
Certified Public Accountants

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of  
Lake Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

### **Opinion**

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

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

### **Basis for Opinion**

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

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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

### **Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

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

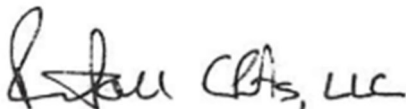
We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

### **Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA**

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule of Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year), referred to as "supplemental information," is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplemental information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. Such information is the responsibility of the Plan's management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying schedules is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.



Forrestall CPAs, LLC  
Buford, GA  
December 16, 2025

**Lake Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan**  
**Statement of Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits**  
**December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	December 31, 2024			December 31, 2023		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
<b>ASSETS</b>						
Investments, At Fair Value:						
Employer Securities	\$ 350,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,750,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 5,600,000	\$ 7,000,000
Receivables:						
Benefit Payments and Interest	279,138	-	279,138	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>629,138</b>	<b>1,400,000</b>	<b>2,029,138</b>	<b>1,400,000</b>	<b>5,600,000</b>	<b>7,000,000</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
Notes Payable	-	49,580,757	49,580,757	-	49,580,757	49,580,757
<b>TOTAL LIABILITES</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,580,757</b>	<b>49,580,757</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>49,580,757</b>	<b>49,580,757</b>
<b>NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) AVAILABLE FOR PLAN BENEFITS</b>	<b>\$ 629,138</b>	<b>\$ (48,180,757)</b>	<b>\$ (47,551,619)</b>	<b>\$ 1,400,000</b>	<b>\$ (43,980,757)</b>	<b>\$ (42,580,757)</b>

See accompanying Independent Auditors' Report and Notes to Financial Statements

**Lake Foods, Inc Employee Stock Ownership Plan**  
**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits**  
**For the Years Ended**  
**December 31, 2024 and 2023**

	December 31, 2024			December 31, 2023		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
ADDITIONS:						
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:						
Employer Contributions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,495,808	\$ 3,495,808
Dividend	5,250,000	-	5,250,000	-	3,672,883	3,672,883
Allocation of Company Stock (at Fair Market Value)	-	-	-	700,000	-	700,000
<b>Total Additions</b>	<b>5,250,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,250,000</b>	<b>700,000</b>	<b>7,168,691</b>	<b>7,868,691</b>
DEDUCTIONS:						
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:						
Benefits Paid to Participants	4,970,862	-	4,970,862	-	-	-
Interest Expense	-	-	-	-	1,839,484	1,839,484
Unrealized (Gain)/Loss	1,050,000	4,200,000	5,250,000	390,447	3,514,018	3,904,465
Allocation of Company Stock (at Fair Market Value)	-	-	-	-	700,000	700,000
<b>Total Deductions</b>	<b>6,020,862</b>	<b>4,200,000</b>	<b>10,220,862</b>	<b>390,447</b>	<b>6,053,502</b>	<b>6,443,949</b>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease)</b>	<b>(770,862)</b>	<b>(4,200,000)</b>	<b>(4,970,862)</b>	<b>309,553</b>	<b>1,115,189</b>	<b>1,424,742</b>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR PLAN BENEFITS						
Beginning of Plan Year	1,400,000	(43,980,757)	(42,580,757)	1,090,447	(45,095,946)	(44,005,499)
End of Plan Year	\$ 629,138	\$ (48,180,757)	\$ (47,551,619)	\$ 1,400,000	\$ (43,980,757)	\$ (42,580,757)

See accompanying Independent Auditors' Report and Notes to Financial Statements

LAKE FOODS, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN  
Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**Note 1: Description of the Plan**

On August 10, 2022, the Board of Directors of Lake Foods, Inc. (the “Company”) adopted with an effective date of January 1, 2022, the Lake Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the “Plan”) and the Lake Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Trust (the “Trust”) (the Plan and Trust together, the ESOP”). The following description of Lake Foods, Inc Employee Stock Ownership Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document and *Summary Plan Description* for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions, which are available from the plan administrator.

