

Form **990**
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
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2017
Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2017, and ending 12-31-2017

B Check if applicable
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return/terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization
US DAIRY EXPORT COUNCIL
% THOMAS J VILSACK
Doing business as
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
2107 WILSON BLVD Suite 600
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Arlington, VA 22201

D Employer identification number
36-4039769

E Telephone number
(703) 528-3049

G Gross receipts \$ 24,702,688

F Name and address of principal officer
THOMAS J VILSACK
2107 WILSON BLVD STE 600
ARLINGTON, VA 22201

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? Yes No

H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c) (6) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ▶ www.usdec.org

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ▶

L Year of formation 1995

M State of legal domicile VA

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities
THROUGH ANALYSIS AND COLLABORATION, ENHANCE DEMAND FOR US DAIRY PRODUCTS & INGREDIENTS BY SECURING ACCESS AND ASSISTING SUPPLIERS TO MEET MARKET NEEDS THAT FACILITATE SALES

2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets	
3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	89
4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	89
5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2017 (Part V, line 2a)	0
6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	139
7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	0
7b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	0

	Revenue	
	Prior Year	Current Year
8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	7,343,601	7,119,059
9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	19,544,629	17,095,000
10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	0
11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	294,246	488,629
12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	27,182,476	24,702,688
13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0	0
14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	8,173,169	6,423,934
16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 0		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	19,420,168	18,165,314
18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	27,593,337	24,589,248
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	-410,861	113,440
	Expenses	
	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	8,786,148	7,675,157
21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	7,098,734	5,874,303
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	1,687,414	1,800,854

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here
Signature of officer
Date 2018-11-14
QUINTON BAILY CFO
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only
Print/Type preparer's name TAMARA TARAZI
Preparer's signature TAMARA TARAZI
Date 2018-11-07
Check if self-employed PTIN P01266026
Firm's name ▶ ERNST & YOUNG US LLP
Firm's address ▶ 155 N Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60606
Firm's EIN ▶
Phone no (312) 879-2000

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III **1** Briefly describe the organization's mission

THROUGH ANALYSIS AND COLLABORATION, ENHANCE DEMAND FOR U S DAIRY PRODUCTS & INGREDIENTS BY SECURING ACCESS AND ASSISTING SUPPLIERS TO MEET MARKET NEEDS THAT FACILITATE SALES

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported**4a** (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data**4b** (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data**4c** (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
See Additional Data**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**4e** Total program service expenses ▶

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>		No
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?	Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>	Yes	
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		No
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>	Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>	Yes	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>	Yes	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		No
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>	Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	Yes	
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i>	Yes	
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i>		No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i> (see instructions)		No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>		No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		No
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>		No
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		No
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		No
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	Yes	
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		No
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		No
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		No
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		No
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V []

Table with columns for question ID, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes sections for backup withholding, employee reporting, foreign accounts, prohibited tax shelter transactions, charitable contributions, and 501(c)(7), (12), and (29) organizations.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O See instructions

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year (89); 1b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent (89); 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee? (Yes); 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? (Yes); 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? (No); 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? (No); 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders? (Yes); 7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body? (Yes); 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? (No); 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: 8a The governing body? (Yes); 8b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? (Yes); 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O (No)

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? (No); 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes? (No); 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? (No); 11b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990; 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 (Yes); 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? (Yes); 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done (No); 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? (Yes); 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? (Yes); 15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision? 15a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official (No); 15b Other officers or key employees of the organization (No); If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions); 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? (No); 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 2 columns: Question, Answer. Rows include: 17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed; 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply: [] Own website, [] Another's website, [X] Upon request, [] Other (explain in Schedule O); 19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year; 20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: THOMAS J VILSACK 2107 WILSON BLVD SUITE 600 ARLINGTON, VA 22201 (703) 528-3049

