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
LIBERTY UTILITIES HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 502

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/2012

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)

LIBERTY UTILITIES CO.
LIBERTY UTILITIES CO.
PUNAM MAINI
14920 W. CAMELBACK ROAD
LITCHFIELD, AZ 85340

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
27-4444001

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
905-465-4500

2d Business code (see instructions)
221100

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/15/2026	PUNAM MAINI
	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

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☐ Same as Plan Sponsor

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS COMMITTEE
PUNAM MAINI
14920 W. CAMELBACK ROAD
LITCHFIELD PARK, AZ 85340

3b Administrator's EIN
27-4444001

3c Administrator's telephone number
905-465-4568

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

4b EIN

4d PN

5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	241
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)**	241
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	265
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	0
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	265
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	
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**	
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:

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

4A 4B 4D 4E 4F 4H 4Q

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)

- (1) [X] Insurance
- (2) [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- (3) [X] Trust
- (4) [X] 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) [X] 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) [ ] **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 4
- (4) [X] **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) [ ] **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) [ ] **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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

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

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

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

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 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
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Insurance Information

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

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

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

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LIBERTY UTILITIES HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 502

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
LIBERTY UTILITIES CO.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
27-4444001

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
EXCELLUS BCBS

(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
15-0329043	55107	122453	102	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
38526	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

BURNHAM FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC
2038 SARANAC AVE.
LAKE PLACID, NY 12946

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
38526			3

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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.	6d	

Specify nature of costs ▶

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 ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	0
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)			
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)			
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)			
	▶				
	(6)Total additions			7c(6)	0
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			7d	0
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)			
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)			
	▶				
	(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	0
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** [X] 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)	0
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)	0
(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)	0
(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	124015
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 [X] No

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

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LIBERTY UTILITIES CO.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
27-4444001

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
THE GUARDIAN LIFE 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
13-5123390	64246	00387411	265	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
25629	27881

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

ALERA GROUP, INC.
2038 SARANAC AVE
LAKE PLACID, NY 12946

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
25629	27881	CONTRACT FEES	3

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

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4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
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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.	6d	

Specify nature of costs ▶

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 ▶

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

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(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)	0
(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	366602
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. Specify nature of costs.			10b	

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
EXPRESS SCRIPTS, INC.

(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
43-1420563	60025	061490685	226	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
12090	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

BURNHAM FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC
2038 SARANAC AVE.
LAKE PLACID, NY 12946-1177

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
12090			3

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	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

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.	6d	

Specify nature of costs ▶

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 ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	0
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)			
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)			
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)			
	▶				
	(6)Total additions			7c(6)	0
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			7d	0
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)			
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)			
	▶				
	(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	0
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** [X] 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)	0
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)	0
(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)	0
(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	791804
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 [X] No

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

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

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
LIBERTY UTILITIES HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 502

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
LIBERTY UTILITIES CO.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
27-4444001

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
HARTFORD LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
06-0974148	70815	AGP-3209 &-3888	226	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
36974	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

BURNHAM FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC
2038 SARANAC AVE.
LAKE PLACID, NY 12946-1177

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
36974			3

(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	

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

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4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
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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.	6d	

Specify nature of costs ▶

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 ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			7b	0
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)			
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)			
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)			
	▶				
	(6)Total additions			7c(6)	0
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			7d	0
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)			
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)			
	▶				
	(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	0
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
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- **d** [X] Life insurance
- **e** [ ] Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
- **f** [ ] Long-term disability
- **g** [ ] Supplemental unemployment
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- **i** [ ] Stop loss (large deductible)
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- **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)**	0
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)**	0
(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)**	0
(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**	701378
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 [X] 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.**

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

A Name of plan
LIBERTY UTILITIES HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 502

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
LIBERTY UTILITIES CO.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
27-4444001

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)

EXCELLUS BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD

15-0329043

(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?
12	NONE	76034	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

CBIZ

31-1582098

(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?
11 50	NONE	70892	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

