# 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

**2025**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

## Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

**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.)
- [X] 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:
- [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
ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

**1b** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

**1c** Effective date of plan 01/01/2011

**2a** Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)
Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)
ORTHOCAROLINA, P.A.

4601 PARK ROAD, SUITE 250
CHARLOTTE, NC 28209

**2b** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1093722

**2c** Plan Sponsor's telephone number 704-323-2034

**2d** Business code (see instructions) 621111

**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. | 09/30/2026 | AMY KENDALL, CLO |
| | **Signature of plan administrator** | Date | Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator |
| **SIGN HERE** | | | |
| | **Signature of employer/plan sponsor** | Date | Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor |
| **SIGN HERE** | | | |
| | **Signature of DFE** | Date | Enter name of individual signing as DFE |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **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: | **4b** | EIN |
| **a** | Sponsor's name | **4d** | PN |
| **c** | Plan Name | | |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **5** | Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year | **5** | 123 |
| **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)** | 118 |
| **a(2)** | Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year | **6a(2)** | 117 |
| **b** | Retired or separated participants receiving benefits | **6b** | 0 |
| **c** | Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits | **6c** | 2 |
| **d** | Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**. | **6d** | 119 |
| **e** | Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. | **6e** | 0 |
| **f** | Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**. | **6f** | 119 |
| **g(1)** | Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) | **6g(1)** | |
| **g(2)** | Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) | **6g(2)** | |
| **h** | Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested. | **6h** | 0 |
| **7** | Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) | **7** | |

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

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

| **9a** Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) | | **9b** Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **(1)** [ ] | Insurance | **(1)** [ ] | Insurance |
| **(2)** [ ] | Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts | **(2)** [ ] | Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts |
| **(3)** [X] | Trust | **(3)** [X] | Trust |
| **(4)** [ ] | General assets of the sponsor | **(4)** [ ] | General assets of the sponsor |

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

**a Pension Schedules**

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

**b General Schedules**

- **(1)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- **(3)** [ ] **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 0
- **(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 2025 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2025 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 SB (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

# Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

OMB No. 1210-0110

**2025**

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For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

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

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

**A** Name of plan
ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF
ORTHOCAROLINA, P.A.

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
56-1093722

**E** Type of plan: [X] Single [ ] Multiple-A [ ] Multiple-B

**F** Prior year plan size: [ ] 100 or fewer [X] 101-500 [ ] More than 500

## Part I Basic Information

**1** Enter the valuation date: Month 01 Day 01 Year 2025

**2** Assets:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Market value | **2a** | 33752770 |
| **b** Actuarial value | **2b** | 33752770 |

**3** Funding target/participant count breakdown

| | (1) Number of participants | (2) Vested Funding Target | (3) Total Funding Target |
|---|---|---|---|
| **a** For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **b** For terminated vested participants | 5 | 2653330 | 2653330 |
| **c** For active participants | 120 | 26980924 | 26980924 |
| **d** Total | 125 | 29634254 | 29634254 |

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions | **4a** | |
| **b** Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor | **4b** | |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **5** Effective interest rate | **5** | 5.28 % |
| **6** Target normal cost | | |
| **a** Present value of current plan year accruals | **6a** | 4403293 |
| **b** Expected plan-related expenses | **6b** | 19123 |
| **c** Target normal cost | **6c** | 4422416 |

**Statement by Enrolled Actuary**

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

**SIGN HERE**

Signature of actuary

05/05/2026
Date

JULIE HUPPERTS, FSA, EA
Type or print name of actuary

26-06632
Most recent enrollment number

FUTUREPLAN BY ASCENSUS
Firm name

818-995-6100
Telephone number (including area code)

P.O. BOX 219073
0
KANSAS CITY, MO 64121
Address of the firm

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

## Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances

| | | (a) Carryover balance | (b) Prefunding balance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year) | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year) | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8) | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of 3.02 % | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance: | | |
| a | Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year) | | 4144748 |
| b(1) | Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of 5.02 % | | 208066 |
| b(2) | Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return | | 0 |
| c | Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance | | 4352814 |
| d | Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance | | 0 |
| 12 | Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections | 0 | 0 |
| 13 | Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d – line 12) | 0 | 0 |

## Part III Funding Percentages

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 14 | Funding target attainment percentage | 14 | 113.89 % |
| 15 | Adjusted funding target attainment percentage | 15 | 113.89 % |
| 16 | Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement | 16 | 111.56 % |
| 17 | If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage. | 17 | % |

## Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls

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

| (a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY) | (b) Amount paid by employer(s) | (c) Amount paid by employees | (a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY) | (b) Amount paid by employer(s) | (c) Amount paid by employees |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 04/15/2025 | 1346231 | 0 | | | |
| 07/09/2025 | 1346231 | 0 | | | |
| 10/10/2025 | 1346231 | 0 | | | |
| 12/23/2025 | 1346231 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | Totals ► 18(b) | 5384924 | 18(c) 0 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year: | | |
| a | Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years | 19a | 0 |
| b | Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date. | 19b | 0 |
| c | Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date | 19c | 5211578 |

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

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

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

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

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year

| (1) 1st | (2) 2nd | (3) 3rd | (4) 4th |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | |

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

**21** Discount rate:

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **a** Segment rates: | 1st segment: 5.00 % | 2nd segment: 5.27 % | 3rd segment: 5.50 % | ☐ N/A, full yield curve used |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **b** Applicable month (enter code) | **21b** | 0 |
| **22** Weighted average retirement age | **22** | 62 |

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

## Part VI Miscellaneous Items

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **24** Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| **25** Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |

**26** Demographic and benefit information

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

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

## Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

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

## Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Target normal cost (line 6c) | **31a** | 4422416 |
| **b** Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a | **31b** | 4118516 |

| **32** Amortization installments: | Outstanding Balance | Installment |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Net shortfall amortization installment | 0 | 0 |
| **b** Waiver amortization installment | 0 | 0 |

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|---|---|---|
| **33** If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ )_and the waived amount | **33** | |
| **34** Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33) | **34** | 303900 |

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **36** Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35) | **36** | 303900 |
| **37** Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c) | **37** | 5211578 |

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36) | **38a** | 4907678 |
| **b** Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances | **38b** | 0 |
| **39** Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37) | **39** | 0 |
| **40** Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years | **40** | 0 |

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

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

| SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) | 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.** | **2025**<br>**This Form is Open to Public Inspection.** |

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**A** Name of plan
ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ORTHOCAROLINA, P.A.

