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

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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.)
- ☒ a single-employer plan
- ☐ a DFE (specify) _____

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

C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . . ▶ ☐

D Check box if filing under:
- ☒ Form 5558
- ☐ automatic extension
- ☐ the DFVC program
- ☐ special extension (enter description)

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

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan
HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(K) PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2008

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)
HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC.

1007 N MAIN ST
COLUMBIA, IL 62236

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
26-1651289

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
618-281-4577

2d Business code (see instructions)
238300

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.	10/15/2026	DUANE LENK
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/15/2026	DUANE LENK
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor

3b Administrator's EIN

3c Administrator's telephone number

4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report:

a Sponsor's name HEARTLAND FABRICATION, LLC

c Plan Name HEARTLAND FABRICATION, LLC 401(K) PLAN

4b EIN 20-3489593

4d PN 001

5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	449
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)**	415
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	438
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	41
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	479
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	479
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)**	391
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)**	444
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.	**6h**	41
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:

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

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)

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

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

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

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

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

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

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 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 A (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance Information

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

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

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

OMB No. 1210-0110

2025

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A Name of plan
HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(K) PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
26-1651289

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

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
EMPOWER ANNIUTY INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

(b) EIN	**(c)** NAIC code	**(d)** Contract or identification number	**(e)** Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	**(g)** To
84-0467907	68322	504230-01		01/01/2025	12/31/2025

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	**(b)** Total amount of fees paid
0	0

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

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

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

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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

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

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

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

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity (3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

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

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

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee (3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☒ other ▶ GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	168573
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	1905		
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	208		
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)			
	(5) Other (specify below) ▶	7c(5)			
	(6) Total additions			7c(6)	2113
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**)			7d	170686
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	170574		
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)	12		
	(4) Other (specify below) ▶ N/A	7e(4)	100		
	(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	170686
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			7f	0

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**			
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	**9b(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	**9b(2)**			
(3) Incurred claims (add **(1)** and **(2)**)			**9b(3)**	
(4) Claims charged			**9b(4)**	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
(A) Commissions	**9c(1)(A)**			
(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
(2) Claim reserves			**9d(2)**	
(3) Other reserves			**9d(3)**	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:				
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier			**10a**	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.			**10b**	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500)	Service Provider Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**	**2025** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

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D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
26-1651289

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. . . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

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

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

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

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER AND S

13-5674085

(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?
15 52 62 72	RECORDKEEPER	41527	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]	0	Yes [ ] No [ ]

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

EMPOWER ANNUITY INSURANCE CO.

84-0467907

(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?
64	RECORDKEEPER	13911	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]	0	Yes [X] No [ ]

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

GLOBAL RETIREMENT PARTNERS LLC

4340 REDWOOD HWY
SUITE B60
SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903

(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?
27	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	5018	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [X]	0	Yes [ ] No [ ]

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)

EMPOWER ADVISORY GROUP, LLC

8515 EAST ORCHARD ROAD
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(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	INVESTMENT MGMT	965	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [X]	0	Yes [ ] No [ ]

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

DEFINITI LLC

PO BOX 95357
GRAPEVINE, TX 76099-9733

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
13	CONTRACT ADMIN	0	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [ ] No [X]	1004	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.	

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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)

(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

DFE/Participating Plan Information

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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: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV TRST 2060 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

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)
27-3616920-273	C	0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV 2050 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
26-0787670-258	C	0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV TRST MAT X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
26-0788428-268	C	0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV 2025 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAME INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
26-0788428-268	C	0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT 2065 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

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)
85-3582370-274	C	0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV 2045 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
26-1208510-259	C	0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV 2055 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
26-0787670-272	C	0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV 2030 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN 26-0788040-262	**d** Entity code C	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV 2035 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN 26-0787945-261	**d** Entity code C	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: AB US LARGE CAP GROWTH CIT W SERIES

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): AST WILMINGTON TRUST

c EIN-PN 38-4116831-509	**d** Entity code C	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUTNAM RETIREMENT ADV TRST 2040 X

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PUTNAM INVESTMENTS CIT

c EIN-PN 26-1384398-260	**d** Entity code C	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part II **Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)**
(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans. DCGs must report each participating plan using Schedule DCG.)

a Plan name

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

a Plan name

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

a Plan name

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

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

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Financial Information

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

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

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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

A Name of plan
HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(K) PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
26-1651289

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	0	125
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	69	0
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	115	0
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	0	182503
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	5223447	0
(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)	589238	9301069
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)	168573	0
(15) Other	1c(15)	0	16320

