# Form 5500

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

# Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

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

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

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1210-0089

**2023**

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## Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

**A** This return/report is for:
- [ ] a multiemployer plan
- [ ] a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
- [X] a single-employer plan
- [ ] a DFE (specify) ____

**B** This return/report is:
- [ ] the first return/report
- [ ] the final return/report
- [X] an amended return/report
- [ ] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

**C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . . ▶ [ ]

**D** Check box if filing under:
- [X] Form 5558
- [ ] automatic extension
- [ ] the DFVC program
- [ ] special extension (enter description)

**E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. . . . . ▶ [ ]

## Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

**1a** Name of plan
ONWARD ENERGY 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

**1b** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**1c** Effective date of plan 08/01/2009

**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)
ONWARD ENERGY MANAGEMENT, LLC

767 3RD AVE 17TH FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10017-2023

**2b** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 47-5468489

**2c** Plan Sponsor's telephone number 303-623-7300

**2d** Business code (see instructions) 221100

**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.

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|---|---|---|---|
| **SIGN HERE** | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 02/06/2026 | KRISTEN SCOTT |
| | **Signature of plan administrator** | Date | Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator |
| **SIGN HERE** | Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature. | 02/06/2026 | KRISTEN SCOTT |
| | **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

**4b** EIN

**c** Plan Name

**4d** PN

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **5** | Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year | **5** | 253 |
| **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)** | 225 |
| **a(2)** | Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year | **6a(2)** | 275 |
| **b** | Retired or separated participants receiving benefits | **6b** | 0 |
| **c** | Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits | **6c** | 29 |
| **d** | Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**. | **6d** | 304 |
| **e** | Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. | **6e** | 0 |
| **f** | Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**. | **6f** | 304 |
| **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)** | 197 |
| **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)** | 255 |
| **h** | Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested | **6h** | 13 |
| **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:

2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2R 2T 3D 3H

**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)** [X] 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)** [X] 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)** [ ] **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- **(4)** [ ] **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached 0
- **(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)** [X] **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 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 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)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

# Insurance 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.**

▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).

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**2023**

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ONWARD ENERGY 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ONWARD ENERGY MANAGEMENT, LLC

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
47-5468489

## 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
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **(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 | **(g)** To |
| 42-0127290 | 61271 | 710628 | 304 | 01/01/2023 | 12/31/2023 |

**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 |
|---|---|
| 0 | 0 |

**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 | | **(e)** Organization code |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **(c)** Amount | **(d)** Purpose | |
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**(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 | | **(e)** Organization code |
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## 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 | 186315 |
| 5 | Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end | 5 | 3175298 |

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. Specify nature of costs ▶ | 6d | |

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 ▶ FLEXIBLE INVESTMENT ANNUITY

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| b | Balance at the end of the previous year | | | 7b | 194173 |
| c | Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year | 7c(1) | 50465 | | |
| | (2) Dividends and credits | 7c(2) | | | |
| | (3) Interest credited during the year | 7c(3) | 7052 | | |
| | (4) Transferred from separate account | 7c(4) | 92225 | | |
| | (5) Other (specify below) | 7c(5) | 3454 | | |
| | ▶ LOAN PAYMENT | | | | |
| | (6) Total additions | | | 7c(6) | 153196 |
| d | Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**) | | | 7d | 347369 |
| e | Deductions: | | | | |
| | (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year | 7e(1) | 95161 | | |
| | (2) Administration charge made by carrier | 7e(2) | 1840 | | |
| | (3) Transferred to separate account | 7e(3) | 56846 | | |
| | (4) Other (specify below) | 7e(4) | 5553 | | |
| | ▶ LOAN WITHDRAWAL | | | | |
| | (5) Total deductions | | | 7e(5) | 159400 |
| f | Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**) | | | 7f | 187969 |

## 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) ▶

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **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)** | |
| **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)** | |
| (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)** | |
| (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 C (Form 5500) | Service Provider Information | OMB No. 1210-0110 |
|---|---|---|
| Department of the Treasury<br>Internal Revenue Service<br>Department of Labor<br>Employee Benefits Security Administration<br>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation | This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).<br>▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.** | **2023**<br>**This Form is Open to Public Inspection.** |

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ONWARD ENERGY MANAGEMENT, LLC

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
47-5468489

## 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).. . . . . [X] Yes [ ] No

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

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

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

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

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| (b) Service Code(s) | (c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest | (d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-. | (e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor) | (f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures? | (g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-. | (h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 13 37 50 64 | CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR | 55291 | Yes [X] No [ ] | Yes [X] No [ ] | 0 | Yes [ ] No [X] |

**(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)

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 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 |
|---|---|---|
| | | |
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|---|---|---|
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| | | |

## Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

| **(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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| | | |

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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:

Explanation:

**a** Name:

**b** EIN:

**c** Position:

**d** Address:

**e** Telephone:

Explanation:

**a** Name:

**b** EIN:

**c** Position:

**d** Address:

**e** Telephone:

Explanation:

**a** Name:

**b** EIN:

**c** Position:

**d** Address:

**e** Telephone:

Explanation:

# SCHEDULE D (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

## DFE/Participating Plan Information

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**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
47-5468489