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
56-1093722

## 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? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 51 52 59 62 | RECORDKEEPER | 27198 | Yes [X] No [ ] | Yes [X] No [ ] | 0 | Yes [X] No [ ] |

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

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

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

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

## Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

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

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

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

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

| **(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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| **(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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| **(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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| **(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 |
|---|---|---|
| | | |

## 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

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

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For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

**A** Name of plan
ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

**C** Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ORTHOCAROLINA, P.A.

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
56-1093722

## 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: STERLING CAPITAL CORE FIXED INCOME

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): HAND BENEFITS & TRUST 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) |
|---|---|---|
| 74-1977743-226 | C | 27603428 |

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**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

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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).

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## 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) | 12919 | 12070 |
| **c** General investments: | | | |
| **(1)** Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) | 1c(1) | 1481093 | 249068 |
| **(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) | 8287060 | 8958621 |
| **(5)** Partnership/joint venture interests | 1c(5) | | |
| **(6)** Real estate (other than employer real property) | 1c(6) | | |
| **(7)** Loans (other than to participants) | 1c(7) | | |
| **(8)** Participant loans | 1c(8) | | |
| **(9)** Value of interest in common/collective trusts | 1c(9) | 24438564 | 27603428 |
| **(10)** Value of interest in pooled separate accounts | 1c(10) | | |
| **(11)** Value of interest in master trust investment accounts | 1c(11) | | |
| **(12)** Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities | 1c(12) | | |
| **(13)** Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) | 1c(13) | | |
| **(14)** Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts) | 1c(14) | | |
| **(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) | | |
| **1e** Buildings and other property used in plan operation | 1e | | |
| **1f** Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e) | 1f | 34219636 | 36823187 |
| **Liabilities** | | | |
| **1g** Benefit claims payable | 1g | | |
| **1h** Operating payables | 1h | 466866 | 0 |
| **1i** Acquisition indebtedness | 1i | | |
| **1j** Other liabilities | 1j | | |
| **1k** Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j) | 1k | 466866 | 0 |
| **Net Assets** | | | |
| **1l** Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f) | 1l | 33752770 | 36823187 |

## 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) | 5384924 | |
| **(B)** Participants | 2a(1)(B) | | |
| **(C)** Others (including rollovers) | 2a(1)(C) | | |
| **(2)** Noncash contributions | 2a(2) | | |
| **(3)** Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)** | 2a(3) | | 5384924 |
| **b Earnings on investments:** | | | |
| **(1)** Interest: | | | |
| **(A)** Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) | 2b(1)(A) | 2003 | |
| **(B)** U.S. Government securities | 2b(1)(B) | | |
| **(C)** Corporate debt instruments | 2b(1)(C) | | |
| **(D)** Loans (other than to participants) | 2b(1)(D) | | |
| **(E)** Participant loans | 2b(1)(E) | | |
| **(F)** Other | 2b(1)(F) | 40469 | |
| **(G)** Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)** | 2b(1)(G) | | 42472 |
| **(2)** Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock | 2b(2)(A) | | |
| **(B)** Common stock | 2b(2)(B) | 169282 | |
| **(C)** Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds) | 2b(2)(C) | | |
| **(D)** Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)** | 2b(2)(D) | | 169282 |
| **(3)** Rents | 2b(3) | | |
| **(4)** Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds | 2b(4)(A) | 5893425 | |
| **(B)** Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions) | 2b(4)(B) | 6029725 | |
| **(C)** Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result | 2b(4)(C) | | -136300 |
| **(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) | | 1879465 |
| (7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts | 2b(7) | | |
| (8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts | 2b(8) | | |
| (9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities | 2b(9) | | |
| (10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) | 2b(10) | | |
| c Other income | 2c | | 78 |
| d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2d | | 7339921 |
| **Expenses** | | | |
| e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits: | | | |
| (1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers | 2e(1) | 4242306 | |
| (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) | | 4242306 |
| f Corrective distributions (see instructions) | 2f | | |
| g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) | 2g | | |
| h Interest expense | 2h | | |
| i Administrative expenses: | | | |
| (1) Salaries and allowances | 2i(1) | | |
| (2) Contract administrator fees | 2i(2) | | |
| (3) Recordkeeping fees | 2i(3) | | |
| (4) IQPA audit fees | 2i(4) | | |
| (5) Investment advisory and investment management fees | 2i(5) | 27198 | |
| (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) | | 27198 |
| j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total | 2j | | 4269504 |
| **Net Income and Reconciliation** | | | |
| k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d** | 2k | | 3070417 |
| 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: CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP **(2)** EIN: 41-0746749

**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 | | 1000000 |
| **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** | | | |
| **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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| | | |

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

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year 577995.

# 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

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## 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): 45-4100627

**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 | 10

## 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)? ..... [X] 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 [X] 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. ..... [X] 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

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

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**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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(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): _____

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

☐ Yes.