		(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	5981442	9500017
Liabilities			
1g Benefit claims payable	1g		
1h Operating payables	1h		
1i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
1j Other liabilities	1j		
1k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
1l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	5981442	9500017

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)	947810	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	1315438	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	553165	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		2816413
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	6811	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		6811
(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	263557	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		263557
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	71386	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	71386	
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	2b(5)(C)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		140416
(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)		983527
c Other income	2c		14414
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		4225138
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	645398	
(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)		645398
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)	19894	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)	41271	
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	2i(12)		61165
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		706563
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		3518575
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		0

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: UHY LLP **(2)** EIN: 20-0694403

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		103803
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	**4b**		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	**4c**		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	**4d**		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	**4e**	X		500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	**4f**		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4g**		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4h**		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4i**	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4j**		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	**4k**		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	**4l**		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	**4m**	X		
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	**4n**	X		

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? [ ] Yes [X] No

If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

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

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Retirement Plan Information

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

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

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2025

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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
HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(K) PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
26-1651289

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): 84-0467907 94-1687665

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

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

Part II Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)

4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.

5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. **Date:** Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.

6 **a** Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) **6a**

b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year **6b**

c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount) **6c**

If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.

7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

Part III Amendments

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

Part IV ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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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 _____

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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 06 / 30 / 2020 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number Q703214A .

HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(k) PLAN

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

December 31, 2025 and 2024
Year Ended December 31, 2025

HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(k) PLAN

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
Heartland Companies, Inc. 401(k) Plan

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Heartland Companies, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 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 the 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 audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution 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 5 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

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

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

Basis for Opinion

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

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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 Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Continued)

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

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2025 and schedule of delinquent participant contributions 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 schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

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

In our opinion—

- the 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, are 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).



St. Louis, Missouri
October 13, 2026

HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(k) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	December 31, 2025	December 31, 2024
ASSETS		
Non-interest bearing cash	**$ 125**	$ -
Investments		
Investments, at fair value	**9,499,892**	5,812,685
Investments, at contract value	**-**	168,573
	9,499,892	5,981,258
Contributions receivable		
Company	**-**	69
Participant	**-**	115
	-	184
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	**$ 9,500,017**	$ 5,981,442

See notes to financial statements.

HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(k) PLAN

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Year Ended December 31, 2025

INVESTMENT INCOME	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	**$ 1,123,943**
Dividends, interest and other	**284,782**
	1,408,725
CONTRIBUTIONS	
Participant	**1,315,438**
Company	**947,810**
Rollover	**553,165**
	2,816,413
BENEFITS PAID TO PARTICIPANTS	**645,398**
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	**61,165**
NET INCREASE	**3,518,575**
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	
Beginning	**5,981,442**
Ending	**$ 9,500,017**

See notes to financial statements.

NOTE 1 — DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the Heartland Companies, Inc. 401(k) Plan (formerly Heartland Fabrication, LLC 401(k) Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

Heartland Fabrication, LLC 401(k) Plan (the Plan) was amended in February 2025 to add Heartland Companies, Inc. as a participating employer and plan administrator and the name of the Plan to Heartland Companies, Inc. 401(k) Plan (the Plan). The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees of Heartland Companies, Inc., Heartland Fabrication, LLC and Heartland Barge Management (collectively, the Company) who are at least 18 years old and have completed service requirements of at least sixty days. Employees are eligible to participate on the first day of the calendar month coinciding with or next following the date after meeting the eligibility requirements. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Through February 2, 2025, Empower Retirement provided recordkeeping services for the Plan. Empower Annuity Insurance Company of America and Empower Trust Company, LLC served as custodians of the Plan's investments. Effective February 3, 2025, recordkeeping and trustee services were transferred to Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Inc., and Bank of America, N.A. became the Plan's custodian. The Plan Administrator determines the appropriateness of the Plan's investment offerings and monitors investment performance. Certain members of management serve as the Plan's trustees.

Effective January 1, 2025, the Plan was amended to add safe harbor contributions of 100% of the first 3% and 50% of the next 3% of compensation that a participant contributed to the Plan. The safe harbor matching contributions will be fully vested when participants have earned two years of service. Additionally, the Plan was amended to annually increase an employee's deferral rate by 1% each plan year, up to a maximum of 6%, unless the participant elects otherwise.

Contributions

Participants may contribute up to 100% of annual eligible compensation, as defined in the Plan, and designate those contributions as either pre-tax or Roth. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions and those age 60-63 during the year are eligible to make super catch-up contributions. The Company automatically enrolls eligible employees with a fixed deferral contribution at 3% unless the employee elects otherwise. Additionally, effective January 1, 2025, the Plan was amended to annually increase an employee's deferral rate by 1% each plan year, up to a maximum of 6%, unless the participant elects otherwise.

The Plan provides for safe harbor contributions of 100% of the first 3% and 50% of the next 3% of compensation that a participant contributed to the Plan.

Contributions are subject to certain limitations. Participants may also transfer funds to the Plan from other qualified retirement plans.

NOTE 1 — DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (Continued)

Investment Options

Participants of the Plan elect investment accounts in which their contributions, as well as Company contributions, are invested. The investment account options comprise various degrees of risk and return.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and Company matching contributions, and investment earnings based on their selected investments. Participant accounts may be charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of service. A participant is 100% vested after three years of service for employer matching contributions and 100% vested after two years of service for safe harbor contributions.

Notes Receivable From Participants

Participants are not permitted to borrow from their accounts.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service, death, disability or retirement, participants may elect to receive an amount equal to the value of the vested interest in their accounts in either a lump sum amount or in installments, depending on the size of the participant's account balance at the time of termination. Participants with a vested account balance of less than $7,000 must take a lump-sum distribution. The account of a participant with a vested account balance between $1,000 and $7,000 who does not request a distribution will be rolled to an individual retirement account in the participant's name.

The Company may authorize certain withdrawals from a participant's account in the event of proven financial hardship. Hardship withdrawals are subject to specific statutory and regulatory requirements.

Forfeited Accounts

Forfeited balances of terminated participants' nonvested accounts are first used to pay administrative expenses of the Plan, and then reduce Company contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2025, forfeitures of $38,180 were used to pay administrative expenses. Unallocated forfeitures were $106,967 and $93,353 at December 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively.

NOTE 2 — SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

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

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract value). Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

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.

Contributions

Contributions from participants and associated Company contributions are recorded in the year in which the employee contributions are withheld from the compensation.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Expenses

Plan expenses primarily consist of recordkeeping and professional fees. Fees related to the administration of benefit payments to participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation (depreciation) of fair value of investments. Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements.

Subsequent Events

Subsequent events were evaluated through October 13, 2026, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3 — FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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).

Level 1 inputs consist of unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and have the highest priority. Level 2 inputs consist of observable inputs other than quoted prices for identical assets (Level 1). Level 3 inputs are unobservable and have the lowest priority. The Plan uses appropriate valuation techniques based on the available inputs to measure the fair value of its investments. When available, the Plan measures fair value using Level 1 inputs because they generally provide the most reliable evidence of fair value. Level 2 inputs are used for investments for which Level 1 inputs were not available. Level 3 inputs would only be used if Level 1 or Level 2 inputs were not available.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

Money market funds: Valued at the daily closing price reported by the fund, which is the quoted net asset value (NAV) of shares.

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing price reported by the fund, which is the quoted net asset value (NAV) of shares.

Collective/collective trusts: Valued at NAV of the units in the fund, which is based on estimated market value of the underlying investments less its liabilities.

Self-directed brokerage fund: Valued on the basis of readily determinable market prices and are therefore classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value:

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2025			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money market funds	$ 182,503	$ -	$ -	$ 182,503
Mutual Funds	9,301,069	-	-	9,301,069
Self-directed brokerage Fund	16,320	-	-	16,320
	$ 9,499,892	$ -	$ -	$ 9,499,892

NOTE 3 — FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	$ 589,238	$ -	$ -	$ 589,238
Common/Collective Trusts	-	5,223,447	-	5,223,447
	$ 589,238	$ 5,223,447	$ -	$ 5,812,685

NOTE 4 — INVESTMENT CONTRACT WITH INSURANCE COMPANY

The Plan had a traditional fully benefit-responsive guaranteed investment contract with Empower which was liquidated upon transfer to Bank of America in February 2025. Empower maintained the contributions in a general account. The account was credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The guaranteed investment contract issuer was contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan.

Because the guaranteed investment contract met the criteria to be considered fully benefit-responsive, contract value was the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits attributable to the guaranteed investment contract. The guaranteed investment contract is presented on the face of the statement of net assets available for benefits at contract value. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by Empower, represented contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value.

There were no reserves against contract value for credit risk of the contract issuer or otherwise. The contract value of the investment contract at December 31, 2025 and 2024 was $-0- and $168,573, respectively. The crediting interest rate was based on a formula agreed upon with the issuer but may not be less than 1%. Such interest rates are reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting.

NOTE 5 — INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY THE CUSTODIANS

Information regarding investments held at December 31, 2025 and 2024, and net appreciation in fair value of investments, interest and dividends for the year ended December 31, 2025, disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules, was obtained or derived from data provided to the plan administrator and certified to as complete and accurate by Empower and Empower Trust Company, LLC as of December 31, 2024 and for the period January 1, 2025 to January 31, 2025 and Bank of America, N.A. from February 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

NOTE 6 — PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

During the year ended December 31, 2025, certain Plan investments were shares of mutual funds and a group annuity contract managed by Empower. Empower and Empower Trust Company, LLC were the custodians as defined by the Plan and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

NOTE 7 — PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in their company contributions.

NOTE 8 —TAX STATUS

As this Plan is a prototype defined contribution plan, the Internal Revenue Service issued a letter dated June 30, 2020, stating that while they do not issue a determination as to whether a specific employer's plan is qualified, any employer who adopts this Plan will be considered to have a plan qualified under code Section 401(a) provided all the terms are not more favorable for officers, owners or highly compensated employees than for other employees. Management believes that the Plan is operating in compliance with all the terms provided in the nonstandardized plan agreement.

The Plan is subject to examination by the IRS for the statutory period.

NOTE 9 — RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various types of 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 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.

NOTE 10 — DELINQUENT CONTRIBUTIONS

During the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, the Company failed to remit to the Plan's custodian certain participant contributions within the period prescribed by the Department of Labor's regulations. Delinquent employee contributions totaled $75,766 and $28,037 for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, respectively. The Company intends to restore the affected participants' accounts for potential lost income due to the delays.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(k) PLAN

EIN 26-1651289, PLAN 001

SCHEDULE H, LINE 4a - SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Year Ended December 31, 2025

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan		Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
Check Here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are Included		Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
☐	$ 75,766 **	$ 75,766	$ -	$ -	$ -
☐	$ 28,037 *	$ 28,037	$ -	$ -	$ -

** Amount related to the year ended December 31, 2025

* Amount related to the year ended December 31, 2024

HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(k) PLAN

EIN 26-1651289, PLAN 001

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 Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	{d} Cost	{e} Current Value
	BLF Fedfund	Money Market		$ 97
	Vanguard Federal Money Mkt Inv	Money Market		182,195
	Vanguard Federal Money Mkt Inv GM	Money Market		211
				182,503
	Allspring Small Company Growth Fund R6 GM	Mutual Fund		7,802
	Allspring Special Small Cap Value Fund R6 GM	Mutual Fund		12,761
	American Bd Fd of America America Cl R6 GM	Mutual Fund		17,783
	American Century Inflation Adjusted Bond Fund R6 GM	Mutual Fund		772
	American Intl Growth And Income Fund Cl R6	Mutual Fund		77,509
	American Intl Growth And Income Fund Cl R6 GM	Mutual Fund		31,205
	Blackrock High Yield Portfol K Class K	Mutual Fund		688
	Blackrock High Yield Portfol K Class K	Mutual Fund		2,796
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2030 K	Mutual Fund		550,015
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2035 K	Mutual Fund		734,817
	Blackrock LifepPath Index 2040 K	Mutual Fund		1,015,205
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2045 K	Mutual Fund		984,404
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2050 K	Mutual Fund		986,434
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2055 K	Mutual Fund		642,555
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2060 K	Mutual Fund		744,107
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2065 K	Mutual Fund		1,181,084
	Blackrock LifePath Index 2070 K	Mutual Fund		18,631
	Blackrock LifePath Index Ret K Fd	Mutual Fund		757,777
	Carillon Scout Mid Cap Fund Class R6 - GM	Mutual Fund		18,012
	Cohen & Steers Global Shrs Z Realty Shares Fd Cl Z	Mutual Fund		13,378
	Cohen & Steers Global Shrs Z Realty Shares Fd Cl Z GM	Mutual Fund		7,621
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual Fund		585,165
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index	Mutual Fund		163,557
	Fidelity Mid Cap Index GM	Mutual Fund		23,190
	Fidelity Small Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund		99,866
	Fidelity Total International Index Fund	Mutual Fund		161,272
	Fidelity Total International Index Fund GM	Mutual Fund		31,108
	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	Mutual Fund		114,835

Note: Substantially all investments are participant-directed; therefore, cost information is not required.

HEARTLAND COMPANIES, INC. 401(k) PLAN

EIN 26-1651289, PLAN 001

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 Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	{d} Cost	{e} Current Value
	Hartford Core Equity Fund R6	Mutual Fund		$ 11,517
	Hartford Schroders Emrg Mkts Equity Fd Cl SDR	Mutual Fund		65,953
	Hartford Schroders Emrg Mkts Equity Fd Cl SDR GM	Mutual Fund		26,132
	John Hancock Disciplined Value Fund Class R6	Mutual Fund		24,366
	John Hancock Disciplined Value Fund Class R6 - GM	Mutual Fund		41,626
	Loomis Sayles Global Bond Cl N	Mutual Fund		6,958
	Loomis Sayles Global Bond Cl N - GM	Mutual Fund		7,853
	Nomura Small Cap Core Fund R6 Fund Cl R6	Mutual Fund		749
	NYLI Winslow Large Cap Growth Fd R6	Mutual Fund		39,114
	NYLI Winslow Large Cap Growth Fd R6	Mutual Fund		92,452
				9,301,069
	Self-Direct Account	Various		16,320
				$ 9,499,892

Note: Substantially all investments are participant-directed; therefore, cost information is not required.

Attachment to 2025 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held At End of Year)

Plan Name: Heartland Companies, Inc. 401(k) Plan **EIN:26-1651289**
Plan Sponsor's Name: Heartland Companies, Inc. **PN:001**

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	ACCRUED INCOME	ACCRUED INCOME	117	117
	BLF FEDFUND	MONEY MARKET	97	97
	VANGUARD FEDERAL MONEY INV GM	MONEY MARKET	212	212
	VANGUARD FEDERAL MONEY MKT INV	MONEY MARKET	182,078	182,078
	ALLSPRING SML COMPANY GR R6 GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	7,504	7,803
	ALLSPRING SPECIAL SML CP R6 GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	13,477	12,761
	AMERICAN BD FD OF AMERICA GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	17,579	17,783
	AMERICAN CNTRY INFLTIN R6 GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	783	772
	AMERICAN INTL GROWTH AND	MUTUAL FUNDS	73,234	77,509
	AMERICAN INTL GRTH AND INCM GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	28,414	31,205
	BLACKROCK HIGH YIELD PORTFOL K	MUTUAL FUNDS	683	688
	BLACKROCK HIGH YIELD PORTFOL K	MUTUAL FUNDS	2,762	2,796
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2030 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	510,123	550,015
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2035 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	670,560	734,817
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2040 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	917,138	1,015,205
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2045 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	881,454	984,404
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2050 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	876,245	986,434
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2055 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	566,918	642,555
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2060 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	658,196	744,107

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	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2065 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	1,045,818	1,181,084
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX 2070 K	MUTUAL FUNDS	18,576	18,631
	BLACKROCK LIFEPATH INDX RET K	MUTUAL FUNDS	714,546	757,777
	CARILLON SCOUT MID CP FD R6 GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	17,389	18,012
	COHEN & STEERS GLBL SHRS Z GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	7,395	7,621
	COHEN & STEERS GLOBAL SHRS Z	MUTUAL FUNDS	12,842	13,378
	FIDELITY 500 INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	522,678	585,165
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX	MUTUAL FUNDS	155,807	163,557
	FIDELITY MID CAP INDEX GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	21,182	23,190
	FIDELITY SMALL CAP INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	90,378	99,866
	FIDELITY TOTAL INTL INDX FD	MUTUAL FUNDS	137,964	161,272
	FIDELITY TOTAL INTL INDX FD GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	26,871	31,108
	FIDELITY US BOND INDEX FUND	MUTUAL FUNDS	112,480	114,835
	HARTFORD CORE EQUITY FUND R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	12,124	11,517
	HARTFORD SCHRODERS EMRG	MUTUAL FUNDS	50,491	65,954
	HARTFORD SCHRODERS EMRG GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	20,675	26,132
	JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLINED R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	23,676	24,366
	JOHN HANCOCK DISCIPLINED R6 GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	38,905	41,626
	LOOMIS SAYLES GLBL BD CL N GM	MUTUAL FUNDS	7,547	7,853

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	LOOMIS SAYLES GLBL BOND CL N	MUTUAL FUNDS	6,548	6,958
	NOMURA SMALL CAP CORE FUND R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	730	749
	NYLI WINSLOW LARGE CAP GRTH R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	39,202	39,114
	NYLI WINSLOW LARGE CAP GRTH R6	MUTUAL FUNDS	97,849	92,452
	SELF-DIRECT ACCT	OTHER ASSETS	16,320	16,320
	PENDING SETTLEMENT FUND	PENDING SETTLEMENT FUNDS	125	125
	UNINVESTED CASH	UNINVESTED CASH	0	0