***General***

The Plan is a defined contribution plan sponsored by the Company for the benefit of its employees and their beneficiaries. The purpose of the Plan is to enable eligible employees to acquire a beneficial interest in stock of Company and to encourage the loyalty and continuity of service of the participants. The Plan purchased 951,524 shares of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (the “Shares”) of the Company using proceeds of a loan from the Company and holds the shares in the Trust established under the Plan. The loan is to be repaid over a period of ten years by the Trust in ten (10) equal annual installments on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December each year commencing on December 31, 2022, and ending on December 31, 2031. As the plan makes each payment of principal, an appropriate percentage of shares will be allocated to eligible employees’ accounts in accordance with the Plan. The borrowing is collateralized by the unallocated shares and is guaranteed by the Company. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Plan as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to:

1. The accounts of employees with rights in allocated shares (Allocated), and
2. Shares not yet allocated to employees (Unallocated)

***Eligibility***

Each employee who is an eligible employee on August 11, 2022, became a participant in the Plan effective January 1, 2022. Thereafter, an eligible employee will become a participant on the applicable entry date which coincides with or immediately following the date he or she has attained age 21 and been credited with one year of service. Leased employees or employees who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement with a union are not eligible.

***Contributions***

The Company shall contribute to the Trust a contribution needed to make any principal and interest payment required under the loan. In addition, the Company may make additional contributions in its sole and absolute discretion. The Company may make a discretionary Profit-Sharing contribution in an amount determined in the sole and absolute discretion of the Company. For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company elected not to make a discretionary profit-sharing contribution to the Plan. Contributions are subject to certain limitations. Employees are not permitted to make contributions.

***Participant Accounts***

The Plan is a defined contribution plan under which a separate individual account is established for each participant. Each participant’s account is credited as of the last day of each plan year with an allocation of shares of the Company released by the Trustee from the unallocated account. Only those participants who are eligible employees of the Company as of the last day of the plan year will receive an allocation. Allocations are based on a participant’s eligible compensation, relative to total eligible compensation.

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**Note 1: Description of the Plan (continued)**

***Vesting***

If a participant's employment with the Company ends for any reason other than retirement, permanent disability, or death, he or she will vest in the balances in his or her account based on total years of service with the Company. The Plan provides for participant vesting of 20% after two years of service, increasing by 20% each year thereafter until 100% vesting is reached after the sixth year of service. Service prior to January 1, 2022 is not credited for purposes of determining vesting. The non-vested balance is forfeited upon termination of service.

***Payment of Benefits***

Upon termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant is entitled to 100% of their account balance. Benefits will be paid in substantially equal annual installments over a period not longer than (5) years; provided, however, that in the case of a Participant with an account balance in excess of \$1,230,000, the five year period shall be extended one additional year for each \$245,000 or fraction thereof by which such balance exceeds \$1,105,000. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant is entitled to the value of their vested account balance when they attain the age of 65 or they may elect for payment of vested balance to commence in the fifth year that follows the year in which the employee terminated employment. For amounts not invested in Company shares or distributions not attributable to Company shares, payment will be in a single lump sum as permitted by the administration committee.

***Voting Rights***

Upon conversion, the Shares held by the Trust will have full voting rights. Prior to conversion, the Shares may be voted upon a shareholder vote that involves the approval or disapproval of any corporate merger or consolidation, recapitalization, reclassification, liquidation, dissolution, sale of substantially all assets of a trade or business, or such similar transactions described in section 409(e) of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder. In such an event, each participant with allocated shares is entitled to direct the Trustee as to the manner in which they wish to vote.

***Put Option***

Under Federal income tax regulations, the employer stock that is held by the Plan and its participants and is not readily tradable on an established market, or subject to trading limitations, includes a put option. The put option is a right to demand that the Company buy any shares of the stock distributed to participants for which there is no market. The put price shall be in good faith and must be based on all relevant factors that should be considered in determining the stock value.

***Diversification***

Diversification is offered to participants who have completed at least ten years of participation in the Plan and have reached the age of 55. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a six-year period. In each of the first five years, a participant may diversify up to 25% of the number of shares allocated to his or her account, less any shares previously diversified. In the sixth year the percentage changes to 50%. Participants who elect to diversify receive a cash distribution.

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**Note 2: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

***Basis of Accounting***

The accompanying financial statements have been 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 management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

***Allocations***

The financial statement of the Plan presents separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to (a) the accounts of employees with rights in allocated shares (“allocated”) and (b) shares not yet allocated to employees (“unallocated”), including shares that are committed to be released. Shares are released from collateral and become allocated generally in the period in which debt service is actually paid.