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

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

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation._____

## Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

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

☐ Design-based safe harbor method

☐ "Prior year" ADP test

☐ "Current year" ADP test

☒ N/A

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

# ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND ERISA-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

## AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024 AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Plan Administrator and Retirement Committee
OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension Plan
Charlotte, North Carolina

## Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of the OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension 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, 2025 and 2024, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2025, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension 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 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 certifications from qualified institutions as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and for the year ended December 31, 2025, 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 audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' 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 qualified institutions agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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### *Basis for Opinion*

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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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 OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension 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 OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension 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 Schedules Required by ERISA***

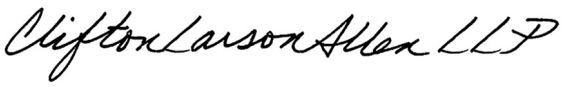
The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) and schedule of reportable transactions as of and for the year ended December 31, 2025, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the 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 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 schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, 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 schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

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



**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Charlotte, North Carolina
August 26, 2026

**ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN**
**STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**
**DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024**

| | 2025 | 2024 |
|---|---|---|
| **ASSETS** | | |
| **INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)** | | |
| Interest Bearing Cash | $ 249,068 | $ 1,481,093 |
| Collective Investment Fund | 27,603,428 | 24,438,564 |
| Common Stocks | 8,958,621 | 8,287,060 |
| Total Investments | 36,811,117 | 34,206,717 |
| **RECEIVABLES** | | |
| Investment Income Receivable | 12,070 | 12,919 |
| Total Receivables | 12,070 | 12,919 |
| Total Assets | 36,823,187 | 34,219,636 |
| **LIABILITIES** | | |
| **DUE TO BROKER** | - | 466,866 |
| **NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS** | $ 36,823,187 | $ 33,752,770 |

*See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.*

**ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN**
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS**
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

| | |
|---|---|
| **ADDITIONS:** | |
| **INVESTMENT INCOME** | |
| Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments | $ 1,743,243 |
| Interest and Dividends | 211,754 |
| Total Investment Income | 1,954,997 |
| **COMPANY CONTRIBUTIONS** | 5,384,924 |
| Total Additions | 7,339,921 |
| **DEDUCTIONS:** | |
| **BENEFITS PAID TO PARTICIPANTS** | 4,242,306 |
| **ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES** | 27,198 |
| Total Deductions | 4,269,504 |
| **NET INCREASE** | 3,070,417 |
| **NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS** | |
| Beginning of Year | 33,752,770 |
| End of Year | $ 36,823,187 |

*See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.*

## NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension 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 noncontributory defined benefit pension plan sponsored by OrthoCarolina, P.A. (the Company). As defined within the Plan document, the Plan is only available to shareholder physicians, the Chief Executive Officer, the Chief Operations Officer, the Chief Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Chief Counsel of the Company who have completed three months of service, with at least one hour of service in each such month and is at least 21 years of age. Employees may enter the Plan on the date an employee meets the eligibility service requirements. The Plan excludes employees not included in the aforementioned group. The Plan is subject to the provisions of ERISA, as amended

### Pension Benefits

Under the cash balance formula, an account balance (accumulation account) is the sum of the initial account balance, if any, compensation credits, and investment credits as of date of the account balance. An initial account balance of $-0- shall be established for all participants as of the date a participant becomes eligible. Compensation credits are equal to a percentage of annual compensation paid during the Plan year as determined by the Company's Retirement Plan Committee on an annual basis for each Plan year. Investment credits are determined by multiplying the beginning of year account balance by the "applicable interest rate," which was 5.99% in 2025, as determined by the Retirement Plan Committee.

As a pension plan subject to Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 412, participants receive their accrued vested benefits in the form of a lump-sum payment, Life Annuity, or a Qualified Joint and Survivor Annuity depending on traditional or cash balance participant. Under the terms of the Plan, a Qualified Joint and Survivor Annuity is a joint and a 100% survivor annuity.

Participants become fully vested in the Plan upon attaining normal retirement age or a participant's early retirement date, death, total disability, or upon the completion of three years of vesting service. Normal retirement age is defined as the older of age 62 or the age of the participant on the date three years after the first day of the Plan year in which his plan entry date occurred.

## NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

### Death and Disability Benefits

If an active employee dies, a death benefit equal to the value of the employee's accumulated pension benefits is paid to the employee's beneficiary on the later of their normal retirement age or the date they would have attained age 62 unless the participant's spouse elects an earlier date. Active employees who become totally disabled receive annual disability benefits that are equal to the normal retirement benefits they have accumulated as of the time they become disabled. Disability benefits are paid until normal retirement age at which time disabled participants begin receiving normal retirement benefits computed as though they had been employed to normal retirement age with their annual compensation remaining the same as at the time they became disabled.

### Funding Policy

The Plan's funding policy is for the Company to contribute an amount which will meet or exceed the annual ERISA minimum funding requirement. During 2025, the Company made contributions of $5,384,924. The Company's contributions for 2025 exceeded the minimum funding requirements of ERISA.

The Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to provisions set forth by ERISA.

## NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Basis of Accounting

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

### Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits at the date of the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 5 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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.

## NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid.

### Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

### Subsequent Events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through August 26, 2026, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

## NOTE 3 ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS

Accumulated plan benefits are those future periodic payments, including lump-sum distributions that are attributable under the Plan's provisions to the service employees have rendered. Accumulated plan benefits include benefits expected to be paid to:

a) retired or terminated employees or their beneficiaries,

b) beneficiaries of employees who have died, and

c) present employees or their beneficiaries.

Benefits under the Plan are accumulated based on the cash balance formula. An account balance (accumulation account) is the sum of the initial account balance, if any, compensation credits, and investment credits as of date of account balance. Benefits payable under all circumstances - retirement, death, and termination of employment - are included, to the extent they are deemed attributable to employee service rendered to the valuation date.

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits is determined by an independent actuary and is that amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to adjust the accumulated plan benefits to reflect the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment.

The significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuations as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, are as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Actuarial Cost Method | Unit Credit Cost Method |
| Retirement Age Assumption | Later of age 62 or the fifth anniversary of the participant's entry date |

## NOTE 3 ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ACCUMULATED PLAN BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

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

The following is a summary of actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits as of December 31:

| Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits: | 2025 | 2024 |
|---|---|---|
| Vested Benefits: | | |
| Active Participants | $ 35,297,853 | $ 30,369,235 |
| Terminated Participants | 894,483 | 2,821,382 |
| Total Vested Benefits | 36,192,336 | 33,190,617 |
| Nonvested Benefits | 12,889 | 36,167 |
| Total Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits | $ 36,205,225 | $ 33,226,784 |

The changes in the actuarial present value of accumulated Plan benefits are summarized as follows for the years ended December 31, 2025.

| | |
|---|---|
| Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits - Beginning of Year | $ 33,226,784 |
| Increase (Decrease) During the Year Attributable to: | |
| Additional Benefits Accumulated | 5,362,023 |
| Interest Due to Decrease in Discount Period | 1,894,613 |
| Benefits Paid | (4,242,306) |
| Actuarial Gains/Losses | (35,889) |
| Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits - End of Year | $ 36,205,225 |

The interest due to decrease in the discount period is based on the actual crediting interest rate to hypothetical participant accounts based on plan provisions. The interest rate used was 5.99% as of December 31, 2025.

## NOTE 4 CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION

Principal Bank and Truist Bank, the qualified institutions, have supplied the Plan administrator with certifications as to the completeness and accuracy of investment information reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2025, and the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2025.

Effective December 8, 2025, the Plan's account transitioned to Principal Bank from Truist Bank. All information for the period before the transfer to Principal Bank was provided on behalf of Truist Bank under its direction using Principal systems and is being certified by Principal Bank on its behalf.

## NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value 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) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

*Level 1* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

*Level 2* – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

*Level 3* – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair market value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

## NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the valuation methodologies used at December 31, 2025 and 2024.

*Interest Bearing Cash:* Investments in cash and cash equivalents are valued based on cost, which approximates fair value in a noninflationary economy and is protected by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

*Money Market Fund:* Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund which is $1.00.

*Collective Investment Fund:* Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of units of the bank collective trust. NAV is a readily determinable fair value and is the basis for current transactions.

*Common Stock and Preferred Stock*: Stocks that are traded in active markets on national and international securities exchanges are valued at closing prices on the last business day of each period presented.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31:

| | 2025 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
| Money Market Fund | $ 249,068 | $ - | $ - | $ 249,068 |
| Collective Investment Fund | - | 27,603,428 | - | 27,603,428 |
| Common Stocks | 8,958,621 | - | - | 8,958,621 |
| Total Investments at Fair Value | $ 9,207,689 | $ 27,603,428 | $ - | $ 36,811,117 |

| | 2024 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Level 1 | Level 2 | Level 3 | Total |
| Interest Bearing Cash | $ 1,481,093 | $ - | $ - | $ 1,481,093 |
| Collective Investment Fund | - | 24,438,564 | - | 24,438,564 |
| Common Stocks | 8,287,060 | - | - | 8,287,060 |
| Total Investments at Fair Value | $ 8,287,060 | $ - | $ - | $ 34,206,717 |

## NOTE 6 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

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

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

## NOTE 7 PLAN TERMINATION

In the event the Plan terminates, the net assets of the Plan will be allocated, as prescribed by ERISA and its related regulations, generally to provide the following benefits in the order indicated:

1. Annuity benefits former employees or their beneficiaries have been receiving for at least three years, or that employees eligible to retire for that three-year period would have been receiving if they had retired with benefits in the normal form of annuity under the Plan. The priority amount is limited to the lowest benefit that was payable (or would have been payable) during those three years. The amount is further limited to the lowest benefit that would be payable under Plan provisions in effect at any time during the five years preceding Plan termination.
2. Other vested benefits insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) (a U.S. governmental agency) up to the applicable limitations.
3. All other vested benefits (that is, vested benefits not insured by the PBGC).
4. All nonvested benefits.

Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the PBGC if the Plan terminates. Generally, the PBGC guarantees most vested normal age retirement benefits, early retirement benefits, and certain disability and survivor's pensions. However, the PBGC does not guarantee all types of benefits under the Plan, and the amount of benefit protection is subject to certain limitations. Vested benefits under the Plan are guaranteed at the level in effect on the date of the Plan's termination.

Whether all participants receive their benefits should the Plan terminate at some future time will depend on the sufficiency, at that time, of the Plan's net assets to provide for accumulated benefit obligations and may also depend on the financial condition of the Plan Sponsor and the level of benefits guaranteed by the PBGC.

## NOTE 8 PLAN TAX STATUS

The Plan obtained a determination letter, in which the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) states that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator believes the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability 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 audits for any tax periods in progress.

## NOTE 9 PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Plan investments are managed by Principal Bank and Truist Bank. Principal Bank and Truist Bank are qualified institutions of the Plan and, therefore, the investment transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. These party-in-interest transactions are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules of ERISA.

# ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN
# E.I.N. 47-4356752 PLAN NO. 003
# SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
# DECEMBER 31, 2025