BENEFIT TRUST COMPANY

43-1971558

(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?
21 50	NONE	17787	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		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)

CBIZ INVESTMENT ADVISORY SERVICES

81-3968784

(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 50	NONE	12805	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 ☐

(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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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:

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 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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D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
27-4444001

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	199470	26031
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(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)	46478076	49851539
(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	46677546	49877570
Liabilities			
1g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
1h Operating payables	1h		
1i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
1j Other liabilities	1j	0	0
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	46677546	49877570

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)	1937397	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	686619	
(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)		2624016
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		0
(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)	1758624	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		1758624
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	2b(5)(C)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(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)		4677645
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		9060285
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	3489330	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	1495505	
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines **2e(1)** through **(3)**	2e(4)		4984835
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)	196818	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	12805	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	17787	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	76873	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	571143	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	2i(12)		875426
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		5860261
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		3200024
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: PICKETT, CHANEY & MCMULLEN, LLP **(2)** EIN: 48-1246310

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		10000000
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)

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 _____.

LIBERTY HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator and Participants
of the Liberty Health and Welfare Benefit Plan for Retirees
Litchfield, Arizona

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

We have performed audits of the financial statements of the Liberty Health and Welfare Benefit Plan for Retirees (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 (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the year then 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 audit of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's 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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as discussed in Note 2.
- The information in the 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 Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our 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.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note 2; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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.

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 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 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 in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note 2.

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 the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note 2.

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

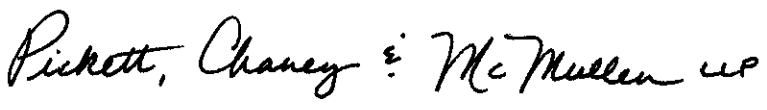
Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental Schedule of Assets (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2025 and supplemental Schedule of Reportable Transactions (modified cash basis) 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 (modified cash basis), 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 (modified cash basis), we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules (modified cash basis), 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 (modified cash basis), other than the information in the supplemental schedules (modified cash basis) 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 (modified cash basis) 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).



Overland Park, Kansas
October 13, 2026

LIBERTY HEALTH AND WELFARE
BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS (MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value - Mutual funds	$ 49,851,539	$ 46,478,076
Cash	26,031	199,470
Net assets held in defined benefit plan restricted for 401(h) account	11,617,738	10,206,391
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$ 61,495,308	$ 56,883,937

See notes to financial statements.

LIBERTY HEALTH AND WELFARE
BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS (MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:	
Investment income:	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$ 4,677,645
Interest and dividends	1,758,624
Net increase in 401(h) accounts	1,411,347
Total investment income	7,847,616
Contributions:	
Employer	1,937,397
Participants	686,619
Total contributions	2,624,016
Total additions	10,471,632
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:	
Benefits paid	3,489,330
Insurance premiums	1,495,505
Unrelated business income tax	571,143
Administrative expenses - claims providers	196,818
Administrative expenses - custodian and actuary	107,465
Total deductions	5,860,261
NET INCREASE	4,611,371
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:	
Beginning of year	56,883,937
End of year	$ 61,495,308

See notes to financial statements.

LIBERTY HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (MODIFIED CASH BASIS) DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the Liberty Health and Welfare Benefit Plan for Retirees (the "Liberty Plan" or the "Plan") provides only general information. Liberty Utilities Co. (the "Employer" or "Company") is the Plan Sponsor and maintains the Plan for the benefit of the retirees and its participating affiliates. The Employee Benefits Committee (the "Committee") serves as the Plan administrator. Participants should refer to the Plan Document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions. The Plan is subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

General – The Plan provides medical, dental, vision, and life insurance to certain retired employees (union and non-union), and their eligible dependents (as defined by the Plan). Eligibility for retiree coverage varies depending upon the employee's date of hire, years of service at the time of retirement, and non-union or union status. Subject to the Plan's eligibility requirements, individuals who retire from employment at the following locations may be eligible for coverage:

