IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

In re:	Chapter 11
Sepco Corporation,	Case No. 16-50058 (AMK)
Debtors.	

NOTICE OF FILING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on April 29, 2024, the Annual Report of the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust for the Period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023, was filed electronically by Stutzman, Bromberg, Esserman & Plifka, A Professional Corporation with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Easter Division.

Date: April 29, 2024

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Kaitlyn C. Fletcher, hereby certify that on the 29th day of April, 2024, I served a true and correct copy of the Annual Report of the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust for the Period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 and Exhibit A thereto by electronic mail on the members of the Trust Advisory Committee (Thomas W. Bevan, James L. Ferraro, Beth A. Gori, Perry Browder, Ross Stomel and Lauren E. Williams) and their counsel (Ann McMillan) and the Future Claimants' Representative (Lawrence Fitzpatrick) and his counsel (Ed Harron).

/s/ *Kaitlyn C. Fletcher*
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SEPCO ASBESTOS PERSONAL INJURY TRUST FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2023 TO DECEMBER 31, 2023

Alan B. Rich, the Trustee of the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust (the "**Trust**"), created pursuant to the Second Amended Plan of Reorganization, as Modified, for Sepco Corporation Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, as supplemented by that certain Supplement to Second Amended Plan of Reorganization, as Modified, for Sepco (collectively the "**Plan**"),[1] hereby files this Annual Report, Financial Statements and Results of Operations of the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust for the year ending December 31, 2023 (the "**Annual Report**").

[1] Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to the in the Plan.

I. General

On January 14, 2016, Sepco Corporation filed voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11, Title 11 of the United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio. On March 24, 2020, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the "**Order**") confirming the Plan, and also entered the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law in Support of Order Confirming the Second Amended Plan of Reorganization, as Modified, for Sepco Corporation Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. On May 5, 2020, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio entered an order ("**Confirmation Order**"), affirming the Order and adopting the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, which confirmed the Plan of the above-referenced debtors.

Pursuant to the Plan, the Trust was established on June 8, 2020. Through December 31, 2023, Thomas W. Bevan, James L. Ferraro, Beth A. Gori, Perry Browder, and Ross Stomel are members of the Trust Advisory Committee ("**TAC**") and Lawrence Fitzpatrick is the Future Claimants' Representative ("**FCR**").

II. Reporting Requirements

Section 2.2(c) of the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust Agreement (the "**Trust Agreement**") requires the Trustee to account to the Bankruptcy Court and file an annual report containing financial statements of the Trust and a summary of the number and type of claims disposed of by the Trust during the period covered by the financial statements. Pursuant to the Trust Agreement, the annual report shall also include a description of the amounts paid during the reporting period to the Trustee, the Delaware Trustee, the TAC, and the FCR.

A. Financial Statements

A copy of the Trust's audited special-purpose financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Under Section 3.3 of the Trust Agreement, the Trust reports payments for the Trust expenses. The Trust's operating expenses are listed in the Special-Purpose Statement of Changes in Net Claimants' Equity, attached hereto.

B. Asbestos Personal Injury Claims

The Trust began accepting Asbestos Claims on December 7, 2020.[2] From January 1, 2023 through the period ending December 31, 2023, 757 Asbestos Personal Injury Claims have been submitted to the Trust as follows:

Disease Level	**Claims submitted in 2023**
Mesothelioma (Level V)	180
Lung Cancer 1 (Level IV)	426
Lung Cancer 2 (Level III)	34
Other Cancer (Level II)	23
Severe Asbestosis (Level I)	94
Total:	**757**

Of the 757 Asbestos Personal Injury Claims submitted to the Trust, the Trust has not approved 460 claims, consisting of rejected claims, claims with uncured deficiencies, and

[2] On September 28, 2023, MFR Claims Processing Inc. was acquired by Verus Claims Services, LLC. Verus now serves as the Trust's claims processor.

withdrawn and deferred claims. In 2023, the Trust liquidated and paid 257 Asbestos Personal Injury Claims, totaling $662,059.82[3] after application of the Payment Percentage.