**Part I** **Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)**
(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN MIDCAP GROWTH SEP ACCT-Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 42-0127290-021 | P | 333831 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL U.S. PROPERTY SA-Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 42-0127290-027 | P | 364900 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN SMCAP GROWTH I SEP ACCT-Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 42-0127290-070 | P | 213408 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LARGECAP GROWTH I SA-Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 42-0127290-066 | P | 1266807 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN SMCAP VALUE II SEP ACCT-Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 42-0127290-096 | P | 287737 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2010 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-001 | C | 0 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2015 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-002 | C | 32709 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2020 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-003 | C | 635727 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2025 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-004 | C | 705369 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2030 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-005 | C | 3954366 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2035 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-006 | C | 3755763 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2040 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-007 | C | 2590070 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2045 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-008 | C | 2577434 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2050 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-009 | C | 1859675 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2055 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-010 | C | 1185855 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR INC CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 26-6447574-011 | C | 14134 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN EQUITY INCOME SA-Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|
| 42-0127290-120 | P | 619768 |

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL DIV REAL ASSET SA-Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN 42-0127290-123 | **d** Entity code P | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 88847 |
|---|---|---|

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2060 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN 26-6447574-012 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 460412 |
|---|---|---|

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2065 CIT Z

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO

| **c** EIN-PN 26-6447574-013 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 204509 |
|---|---|---|

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: MID CAP VALUE R1 FUND

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN 38-4139852-630 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 270124 |
|---|---|---|

**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: GREATGRAY EURO GROWTH R1

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): GREAT GRAY TRUST COMPANY

| **c** EIN-PN 38-7289844-001 | **d** Entity code C | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 436891 |
|---|---|---|

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

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

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|

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

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

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|

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

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

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|

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

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

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|

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

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

| **c** EIN-PN | **d** Entity code | **e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) |
|---|---|---|

## Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans. DCGs must report each participating plan using Schedule DCG.)

**a** Plan name

| **b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN |
|---|---|

**a** Plan name

| **b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN |
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**a** Plan name

| **b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN |
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| **b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN |
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| **b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN |
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| **b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN |
|---|---|

**a** Plan name

| **b** Name of plan sponsor | **c** EIN-PN |
|---|---|

# 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

**2023**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

**A** Name of plan
ONWARD ENERGY 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ONWARD ENERGY MANAGEMENT, LLC

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
47-5468489

## 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) | 345775 | 323372 |
| **(9)** Value of interest in common/collective trusts | 1c(9) | 11990134 | 18683036 |
| **(10)** Value of interest in pooled separate accounts | 1c(10) | 2568454 | 3175297 |
| **(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) | 5324040 | 6702900 |
| **(14)** Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) | 1c(14) | 189922 | 186315 |
| **(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 | 20418325 | 29070920 |
| | **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 | 20418325 | 29070920 |

## 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.

| | | | (a) Amount | (b) Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Income** | | | |
| **a** | **Contributions:** | | | |
| | **(1)** Received or receivable in cash from: **(A)** Employers | 2a(1)(A) | 1435072 | |
| | **(B)** Participants | 2a(1)(B) | 3001775 | |
| | **(C)** Others (including rollovers) | 2a(1)(C) | 1735358 | |
| | **(2)** Noncash contributions | 2a(2) | | |
| | **(3)** Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)** | 2a(3) | | 6172205 |
| **b** | **Earnings on investments:** | | | |
| | **(1)** Interest: | | | |
| | **(A)** Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) | 2b(1)(A) | | |
| | **(B)** U.S. Government securities | 2b(1)(B) | | |
| | **(C)** Corporate debt instruments | 2b(1)(C) | | |
| | **(D)** Loans (other than to participants) | 2b(1)(D) | | |
| | **(E)** Participant loans | 2b(1)(E) | 20193 | |
| | **(F)** Other | 2b(1)(F) | 7006 | |
| | **(G)** Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)** | 2b(1)(G) | | 27199 |
| | **(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) | 123142 | |
| | **(D)** Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)** | 2b(2)(D) | | 123142 |
| | **(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) | | 2478139 |
| **(7)** Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts | 2b(7) | | 469329 |
| **(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) | | 903340 |
| **c** Other income | 2c | | 3372 |
| **d** Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2d | | 10176726 |
| **Expenses** | | | |
| **e** Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits: | | | |
| **(1)** Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers | 2e(1) | 1468775 | |
| **(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) | | 1468775 |
| **f** Corrective distributions (see instructions) | 2f | | 65 |
| **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) | 55291 | |
| **(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) | | 55291 |
| **j** Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2j | | 1524131 |
| **Net Income and Reconciliation** | | | |
| **k** Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d** | 2k | | 8652595 |
| **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)** [ ] 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: FORVIS MAZARS, LLP **(2)** EIN: 44-0160560

**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 | | 500000 |
| **f** Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty? | **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) |
|---|---|---|
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| | | |
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| | | |

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

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

# SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

## Retirement Plan Information

This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

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

OMB No. 1210-0110

**2023**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

**A** Name of plan
ONWARD ENERGY 401(K) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ONWARD ENERGY MANAGEMENT, LLC

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
47-5468489

## 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): 42-0127290

**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**

## 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):

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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): _____

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**a** Name of contributing employer