***Investment Valuation and Income Recognition***

The investments of the Plan are stated at fair value as of the end of the year. Fair value measurements are determined in accordance with GAAP, which defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about assets and liabilities measured at fair value. See Note 3 for information related to the Plan’s valuation methodologies.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Realized gains and losses from security transactions are reported on the average cost method. Net appreciation includes the plan’s gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

***Payment of Benefits***

Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

***Administrative Expenses***

Administrative expenses may be paid by the Company or the Plan at the Company’s discretion.

**Note 3: Fair Value of Plan Assets**

The Plan’s investments are reported at fair value in the accompanying statement of net assets available for plan benefits. The methods used to measure fair value may produce an amount that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to measure the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value at the reporting date.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Fair value measurements must maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. There is a hierarchy of three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

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**Note 3: Fair Value of Plan Assets (continued)**

- Level 1** Unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets tht the Plan has the ability to access.
- Level 2** Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets.
- Level 3** Unobservable inputs supported by little or no market activity and are significant to the fair value of the assets.

The plan uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. Level 3 inputs were used only when Level 1 or Level 2 inputs were not available.

The following tables present fair value measurement information for the Plan’s investment in the Company stock. The carrying values of receivables, cash and interest payable included in the accompany statement of net assets available for plan benefits are approximated at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 and are thus not included in the following table.

**Assets Measured at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023**

Description	2024		2023	
	Total	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Company Series B Preferred Stock	\$ <u>1,750,000</u>	\$ <u>1,750,000</u>	\$ <u>7,000,000</u>	\$ <u>7,000,000</u>
	\$ <u><u>1,750,000</u></u>	\$ <u><u>1,750,000</u></u>	\$ <u><u>7,000,000</u></u>	\$ <u><u>7,000,000</u></u>

**Note 4: Tax Status**

The Plan received a determination letter from the IRS dated March 21, 2024, stating the form of the Plan is qualified under the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, the related trust is exempt from taxation.

GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate uncertain tax positions taken by the Plan. The financial statement effects of a tax position are recognized when the position is more likely than not, based on technical merits, to be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2024, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken.

The Plan has recognized no interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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**Note 5: Administration of Plan Assets**

The Plan’s assets, which consist principally of the Company’s common stock, are held by the Trustee of the Plan. Company contributions are held and managed by the Trustee, which invests cash received, interest, and dividend income and makes distributions to participants. The Trustee also administers the payment of interest and principal on the loan, which is reimbursed to the Trustee through contributions as determined by the Company.

Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan.

Administrative expenses for the Trustee’s fees are paid directly by the Company.

**Note 6: Investments**

The Plan’s Investments in Company stock at December 31, 2024 and 2023, are as follows:

	2024		2023	
	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>	<u>Allocated</u>	<u>Unallocated</u>
Number of Shares	190,305	761,219	190,305	761,219
Cost	\$ 12,256,000	\$ 49,024,000	\$ 12,256,000	\$ 49,024,000
Fair Value	\$ 350,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 5,600,000

**Note 7: Loan Payable**

Pursuant to a Stock Purchase Agreement dated August 11, 2022, the Trust purchased 951,524 shares of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock of the Company for an aggregate purchase price of \$61,280,000 (“Stock Purchase Transaction”). The Stock Purchase Transaction was financed by (a) a loan from Lake Foods, Inc. (“Company”) to the Trust in the principal amount of \$22,500,000 pursuant to an Initial ESOP Loan and Pledge Agreement between the Company and the Trust (the “ESOP Loan Agreement”) and evidenced by the Initial ESOP Note (“ESOP Note”) and (b) the issuance of promissory notes by the Trust to David A. Strawn and Stanley R. Hayman (“Sellers”) in the aggregate principal amount of \$38,780,000 (the “ESOP Seller Notes”). The Trust applied the proceeds of the ESOP Loan to provide an aggregate cash payment of \$22,500,000 to the Sellers. Pursuant to an Assumption Agreement that was entered into by the parties, the Company assumed the Trust’s obligations under the ESOP Seller Notes following the purchase. In connection with the assumption, the Company refinanced the ESOP Seller Note by issuing promissory notes directly to the Sellers in the aggregate amount of \$38,780,000 (the “Sellers Notes”).