C. Compensation and Expenses of the Trustee, TAC and FCR

Pursuant to Sections 4.5(c), 5.6 and 6.5 of the Trust Agreement, the Annual Report shall also include a description of the amounts paid during the Reporting Period to the Trustee, the Delaware Trustee, the Trust Advisory Committee, and the Future Claimants' Representative. The Trust refers the Court to the Special-Purpose Statement of Changes in Net Claimants' Equity in the Trust's financial statements, attached hereto.

Date: April 29, 2024

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[3] Claims information reported herein may differ from the audited financial statements due to the timing of Payments.

EXHIBIT A

Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust Special-Purpose Financial Statements For The

Period January 1, 2023 To December 31, 2023

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Special-Purpose Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report

December 31, 2023 and 2022

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Trustee
Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying Special-purpose Financial Statements of the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust (the "Trust"), organized in the State of Delaware, which comprise the special-purpose statements of net claimants' equity as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related special-purpose statements of changes in net claimants' equity for the years then ended, and the related notes to the special-purpose financial statements (collectively, the "Financial Statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net claimants' equity of the Trust as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in net claimants' equity for the years then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 2 to the Financial Statements.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Trust 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 audit opinion.

Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The Financial Statements are prepared on a special-purpose basis of accounting which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The special-purpose basis of accounting has been adopted by the Trustee to communicate the amount of equity presently available to fund current and future claimants. As a result, the Financial Statements may not be suitable for another purpose. 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 special-purpose basis of accounting; this includes determining that the special-purpose basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the Financial Statements in these circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Trust'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 Trust's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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.

Restriction on Use

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the management of the Trust, the Trustee, the beneficiaries of the Trust, and the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Upon filing with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, the report is a matter of public record, which public filing does not expand the listed specified users.

CohnReznick LLP

Dallas, Texas
April 25, 2024

Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust

Special-Purpose Statements of Net Claimants' Equity
December 31, 2023 and 2022

Assets

	2023	2022
Cash and cash equivalents		
Unrestricted	$ 496,543	$ 1,636,575
Restricted	39,850	40,450
Investments in marketable securities and certificates of deposit	18,110,994	16,492,910
Accrued interest and dividend income	148,075	126,305
Purchased interest	3,675	2,000
Prepaid expenses	8,890	9,095
Total assets	$ 18,808,027	$ 18,307,335

Liabilities and Net Claimants' Equity

Accrued expenses	$ 50,686	$ 48,388
Accrued payments to claimants	83,961	331,622
Claims processing deposits	39,850	40,450
Payable on pending investment purchases	58,747	-
Total liabilities	233,244	420,460
Net claimants' equity	$ 18,574,783	$ 17,886,875

See Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements.

Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust

Special-Purpose Statements of Changes in Net Claimants' Equity
December 31, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
Additions		
Net gain on investments in marketable securities, net of management fees, custody fees and bond amortization	$ 864,740	$ -
Interest and dividend income	701,817	720,963
Filing fees collected on withdrawn claims	13,850	18,100
Income tax benefit, net	-	173,676
Net gain of liquidiation of investment in common stock of Sepco Corporation	-	85,231
Total additions	1,580,407	997,970
Deductions		
Net loss on investments in marketable securities, net of management fees, custody fees and bond amortization	-	2,794,177
Payments to claimants	447,279	764,969
Legal fees	141,161	83,691
Trustee fees and expenses	64,280	46,472
Accounting fees	53,512	56,806
Future Claimants' Representative fees and expenses	41,720	35,075
Claims processing fees	30,564	24,948
Trustee fiduciary fee	25,000	25,000
Trust Advisory Committee counsel fees and expenses	22,260	10,676
Insurance expense	16,740	17,309
Audit fees	16,448	13,989
Financial consulting	16,000	16,000
Consulting fees	9,000	9,000
Delaware Trustee fees and expenses	4,000	4,000
Miscellaneous expenses	2,271	4,339
Foreign tax expense	2,264	1,301
Total deductions	892,499	3,907,752
Net increase (decrease) in net claimants' equity	687,908	(2,909,782)
Net claimants' equity, beginning of year	17,886,875	20,796,657
Net claimants' equity, end of year	$ 18,574,783	$ 17,886,875

See Notes to Special-Purpose Financial Statements.