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

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

**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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q702476A .

# Forvis Mazars Report to the Plan Administrator

Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan

Results of the 2023 Financial Statement Audit, Including Required Communications

December 31, 2023

## Required Communications Regarding Our Audit Strategy & Approach (AU-C 260)

### Overview & Responsibilities

| Matter | Discussion |
|---|---|
| **Section 103(a)(3)(C) – 29 CFR 2520.103-8** | Management has elected to have the audit of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with the *Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974* ("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.<br><br>An audit performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) does 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, a qualified institution, that prepared and certified the investment information in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.<br><br>Management has determined that an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is permissible under the circumstances. Management has also determined that the investment information is prepared and certified by a qualified institution as described by 29 CFR 2520.103-8, that the certification meets the requirements in 29 CFR 2520.103-5, and that the certified investment information is appropriately measured, presented, and disclosed in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). |
| **Purpose** | The purpose of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is to express an opinion on whether the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP and that the assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the certified investment information. |
| **Scope of Our Audit** | This report covers audit results related to your financial statements:<br>• As of and for the year ended December 31, 2023.<br>• Conducted in accordance with our contract dated April 24, 2024. |
| **Our Responsibilities** | Forvis Mazars is responsible for forming and expressing an opinion about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, are prepared in accordance with GAAP. |

| Matter | Discussion |
|---|---|
| **Audit Scope & Inherent Limitations to *Reasonable Assurance*** | An audit performed in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America GAAS is designed to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about the financial statements. The scope of our audit tests was established in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole and did not include a detailed audit of all transactions. |
| **Extent of Our Communication** | In addition to areas of interest and noting prior communications made during other phases of the engagement, this report includes communications required in accordance with GAAS that are relevant to the responsibilities of those charged with governance in overseeing the financial reporting process, including audit approach, results, and internal control. The standards do not require the auditor to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to be communicated with those charged with governance. |
| **Independence** | The engagement team, others in our firm, as appropriate, and our firm, have complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence. |
| **Your Responsibilities** | Our audit does not relieve management or those charged with governance of your responsibilities. Your responsibilities and ours are further referenced in our contract. |
| **Distribution Restriction** | This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the following and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties:<br>• Plan Administrator<br>• Management of the Plan |

## Other Documents Containing Audited Financial Statements

The Plan's audited financial statements are included in the Form 5500, *Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan*, filed with the Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration. As part of our procedures, we read the draft Form 5500 that is substantially complete to determine if financial information discussed in sections outside the financial statements materially contradicts the audited financial statements. If we identify any such matters, we bring them to management's attention and review subsequent revisions.

Our responsibility also includes communicating to you any information we believe is a material misstatement of fact. Nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that such information, or its manner of presentation, is materially inconsistent with the information, or manner of its presentation, appearing in the financial statements.

## Qualitative Aspects of Significant Accounting Policies & Practices

### Significant Accounting Policies

Significant accounting policies are described in Note 2 of the audited financial statements.

With respect to new accounting standards adopted during the year, we call to your attention the following topics detailed in the following pages:

- No matters are reportable

## Unusual Policies or Methods

With respect to significant unusual accounting policies or accounting methods used for significant unusual transactions (significant transactions outside the normal course of business or that otherwise appear to be unusual due to their timing, size, or nature), we noted the following:

- No matters are reportable

## Alternative Accounting Treatments

We had discussions with management regarding alternative accounting treatments within GAAP for policies and practices for material items, including recognition, measurement, and disclosure considerations related to the accounting for specific transactions as well as general accounting policies, as follows:

- No matters are reportable

## Management Judgments & Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of financial statement preparation by management, based on its judgments. Significant areas of such estimates for which we are prepared to discuss management's estimation process and our procedures for testing the reasonableness of those estimates include:

- Fair value of investments

## Financial Statement Disclosures

The following areas involve particularly sensitive financial statement disclosures for which we are prepared to discuss the issues involved and related judgments made in formulating those disclosures:

- No matters are reportable

# Adjustments Identified by Audit

During the course of any audit, an auditor may propose adjustments to financial statement amounts. Management evaluates our proposals and records those adjustments that, in its judgment, are required to prevent the financial statements from being materially misstated.

A misstatement is a difference between the amount, classification, presentation, or disclosure of a reported financial statement item and that which is required for the item to be presented fairly in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

## Proposed & Recorded Adjustments

Auditor-proposed and management-recorded entries include the following:

- No matters are reportable

## Reportable Findings

During the course of the audit, we have identified the following reportable findings that are considered significant and relevant to those charged with governance over the Plan:

- Definition of Compensation for Calculation of Eligible Wages for Employer Match - We noted that compensation, as it is defined in the Plan document, was not accurately applied as it relates to the calculation of eligible wages for employer match. We recommend management contact the Plan's trustee or ERISA counsel to determine what corrective actions need to be taken as a result of the error noted. Furthermore, if the Plan document does not accurately reflect the intended definition of compensation, we recommend Plan management amend the Plan document.

## Other Required Communications

### Disagreements with Management

The following matters involved disagreements which if not satisfactorily resolved would have caused a modified auditor's opinion on the financial statements:

- No matters are reportable

### Consultation with Individuals Outside of the Engagement Team

During our audit, we encountered the following matters, for which we consulted the views of individuals outside of the engagement team:

- No matters are reportable

### Consultation with Other Accountants

During our audit, we became aware that management had consulted with other accountants about the following auditing or accounting matters:

- No matters are reportable

### Significant Issues Discussed with Management

***Prior to Retention***

During our discussion with management prior to our engagement, the following issues regarding application of accounting principles or auditing standards were discussed:

- No matters are reportable

***During the Audit Process***

During the audit process, the following issues were discussed or were the subject of correspondence with management:

- No matters are reportable

### Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

Our audit requires cooperative effort between management and the audit team. During our audit, we found significant difficulties in working effectively on the following matters:

- No matters are reportable

## Significant Related-Party Findings

We would like to communicate the following significant findings or issues that arose during our audit, related to the Plan's related-party activity:

- No matters are reportable

## Other Material Communications

Listed below are other material communications between management and us related to the audit:

- Management representation letter (see Attachment)

# Attachment

## Management Representation Letter (Appendix A)

As a material communication with management, included herein is a copy of the representation letter provided by management at the conclusion of our engagement.

## Appendix A

# Management Representation Letter

Representation of:
Onward Energy Management, LLC
767 Third Ave, 17th Floor
New York, NY 10017-2023

*Provided to:*
**Forvis Mazars, LLP**
Certified Public Accountants
100 N. Main Street, Suite 2300
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

The undersigned ("We") are providing this letter in connection with Forvis Mazars' audits of the financial statements of Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan (the "Plan") as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended December 31, 2023 and supplemental schedule as of December 31, 2023.

Our representations are current and effective as of the date of Forvis Mazars' report: August 21, 2024.

Our engagement with Forvis Mazars is based on our contract for services dated: April 24, 2024.

## Our Responsibility & Consideration of Material Matters

We confirm that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements subject to Forvis Mazars' report in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and for the fair presentation of the accompanying supplemental schedule in conformity with the Department of Labor's ("DOL") Rules and Regulations under the *Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974* ("ERISA").

We are also responsible for adopting sound accounting policies; establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, operations, and compliance; and preventing and detecting fraud.

We 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. We acknowledge that the audits did 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, a qualified institution, that prepared and certified the investment information in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. We have determined that an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is permissible under the circumstances. We have also determined that the investment information is prepared and certified by a qualified institution as described by 29 CFR 2520.103-8, that the certification meets the requirements in 29 CFR 2520.103-5 and, that the certified investment information is appropriately measured, presented, and disclosed in accordance with GAAP.

The purpose of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is to express an opinion on whether the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and that the assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agree to, are derived from, in all material respects, the certified investment information.

Certain representations in this letter are described as being limited to matters that are material. Items are considered material, regardless of size, if they involve an omission or misstatement of accounting information that, in light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement. An omission or misstatement that is monetarily small in amount could be considered material as a result of qualitative factors.

## Confirmation of Matters Specific to the Subject Matter of Forvis Mazars' Report

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following:

***Broad Matters***

1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of our contract, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and note disclosures in accordance with GAAP.
2. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation, and maintenance of:
    a. Internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
    b. Internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
3. We have provided you with:
    a. Access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, such as financial records and related data, documentation, and other matters.
    b. The most current Plan instrument for the audit period, including all Plan amendments.
    c. A draft of the Form 5500 that is substantially complete.
    d. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audits.
    e. Unrestricted access to persons within the Plan from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence.
    f. All minutes of Retirement Plan Committee meetings held through the date of this letter or summaries of actions of recent meetings for which minutes have not yet been prepared. All unsigned copies of minutes provided to you are copies of our original minutes approved by the Retirement Plan Committee, if applicable, and maintained as part of our records.
    g. All significant contracts.
4. We acknowledge the Plan does not meet the definition of a "public entity" under GAAP.
5. We have responded fully and truthfully to all your inquiries.

***Plan Design & Operations***

6. We acknowledge our responsibility for administering the Plan and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the ERISA plan 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.
7. The Plan is qualified under the appropriate section of the Internal Revenue Code, and we intend to continue them as a qualified Plan and trust. We do not have any intention at present to terminate the Plan. Required nondiscrimination testing under the appropriate Code Sections has been completed for the Plan, and any excess contributions have been disposed of in accordance with regulations.
8. The adoption date of the most recent plan amendment was September 1, 2023 as provided to you.

9. The Plan is relying on the Internal Revenue Service approval of the non-standardized pre-approved profit sharing plan with CODA that it is utilizing. The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the prototype plan sponsor by a letter dated June 30, 2020, that the prototype plan document was designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, we believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, we believe that the Plan was qualified, and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.

10. The Plan has complied with the fidelity bonding requirements of ERISA.

11. The Plan has made no investments during the year that violate the terms of the Plan or Trust Agreement.

12. We have reviewed the reports of all transactions processed by third-party services, and, based on our review, we believe the transactions shown in the reports are valid and in accordance with our instructions to the third-party processor. We also have had no communications from any of the Plan's service organizations regarding any fraud, noncompliance with laws and regulations, or uncorrected misstatements.

13. We have complied with the DOL's regulations concerning the timely remittance of participant contributions and loan repayments.

14. As applicable, we have complied with the DOL's regulations concerning the services provider fee disclosures in accordance with Section 408(b)(2).

15. We understand the values of the assets and liabilities recorded in the financial statements could change rapidly, resulting in material future adjustments to investment values that could negatively impact the Plan. We acknowledge that you have no responsibility for future changes caused by the current economic environment and the resulting impact on the Plan's financial statements. Further, the Plan Sponsor is solely responsible for all aspects of managing the Plan, including questioning the quality and valuation of investments.

16. We have evaluated whether there are conditions or events known or reasonably knowable, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year of the date of this letter without consideration of potential mitigating effects of management's plans not yet fully implemented and concluded substantial doubt does not exist.

***Misappropriation, Misstatements, & Fraud***

17. We have informed you of all current risks of a material amount that are not adequately prevented or detected by our procedures with respect to:

    a. Misappropriation of assets.

    b. Misrepresented or misstated assets or liabilities.

18. We have no knowledge of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Plan involving:

    a. Management or employees who have significant roles in internal control over financial reporting, or

    b. Others when the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.

19. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the Plan received

in communications from participants, former participants, regulators, third-party servicers or others.

20. We have assessed the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud and disclosed to you any such risk identified.