| (a) | (b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party | (c) Description of Investment | (d) Cost | (e) Current Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| * | PRINCIPAL | GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET FUND | $ 249,068 | $ 249,068 |
| | ACCENTURE PLC | AMERICAN DEPOSITORY | 310,601 | 279,569 |
| | EVEREST GROUP LTD | AMERICAN DEPOSITORY | 356,635 | 323,401 |
| | LINDE PLC | AMERICAN DEPOSITORY | 413,664 | 404,218 |
| | DR HORTON INC | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY | 177,362 | 198,473 |
| | DOMINOS PIZZA INC | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY | 342,059 | 302,611 |
| | HOME DEPOT INC | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY | 233,757 | 244,655 |
| | ALTRIA GROUP INC | CONSUMER STAPLES | 75,748 | 89,719 |
| | PEPSICO INC | CONSUMER STAPLES | 353,323 | 305,985 |
| | COTERRA ENGERY INC | ENERGY | 307,030 | 334,975 |
| | AFLAC INC | FINANCIALS | 279,025 | 296,075 |
| | AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC | FINANCIALS | 272,325 | 380,013 |
| | CHARLES SCHWAB CORP | FINANCIALS | 276,583 | 401,738 |
| | GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC | FINANCIALS | 73,620 | 143,277 |
| | MARSH | FINANCIALS | 346,042 | 310,746 |
| | METLIFE INC | FINANCIALS | 160,850 | 185,825 |
| | NASDAQ INC | FINANCIALS | 101,732 | 160,362 |
| | RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC | FINANCIALS | 193,017 | 221,454 |
| | VICI PROPERTIES INC | FINANCIALS | 179,209 | 166,583 |
| | ABBOTT LABS | HEALTH CARE | 156,044 | 180,793 |
| | ABBVIE INC | HEALTH CARE | 220,241 | 317,601 |
| | ELEVANCE HEALTH INC | HEALTH CARE | 328,970 | 259,056 |
| | JOHNSON & JOHNSON | HEALTH CARE | 21,642 | 30,422 |
| | AVERY DENNISON CORP | INDUSTRIALS | 96,158 | 90,394 |
| | DEERE & COMPANY | INDUSTRIALS | 252,652 | 240,700 |
| | FERGUSON PLC | INDUSTRIALS | 250,137 | 322,813 |
| | HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC | INDUSTRIALS | 261,027 | 255,763 |
| | ROCKWELL AUTOMATION | INDUSTRIALS | 229,181 | 290,635 |
| | WASTE MANAGEMENT INC | INDUSTRIALS | 421,458 | 406,463 |
| | ANALOG DEVICES INC | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 287,259 | 404,088 |
| | AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 324,966 | 343,659 |
| | BOOZ ALLEN HAMILTON HOLDING | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 242,394 | 173,613 |
| | MICROSOFT CORP | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 280,087 | 421,717 |
| | MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC | TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES | 184,770 | 189,743 |
| | SOUTHERN CO | UTILITIES | 280,414 | 281,482 |
| | STERLING CAPITAL | STERLING CAPITAL CORE FIXED INCOME COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT | 25,223,315 | 27,603,428 |
| | | | $ 33,762,365 | $ 36,811,117 |

** Indicates party-in-interest*

**ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN**
**E.I.N. 47-4356752 PLAN NO. 003**
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS**
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (g) | (h) | (i) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Identity of Party Involved | Description of Assets | Purchase Price | Selling Price | Cost | Current Value | Net Gain (Loss) |
| **Category (i) - Single Transaction in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets** | | | | | | |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | $ 2,379,299 | $ - | $ 2,379,299 | $ 2,379,299 | $ - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | - | 2,143,188 | 2,143,188 | 2,143,188 | - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | - | 2,319,459 | 2,319,459 | 2,319,459 | - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | - | 1,808,159 | 1,808,159 | 1,808,159 | - |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R | - | 2,377,958 | 2,257,958 | 2,377,958 | 120,000 |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R | 2,319,459 | - | 2,319,459 | 2,319,459 | - |
| **Category (iii) - A Series of Transactions in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets** | | | | | | |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS (107) | 8,969,323 | - | 8,969,323 | 8,969,323 | - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS (52) | - | 10,450,412 | 10,450,412 | 10,450,412 | - |
| Principal* | GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET FUND (11) | 2,084,049 | - | 2,084,049 | 2,084,049 | - |
| Principal* | GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET FUND (6) | - | 1,834,981 | 1,834,981 | 1,834,981 | - |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R (3) | 3,819,459 | - | 3,819,459 | 3,819,459 | - |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R (1) | - | 2,377,958 | 2,257,958 | 2,377,958 | 120,000 |

*There were no category (ii) or (iv) reportable transactions for the year ended December 31, 2025.*
** Indicates party-in-interest*




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**ATTACHMENT TO 2025 SCHEDULE SB (FORM 5500)**

**OrthoCarolina Cash Balance Pension Plan**
**EIN/PN: 56-1093722 / 003**

***Line 26 - Schedule of Active Participant Data***

| | YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Under 1 | | 1 to 4 | | 5 to 9 | | 10 to 14 | | 15 to 19 | | 20 to 24 | | 25 to 29 | | 30 to 34 | | 35 to 39 | | 40 & up | | |
| **Attained Age** | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | No. | Avg Comp | Total |
| Under 25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25 to 29 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30 to 34 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 35 to 39 | | | 11 | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **13** |
| 40 to 44 | | | 8 | | 11 | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **21** |
| 45 to 49 | 1 | | 2 | | 10 | | 14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **27** |
| 50 to 54 | | | 1 | | 2 | | 19 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **22** |
| 55 to 59 | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **16** |
| 60 to 64 | | | | | 1 | | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **9** |
| 65 to 69 | | | | | 3 | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **7** |
| 70 & up | | | | | 1 | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **5** |
| Total | **2** | | **23** | | **32** | | **63** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | **120** |

**ORTHOCAROLINA**
**CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN**
**EIN 56-1093722 Plan Number 003**

***Schedule SB, Part V -- Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods***

Valuation Date — First day of the plan year.
Current valuation date is January 1, 2025.

Actuarial Method — Unit credit.

Actuarial Assumptions

- Interest Rates per annum, compounded annually
  (use the rate for each participant based upon the date of payment being valued)

| | Adjusted 25-Year averages (minimum funding) | 24-month averages (maximum) | Spot rates (PBGC) |
|---|---|---|---|
| -- First 5 Years after valuation date | 5.00% | 5.00% | 4.65% |
| Next 15 Years | 5.27% | 5.27% | 5.28% |
| More than 20 years after val date | 5.50% | 5.40% | 5.63% |

First column, based on adjusted 24-month averages, is used to determine AFTAP and minimum contributions.
Second column, based on 24-month averages, is used to determine maximum deductible contributions.
Third column, based on spot interest rates, is used to determine PBGC standard target liabilities.

The interest rates above are the segment rates prescribed in the Pension Protection Act of 2006, and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

*The rates have changed since the prior year. In the prior year, the segment rates were:*
*4.75%, 4.96%, and 5.59% for AFTAP and minimum contribution purposes.*
*4.37%, 4.96%, and 4.95% for maximum deductible contribution purposes.*
*5.01%, 5.13%, and 5.15% for PBGC standard target purposes.*
*The net effect of these changes had an insignificant impact on the liabilities used to determine the plan's minimum funding requirements.*

| | |
|---|---|
| -- Interest Crediting Rate (for account earnings) | 4% per annum compounded annually, for current and all future years. |
| -- Actuarial Equivalent (for converting balances to annuities) | 2% interest and 1994 Group Annuity Reserving table projected to 2002 are used to convert balances to annuities. |

- Experience - Active Employees

| | |
|---|---|
| -- Retirement | Normal Retirement Age. |
| -- Death | None. |
| -- Other Separation | None. |
| -- Earnings Progression | None.<br>Compensation is based on expected Pay for the current year. |

- Retired Mortality

| | |
|---|---|
| -- Conversion to Annuities | 1994 Group Annuity Reserving table projected to 2002. |
| -- Funding | RP-2014 combined Mortality tables for males and females, projected to 2025. |

The mortality rates for Funding are from the mortality tables prescribed in federal regulations and notices, as authorized by the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

| | |
|---|---|
| - Form of Payment | Lump Sum. |
| - Expense Loading | Assumes that current year expenses are the same as the prior year plan admininstrative expenses. The resulting amount for this year is $19,123, and is included in the Target Normal Cost. |
| - Asset Valuation Basis | Market Value, including discounted contributions receivable. |

**Notice to Plan Sponsor about the selection of Interest Rate assumptions and Asset valuation:**

The Pension Protection Act of 2006 prescribes that the above segment interest rates will be used as a default unless the Plan Sponsor notifies the actuary that he elects to use different assumptions:

a. The above segment interest rates represent the rates for the month prior to the valuation date. The Plan Sponsor may elect to use rates applicable to 1 to 4 months prior to the latest month.

b. Assets are valued at fair market value, without any averaging. The Plan Sponsor may ask the actuary to use an average asset value over up to 24 months.

**The Plan Sponsor should notify us immediately if any of these alternative elections are desired.**

# 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

**2025**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

## Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

**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.)
- [X] 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:
- [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
ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

**1b** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

**1c** Effective date of plan 01/01/2011

**2a** Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)
Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)

OrthoCarolina, P.A.

4601 Park Road, Suite 250

Charlotte NC 28209

**2b** Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-1093722

**2c** Plan Sponsor's telephone number 704-323-2034

**2d** Business code (see instructions) 621111

**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 | Signature of plan administrator | 9/30/26 Date | Amy Kendall, CLO Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator |
| SIGN HERE | Signature of employer/plan sponsor | 9/30/26 Date | Amy Kendall, CLO Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor |
| SIGN HERE | Signature of DFE | Date | Enter name of individual signing as DFE |



Plan ID: 31036

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **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: | **4b** | EIN |
| **a** | Sponsor's name | **4d** | PN |
| **c** | Plan Name | | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **5** | Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year | **5** | 123 |
| **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)** | 118 |
| **a(2)** | Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year | **6a(2)** | 117 |
| **b** | Retired or separated participants receiving benefits | **6b** | 0 |
| **c** | Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits | **6c** | 2 |
| **d** | Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**. | **6d** | 119 |
| **e** | Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. | **6e** | 0 |
| **f** | Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**. | **6f** | 119 |
| **g(1)** | Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) | **6g(1)** | |
| **g(2)** | Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) | **6g(2)** | |
| **h** | Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested | **6h** | 0 |
| **7** | Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) | **7** | |

**8a** If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:
1C

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

| **9a** Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) | | **9b** Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **(1)** | [ ] Insurance | **(1)** | [ ] Insurance |
| **(2)** | [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts | **(2)** | [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts |
| **(3)** | [X] Trust | **(3)** | [X] Trust |
| **(4)** | [ ] General assets of the sponsor | **(4)** | [ ] General assets of the sponsor |

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

**a Pension Schedules**

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

**b General Schedules**

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

**ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN**
**E.I.N. 47-4356752 PLAN NO. 003**
**SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS**
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025**

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (g) | (h) | (i) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Identity of Party Involved | Description of Assets | Purchase Price | Selling Price | Cost | Current Value | Net Gain (Loss) |
| **Category (i) - Single Transaction in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets** | | | | | | |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | $ 2,379,299 | $ - | $ 2,379,299 | $ 2,379,299 | $ - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | - | 2,143,188 | 2,143,188 | 2,143,188 | - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | - | 2,319,459 | 2,319,459 | 2,319,459 | - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS | - | 1,808,159 | 1,808,159 | 1,808,159 | - |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R | - | 2,377,958 | 2,257,958 | 2,377,958 | 120,000 |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R | 2,319,459 | - | 2,319,459 | 2,319,459 | - |
| **Category (iii) - A Series of Transactions in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets** | | | | | | |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS (107) | 8,969,323 | - | 8,969,323 | 8,969,323 | - |
| Truist Bank* | TRUIST BK TRUST DEPOSIT ACCOUNT-RIS (52) | - | 10,450,412 | 10,450,412 | 10,450,412 | - |
| Principal* | GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET FUND (11) | 2,084,049 | - | 2,084,049 | 2,084,049 | - |
| Principal* | GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET FUND (6) | - | 1,834,981 | 1,834,981 | 1,834,981 | - |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R (3) | 3,819,459 | - | 3,819,459 | 3,819,459 | - |
| Truist Bank* | STERLING CAP CORE FXD INCM CIT-R (1) | - | 2,377,958 | 2,257,958 | 2,377,958 | 120,000 |

*There were no category (ii) or (iv) reportable transactions for the year ended December 31, 2025.*
** Indicates party-in-interest*

# SCHEDULE SB (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

# Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

OMB No. 1210-0110

**2025**

**This Form is Open to Public Inspection**

For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

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

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

**A** Name of plan
ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN

**B** Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

**C** Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF
OrthoCarolina, P.A.

**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)
56-1093722

**E** Type of plan: [X] Single [ ] Multiple-A [ ] Multiple-B

**F** Prior year plan size: [ ] 100 or fewer [X] 101-500 [ ] More than 500

## Part I Basic Information

**1** Enter the valuation date: Month 01 Day 01 Year 2025

**2** Assets:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Market value | **2a** | 33,752,770 |
| **b** Actuarial value | **2b** | 33,752,770 |

**3** Funding target/participant count breakdown

| | (1) Number of participants | (2) Vested Funding Target | (3) Total Funding Target |
|---|---|---|---|
| **a** For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **b** For terminated vested participants | 5 | 2,653,330 | 2,653,330 |
| **c** For active participants | 120 | 26,980,924 | 26,980,924 |
| **d** Total | 125 | 29,634,254 | 29,634,254 |

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions | **4a** | |
| **b** Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been in at-risk status for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor | **4b** | |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **5** Effective interest rate | **5** | 5.28% |
| **6** Target normal cost | | |
| **a** Present value of current plan year accruals | **6a** | 4,403,293 |
| **b** Expected plan-related expenses | **6b** | 19,123 |
| **c** Target normal cost | **6c** | 4,422,416 |

**Statement by Enrolled Actuary**

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

**SIGN HERE**



Signature of actuary

May 5, 2026
Date

Julie Hupperts, FSA, EA
Type or print name of actuary

2606632
Most recent enrollment number

FuturePlan by Ascensus
Firm name

818-995-6100
Telephone number (including area code)

P.O. Box 219073
0
Kansas City MO 64121
Address of the firm

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

## Part II Beginning of Year Carryover and Prefunding Balances

| | | (a) Carryover balance | (b) Prefunding balance |
|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (line 13 from prior year) | 0 | 0 |
| 8 | Portion elected for use to offset prior year's funding requirement (line 35 from prior year) | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | Amount remaining (line 7 minus line 8) | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Interest on line 9 using prior year's actual return of 3.02 % | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance: | | |
| | **a** Present value of excess contributions (line 38a from prior year) | | 4,144,748 |
| | **b(1)** Interest on the excess, if any, of line 38a over line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's effective interest rate of 5.02 % | | 208,066 |
| | **b(2)** Interest on line 38b from prior year Schedule SB, using prior year's actual return | | 0 |
| | **c** Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance | | 4,352,814 |
| | **d** Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance | | 0 |
| 12 | Other reductions in balances due to elections or deemed elections | 0 | 0 |
| 13 | Balance at beginning of current year (line 9 + line 10 + line 11d – line 12) | 0 | 0 |

## Part III Funding Percentages

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 14 | Funding target attainment percentage | 14 | 113.89 % |
| 15 | Adjusted funding target attainment percentage | 15 | 113.89 % |
| 16 | Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement | 16 | 111.56 % |
| 17 | If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage | 17 | % |

## Part IV Contributions and Liquidity Shortfalls

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

| (a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY) | (b) Amount paid by employer(s) | (c) Amount paid by employees | (a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY) | (b) Amount paid by employer(s) | (c) Amount paid by employees |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 04/15/2025 | 1,346,231 | 0 | | | |
| 07/09/2025 | 1,346,231 | 0 | | | |
| 10/10/2025 | 1,346,231 | 0 | | | |
| 12/23/2025 | 1,346,231 | 0 | | | |
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| | | | Totals ► 18(b) | 5,384,924 | 18(c) 0 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year: | | |
| | **a** Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years. | 19a | 0 |
| | **b** Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date | 19b | 0 |
| | **c** Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date | 19c | 5,211,578 |

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

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

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

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

Liquidity shortfall as of end of quarter of this plan year

| (1) 1st | (2) 2nd | (3) 3rd | (4) 4th |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | |

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

**21** Discount rate:

**a** Segment rates:

| 1st segment: | 2nd segment: | 3rd segment: | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 5.00 % | 5.27 % | 5.50% | ☐ N/A, full yield curve used |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **b** Applicable month (enter code) | **21b** | 0 |
| **22** Weighted average retirement age | **22** | 62 |

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

## Part VI Miscellaneous Items

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

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

**26** Demographic and benefit information

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

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

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

## Part VII Reconciliation of Unpaid Minimum Required Contributions For Prior Years

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

## Part VIII Minimum Required Contribution For Current Year

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

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|---|---|---|
| **a** Target normal cost (line 6c) | **31a** | 4,422,416 |
| **b** Excess assets, if applicable, but not greater than line 31a | **31b** | 4,118,516 |

**32** Amortization installments:

| | Outstanding Balance | Installment |
|---|---|---|
| **a** Net shortfall amortization installment | 0 | 0 |
| **b** Waiver amortization installment | 0 | 0 |

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| **33** If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ ) and the waived amount | **33** | |
| **34** Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (lines 31a - 31b + 32a + 32b - 33) | **34** | 303,900 |

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

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **36** Additional cash requirement (line 34 minus line 35) | **36** | 303,900 |
| **37** Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (line 19c) | **37** | 5,211,578 |
| **38** Present value of excess contributions for current year (see instructions) | | |
| **a** Total (excess, if any, of line 37 over line 36) | **38a** | 4,907,678 |
| **b** Portion included in line 38a attributable to use of prefunding and funding standard carryover balances | **38b** | 0 |
| **39** Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of line 36 over line 37) | **39** | 0 |
| **40** Unpaid minimum required contributions for all years | **40** | 0 |

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

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

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***Schedule SB, Line 22 - Description of Weighted Average Retirement Age.***

The assumed average retirement age is 62.

Participants are assumed to retire at the plan's Normal Retirement Age,
or at the end of the current plan year if later.

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***Schedule SB, Part V -- Summary of Plan Provisions***

| | |
|---|---|
| Effective Date | January 1, 2011 as amended through May 22, 2025. |
| Definitions | |
| - Plan Year | January 1 through December 31. |
| - Compensation | Total compensation paid during Plan Year. |
| - Years of Service | Service for eligibility, benefits and vesting based upon entire period of service. The 1000 hours of service method is used in measuring this service. |
| - Accrued Pension | Actuarial equivalent of the balance of the Participant's Cash Balance Account as of Valuation Date projected to his Normal Retirement Date. |
| - Actuarial Equivalence | Based on the interest rate of 2% and mortality in accordance with the 1994 Group Annuity Reserving table projected to 2002. |
| - Cash Balance Account | Hypothetical account established for each participant. Each plan year, the account is credited with participant's Contribution Credit in accordance with the plan. Account accumulates earnings based on actual rate of return (net of expenses) on aggregate Plan assets for such period, including both positive and negative rates of return, not exceeding 6% annually. |
| - Contribution Credit | Contribution formula varies by participant. Contribution amounts this year range from 4.29% to 88.57% of expected compensation. |

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| Eligibility | Employees become eligible upon attainment of age 21 and completion of 1 year of service, and enter the plan on the January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1 following completion of the eligibility requirements.<br><br>All employees other than shareholder physicians, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operations Officer, Chief Information Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Counsel, are excluded. |
| Normal Retirement | |
| - Age | The later of age 62 and the fifth anniversary of the Participant's entry date. |
| - Annual Pension | The participant's Accrued Benefit determined as of his Normal Retirement Date based on the actuarial equivalent value of the Cash Balance Account. |
| - Payment of Pensions | Straight life annuity for single employees. Reduced Joint and 100% Survivor annuity for married employees. Optional forms of benefits include single sum and annuities. |
| Early Retirement Benefit | Same as Severance Benefit. |
| Late Retirement Benefit | Actuarial equivalent of the Cash Balance Account as of the participant's late retirement date. |
| Disability Benefit | Actuarial equivalent value of accrued pension. |

Severance Benefit

Accrued Benefit times Vested Percentage. The Vested Percentage is based on Years of Service as follows:

| Years of Service | Vested Percentage |
|---|---|
| 0 years | 0% |
| 1 years | 0% |
| 2 years | 0% |
| 3 years or more | 100% |

Death Benefit Before Retirement

- Active Participants: Actuarial equivalent value of accrued pension.
- Former Participants: 100% of the value of the vested deferred pension.

Top-Heavy Provisions

- Minimum Benefit: For employees also participating in the OrthoCarolina, P.A. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan, contribution of 5% of total compensation to be provided under that plan.
- Minimum Vesting: 100% after 3 years of service.

Voluntary Contributions: Not Permitted.

Rollover Contributions: Not Permitted.

Loans to Participants: Not Permitted.

# ORTHOCAROLINA CASH BALANCE PENSION PLAN
# E.I.N. 47-4356752 PLAN NO. 003
# SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
# DECEMBER 31, 2025

| (a) | (b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party | (c) Description of Investment | (d) Cost | (e) Current Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| * | PRINCIPAL | GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET FUND | $ 249,068 | $ 249,068 |
| | ACCENTURE PLC | AMERICAN DEPOSITORY | 310,601 | 279,569 |
| | EVEREST GROUP LTD | AMERICAN DEPOSITORY | 356,635 | 323,401 |
| | LINDE PLC | AMERICAN DEPOSITORY | 413,664 | 404,218 |
| | DR HORTON INC | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY | 177,362 | 198,473 |
| | DOMINOS PIZZA INC | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY | 342,059 | 302,611 |
| | HOME DEPOT INC | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY | 233,757 | 244,655 |
| | ALTRIA GROUP INC | CONSUMER STAPLES | 75,748 | 89,719 |
| | PEPSICO INC | CONSUMER STAPLES | 353,323 | 305,985 |
| | COTERRA ENGERY INC | ENERGY | 307,030 | 334,975 |
| | AFLAC INC | FINANCIALS | 279,025 | 296,075 |
| | AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC | FINANCIALS | 272,325 | 380,013 |
| | CHARLES SCHWAB CORP | FINANCIALS | 276,583 | 401,738 |
| | GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC | FINANCIALS | 73,620 | 143,277 |
| | MARSH | FINANCIALS | 346,042 | 310,746 |
| | METLIFE INC | FINANCIALS | 160,850 | 185,825 |
| | NASDAQ INC | FINANCIALS | 101,732 | 160,362 |
| | RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC | FINANCIALS | 193,017 | 221,454 |
| | VICI PROPERTIES INC | FINANCIALS | 179,209 | 166,583 |
| | ABBOTT LABS | HEALTH CARE | 156,044 | 180,793 |
| | ABBVIE INC | HEALTH CARE | 220,241 | 317,601 |
| | ELEVANCE HEALTH INC | HEALTH CARE | 328,970 | 259,056 |
| | JOHNSON & JOHNSON | HEALTH CARE | 21,642 | 30,422 |
| | AVERY DENNISON CORP | INDUSTRIALS | 96,158 | 90,394 |
| | DEERE & COMPANY | INDUSTRIALS | 252,652 | 240,700 |
| | FERGUSON PLC | INDUSTRIALS | 250,137 | 322,813 |
| | HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC | INDUSTRIALS | 261,027 | 255,763 |
| | ROCKWELL AUTOMATION | INDUSTRIALS | 229,181 | 290,635 |
| | WASTE MANAGEMENT INC | INDUSTRIALS | 421,458 | 406,463 |
| | ANALOG DEVICES INC | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 287,259 | 404,088 |
| | AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING INC | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 324,966 | 343,659 |
| | BOOZ ALLEN HAMILTON HOLDING | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 242,394 | 173,613 |
| | MICROSOFT CORP | INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY | 280,087 | 421,717 |
| | MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC | TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES | 184,770 | 189,743 |
| | SOUTHERN CO | UTILITIES | 280,414 | 281,482 |
| | STERLING CAPITAL | STERLING CAPITAL CORE FIXED INCOME COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT | 25,223,315 | 27,603,428 |
| | | | $ 33,762,365 | $ 36,811,117 |

** Indicates party-in-interest*