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Note 1 - Nature of Trust

Description of Trust

The Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust (the "Trust") was established in accordance with the Second Amended Plan of Reorganization, as Modified, for Sepco Corporation Under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, as supplemented by that certain Supplement to Second Amended Plan of Reorganization, as Modified, for Sepco (collectively, the "Plan"). The purpose of the Trust is:

- to assume all liabilities and responsibility for all Asbestos Personal Injury Claims ("Claims");
- to direct the processing, liquidation and payment of all Claims in accordance with the Plan, the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust Distribution Procedures (the "TDP"), and the Confirmation Order;
- to preserve, hold, manage, and maximize the assets of the Trust for use in paying and satisfying Claims;
- to use the Trust's assets and income to pay holders of all Claims in accordance with the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust Agreement, as amended (the "Trust Agreement") and the TDP in such a way that such holders of Claims are treated fairly, equitably, and reasonably in light of the finite assets available to satisfy such claims, and
- to comply in all respects with the requirements for a trust set forth in Section 524(g)(2)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code.

The Trust was established on June 8, 2020, the Effective Date of the Plan ("Effective Date") and is a Qualified Settlement Fund under Internal Revenue Code Section 468B for holders of Claims ("Qualified Settlement Fund"). The Trust operates as the Sepco Asbestos Personal Injury Trust.

Pursuant to the Plan, at formation of the Trust, Sepco transferred its rights under insurance policies to the Trust, including $19,750,000 from two insurers and also transferred the residual balance in the Qualified Settlement Fund ("QSF funds") totaling $259,547. Finally, the Trust received a 100% common stock interest in Sepco Corporation (the "Reorganized Debtor"), with an initial fair value of $400,000 (see Note 3). The Reorganized Debtor was obligated to refund to the Trust any surplus funds after the post-effective date expenses were paid and in December 2020, paid $100,000 to the Trust. The Reorganized Debtor dissolved in December 2022 and paid $1,185,231 to the Trust.

The Trust is governed by a Trust Agreement and TDP that establish the framework and criteria for allowance and payment of Claims by the Trust. The Trust Agreement and TDP were approved by the United States District and Bankruptcy Courts as part of the Plan. There are five disease levels specified in the TDP. Each claimant who meets the medical and exposure requirements of the TDP for a particular disease level may apply for expedited review and a specified payment amount. Certain claimants also have an alternative, under the TDP, to submit additional documentation and request a more expansive review of their Claim ("Individual Review ").

The Trust's assets consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, investments in marketable securities, certificates of deposit and the common stock of Reorganized Debtor, which, with the earnings or losses on such investments, are intended to be totally consumed by the allowance and payment of claims and operation of the Trust. The percentage amount of each allowed claim that will actually be paid will be determined by projections of total allowed Claims and operational expenses of the Trust, on the one hand, and total assets and net earnings or losses on the other. The Trust began accepting Claims on December 7, 2020. The initial payment percentage has been set at 10% and is subject to review and adjustment, in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the TDP. The Trustee is a fiduciary and is responsible for administering the Trust and the Trust's assets in accordance with the Trust Agreement and the Plan.

Termination
The Trust Agreement (Section 7.2) provides that the Trust shall automatically terminate on the date ("Dissolution Date") ninety (90) days after the first to occur of the following events:

- The date on which the Trustee decides to dissolve the Trust because (A) the Trustee deems it unlikely that any new asbestos claims will be filed against the Trust, (B) all asbestos claims duly filed with the Trust have been liquidated and paid to the extent provided in the Trust Agreement and TDP, or disallowed by a final, nonappealable order, to the extent possible based upon the funds available through the Plan and (C) twelve (12) consecutive months have elapsed during which no new asbestos claims have been filed with the Trust.

- If the Trustee has procured and has in place irrevocable insurance policies and has established claims handling agreements and other necessary arrangements with suitable third parties adequate to discharge all expected remaining obligations and expenses of the Trust in a manner consistent with the Trust Agreement and the TDP, the date on which the Bankruptcy Court enters an order approving such insurance and other arrangements and such order becomes a final order, or

- To the extent that any rule against perpetuities shall be deemed applicable to the Trust, that date which is twenty-one (21) years less ninety-one (91) days after the death of the last survivor of all of the descendants of the late Joseph P. Kennedy, Sr., father of the late President John F. Kennedy, living on the date of the Trust agreement.

On the Dissolution Date, or as soon as reasonably practicable after the wind-up of the Trust's affairs by the Trustee, and payment of all the Trust's liabilities have been provided for as required by applicable law, all remaining assets shall be applied to such charitable purposes, if practicable, which shall be related to the treatment of, research on, or the relief of individuals suffering from asbestos-related disorders and such charitable organizations should not have any relationship with Sepco.

Following the dissolution and distribution of the assets of the Trust, the Trust shall terminate and the Trustee shall execute and file a Certificate of Cancellation.

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Note 2 - Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The Trust's Special-purpose Financial Statements ("Financial Statements") are prepared using special-purpose accounting methods that differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"). The special-purpose accounting methods are being used to better communicate the equity available to satisfy current and future claims. Since the accompanying Financial Statements and transactions are not based upon GAAP, accounting treatment by other parties for these same transactions may differ as to timing and amount. These special-purpose accounting methods and the differences from GAAP are summarized as follows:

- The Financial Statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, except as otherwise described herein.
- The statement of net claimants' equity is not classified, resulting in no separation between current and noncurrent assets.
- These Financial Statements do not include a statement of cash flows.
- Cash and cash equivalents are recorded at cost with accrued income shown separately.
- The funding received from Sepco and reorganized Sepco Corporation, insurance settlements and the QSF funds have been recorded directly to net claimants' equity. These funds do not represent taxable income to the Trust. Payments to claimants are reported as deductions from net claimants' equity and do not represent tax-deductible expenses of the Trust.
- At December 31, 2023 and 2022, the liability for accrued payments to claimants reflected in the statement of net claimants' equity represents unpaid outstanding and accepted offers. No liability is recorded for future claims filings and filed claims on which no offer has been made. Net claimants' equity represents funding available to pay present and future claims on which no liability has been recorded.
- The Trust's investments in marketable securities are considered as available for sale. The unrealized holding gains (losses) on these investments are included in net gain on investments in marketable securities, net of management fees and bond amortization on the accompanying statement of changes in net claimants' equity. Under GAAP, the unrealized holding gains (losses) on available for sale investments would be included as a component of net claimants' equity reported as accumulated other comprehensive income (loss).
- Changes in fair market value of the investment in common stock of the Reorganized Debtor were recorded as an adjustment to net claimants' equity. During December 2022, the Reorganized Debtor was dissolved, and the value of the common stock was reduced to zero. Under GAAP, since the Trust owns 100% of the common stock in Sepco Corporation, the Trust would consolidate the financial results of Sepco Corporation and all significant intercompany balances and transactions would be eliminated upon consolidation. Under GAAP, the investment in common stock of the Reorganizer Debtor would be measured and reported at fair value on a recurring basis in the statements of net claimants' equity after initial recognition, with quantitative disclosures presented in a tabular format.

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Use of estimates
The preparation of Financial Statements in conformity with the special-purpose accounting method requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the Financial Statements and the reported amounts of additions and deductions from net claimants' equity during the reporting periods. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the carrying value of financial instruments and investments, and deferred income tax expense. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Financial instruments
The Trust's financial instruments are cash and cash equivalents, accrued interest and dividend income, investments in marketable securities, certificates of deposit, the investment in the Reorganized Debtor, accrued expenses and accrued payments to claimants. The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents, accrued interest and dividend income, and accrued expenses approximate their fair values based on their short-term nature. The carrying amount of marketable securities and certificates of deposit is based on fair value. The carrying amount of the investment in Reorganized Debtor and payments to claimants approximates fair value based on management's estimates.

Cash and cash equivalents
The Trust consider all highly-liquid debt instruments purchased with an original maturity value of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

	2023	2022
Money market funds		
Fidelity government fund	$ 134,168	$ 218,360
Vanguard prime admiral fund	62,391	-
PNC Bank	15,655	15,261
Filing fee account	12,078	15,762
Total	$ 496,543	$ 1,636,575

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, restricted cash represents filing fees received from claimants, which will be refunded if the claim is accepted and retained by the Trust if the claim does not qualify for payment.

Concentrations of credit risk
Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Trust to concentrations of credit risk, consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, investments in marketable securities and certificates of deposit. The Trust maintains its cash and cash equivalents in accounts that are not federally insured but considers them to be of high credit quality. The Trust has not experienced any losses in such accounts, and it does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk.

The Trust's investments are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risk. Due to the level or risk associated with investments, it is at least reasonably possible that significant changes in risks in the near term may materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. However, the Trust has a formal investment policy of placing investments in high-quality financial institutions.

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Investments in marketable securities and related income (loss)
Investments in marketable securities are reported at fair value in the special-purpose statement of net claimants' equity and changes in the fair value of investments, as well as realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in net gain on investments in marketable securities, net of management fees, custody fees and bond amortization reported in the special-purpose statement of changes in net claimants' equity. Purchases and sales of marketable securities are recorded on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on disposals of investments are determined by the specific identification method.

Investments considered to be permanently impaired in value are written down to their estimated net realizable value and the write down is recorded as a realized loss on investments. Unrealized losses that are other-than-temporary based upon management's estimates using quantitative and qualitative criteria are recognized as realized investment losses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Claims processing deposits
Claims processing deposits represent filing fees collected for each unliquidated claim, which will be refunded by the Trust if the claim is paid.

Net claimants' equity
The Trust, under the adopted special-purpose accounting convention, does not record the liability for future claims expected to be filed over the life of the Trust. The net claimants' equity is available for (i) the payments of allowed asbestos-related claims and (ii) operational expenses of the Trust.

Income taxes
Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded based on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting and income tax purposes using the enacted tax rates and laws that will be in effect when the differences are expected to reverse. A valuation allowance is established when it is likely that the deferred tax assets may not be realized. The Trust is not subject to state income taxes, and therefore, the Financial Statements do not include any provision or liability for state income taxes. Funds received by the Trust from insurance settlements, Sepco, the Reorganized Debtor, the QSF and distributions paid to settle asbestos claims are not taxable or deductible by the Trust.

The Trustee's estimate of the potential outcome of any uncertain tax issues is subject to management's assessment of relevant risks, facts, and circumstances existing at that time. The Trust uses a more likely than not threshold for financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. To the extent that the Trustee's assessment of such tax position changes, the change in estimate is recorded in the period in which the determination is made. The Trust reports tax-related interest and penalties as a component of income tax expense and operating expenses, respectively. The Trust has recognized no increase in assets or liabilities for unrecognized tax benefits or expenses.

Subsequent events
The Trust has evaluated events and transactions subsequent to the date of the Financial Statements for matters requiring recognition or disclosure in the Financial Statements. The accompanying Financial Statements consider events through April 25, 2024, the date on which the Financial Statements were available to be issued.

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Note 3 - Investment in Common Stock of Sepco Corporation

The Trust owned 100% of the issued and outstanding common stock of the "Reorganized Debtor", which was received as part of the Plan of Reorganization in June 2020. The value of the common stock at inception of the Trust was $400,000 and was based on the Reorganized Debtor's 33.33% ownership interest in a limited liability company ("LLC") with an original purchase price of $400,000. The Reorganized Debtor redeemed their interest in the LLC in February 2021 for proceeds of $409,333. At December 31, 2021, the Trust recorded an adjustment of $700,000 to the investment in common stock of the Reorganized Debtor, as the Trust expected to receive approximately $1,100,000 upon dissolution of the Reorganized Debtor. In December 2022, the Reorganized Debtor was dissolved and the remaining cash of $1,185,231 was transferred to the Trust. In addition, the Trust reduced the value of the common stock to zero. The receipt of the cash and the common stock adjustments were recorded in the statement of changes in net claimants' equity for the year ended December 31, 2022.

Note 4 - Investments in Marketable Securities and Certificates of Deposit

The Trust measures its marketable securities and certificates of deposit, at fair value, according to a hierarchy of valuation techniques. The following are the levels of the hierarchy and a brief description of the type of valuation information ("inputs") that qualifies an investment for each level:

Level I: Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical investments as of the reporting date.

Level II: Pricing inputs are other than quoted market prices included in Level 1, however, are observable indirectly for the investment.

Level III: Pricing inputs are unobservable for the investment and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the investment. The inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation. The Trust does not carry any Level 3 investments.

The following section describes the valuation methodologies the Trust uses to measure its financial assets at fair value.