***Related Parties & Parties-in-Interest***

21. We have disclosed to you the identity of all of the Plan's related parties and parties-in-interest and all the related-party and party-in-interest relationships of which we are aware.

    In addition, we have disclosed to you all related-party transactions and amounts receivable from or payable to related parties of which we are aware, including any modifications during the year that were made to related-party transaction agreements which existed prior to the beginning of the year under audit, as well as new related-party transaction agreements that were executed during the year under audit.

    Related-party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

22. We understand that the term related-party refers to:

    - Affiliates
    - Entities for which investments are accounted for by the equity method
    - Trusts for the benefits of employees, such as pension and profit-sharing trusts that are managed by or under the trusteeship of management
    - Principal owners and members of their immediate families
    - Management and members of their immediate families
    - Any other party with which the entity may deal if one party can significantly influence the management or operating policies of the other to an extent that one of the transacting parties might be prevented from fully pursuing its own separate interests.

    Another party is also a related party if it can significantly influence the management or operating policies of the transacting parties or if it has an ownership interest in one of the transacting parties and can significantly influence the other to an extent that one or more of the transacting parties might be prevented from fully pursuing its own separate interests.

    The term affiliate refers to a party that directly or indirectly controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the entity.

***Litigation, Laws, Rulings & Regulations***

23. Neither the Plan nor the Plan Sponsor are aware of any pending or threatened litigation or claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements. Neither the Plan nor the Plan Sponsor have sought or received attorney's services related to pending or threatened litigation or claims during or subsequent to the audit period. Also, we are not aware of any litigation or claims, pending or threatened, for which legal counsel should be sought.

24. We have no knowledge of communications, other than those specifically disclosed, from regulatory agencies, governmental representatives, employees, or others concerning investigations or allegations of noncompliance with laws and regulations, deficiencies in financial

reporting practices, or other matters that could have a material adverse effect on the financial statements.

25. We have disclosed to you all known instances of violations or noncompliance or possible violations or suspected noncompliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing financial statements or as a basis for recording a loss contingency.

26. We have apprised you of all communications, written or oral, with regulatory agencies concerning the operation of the Plan.

***Nonattest Services***

27. You have provided nonattest services, including the following, during the period of this engagement:

    - Preparing a draft of the financial statements and related notes and supplementary information

28. With respect to these services:

    a. We have designated a qualified management-level individual to be responsible and accountable for overseeing the nonattest services.

    b. We have established and monitored the performance of the nonattest services to ensure they meet our objectives.

    c. We have made any and all decisions involving management functions with respect to the nonattest services and accept full responsibility for such decisions.

    d. We have evaluated the adequacy of the services performed and any findings that resulted.

    e. Established and maintained internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities.

    f. When we receive final deliverables from you we will store those deliverables in information systems controlled by us. We have taken responsibility for maintaining internal control over these deliverables.

***Financial Statements & Reports***

29. We have reviewed and approved a draft of the financial statements and related notes referred to above, which you prepared in connection with your audit of our financial statements. We acknowledge that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the financial statements and related notes.

30. With regard to supplementary information:

    a. We acknowledge our responsibility for the fair presentation of the supplementary information, including its form and content in conformity with relevant regulatory requirements or other applicable criteria.

    b. The methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information are unchanged from those used in the prior period, and we have disclosed to you any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement and presentation of the supplementary information.

    c. We believe the significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement and/or presentation of the supplementary information are reasonable and appropriate.

    d. The supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with

the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

***Transactions, Records, & Adjustments***

31. All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.

32. We have everything we need to keep our books and records.

33. We have disclosed any significant unusual transactions the Plan has entered into during the period, including the nature, terms, and business purpose of those transactions.

***Accounting & Disclosure***

34. Except as reflected in the financial statements, there are no:

    a. Plans or intentions that may materially affect carrying values of assets and liabilities.

    b. Material transactions omitted or improperly recorded in the financial records.

    c. Material unasserted claims or assessments that are probable of assertion or other gain/loss contingencies requiring accrual or disclosure in accordance with Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 450, *Contingencies*, including those arising from environmental remediation obligations.

    d. Events occurring subsequent to the date of the statement of net assets available for benefits through the date of this letter, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued, requiring adjustment or disclosure in the financial statements.

    e. Reportable transactions as defined in Section 103(b)(3)(H) of ERISA.

35. Except as disclosed in the financial statements, the Plan has:

    a. Satisfactory title to all recorded assets, and those assets are not subject to any liens, pledges, or other encumbrances.

    b. Complied with all aspects of contractual agreements, for which noncompliance would materially affect the financial statements.

***Estimates***

36. We have identified all accounting estimates that could be material to the financial statements, and we confirm the appropriateness of the methods and the consistency in their application, the accuracy and completeness of data, and the reasonableness of significant assumptions used by the Plan in making the accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value reported in the financial statements.

37. Significant estimates that may be subject to a material change in the near term have been properly disclosed in the financial statements. We understand that "near term" means the period within one year of the date of the financial statements. In addition, we have no knowledge of concentrations, which refer to volumes of loans, investments, or deposits, existing at the date of the financial statements that would make the Plan vulnerable to the risk of severe impact in the near term that have not been properly disclosed in the financial statements.

***Fair Value***

38. With respect to the fair value measurements of financial assets, recognized in the financial statements or disclosed in the notes thereto:

    a. The underlying assumptions are reasonable and they appropriately reflect management's intent and ability to carry out its stated course of action.

    b. The measurement methods and significant assumptions used in determining fair value are appropriate in the circumstances for financial statement measurement and disclosure purposes and have been consistently applied.

    c. The significant assumptions appropriately reflect market participant assumptions.

    d. The disclosures related to fair values are complete, adequate, and in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

    e. There are no subsequent events that require adjustments to the fair value measurements and disclosures included in the financial statements.

***Investments***

39. Investments are properly measured at fair value, except for fully benefit responsive investment contracts which are reported at contract value. Investments measured at fair value include:

    a. Investments with a readily determinable fair value that are reported at net asset value (NAV) per share/unit.

    b. Investment values determined using NAV as a practical expedient.

***Tax Matters***

40. We acknowledge that any delay in filing the audit report and the Form 5500 on a timely basis is our responsibility, and the penalties, if any, associated with such delays are our responsibility.

Patrick Welch, Chief Financial Officer

Larry More, SVP, Finance, Tax, & Accounting

# Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan

## EIN 47-5468489 PN 001

## Independent Auditor's Report, Financial Statements, and Supplemental Schedules

December 31, 2023 and 2022

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# Independent Auditor's Report

Plan Administrator
Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan
Denver, CO

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

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings 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 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2023, 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 December 31, 2023 and 2022 and for the year ended December 31, 2023, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

## *Opinion*

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

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

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

### *Basis for Opinion*

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 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 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 these financial statements are available to be issued.

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

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

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with 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 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 GAAP.

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

### *Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA*

The supplemental schedule listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is 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 schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule 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 schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, 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 schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are 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 schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Forvis Mazars, LLP
**Winston-Salem, North Carolina**
**August 21, 2024**
Federal Employer Identification Number: 47-5468489

**Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan**
**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits**
**December 31, 2023 and 2022**

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|---|---|
| **ASSETS** | | |
| **Investments** | | |
| Investments, at fair value | $ 28,561,233 | $ 19,882,628 |
| Investments, at contract value | 187,969 | 194,173 |
| **Total Investments** | 28,749,202 | 20,076,801 |
| **Receivables** | | |
| Notes receivable from participants | 323,372 | 345,775 |
| **Net Assets Available for Benefits** | $ 29,072,574 | $ 20,422,576 |

**Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan**
**Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits**
**Year Ended December 31, 2023**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Additions to Net Assets Attributed to** | | |
| **Investment Income** | | |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments | $ | 3,858,589 |
| Interest and dividends | | 123,142 |
| **Total investment income** | | 3,981,731 |
| **Interest Income on Notes Receivable From Participants** | | 20,193 |
| **Contributions** | | |
| Company | | 1,435,072 |
| Participant | | 3,001,775 |
| Rollovers | | 1,735,358 |
| **Total contributions** | | 6,172,205 |
| **Total Additions** | | 10,174,129 |
| **Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to** | | |
| Benefits paid to participants | | 1,468,840 |
| Administrative expenses | | 55,291 |
| **Total Deductions** | | 1,524,131 |
| **Net change** | | 8,649,998 |
| **Net Assets Available for Benefits, Beginning of Year** | | 20,422,576 |
| **Net Assets Available for Benefits, End of Year** | $ | 29,072,574 |

## Note 1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions.

### *General*

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all full-time employees of Onward Energy Management, LLC (the “Company”) who are age 21 or older. The plan administrator controls and manages the operations and administration of the Plan. Delaware Charter Guarantee and Trust Company d/b/a Principal Trust Company ("Principal") serves as the trustee of the Plan (the "trustee"). The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”).

### *Contributions*

Each year, participants may elect to contribute up to 100% of eligible compensation, as defined in the plan document, subject to certain Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) limitations. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also make Roth after-tax contributions and may contribute amounts distributed from other qualified plans. The Company contributes 100% of the first 3% of the base compensation that a participant contributes to the Plan and 50% of the next 3% of base compensation a participant contributes to the Plan, up to a total of 4.5%. Contributions are subject to certain limitations.

### *Investment Options*

Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual funds, common collective trust funds, pooled separate accounts and a fully-benefit responsive investment contract as investment options for participants.

### *Participant Accounts*

Each participant’s account is credited with the participant’s contribution and allocations of the Company’s contributions and plan earnings (losses), and is charged with benefit payments, transaction fees related to distributions and loans, and administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant’s vested account.

### *Vesting*

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company’s contribution portion of their accounts plus actual earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after five years of credited service as follows:

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

### *Notes Receivable from Participants*

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of $1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of $50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest based on current rates available from commercial lending institutions for similar loans. At December 31, 2023, outstanding loans bore interest rates ranging from 4.25% to 9.50%. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions.

### *Payment of Benefits*

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive an amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account in a lump-sum amount. Amounts contributed on a before-tax basis may only be withdrawn upon demonstration of financial hardship, disability, or after the participant reaches 59½ years of age.

### *Forfeitures*

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled $78,767 and $46,765, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future Company contributions or pay Plan expenses. Forfeitures of $48,950 were used to reduce Company contributions during 2023.

## Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### *Basis of Accounting*

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

### *Estimates*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets, liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

### *Investment Valuation and Income Recognition*

Investments are reported at fair value, except for the fully benefit-responsive investment contract, which is reported at contract value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Plan management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the trustee. See Note 3 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Investments in the fully benefit-responsive investment contract are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for the portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

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

### *Notes Receivable from Participants*

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance. Delinquent participant loans are reclassified as distributions, based upon the terms of the plan document.

### *Payment of Benefits*

Benefit payments are recorded upon distribution.

### *Administrative Expenses*

The Plan's administrative expenses are paid by either the Plan or the Company, as provided by the plan document. Those relating to specific elections of participants are paid from the individual's account. Certain administrative functions are performed by the employees of the Company. No such employee receives compensation from the Plan. Expenses relating to specific participant transactions are charged directly to the participant's account.

### *Subsequent Events*

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through August 21, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

## Note 3. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value as defined under GAAP is an exit price representing the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. GAAP establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. These tiers include:

**Level 1** Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets.

**Level 2** Inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable.

**Level 3** Unobservable inputs about which little or no market data exists, therefore requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions.

Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Plan's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment, and may affect the valuation of fair value assets and liabilities, and their placement within the fair value hierarchy levels.

There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022. The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

***Mutual Funds***
Mutual funds are publicly traded investments and are valued daily at the closing price reported on the active market on which the funds are traded.

***Collective Trust Funds***
The Plan invests in collective trust funds for which quoted prices are not available in active markets for identical instruments. The Plan utilizes the net asset value ("NAV") per share provided by the trustee as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the fund will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported NAV. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily. If the Plan initiates a full redemption of the collective trust funds, the issuer reserves the right to require 12 months notification in order to ensure that securities liquidations will be carried out in an orderly business manner. The collective trust funds are not required to be classified within a level on the fair value hierarchy.

***Pooled Separate Accounts***
The Plan invests in pooled separate accounts for which quoted prices are not available in active markets for identical instruments. The Plan utilizes the NAV of units, as determined by the trustee, as the estimated fair value. Because quoted prices in active markets for identical assets are not available, these prices are determined using observable market information such as quotes from less active markets and/or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics. The pooled separate accounts are not required to be classified within a level of the fair value hierarchy.

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Plan's assets accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2023 and 2022.

| | 2023 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Level 1** | **Level 2** | **Level 3** | **Fair Value** |
| Mutual funds | $ 6,702,900 | $ - | $ - | $ 6,702,900 |
| Total assets in the fair value hierarchy | $ 6,702,900 | $ - | $ - | 6,702,900 |
| Investments measured at net asset value (a) | | | | 21,858,333 |
| Investments at fair value | | | | $ 28,561,233 |

| | 2022 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Level 1** | **Level 2** | **Level 3** | **Fair Value** |
| Mutual funds | $ 5,324,040 | $ - | $ - | $ 5,324,040 |
| Total assets in the fair value hierarchy | $ 5,324,040 | $ - | $ - | 5,324,040 |
| Investments measured at net asset value (a) | | | | 14,558,588 |
| Investments at fair value | | | | $ 19,882,628 |

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

The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the NAV per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption notice period is applicable only to the Plan.

| | Fair Value at December 31, 2023 | Fair Value at December 31, 2022 | Unfunded Commitments | Other Redemption Restrictions | Redemption Notice Period |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Common collective trust funds | $ 18,683,036 | $ 11,990,134 | None | Daily | N/A |
| Pooled separate Accounts | $ 3,175,297 | $ 2,568,454 | None | Daily | N/A |

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future 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 determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

## Note 4. Unaudited Investment Information Certified by Trustee

The accompanying financial statements include the following unaudited information as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the year ended December 31, 2023, that was obtained from data prepared and certified to be complete and accurate by the Plan's trustee:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|---|---|
| Investments | $ 28,749,202 | $ 20,076,801 |
| Notes receivable from participants | $ 323,372 | $ 345,775 |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments | $ 3,858,589 | |
| Interest and dividends | $ 123,142 | |
| Interest income on notes receivable | $ 20,193 | |

## Note 5. Fully Benefit- Responsive Investment Contract

The Plan has a fully benefit-responsive investment contract, the Guaranteed Interest, with Principal Life Insurance Company ("Principal Life").

This investment contract is included in the financial statements at contract value. As described in Note 2, because the investments are fully benefit-responsive, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits attributable to these investments. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by Principal Life, represents contributions made under the contracts, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value.

Certain events limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuer. Such events include, but may not be limited to the following: (1) the complete or partial termination of the Plan; (2) the establishment or activation of, or material change in, any Plan investment fund, or an amendment to the Plan or a change in the administration or operation of the Plan, including the removal of a group of employees from plan coverage as a result of the sale or liquidation of a subsidiary or division or as a result of group layoffs or early retirement programs. The plan administrator does not believe that the occurrence of any such value event, which would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with participants, is probable.

The contract does not permit the insurance company to terminate the agreement prior to the scheduled maturity date.

## Note 6. Exempt Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain plan investments are managed by Principal, the trustee as defined by the Plan, and therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid by the Plan to Principal for investment management and recordkeeping services amounted to $55,291 for the year ended December 31, 2023.

## Note 7. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent 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 of ERISA. In the event of plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their accounts.

## Note 8. Tax Status

The Plan has not obtained a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") stating that the Plan was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. The Plan is relying on IRS approval of the non-standardized pre-approved profit sharing plan with CODA that it is utilizing. The IRS has determined and informed the prototype plan sponsor by a letter dated June 30, 2020, that the prototype plan document was designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC. The Plan administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, the plan administrator believes that the Plan was qualified, and the related trust was tax exempt as of the financial statement date.

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

## Note 9. Risks and Uncertainties

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

## Note 10. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the accompanying 2023 and 2022 financial statements to Schedule H of Form 5500:

| | 2023 | 2022 |
|---|---|---|
| Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements | $ 29,072,574 | $ 20,422,576 |
| Fair value adjustment | (1,654) | (4,251) |
| Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500 | $ 29,070,920 | $ 20,418,325 |

The following is a reconciliation of net change in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, to net income per Form 5500:

| | |
|---|---|
| Net change per the financial statements | $ 8,649,998 |
| Add: change in fair value adjustment | 2,597 |
| Net income per Form 5500 | $ 8,652,595 |

*Supplemental Schedule*

**Onward Energy 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan**
**Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)**
**Schedule H, Line 4i**
**EIN: 47-5468489 Plan: 001**
**December 31, 2023**

| (a) | (b) Identity of Issuer, 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Mutual Funds** | Equity Income Separate Account | | |
| | American Funds | New Perspective Fund | | $ 113,052 |
| | Baird | Bore Plus I Fund | | 857,774 |
| | Fidelity | Mid Cap Index Fund | | 955,123 |
| | Fidelity | Small Cap Index Fund | | 718,817 |
| | Fidelity | US Bond Index | | 322,475 |
| | Fidelity | 500 Index Fund | | 3,196,360 |
| | Fidelity | Total International Index Fund | | 261,544 |
| | J.P. Morgan | Emerging Markets Equity Fund | | 277,755 |
| | **Common Collective Trust Funds** | | | |
| | Great Gray | Euro Growth R1 | | 436,891 |
| | Great Gray | Mid Cap Value | | 270,123 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2015 Collective Investment Trust | | 32,709 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2020 Collective Investment Trust | | 635,727 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2025 Collective Investment Trust | | 705,369 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2030 Collective Investment Trust | | 3,954,366 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2035 Collective Investment Trust | | 3,755,763 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2040 Collective Investment Trust | | 2,590,070 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2045 Collective Investment Trust | | 2,577,434 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2050 Collective Investment Trust | | 1,859,674 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2055 Collective Investment Trust | | 1,185,855 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2060 Collective Investment Trust | | 460,412 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2065 Collective Investment Trust | | 204,509 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid Inc Collective Investment Trust | | 14,134 |
| | **Pooled Separate Accounts** | | | |
| * | Principal | Diversified Real Asset | | 88,847 |
| * | Principal | Equity Income Separate Account | | 619,767 |
| * | Principal | Largecap Growth I Sep Acct | | 1,266,807 |
| * | Principal | Midcap Growth Separate Account | | 333,831 |
| * | Principal | Real Estate Investment | | 364,901 |
| * | Principal | Smallcap Growth I Sep Acct | | 213,407 |
| * | Principal | Smallcap Value II Sep Account | | 287,737 |
| | **Guaranteed Investment Contract** | | | |
| * | Principal | Guaranteed Interest Account | | 186,315 |
| * | **Participant Loans*** ** | Interest-bearing between 4.25% and 9.50%, maturing through August 2032 | | 323,372 |
| | | | | $ 29,070,920 |

* *Party-in-interest*
** *Cost information omitted for participant-directed investments.*
*** *The accompanying financial statements classify participant loans as notes receivable from participants.*

**See accompanying notes.**

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| (a) | (b) Identity of Issuer, 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Mutual Funds** | Equity Income Separate Account | | |
| | American Funds | New Perspective Fund | | $ 219,103 |
| | Baird | Bore Plus I Fund | | 1,034,595 |
| | Fidelity | Mid Cap Index Fund | | 1,263,168 |
| | Fidelity | Small Cap Index Fund | | 893,663 |
| | Fidelity | U.S. Bond Index | | 489,240 |
| | Fidelity | 500 Index Fund | | 5,137,556 |
| | Fidelity | Total International Index Fund | | 414,433 |
| | J.P. Morgan | Emerging Markets Equity Fund | | 316,524 |
| | **Common Collective Trust Funds** | | | |
| | Great Gray | Euro Growth R1 | | 359,483 |
| | MFS Wilmington | Midcap Value | | 205,324 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2015 Collective Investment Trust | | 26,444 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2020 Collective Investment Trust | | 586,639 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2025 Collective Investment Trust | | 1,105,354 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2030 Collective Investment Trust | | 4,444,978 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2035 Collective Investment Trust | | 4,377,602 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2040 Collective Investment Trust | | 3,306,634 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2045 Collective Investment Trust | | 3,303,877 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2050 Collective Investment Trust | | 2,163,684 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2055 Collective Investment Trust | | 1,201,108 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2060 Collective Investment Trust | | 791,821 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2065 Collective Investment Trust | | 355,888 |
| | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid 2070 Collective Investment Trust | | 19,527 |
| * | Principal | Lifetime Hybrid Inc Collective Investment Trust | | 23,495 |
| | **Pooled Separate Accounts** | | | |
| * | Principal | Diversified Real Asset | | 102,874 |
| * | Principal | Equity Income Separate Account | | 527,777 |
| * | Principal | Largecap Growth I Sep Acct | | 1,740,189 |
| * | Principal | Midcap Growth Separate Account | | 369,879 |
| * | Principal | Real Estate Investment | | 174,969 |
| * | Principal | Smallcap Growth I Sep Acct | | 238,587 |
| * | Principal | Smallcap Value II Sep Account | | 270,300 |
| | **Guaranteed Investment Contract** | | | |
| * | Principal | Guaranteed Interest Account | | 123,247 |
| * | **Participant Loans*** ** | Interest-bearing between 4.25% and 9.50%, maturing through August 2034 | | 437,573 |
| | | | | $ 36,025,535 |

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