- Calpeco – Union and Non-union
- Midstates – Union and Non-union
- Georgia – Non-union
- Former Granite State – Non-union
- Former Granite State – Union (IBEW 326/486 and UWUA 369)
- Former Energy North – Non-union
- Former Energy North – Union (USW 12012-03)
- Pine Bluff Water – Non-union
- Massachusetts – Union and Non-union
- Park Water
- St. Lawrence Gas – Union and Non-union
- New York Water-Merrick – Union
- New York Water-Lynbrook – Union and Non-union

Plan Amendments – Effective January 1, 2025, the Plan was amended as follows:

- All eligible non-union retirees shall receive their post-65 coverage pursuant to the Liberty Utilities Retirement Medical Reimbursement Arrangement ("RMRA").
- Certain eligible employees of Merrick Union Local 355 will receive an additional monthly stipend, in addition to their current post-65 RMRA coverage.
- HRA contribution amounts were updated for Calpeco Non-Union and Union, Midstates Non-Union and Union, Park Water and Apple Valley Operations.

Insured Benefits – Certain medical, dental, vision, and all life insurance benefits are provided on a fully insured basis. The Company enters into annual insurance contracts with respect to the insured benefits and pays insurance premiums for coverage (other than premiums paid by the retirees) from the Plan's VEBA trusts, or from the general assets of the Company.

Self-Insured Benefits – Claims for the self-insured medical and prescription benefits are processed by Excellus BlueCross BlueShield, and the self-insured dental and vision benefits are processed by Guardian under administrative services only ("ASO") arrangements. The claims processors pay claims directly to or on behalf of the participants and are then reimbursed by either the Plan's VEBA trust, or the general assets of the Company. Despite the Plan's utilization of third-party claims processors, ultimate responsibility for payments to providers and participants is retained by the Plan.

401(h) Accounts – The Plan includes health and welfare components, in addition to normal retirement benefits, to fund a portion of the postretirement obligations for retirees and their beneficiaries in accordance with Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") Section 401(h).

A separate account has been established and maintained in the Liberty Utilities Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Liberty Traditional Pension Plan), for the net assets related to the medical benefit component of the Liberty 401(h) account. In accordance with IRC Section 401(h), the Plan's investments in the Liberty 401(h) account may not be used for, or diverted to, any purpose other than providing health benefits for retirees and their beneficiaries. The related obligations for health benefits are not included in the Liberty Pension Plan's obligations but are presented as obligations in the accompanying financial statements of the Plan.

Contributions – In addition to deductibles and co-payments, retirees contribute specified amounts based on applicable monthly premiums for their respective benefit elections. The Company makes contributions to the Plan as needed to fund dental claims in excess of participants' contributions and to pay for a portion of the retirees' insurance premiums, and administrative expenses. Any deficiency of the Plan's net assets over benefit obligations is funded by the Company on a "pay-as-you-go" basis.

Administrative Expenses – The Plan pays certain trust fees and administrative fees. Other administrative expenses are paid by the participating employers, and such employers provide certain administrative and accounting services to the Plan for which they receive no fee.

Stop Loss Policy – The Plan Sponsor has obtained stop/loss insurance coverage for claims incurred in excess of $300,000 for 2025, per participant during a policy year. Claims in excess of the annual limit are paid by the Plan and subsequently reimbursed by the stop/loss carrier and netted against benefits paid.

Termination of the Plan – Although the Employers have not expressed any intent to do so, the Plan may be terminated at any time by the Plan Sponsor. In the event of termination, the assets of the Plan's VEBA trusts must be used in a permitted manner and may not revert back to the Plan Sponsor.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting – The accounting records of the Plan are maintained on the modified cash basis of accounting as permitted by the Department of Labor; consequently, the accompanying financial statements do not reflect any contributions, reinsurance receipts or interest income due but not received, or expenses incurred but not paid by the Plan. The financial statements do not recognize as liabilities, or contain provision for, claims in the process of payment, claims incurred but not reported, advance employer and employee contributions and such other liabilities or reserves as may be necessary to fairly present the financial position and operating results in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Investments are recorded at their fair value.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition – The Plan's investments are stated 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. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a settlement-date basis. Dividends and interest are recorded when received. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

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

The Committee is responsible for determining the Plan's valuation policies and analyzing information provided by the investment custodians and issuers that is used to determine the fair value of the Plan's investments. The Committee reports to the Board of Directors of the Company.

Payment of Benefits – Premiums paid by either the Company or the VEBA trusts are recorded as premium payments in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits. Dental claim payments are recorded when paid.

Date of Management's Review – Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 13, 2026, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no material events subsequent to year end which required recognition or disclosure.

3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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

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

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

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

The assets fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2025 and 2024.

Mutual funds – The fair value of mutual funds is based on quoted prices of the shares held by the Plan at year end which are traded on an active market.

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

The investments are reported at fair value as follows at December 31, 2025 and 2024:

	Fair Value Measurements Using:			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2025				
Mutual funds	$ 49,851,539	$ -	$ -	$ 49,851,539
December 31, 2024				
Mutual funds	$ 46,478,076	$ -	$ -	$ 46,478,076

4. INVESTMENT IN MASTER TRUST

The Master Trust for Liberty Utilities Defined Benefit Pension Plans ("Master Trust") holds all of the investments of the Liberty Traditional Pension Plan, the Liberty Utilities (New York Water) Corp. Pension Plan, and the assets in a 401(h) account.

Although assets are commingled in the Master Trust, supporting records are maintained for the purpose of allocating the net earnings of the investment accounts to the participating entities, based upon the average monthly balance method, as determined by the trustee (Benefit Trust Company).

The participating Plans' interests in the net assets of the Master Trust at December 31, 2025 and 2024 were as follows:

	$ Amount	% in Master Trust
December 31, 2025		
Liberty Traditional Pension Plan	$ 416,765,877	94.76%
Liberty Utilities (New York Water) Corp Pension Plan	11,426,730	2.60%
Liberty Utilities 401(h) Account	11,617,738	2.64%
	$ 439,810,345	
December 31, 2024		
Liberty Traditional Pension Plan	$ 391,234,371	94.78%
Liberty Utilities (New York Water) Corp Pension Plan	11,347,079	2.75%
Liberty Utilities 401(h) Account	10,206,391	2.47%
	$ 412,787,841	

The following statements of net assets available for benefits is presented for the Master Trust as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and shows the Plan's undivided interest in the investments and other assets and liabilities of the Master Trust.

	December 31, 2025		December 31, 2024	
	Master Trust Balances	Liberty 401(h) Interest in Master Trust	Master Trust Balances	Liberty 401(h) Interest in Master Trust
Mutual funds	$ 342,353,856	$ 9,044,168	$ 311,619,928	$ 7,705,114
Exchange traded funds	261,910	5,920	327,767	8,104
Common stocks	40,825,403	1,078,509	46,954,493	1,160,997
Money market fund	8,758,602	231,382	11,461,025	283,385
Common collective trusts	11,712,916	309,428	11,131,868	275,247
Limited partnerships	33,787,909	892,596	29,064,152	718,640
Cash	2,691,304	71,098	2,764,395	68,352
Due to broker	(581,555)	(15,363)	(535,787)	(13,448)
	$ 439,810,345	$ 11,617,738	$ 412,787,841	$ 10,206,391

The changes in net assets available for benefits for the Master Trust and the 401(h) Account's interest in the Master Trust for the year ended December 31, 2025, are as follows:

	Master Trust Changes	Changes in 401(h) Account's Interest in Master Trust
Beginning Balance	$ 412,787,841	$ 10,206,391
Dividends and interest	11,537,209	298,976
Net appreciation in fair value of investments in Master Trust	47,452,586	1,222,319
Contributions	5,564,000	
Benefit Payments	(36,303,074)	(84,218)
Administrative Expenses	(1,228,217)	(25,730)
Ending Balance	$ 439,810,345	$ 11,617,738

The notes to the financial statements of the Liberty Utilities Defined Benefit Pension Plan, as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and for the year ended December 31, 2025, contain information on the investments in the Master Trust.

5. INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY TRUSTEE

The plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Benefit Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, has certified that the following data included in the accompanying financial statements is complete and accurate with respect to investments as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and for the year ended December 31, 2025:

- Investments at fair value
- Net assets held in defined benefit plan – restricted for 401(h) accounts
- Net increase in 401(h) accounts
- Interest and dividend income
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments
- Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
- Schedule of Reportable Transactions

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

6. BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

The postretirement benefit obligation represents the actuarial present value of those estimated future benefits that are attributed to employee service rendered to December 31, 2025 and 2024. Postretirement benefits include future benefits expected to be paid to or for (1) currently retired or terminated employees and their beneficiaries and dependents and (2) active employees and their beneficiaries and dependents after retirement from service with the participating employers. Prior to an active employee's full eligibility date, the postretirement benefit obligation is the portion of the expected postretirement benefit obligation that is attributed to that employee's service rendered to the valuation date.

The actuarial present value of the expected postretirement benefit obligation is determined by an actuary and is the amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to historical claims-cost data to estimate future annual incurred claims costs per participant and to adjust such estimates for the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as those for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment.

Plan benefit obligations at January 1, 2026 and 2025 are as follows:

	2026	2025
Amounts currently payable to or for participants, beneficiaries and dependents -		
Claims payable and claims incurred but not reported	$ 165,000	$ 250,000
Postretirement benefit obligations:		
Actives - Fully Eligible	9,393,031	9,578,789
Actives - Not Fully Eligible	13,185,983	15,727,698
Inactives	31,526,653	28,769,298
Total postretirement benefit obligations	54,105,667	54,075,785
Total benefit obligations	$ 54,270,667	$ 54,325,785

The following represents the changes in the benefit obligations for the year ended January 1, 2026:

Amounts currently payable to or for participants, beneficiaries and dependents:	
Balance, beginning of year	$ 250,000
Claims reported and approved for payments	3,404,330
Claims paid, net of rebates	(3,489,330)
Balance, end of year	165,000
Postretirement benefit obligations:	
Balance, beginning of year	54,075,785
Change in benefits accumulated including experience gains or losses	652,683
Benefits, premiums, administrative fees and RMRA items paid	(3,804,878)
Increase due to passage of time	2,997,734
Plan amendments	715,401
Change in actuarial assumptions	(531,058)
Balance, end of year	54,105,667
Total benefit obligations	$ 54,270,667

The following were significant assumptions used in the valuation as of January 1, 2026 and 2025:

Weighted-average discount rate by location:	**January 1,**	
	2026	**2025**
Calpeco	5.75%	5.87%
Midstates & Georgia	5.46%	5.73%
New England Gas (formerly Massachusetts)	5.36%	5.65%
New Hampshire (formerly Granite State and Energy North)	5.48%	5.73%
New York American Water	5.43%	5.67%
Pine Bluff Water	5.74%	5.88%
Park Water	5.50%	5.74%
St. Lawrence Gas	5.73%	5.87%

Mortality:

Pri-2012 with Scale MP-2021 adjusted by 2021 Social Security intermediate assumptions for both years, with the following adjustments:

Headcount weighted mortality was used in conjuction with above for both years

Blue Collar mortality was used for the Calpeco, NY American Water and Pine Bluff locations for both years

Health Care Trend Rate:

7.00% in 2026, decreasing to 4.50% in 2036
6.75% in 2025, decreasing to 4.50% in 2034

The changes in assumptions above as well as updates to claims cost assumptions caused the obligation to decrease by $531,058. The foregoing 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 the postretirement benefit obligations.

The Plan's deficiency of the net assets over benefit obligations at December 31, 2025 and 2024 relates primarily to the postretirement benefit obligation. It is expected the deficiency will be funded through future contributions.

Health care cost-trend rate assumptions have a significant effect on the amounts reported. A 1% increase would cause the benefit obligation to increase to approximately $59,508,000 at January 1, 2026.