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns . . .	1a					
	b Membership dues . . .	1b	1,426,750				
	c Fundraising events . . .	1c	0				
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	5,692,309				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	0				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____		0				
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		7,119,059				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code				
	2a PROGRAM FUNDING DMI		900099	17,095,000	17,095,000	0	
	b _____						
	c _____						
	d _____						
	e _____						
	f All other program service revenue						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		17,095,000					
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)			0			
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds			0			
	5 Royalties			0			
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
		b Less rental expenses					
		c Rental income or (loss)	0	0			
		d Net rental income or (loss)			0		
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
		c Gain or (loss)					
		d Net gain or (loss)			0		
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a	0				
		b Less direct expenses	b	0			
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			0		
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	a	0				
b Less direct expenses		b	0				
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities				0			
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	0					
	b Less cost of goods sold	b	0				
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory			0			
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a CONSORTIUM COMMON FOOD NAMES REVENUE		900099	448,629	448,629	0	0	
b OTHER SERVICES INCOME		900099	40,000	40,000	0	0	
c _____							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			488,629				
12 Total revenue. See Instructions			24,702,688	17,583,629	0	0	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments See Part IV, line 21	0			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22	0			
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, line 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	0			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7 Other salaries and wages	5,029,625			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401 (k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	655,486			
9 Other employee benefits	472,982			
10 Payroll taxes	265,841			
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management	0			
b Legal	298,739			
c Accounting	209,831			
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17	0			
f Investment management fees	0			
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	0			
12 Advertising and promotion	0			
13 Office expenses	238,149			
14 Information technology	549,163			
15 Royalties	0			
16 Occupancy	465,419			
17 Travel	880,309			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,201,816			
20 Interest	79,434			
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	295,783			
23 Insurance	7,639			
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a INTERNATIONAL/TRADE	6,254,423			
b MARKET DEVELOPMENT PRGMS	3,821,181			
c STRATEGY & INSIGHTS	1,617,346			
d MARKET ACCESS	809,598			
e All other expenses	1,436,484			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	24,589,248			
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	2,767,653	1	2,565,749
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	0	2	0
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	0	3	0
	4 Accounts receivable, net	3,051,764	4	2,504,057
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0	7	0
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0	8	0
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	369,236	9	484,195
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	2,597,222		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	2,168,412		
		636,463	10c	428,810
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets	0	14	0
15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11	1,961,032	15	1,692,346	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	8,786,148	16	7,675,157	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	4,190,647	17	3,956,056
	18 Grants payable	0	18	0
	19 Deferred revenue	552,000	19	55,500
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0	20	0
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0	21	0
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L	0	22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	2,239,562	24	1,749,635
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	116,525	25	113,112
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	7,098,734	26	5,874,303
Net Assets or Fund Balances	27 Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34. Unrestricted net assets	1,687,414	27	1,800,854
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	0	28	0
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	0	29	0
	30 Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34. Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	1,687,414	33	1,800,854
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	8,786,148	34	7,675,157

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	24,702,688
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	24,589,248
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	113,440
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	1,687,414
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	0
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	0
7	Investment expenses	7	0
8	Prior period adjustments	8	0
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	1,800,854

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
<p>1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O</p>			
<p>2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis</p>	2a		No
<p>b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis</p>	2b	Yes	
<p>c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O</p>	2c	Yes	
<p>3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?</p>	3a	Yes	
<p>b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits</p>	3b	Yes	

Additional Data

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Form 990 (2017)

Form 990, Part III, Line 4a:

MARKET DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS - IMPLEMENT MARKETING PROGRAMS TO FACILITATE THE SALES OF U S PRODUCED DAIRY PRODUCTS IN INTERNATIONAL MARKETS AND U S PRODUCED DAIRY INGREDIENTS WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

Form 990, Part III, Line 4b:

STRATEGY AND INSIGHTS - ACCELERATE STAKEHOLDER EFFORTS BY PROVIDING ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS AND INFORMATION TO DRIVE COMMERCIAL SALES

Form 990, Part III, Line 4c:

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION - IN ORDER TO ENHANCE AND SERVE A GROWING INTEREST IN EXPORTS BY THE U S DAIRY INDUSTRY, USDEC WILL PROVIDE REPRESENTATION IN KEY TARGET MARKETS, ASSISTING WITH MARKET INTELLIGENCE, LOCAL TRADE INTERACTION, PROMOTIONAL SUPPORT, AND MARKET ACCESS AND REGULATORY INFORMATION