Mutual funds: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Certificates of deposit and municipal bonds: Value using the documented trade price if trading in an active market. Otherwise, valued using a metrics system provided by the pricing vendors

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The valuations of the Trust's investments in marketable securities and certificates of deposit by the above fair value hierarchy levels and the corresponding cost of the investments are as follows:

	December 31, 2023			
	Level	Fair Value	Cost	Unrealized Gains (Losses), Net
Certificates of deposit	II	$ 260,584	$ 260,584	$ -
Mutual funds	I	5,938,799	5,137,905	800,894
Municipal bonds	II	11,911,611	12,089,407	(177,796)
Total		$ 18,110,994	$ 17,487,896	$ 623,098

	December 31, 2022			
	Level	Fair Value	Cost	Unrealized Losses, Net
Certificates of deposit	II	$ 251,700	$ 251,700	$ -
Mutual funds	I	5,235,315	5,428,522	(193,207)
Municipal bonds	II	11,005,895	11,666,774	(660,879)
Total		$ 16,492,910	$ 17,346,996	$ (854,086)

Maturities of the Trust's debt securities at December 31, 2023 are as follows:

	Fair value	Cost	Gains Losses, Net
Due in one year or less	$ 534,860	$ 541,821	$ (6,961)
Due after one year through five years	4,544,820	4,659,499	(114,679)
Due after five years through ten years	3,299,979	3,435,708	(135,729)
Due after ten years through twenty years	2,106,861	2,019,134	87,727
Due after twenty years	1,425,091	1,433,245	(8,154)
Total	$ 11,911,611	$ 12,089,407	$ (177,796)

The net gain (loss) on investments in marketable securities is calculated as follows for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	2023	2022
Realized losses, net	$ (317,635)	$ (508,107)
Unrealized gains (losses), net	1,477,184	(1,939,190)
Management fees	(18,171)	(18,348)
Custody fees	(6,192)	(5,923)
Bond amortization	(270,446)	(322,609)
Net gain (loss) investments	$ 864,740	$ (2,794,177)

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Note 5 - Taxation

The Trust reports its income to the Internal Revenue Service as a designated settlement fund which is taxed at the highest rate applicable to trusts under Section l(e) of the Internal Revenue Code, which was 37%.

The Trust's federal income tax expense (benefit) for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 is as follows:

	2023	2022
Modified taxable loss	$ (309,452)	$ (282,811)
Tax rate	37%	37%
Federal income tax benefit	(114,497)	(104,640)
Deferred federal income tax expense (benefit)	448,553	(838,673)
Valuation allowance	(334,056)	769,637
Income tax expense (benefit), net	$ -	$ (173,676)

Temporary differences between financial reporting income and taxable income generate deferred tax assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 as follows:

	2023	2022
Net operating loss carryforward	$ 446,950	$ 332,453
Capital loss carryforward	219,177	121,172.00
Unrealized (gain) loss on investments	(230,546)	316,012
Valuation allowance	(435,581)	(769,637)
Deferred tax liability, net	$ -	$ -

At December 31, 2023, the Trust had approximately $1,208,000 of net operating loss carryforwards with no expiration date. At December 31, 2023, the Trust had a net capital loss of approximately $592,300, with $327,500 expiring in year 2027 and $264,800 expiring in year 2028. The future ability of the Trust to benefit from these carryforwards is uncertain; therefore, management has determined that a valuation allowance for the entire deferred tax asset is necessary since it is more likely than not that the benefits will not be fully realized. The Trust is generally no longer subject to income tax examinations by the Internal Revenue Service for the years ended December 31, 2019 and prior.

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Note 6 - Trust Advisory Committee and Future Claimants' Representative

The Trust Agreement sets forth the role and responsibility of the Trust Advisory Committee ("TAC") and the Future Claimants' Representative ("FCR"). The members of the TAC serve in a fiduciary capacity representing all holders of present Asbestos Claims ("Current Claimants"). The Trustee is required to consult with or obtain the consent of the TAC on certain matters identified in the Trust Agreement and the TDP. The TAC is comprised of six attorneys who are engaged by Current Claimants.

The FCR serves in a fiduciary capacity, representing the interests of the individuals who may file an Asbestos Claim in the future, but who at this time are unknown to the Trust ("Future Asbestos Claimants"). His role, in part, is to protect rights of the Future Asbestos Claimants. The Trustee is required to consult with or obtain the consent of FCR on certain matters identified in the Trust Agreement and the TDP.

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