

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.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 10/01/2024 and ending 09/30/2025	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B	This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan CEM CORPORATION SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT SHARING PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
1c	Effective date of plan 06/27/1980
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) CEM CORPORATION 3100 SMITH FARM ROAD P.O. BOX 200 MATTHEWS, NC 28104
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1019741
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 704-821-7015
2d	Business code (see instructions) 339900

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	04/29/2026	JULIE BOLTON-WILLIAMS
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	04/29/2026	JULIE BOLTON-WILLIAMS
	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 ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 315
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1) 257 6a(2) 261 6b 0 6c 49 6d 310 6e 5 6f 315 6g(1) 293 6g(2) 314 6h 10
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 2S 2T 3D

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

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

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

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 10/01/2024 and ending 09/30/2025		
A Name of plan CEM CORPORATION SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT SHARING PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CEM CORPORATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1019741	

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
13 37 50 64	CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR	59533	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

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

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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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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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:
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Explanation:

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
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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
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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A Name of plan CEM CORPORATION SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT SHARING PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CEM CORPORATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1019741

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)	1168392	1751648
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)	44059	61032
(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)	751966	730684
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	4290315	5350473
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	55466643	61364549
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)	4687649	6532101

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	66409024	75790487
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	66409024	75790487

Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	2496652	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	2150158	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	198525	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B), (C), and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		4845335
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)	68067	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		68067
(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)	904882	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B), and (C)	2b(2)(D)		904882
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		140028
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		6134081
c Other income	2c		1789669
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		13882062

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	4442668	
(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)		4442668
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	57931	
(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)		57931
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		4500599

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		9381463
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: **LONG CPA, PLLC**

(2) EIN: **81-1806291**

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.)		☒	
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.)		☒	
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.)		☒	
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.)		☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒		2000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		☒	
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?		☒	
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?		☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒		
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.)		☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		☒	
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.			

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

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) 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 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.	
For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 10/01/2024 and ending 09/30/2025					
A Name of plan CEM CORPORATION SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT SHARING PLAN				B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 CEM CORPORATION				D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1019741	
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					
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.				Schedule R (Form 5500) 2024 v. 240311	

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

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
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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
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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 <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q702477A</u> .	

CEM CORPORATION
SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT-SHARING PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AND 2024

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Note - Certain supplemental schedules required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 are omitted because of the absence of the conditions under which they are required.

LONG CPA, PLLC

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Participants and Plan Administrator of the CEM Corporation Salary Reduction Profit-Sharing Plan:

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of CEM Corporation Salary Reduction Profit-Sharing 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 statement of net assets available for benefits as of September 30, 2025 and 2024, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year the year ended September 30, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the CEM Corporation Salary Reduction Profit-Sharing Plan's 2025 and 2024 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 Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit 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 Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the year ended September 30, 2025 and 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 4 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

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

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- the information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion on the Financial Statements

We conducted our audit 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and

maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. 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 CEM Corporation Salary Reduction Profit-Sharing Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements.

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 of the Financial Statements 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 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 CEM Corporation Salary Reduction Profit-Sharing 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 CEM Corporation Salary Reduction Profit-Sharing Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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

Other Matters

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of Assets Held as of September 30, 2025, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by 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).

LONG CPA, PLLC

Charlotte, NC
March 31, 2026

CEM CORPORATION

SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT-SHARING PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
ASSETS		
Investments at fair value:		
Mutual funds	\$ 61,364,549	\$ 55,466,643
Common collective trusts	5,350,473	4,290,315
Self directed brokerage accounts	6,532,101	4,687,649
Total investments	<u>73,247,123</u>	<u>64,444,607</u>
Receivables:		
Employer contributions	1,751,648	1,168,392
Participants' contributions	61,032	44,059
Notes receivable from participants	730,684	751,966
Total receivables	<u>2,543,364</u>	<u>1,964,417</u>
Total assets	<u>75,790,487</u>	<u>66,409,024</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u><u>\$ 75,790,487</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 66,409,024</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CEM CORPORATION