7. TAX STATUS

The Plan maintains two separate VEBA trusts, one for union retirees and one for non-union retirees. The IRS issued two favorable determination letters dated May 19, 2015, stating that the trusts met the requirements of Section 501(c)(9) of the IRC, and are exempt from taxation. However, from time to time, the trusts may be subject to unrelated business income or other taxes. The Plan paid unrelated business income taxes of $571,143 in 2025.

In addition, the Plan and the trusts established under the Plan are required to operate in conformity with the IRC to maintain the tax-exempt status of the trusts. The plan administrator believes that the Plan is being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Plan management is required to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if it 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.

8. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The actuarial present value of benefit obligations is reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, health care 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.

The Plan utilizes various investment instruments. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities. It is 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 financial statements.

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Plan pays administrative expenses to its third-party processors of claims and pays expenses to the actuary, investment advisor and investment custodian. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions.

10. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500 as of December 31, 2025 and 2024:

	2025	2024
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	$61,495,308	$56,883,937
Net assets held in defined benefit plan restricted for 401(h) accounts	(11,617,738)	(10,206,391)
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	$49,877,570	$46,677,546

The following is a reconciliation of the change in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the net loss per the Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2025:

Net increase in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	$ 4,611,371
Net change in 401(h) account	(1,411,347)
Net income per Form 5500	$ 3,200,024

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LIBERTY HEALTH AND WELFARE
BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE PART IV, LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR) - DECEMBER 31, 2025

EIN: 27-4444001, PLAN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 502

(a)	(b)	(c) Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Party Involved		**Cost of Asset**	**Fair Value**
	Credit Suisse Opp Fund High Inc	Mutual Fund	$ 3,228,513	$ 3,116,440
	Doubleline Funds Total Return Bond	Mutual Fund	4,102,710	3,723,789
	Clearbridge BW Global Opp Bond	Mutual Fund	7,170,319	6,088,195
	Metropoitan West Total Return	Mutual Fund	4,153,652	3,727,387
	Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	Mutual Fund	11,960,812	11,930,969
	Vanguard Reserve Fed MM Fund	Mutual Fund	1,238,762	1,238,762
	Vanguard Total Stk Mkt Instl	Mutual Fund	5,799,717	12,443,533
	American Funds New World	Mutual Fund	2,097,312	2,539,252
	Vanguard Developed Markets Index	Mutual Fund	4,140,945	5,043,212
	Total Investments		$ 43,892,742	$ 49,851,539

* Represents a party-in-interest (none).

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BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE PART IV, LINE 4j – SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS – YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

EIN: 27-4444001, PLAN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 502

(a) Identity of Party Involved	(b) Investment Type	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset on Transaction Date	(i) Net Gain (Loss)
SINGLE:						
None						
SERIES:						
Vanguard Short-term Bond Index	Mutual Fund Purchases	$ 1,703,237		$ 1,703,237	$ 1,703,237	
	Sales		$ 1,469,090	1,445,979	1,469,090	$ 23,111
Vanguard Reserve Fed Money Market	Mutual Fund Purchases	$ 2,604,423		$ 2,604,423	$ 2,604,423	
	Sales		$ 1,871,516	1,871,516	1,871,516	$ -

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BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE PART IV, LINE 4j – SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS – YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

EIN: 27-4444001, PLAN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 502

(a) Identity of Party Involved	(b) Investment Type	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset on Transaction Date	(i) Net Gain (Loss)
SINGLE:						
None						
SERIES:						
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LIBERTY HEALTH AND WELFARE
BENEFIT PLAN FOR RETIREES

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, LINE PART IV, LINE 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR) - DECEMBER 31, 2025

EIN: 27-4444001, PLAN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 502

(a)	(b)	(c) Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Party Involved		**Cost of Asset**	**Fair Value**
	Credit Suisse Opp Fund High Inc	Mutual Fund	$ 3,228,513	$ 3,116,440
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