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AHMAD ALABSY DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
ANDREI MIKHALEVSKY DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
ANN GRAPPIN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
AUDRAE ERICKSON DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
BEN MEI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
BETH HUGHES DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
BILL BOND DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
BILL DICKINSON DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
BOB LEONARD DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
BOB YOUNG DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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BRET DRAKE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
CHARLES DI CARLO DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
CHERYL VAN DYNE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
CHIP WHALEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
CHRIS HOEGER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
CLIFFORD NG DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DALYN DYE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAN BLOCK DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAN ZAGZEBSKI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DANIEL SMITH DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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DAREN PRIMOLI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVE DANIELS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVE DE KLYEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVE THOMAS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVID CRISP DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVID CURTA DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVID ISSENBERG DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVID LENZMEIER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DAVID STIEFER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DEBORAH PERKINS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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DECLAN ROCHE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Dennis Espelting DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DERIK ROBINSON DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DONALD STREET DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
DORA SAENZ DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Douglas Granitz DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
EL KHATTARY DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
ERIC GIVEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
ERIC MEYER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
EVERETT GOLDEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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FRANK ALFARO DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
FRANK REEVES DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
GABRIEL SEVILLA DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
GAREY FRITZ DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
GONCA PASIN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
GRAZIA PERRELLA DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
GREG RODRIGUEZ DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
HOYT HUFFMAN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
IVAN BECK DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JAMES DIMATARIS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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JAMES HRUSOVSKY DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JAMES MATZAT DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JASON MISCHEL DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JAYNE SEBRIGHT DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JEFF COLYAR DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JEFF VANDEL DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JEFFREY PHILLIPS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JEN WALSH DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JERRY O'DEA DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JIM KLEIN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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JIM MULHERN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JIM RINGO DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JOAN ALLEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JOE HEINRICH DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JOHN DARDIS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JOHN UMHOEFER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JOHN WILSON DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JOSH KASPRZYK DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
JOSHUA PRUSS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KARIANNE FALLOW DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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KARLA ROBINSON DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KARTEEK TIRUMALASETTI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KEITH GROVE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KEN NOBIS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KENNETH MEYERS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KEVIN DISTASIO DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KEVIN ELLIS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
KYLE JENSEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
LARRY RASMUSSEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
LEE YSSELSTEIN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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LEON BERTHIAUME DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
LILY ZHANG DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
lisa mccarthy DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MAKOTO KOBAYASHI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MARK BURTON DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MARK SCHWECHEL DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MARY LEDMAN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MATT FANTA DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MICHAEL DOYLE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MICHAEL GALLO DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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MICHAEL GILMARTIN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MICHAEL LAYFIELD DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MICHAEL PEAUROI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MIKE CURTIS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MIKE MCCLOSKEY DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
MITCHELL BOWLING DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
NEIL HOFF DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
PAULA EMERICK DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
PETER GUTIERREZ DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
PHIL PLOURD DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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RAFAEL DUQUE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
RANDY MOONEY DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
REZA POURRASTEGAR DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
RICHARD BRADFIELD DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
ROBERT CHESLER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
RUDY DIEPERINK DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SAEID SHOKRAVI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SARA DORLAND DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SAUL ROSENBERG DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SCOTT FIELDS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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SEAN WALSH DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SEBASTIEN CEDAT DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SHARI STOFFEL DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SIMON VANDER WOUDE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
STAN RYAN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
STEPHEN CHISHOLM DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
STEVE COOPER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
STEVE HESS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
STEVE PATIENCE DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
SUBRINA HAMASAKI DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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SUE TAYLOR DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
TARA RUSSELL DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
TED JACOBY DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
TONY PALLIOS DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
ULRIK PEDERSEN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
VINCENT CURTIN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
VIRGINIE SAULNIER-CARLSMITH DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
WAYNE SHAKER DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
WILLIAM KNIGHT DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
YANN CONNAN DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0

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Harold Howrigan vice chairman	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Tom Gallagher secretary/treasurer	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
Paul Rovey chairman	1 0 0 0	X		X				0	0	0
John Brubaker DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
David 'Skip' Hardie DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Jerrel Heatwole DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Kima Simonson DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Dennis Schaffler DIRECTOR	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
Keith Gretenhart Director thru June 2017	1 0 0 0	X						0	0	0
THOMAS J VILSACK PRESIDENT & CEO	40 0 0 0			X				0	0	0

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		Individual trustee or director	Insttutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former				
Carolyn Gibbs CFO Thru July 2017	1 0 0 0			X				0	0	0	
Quinton Baily CFO	1 0 0 0			X				0	0	0	

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities
For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶Complete if the organization is described below. ▶Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then
 ● Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
 ● Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
 ● Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only
If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then
 ● Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
 ● Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A
If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then
 ● Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization US DAIRY EXPORT COUNCIL	Employer identification number 36-4039769
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions) _____

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? Yes No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?			
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c Media advertisements?			
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i Other activities?			
j Total Add lines 1c through 1i			
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	No
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	No
3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	No

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	1,426,750
2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	98,586
b Carryover from last year	2b	-308,143
c Total	2c	-209,557
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	156,943
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	-366,500

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Employer identification number
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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year	
a Total number of conservation easements	2a	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d	

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table
- | | Amount |
|--|--------|
| c Beginning balance | |
| d Additions during the year | |
| e Distributions during the year | |
| f Ending balance | |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by
- | | | |
|--|------------|-----------|
| (i) unrelated organizations | Yes | No |
| 3a(i) | | |
| (ii) related organizations | | |
| 3a(ii) | | |
| b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | | |
| 3b | | |
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		281,812	178,450	103,362
d Equipment		1,324,565	1,062,829	261,736
e Other		990,845	927,133	63,712
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) . . . ▶				428,810

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

Part IX Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) DUE FROM DAIRY MANAGEMENT, INC	1,692,346
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15)	1,692,346