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AND 2024

ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 8,063,778
Dividends	904,882
Interest, notes receivable from participants	68,067
Total investment income	<u>9,036,727</u>

Contributions:

Participants	2,150,158
Employer (net of forfeitures)	2,496,652
Rollover	198,525
Total contributions	<u>4,845,335</u>

Total additions	13,882,062
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DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO:

Benefits paid to participants	4,442,668
Administrative expenses	57,931
Total deductions	<u>4,500,599</u>

NET INCREASE	9,381,463
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:

Beginning of year	<u>66,409,024</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 75,790,487</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

CEM CORPORATION

SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT-SHARING PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AND 2024

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following brief description of the CEM Corporation ("Company") Salary Reduction Profit-Sharing Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more comprehensive description of the Plan's provisions.

General – The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees of CEM (the "Company"). The Plan is intended to be a qualified retirement plan under Section 401(a) and 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") and is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Eligibility – Eligibility requirements state that an employee must be at least 19 years of age and have worked 1,000 hours with the Company to be eligible to participate in the Plan. Once this requirement has been met, the employee is eligible for enrollment in the Plan on the first day of the next month.

Contributions – The Plan provides for participant elective contributions. Under the Plan, participants may elect to contribute from 1% to 50% of their compensation, subject to certain IRC limitations. Compensation is defined as the total taxable annual compensation excluding fringe benefits and compensation earned prior to the participant's entry into the Plan.

The Company may make a matching contribution equal to a discretionary amount or percentage of the participant's elective deferral. Additional discretionary employer contributions, if any, are determined annually by the board of directors. Contributions are subject to certain IRC limitations.

Participant Accounts – Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of (a) the Company's contribution and (b) Plan earnings (losses), and charged with an allocation of 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 is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 20% vested after two years of credit services and 100% vested after three years of credited service.

Forfeitures – As of September 30, 2025 and 2024, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$2,801 and \$895, respectively. Forfeitures of matching contributions will be used to reduce future employer matching contributions; if the employer makes no matching contribution, forfeitures may be allocated as an additional employer profit sharing contribution. Forfeitures of employer profit sharing contributions will be added to the employer's profit sharing contribution and allocated in the same manner; if no employer profit sharing contribution is made, and forfeiture will be allocated among all eligible participants as if such forfeiture were an employer profit sharing contribution.

Payment of Benefits – On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive a lump-sum equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account.

Notes Receivable from Participants – Participants may borrow from their account balances. The minimum amount of any loan is \$1,000 and the maximum is \$50,000 or 50% of a participant's total vested balance, whichever is less. The loans bear interest based on current interest rates charged by persons in the business of lending money for similar loans at the time the loan is made; the interest rate remains fixed over the loan term and is not renegotiated. Rates range from 5.25% to 10.50%, which are commensurate with local prevailing

CEM CORPORATION SALARY REDUCTION PROFIT-SHARING PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AND 2024

rates as determined quarterly by the Plan's administrator at the time of the loan origination. Principal and interest are paid ratably through monthly payroll deductions.

Participant Direction of Investment – Participants may direct the investment of their account balances under the Plan. The trustee will invest the participant's account balance under the Plan in accordance with their direction. Participants may modify their investment options daily.

Administrative Expenses – Most of the expenses of the Plan are paid by the Company, including legal and accounting fees. Investment management services, trustee fees and recordkeeping fees are paid out of Plan assets.

Termination of the Plan – Although the Company has not expressed any intent to do so, it has the right to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in the Plan and under ERISA. In the event that the Plan should be terminated, participants' accounts would become fully vested, and all remaining Plan assets would be allocated to the participants as described in the full text of the Plan.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting and Presentation – The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Investments – Investments are valued at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The Plan invests in benefit-responsive investment contracts through a common collective trust. Benefit-responsive investment contracts held by a defined-contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value. However, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined-contribution plan attributable to benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the plan. The Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits presents the fair value of the investment contracts as well as the adjustment of the benefit-responsive investment contracts from fair value to contract value. The Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits is prepared on the contract value basis.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis.

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

Contributions – Contributions are reported in the year services are rendered to the Company by the Plan participants.

Payment of Benefits – Benefit payments are reported in the year paid.

Excess Refundable Contributions – The Plan is required to return contributions received during the Plan year in excess of the IRC limits in order to satisfy certain discrimination tests.

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Use of Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events – Subsequent events have been evaluated through March 31, 2026, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, provides the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1 – Inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets in active markets that the plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Inputs consist of 1) quoted prices for similar assets in active markets, 2) quoted prices for identical or similar assets in inactive markets, 3) inputs other than quoted prices that are observable, and 4) inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term.

Level 3 – Inputs consist of unobservable inputs where there is little or no market activity, and the reporting entity makes estimates and assumptions related to the pricing of the asset including assumptions regarding risk.

The assets fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at September 30, 2025 and 2024.

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.

Self directed brokerage accounts – Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Common collective trusts – These funds are valued at the NAV of units of the collective fund. The NAV is used as a practical expedient to estimate fair value. This practical expedient would not be used if it is determined to be probable that the funds will sell the investment for an amount different from the reported net asset value. Participant transactions (purchases and sales) may occur daily.

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

The Plan's investments are reported at fair value as follows:

Assets at Fair Value as of September 30, 2025				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 61,364,549	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61,364,549
Self directed brokerage accounts	<u>6,532,101</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,532,101</u>
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	<u>\$ 67,896,650</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 67,896,650</u>
Investments measured at NAV (a)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,350,473</u>
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 67,896,650</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 73,247,123</u>
Assets at Fair Value as of September 30, 2024				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 55,466,643	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,466,643
Self directed brokerage accounts	<u>4,687,649</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,687,649</u>
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	<u>\$ 60,154,292</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 60,154,292</u>
Investments measured at NAV (a)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,290,315</u>
Investments at fair value	<u>\$ 60,154,292</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 64,444,607</u>

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

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The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the NAV per share practical expedient as of September 30, 2025 and 2024.

	Fair Value at September 30, 2025	Fair Value at September 30, 2024	Unfunded Commit- ments	Other Redemption Restrictions	Redemption Notice Period
T. Rowe Price Stable Value A	\$ 5,350,473	\$ 4,290,315	None	Daily	None

4. INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY THE TRUSTEE

The plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. The Principal Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, as of September 30, 2025 and 2024, and for the year then ended, have certified that the following data included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate with respect to investments as of September 30, 2025 and 2024:

- Investments, at fair value
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments
- Interest and dividend income
- Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

The Plan's independent public accountants did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule.

5. RELATED PARTIES

The Plan invests in certain funds managed by the trustee. The income from the Plan is derived from these funds; therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. In addition, participant loans are considered party-in-interest transactions since these participants have a vested interest in Plan assets.

6. TAX STATUS

No determination letter has been received for the Plan as it operates under a prototype document. The IRS issued an opinion letter for the prototype on June 30, 2020 stating that the form of the prototype is acceptable under Section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") for use by employers for the benefit of their employees. The plan administrator believes the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require 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 administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of September 30, 2025 and 2024, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

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7. 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.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

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FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, PART IV, LINE 4i
SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 and 2024

EIN: 56-1019741, PLAN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 001

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(e) Current Value
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual Fund	\$ 11,017,557
	Fidelity Frdm Idx 2040 Ins Pre	Mutual Fund	10,761,190
	Fidelity Blue Chip Grth K6 Fd	Mutual Fund	7,129,645
	Fidelity Frdm Idx 2050 Ins Pre	Mutual Fund	5,388,558
	JanusHenderson Entrprs N	Mutual Fund	2,936,356
	Vgd Dividend Growth Inv Fund	Mutual Fund	2,824,087
	Fidelity Frdm Idx 2030 Ins Pre	Mutual Fund	2,558,741
	MFS Global Growth R6 Fund	Mutual Fund	2,396,164
	Amer Funds Amer Bal R6 Fd	Mutual Fund	2,264,650
	SEI TRUST Allspring Spec M Cap Value R6	Mutual Fund	2,219,450
	Metropolitan Wt TI Rtn Bd Plan	Mutual Fund	1,637,893
	Vanguard Sm Cap Index Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	1,613,403
	Fidelity Frdm Idx 2060 Ins Pre	Mutual Fund	1,581,082
	Fidelity Frdm Idx 2020 Ins Pre	Mutual Fund	1,471,575
	Putnam Large Cap Value R6 Fund	Mutual Fund	1,433,111
	Am Fds EuroPacific Grth R6 Fd	Mutual Fund	1,309,616
	Fidelity Frdm Idx Inc Ins Prem	Mutual Fund	1,280,454
	Fidelity Frdm Idx 2010 Ins Pre	Mutual Fund	657,937
	Fidelity Small Cap Grwth K6 Fd	Mutual Fund	507,887
	Amer Century Sml Cap Val R6 Fd	Mutual Fund	375,192
	Total Mutual Funds		<u>61,364,549</u>
	T. Rowe Price Stable Value A.	Common/Collective Trust	5,350,473
*	Self directed brokerage accounts		6,532,101
*	Participant Loans	Participant loans (5.25% - 10.50%)	<u>730,684</u>
	Total Investments		<u><u>\$ 73,977,807</u></u>

* Represents a party-in-interest to the Plan.

Note: This information has been certified as complete and accurate by the Principal Trust Company, the Plan's trustee.

SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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EIN 56.1019741
 PLAN NUMBER 001
 PLAN YEAR 10/01/2024 TO 09/30/2025

(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
	SEI TRUST COMPANY	Registered Investment Company Allspring Spec M Cap Value R6	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,581,082.04
	The American Funds	Registered Investment Company Am Funds EUPAC R6 Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,280,454.19
	American Century Investments	Registered Investment Company Amer Century SmL Cap Val R6 Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 375,191.86
	The American Funds	Registered Investment Company Amer Funds Amer Bal R6 Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,824,087.22
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Blue Chip Grth K6 Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,129,644.86
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Frdm Idx Ret Ins Prem	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,433,110.98
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Frdm Idx 2010 Ins Pre	\$ 0.00	\$ 507,887.22
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Frdm Idx 2020 Ins Pre	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,471,574.83
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Frdm Idx 2030 Ins Pre	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,396,164.10
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Frdm Idx 2040 Ins Pre	\$ 0.00	\$ 11,017,557.22
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Frdm Idx 2050 Ins Pre	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,388,557.84
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Frdm Idx 2060 Ins Pre	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,613,403.39
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity Small Cap Grwth K6 Fd	\$ 0.00	\$ 657,937.11
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company Fidelity 500 Index Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,761,190.40
	Fidelity Investments	Registered Investment Company FIDELITY TOTAL BOND K6 FUND	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,936,356.39

SCHEDULE H, line 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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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
	Janus International Holding, LLC	Registered Investment Company JanusHenderson Entrprs N	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,558,741.46
	MFS Investment Management	Registered Investment Company MFS Global Growth R6 Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,219,450.15
	Putnam Investments	Registered Investment Company Putnam Large Cap Value R6 Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,309,615.55
	Schwab Funds	Brokerage Account Self-Directed Brokerage Acct	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,532,101.18
	T. Rowe Price Trust Company	Common/Collective Trust T. Rowe Price Stable Value A	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,350,472.62
	Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company Vanguard Sm Cap Index Adm Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,637,892.69
	Vanguard Group	Registered Investment Company Vgd Dividend Growth Inv Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,264,649.69
*	Participant Loans	Range of Interest Rates Rates Range From 5.25% To 10.50%	\$ 0.00	\$ 730,684.00