The Company and the ESOP Trust also refinanced the ESOP Note (the “Refinanced ESOP Note”) to consolidate the initial loan to the ESOP and the ESOP Seller Notes into a “Refinanced ESOP Loan” in the principal amount of \$61,280,000. The term of the Refinanced ESOP Loan is ten years with interest at the rate of 3.35% per annum, compounded annually. Principal and interest on the Refinanced ESOP Note are due on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, commencing December 31, 2022 and ending on December 31, 2031.

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**Note 7: Loan Payable (continued)**

The shares are held in the Trust and are unallocated and pledged as collateral for the Refinanced ESOP Loan. Under the terms of the Refinanced ESOP Loan, shares are released from collateral and allocated to participant accounts in the ESOP as principal and interest payments are made. An equivalent number of shares are released each year over the ten year term of the loan, although the Refinanced ESOP loan may be prepaid at any time.

**Note 8: Risks and Uncertainties**

The Plan's investments consist primarily of the Company's stock, which is exposed to various risks, including interest rate, market, and credit risks, as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings and cash flows. Due to the level of risk associated with the investment in the Company's stock and to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process it is reasonably possible that changes in the value of the stock will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for plan benefits.

**Note 9: Related Party and Party-in-Interest Transactions**

Related party and parties-in-interest transactions include transactions with fiduciaries or employees of the Plan, any person who provides services to the Plan, an employer whose employees are covered by the Plan, an employee organization whose members are covered by the Plan, a person who owns 50% or more of such an employer or employee association or relatives of such persons.

The Plan invests in Company stock and has indebtedness guaranteed by the Company. These are related party and party-in-interest transactions. As described in Notes 2 and 5, the Company pays the expenses of the Plan.

**Note 10: Company Asset Sale**

On December 27, 2023, the Company entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement to sell substantially all of its assets. In connection with the sale, the Company and the Trustee of the Plan executed a Transaction Proceeds Agreement under which the Company agreed to contribute \$7,000,000 of the sale proceeds to the Plan in two installments. In addition, the Sellers agreed to reduce the outstanding balance of their Seller Notes, as described in Note 7.

The first installment of \$5,250,000 was contributed to the Plan on April 26, 2024, following the closing of the asset sale. The remaining \$1,750,000 is required to be contributed prior to or upon the termination of the Plan, which will occur no later than December 31, 2025. In connection with the transaction, all participant accounts became fully vested regardless of years of service.

**Note 11: Benefits Payments and Interest Receivable**

During 2024, \$4,970,862 in benefits were paid to participants who requested distributions. The remaining cash Plan assets of \$279,138 were invested in a money market account. The Plan recorded the \$279,138 amount as an interest-bearing receivable until distributed pursuant to a participant request or Plan termination.

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**Note 12: Subsequent Events**

***Plan Termination***

Effective October 13, 2025, the Plan was terminated. As of the termination date, all benefit accruals under the Plan ceased. In accordance with the Plan provisions, employees have never been permitted to make contributions to the Plan, and no participant contributions were allowed at any time. Following the termination date, the Company will make no further contributions to the Plan, except for the final required contribution of \$1,750,000 made after year-end pursuant to the Transaction Proceeds Agreement. No discretionary profit-sharing contributions were made for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and no such contributions are anticipated during the Plan wind-down period. All participants became fully vested in their accrued benefits as of the termination date.

***Transaction Proceeds Agreement***

Subsequent to year-end, the remaining \$1,750,000 due to the Plan under the Transaction Proceeds Agreement referenced in Note 10 was paid on August 25, 2025. This payment completes the Company's required contributions under the agreement.

***Benefit Payment and Interest Receivable***

On October 16, 2025, following the termination of the Plan, the Company deposited the remaining distributions to be paid to participants in the amount of \$279,138, plus accrued interest of \$11,296, totaling \$290,434.

Management has evaluated subsequent events for the Plan through December 16, 2025, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined that no additional subsequent events require disclosure.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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▶ Lake Foods, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Employer Identification Number: ▶ 47-1275129

For plan year (beginning/ending): ▶ 1/1/2024 - 12/31/2024

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