Part X Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	0
DUE TO DAIRY MANAGEMENT, INC	11,153
TENANT INCENTIVE OBLIGATION	101,959
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	113,112

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740) Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	24,702,688
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	24,702,688
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	24,702,688

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	24,589,248
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	24,589,248
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	24,589,248

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation	
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Part XIII **Supplemental Information (continued)**

Return Reference	Explanation
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**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

▶ Information about Schedule F (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

- For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- For grantmakers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States
- Activities per Region (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in region
(1) See Add'l Data					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
3a Sub-total					7,387,454
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I					
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)					7,387,454

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)								
(2)								
(3)								
(4)								

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter ▶ _____

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities ▶ _____

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 16.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of non-cash assistance	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							
(13)							
(14)							
(15)							
(16)							
(17)							
(18)							

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U S transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U S Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* Yes No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return to Report Transactions with Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U S Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A, do not file with Form 990)* Yes No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U S Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)* Yes No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)* Yes No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U S Persons with Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)* Yes No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713, do not file with Form 990)* Yes No

Additional Data

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Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
North America			Program Services	Trade & mktg support	1,057,390
South America			Program Services	Trade & mktg support	250,029

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
East Asia and the Pacific			Program Services	Trade & mktg support	3,517,224
Middle East and North Africa			Program Services	Trade & mktg support	1,022,155

Form 990 Schedule F Part I - Activities Outside The United States

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (i.e., fundraising, program services, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region
South Asia			Program Services	Trade & mktg support	1,465,656
Europe (Including Iceland and Greenland)			Program Services	Trade & mktg support	75,000

Schedule L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions with Interested Persons

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.**
 ▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**
 ▶ **Information about Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3), section 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations only)
 Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Corrected?	
				Yes	No

2 Enter the amount of tax incurred by organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 ▶ \$ _____

3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$ _____

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.
 Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a, or Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?		(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
			To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No

Total ▶ \$ _____

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.
 Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of assistance	(d) Type of assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) DAIRY MANAGEMENT INC	SEE PART V	6,509,616	PAYMENT FOR MANAGEMENT SVCS		No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions)

Return Reference	Explanation
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTERESTED PERSON AND THE ORGANIZATION	SCHEDULE L, PART IV, COLUMN (B) PAUL E ROVEY, CHAIRMAN OF USDEC, IS A DIRECTOR OF DMI HAROLD HOWRIGAN, VICE CHAIRMAN OF USDEC, IS A DIRECTOR OF DMI THOMAS GALLAGHER, SECRETARY/TREASURER OF USDEC, IS AN OFFICER OF DMI CAROLYN GIBBS, CFO OF USDEC, IS AN OFFICER OF DMI QUINTON BAILY, CFO OF USDEC, IS AN OFFICER OF DMI THOMAS VILSACK, CEO OF USDEC, IS A HIGHEST COMPENSATED EMPLOYEE OF DMI THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE DIRECTORS OF BOTH USDEC AND DMI JOHN BRUBAKER DAVID "SKIP" HARDIE JERREL HEATWOLE KENNETH MEYERS KEN NOBIS KIMA SIMONSON

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Line 2	FAMILY RELATIONSHIP DERIK ROBINSON AND KARLA ROBINSON HAVE A FAMILY RELATIONSHIP

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
DESCRIPTION OF MANAGEMENT COMPANY RESPONSIBILITIES	Form 990, Part VI, Line 3 MANAGEMENT DUTIES ARE DELEGATED TO DAIRY MANAGEMENT, INC (DMI) RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DAIRY PROMOTION PROGRAM, SUPERVISION OF EXEMPT PURPOSE AND ANNUAL BUDGET PREPARATION THOMAS J VILSACK, CEO OF USDEC IN 2017, WAS PAID BY DMI FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO USDEC THOMAS J VILSACK'S 2017 REPORTABLE COMPENSATION OF \$780,210 AND OTHER COMPENSATION OF \$20,347 IS REPORTED ON DMI'S FORM 990

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
DESCRIPTION OF CLASSES OF MEMBERS OR STOCKHOLDERS AND NATURE OF	RIGHTS FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 6 AND 7A USDEC HAS SEVERAL MEMBERSHIP LEVELS ONLY CERTAIN LEVELS ARE ALLOWED TO VOTE ACCORDING TO THE BY-LAWS

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
DESCRIBE THE PROCESS USED BY MANAGEMENT &/OR GOVERNING BODY TO	REVIEW 990 FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B FORM 990 INFORMATION WAS DISCUSSED WITH THE OPERATING COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD MANAGEMENT REVIEWS THE 990 DETAILS WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S AUDIT AND TAX FIRM

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
AVAIL OF GOV DOCS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, & FIN STMTS TO	GEN PUBLIC FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST