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Form **990****Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

OMB No. 1545-0047

2015**Open to Public Inspection**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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

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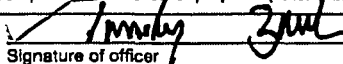
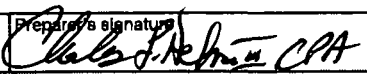
A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2015, and ending , 20	
B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return/terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending	C Name of organization National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence
	Doing business as ASE
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite 101 Blue Seal Drive, S.E. 101
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code Leesburg, VA 20175
	F Name and address of principal officer: Timothy A. Zilke Same As Above
D Employer identification number 52-0954597	
E Telephone number 703-669-6600	
G Gross receipts \$ 25,483,785	
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 ▶ N/A	
I Tax-exempt status: ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) (6) ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527	
J Website: ▶ www.ase.com	
K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶	L Year of formation. 1972 M State of legal domicile DC

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: ASE's mission is to improve the quality of vehicle repair and service through the testing and certification of repair and service professionals.		
	2 Check this box ☐ 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)	3	14
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	13
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	46
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	0
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	16,160,614	17,676,456
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	832,279	(1,090,160)
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	96,563	106,036
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	17,089,456	16,692,332
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	128,153	67,348
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	4,428,506	4,370,258
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶		
17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	13,804,632	13,657,638	
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	18,361,291	18,095,244	
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	(1,271,835)	(1,402,912)	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	20,701,606	20,444,331
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	3,476,547	3,604,990
		17,225,059	16,839,341

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		5-5-16
	Signature of officer Timothy A. Zilke, President & CEO	Date
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name Charles F. Helme III, CPA	Preparer's signature 
	Firm's name ▶ Thompson, Greenspon	Date 5/4/16
	Firm's address ▶ 4035 Ridge Top Road #700, Fairfax, VA 22030	Check ☐ if self-employed
	Phone no 703-385-8888	PTIN P00118452

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

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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:

ASE's mission is to improve the quality of vehicle repair and service through the testing and certification of repair and service professionals.

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 \$ N/A including grants of \$ N/A) (Revenue \$ N/A)

Voluntary testing and certification of automotive technicians during 2015 about 108,566 technicians nationwide registered for more than 326,051 specialty service areas. In addition, over 41,900 students took more than 145,800 tests.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**4c** (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)**4d** Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ Including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses **N/A**

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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	✓
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2	✓
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	3	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	N/A
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6	✓
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	✓
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9	✓
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d	✓
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e	✓
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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11f	✓
12 a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a	✓
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	12b	✓
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	✓
14 a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.	14b	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.	16	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17	✓
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	✓
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	✓

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	☒	☐
20b 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	☒	☐
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	☐	☒
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	☒	☐
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? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a	☐	☒
24b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	☐	☐
24c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	☐	☐
24d 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	☐	N/A
25b 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	☐	N/A
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	☐	☒
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	☐	☒
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):	☐	☐
28a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	☐	☒
28b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	☐	☒
28c 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	☐	☒
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	☐	☒
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	☐	☒
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	☐	☒
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	☐	☒
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	☐	☒
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1	☒	☐
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	☒	☐
35b 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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	☒	☐
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	☐	N/A
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	☐	☒
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.	☒	☐

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a 63		
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b 0		
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c		N/A
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a 46		
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b	✓	
Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)			
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a		✓
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b		N/A
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a		✓
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a		✓
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b		✓
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c		
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a		✓
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b		N/A
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a		N/A
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b		N/A
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c		N/A
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7d		
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e		N/A
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f		N/A
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g		N/A
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h		N/A
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	8		
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a		
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a		
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b		
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:			
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a		
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b		
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a		N/A
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b		
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a		N/A
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b		
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c		
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a		N/A
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b		N/A

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 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 ☒**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year . . .	1a 14		
If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.			
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent . . .	1b 13		
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? . . .	2		✓
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? . . .	3		✓
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? . . .	4		✓
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? . . .	5		✓
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders? . . .	6		✓
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? . . .	7a		✓
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? . . .	7b		✓
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:			
a The governing body? . . .	8a	✓	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . .	8b	✓	
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 . . .	9		✓

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

	Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? . . .	10a	✓
b 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? . . .	10b	N/A
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? . . .	11a	✓
b 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 . . .	12a	✓
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? . . .	12b	✓
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done . . .	12c	✓
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? . . .	13	✓
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? . . .	14	✓
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?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official . . .	15a	✓
b Other officers or key employees of the organization . . .	15b	✓
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? . . .	16a	✓
b 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? . . .	16b	N/A

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► N/A

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.

☐ Own website ☐ Another's website ☒ 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: ►

THE CORPORATION, 101 Blue Seal Dr., S.E., STE #101, Leesburg, VA 20175, Phone #703-669-6600

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent ContractorsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees****1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** directors or trustees that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; Institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) Greg Gaulin - Chair	1 Hr	✓		✓						
(2) Mike Durkin - Vice Chair	1 Hr	✓		✓						
(3) Jeff Walker - Treasurer	1 Hr	✓		✓						
(4) Ted Hayes - Secretary	1 Hr	✓		✓						
(5) Rob Barto - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(6) Steve Loudon - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(7) John Pfennig - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(8) Mike Phillips - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(9) Annette Sykora - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(10) Tom Trisdale - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(11) Tom Ward - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(12) Bobby Bassett - Director	1 Hr	✓								
(13) Glenn Dahl - Past Chair	1 Hr	✓								
(14) Timothy A. Zilke, President & CEO	40 Hrs	✓		✓				423,388		101,699

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) Patricia Serratore, Senior Vice President	4 Hrs					✓		18,545	210,330	64,009
(16) Michael Coley - Vice President	40 Hrs					✓		191,407		55,599
(17) Charles Kunce - Vice President	40 Hrs					✓		160,229		41,735
(18) Charles Roberts Jr. - Vice President	4 Hrs					✓		12,428	130,038	38,497
(19) Tom Richardson - Vice President	40 Hrs					✓		138,086		30,476
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Sub-total								520,695	340,368	230,316
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								423,388		101,699
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								944,083	340,368	332,015

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **12**

- 3** Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual **3**
- 4** For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual **4**
- 5** Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person **5**

	Yes	No
3		✓
4	✓	
5		✓

Section B. Independent Contractors

- 1** Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
PROMETRIC, PO BOX 223608, PITTSBURGH, PA 15251-2608	Testing Services	8,463,377
SUMMIT CONSULTING GROUP, 147 Old Solomons Island Rd, #301, Annapolis, MD	Testing Services	1,383,370
CORPORATE PRESS, CO., 22845 SALLY RIDE DR., STERLING, VA 20164	Testing Services	316,664
PMC, INC. 4333 DAVENPORT RD., FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22408	Testing Services	148,368
ROY J SOTIROS, 1627 COMANCHE RD, ARNOLD, MD 21012	Testing Services	132,000

- 2** Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **7**

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck 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				
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$					
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f					
Program Service Revenue	2a	EXAMINATIONS	Business Code 611430	17,650,156	17,650,156		
	b	SPECIAL JOBS	541900	26,300	26,300		
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue .					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		17,676,456			
	Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		421,356		
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
5		Royalties					
6a		Gross rents	(i) Real 91,728 (ii) Personal				
b		Less: rental expenses	47,218				
c		Rental income or (loss)	44,510				
d		Net rental income or (loss)		44,510			44,510
7a		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities 3,442,723 (ii) Other 3,609,500				
b		Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	3,571,896 4,991,843				
c		Gain or (loss)	(129,173) (1,382,343)				
d		Net gain or (loss)		(1,511,516)			(1,511,516)
8a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a				
b		Less: direct expenses	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
9a		Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a				
b		Less: direct expenses	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
10a		Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a 242,022				
b	Less: cost of goods sold	b 180,496					
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		61,526	61,526			
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code				
11a							
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d						
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		16,692,332	17,737,962		(1,045,650)	

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	81,848			
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	525,087			
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	2,909,489			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	376,946			
9 Other employee benefits	345,331			
10 Payroll taxes	213,405			
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	111,000			
c Accounting	45,020			
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	36,360			
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	9,035,922			
12 Advertising and promotion	444,937			
13 Office expenses	520,203			
14 Information technology	2,064,180			
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	226,463			
17 Travel	137,957			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	219,204			
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	551,015			
23 Insurance	41,121			
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 Test Development & Update Workshops	101,536			
b Land Held for Investment-Real Estate	22,368			
c Activities Technician & Consumer	57,686			
d Miscellaneous	28,166			
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	18,095,244			
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 ☐ If following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	308	1	625
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	927,613	2	2,167,690
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	586,844	4	861,945
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	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		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	203,265	8	257,351
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	507,272	9	549,307
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 8,538,051		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 4,529,185	10c	4,008,866
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	10,385,516	11	11,895,556
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	200,382
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	452,832	15	502,609
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	20,701,606	16	20,444,331	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,990,279	17	1,926,331
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	1,033,436	19	1,176,050
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	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		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	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	452,832	25	502,609
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	3,476,547	26	3,604,990
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	17,225,059	27	16,839,341
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 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	17,225,059	33	16,839,341
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	20,701,606	34	20,444,331	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck 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	16,692,332
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	18,095,244
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	(1,402,912)
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	17,225,059
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	1,017,194
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
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	16,839,341

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ☐

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
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: ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis		✓
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: ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	✓	
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.	✓	
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? . . .		✓
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.		

**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 8, 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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Name of the organization

National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence

Employer identification number

52-0954597

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?		☐ Yes ☐ 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?		☐ Yes ☐ 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 a 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 Tax 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

d ☐ Loan or exchange programs

b ☐ Scholarly research

e ☐ Other

c ☐ Preservation for future generations

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:

c Beginning balance

d Additions during the year

e Distributions during the year

f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

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 on 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

(ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? ☐

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		1,571,863		1,571,863
b Buildings		2,394,114	1,123,903	1,270,211
c Leasehold improvements		1,383,421	1,199,761	183,660
d Equipment		926,244	778,768	147,476
e Other		2,262,409	1,426,753	835,656
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)				4,008,866

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) Bank of Clarke County - Certificates of Deposit	200,382	end - of - year market value
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶	200,382	

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) 457 Plan - Under Section 457 of the IRC	302,447
(2) Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan	200,162
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	502,609

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	
(2) 457 Plan - Under Section 457 of the IRC	302,447
(3) Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan	200,162
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	502,609

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	17,937,240
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:		
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	1,017,194
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	227,714
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	1,244,908
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	16,692,332
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	16,692,332

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	18,322,958
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	227,714
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	227,714
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	18,095,244
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	18,095,244

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.

Part IX & X (457 Plan) On Dec. 22, 1992, the Institute established a deferred compensation plan (the 457 Plan) under Section 457 of the IRC,

which complements the Institute's existing benefit plans. The 457 Plan, which is available to eligible employees, permits participants to defer

until future years an amount established by the Board of Directors, within the limits allowable under Section 457 of the IRC. Deferred

compensation and investments designated for such deferrals are available and taxable to participants or their beneficiaries only upon

termination of employment, retirement, death or an unforeseeable emergency. Until paid or made available to the participant or beneficiary,

all deferred amounts and investment earnings related to deferred amounts are solely the property and rights of the Institute and are subject

to the claims of the Institute's general creditors. Participants' rights under the 457 Plan are equal to those of a general creditor of the

Institute. The assets of the 457 Plan are held with Northwestern Mutual. The 457 Plan's asset market value was \$302,447 at December 31,

2015.

Part IX & X - Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan -

On November 29, 2001, the Institute established a Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan for the benefit of certain members of senior

management to provide deferred compensation for them upon retirement. Under the Plan, contributions are made at the discretion of the

Executive Committee of the Institute until a participant reaches normal retirement age, currently 65. Until paid or made available to the

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

participant or beneficiary, all deferred amounts and investment earnings related to deferred amounts are solely the property and rights of the Institute and are subject to the claims of the Institute's general creditors. Participants' rights under the Plan are equal to those of a general creditor. The assets of the Plan are held by a trust company. The Plan's asset market value was \$200,162 at December 31, 2015.

Part XI 2d & Part XII 2d - Sale of signs, Display Boards, Uniform insignia that provided public consumer awareness.

Cost of Goods Sold \$180,496

Building Rental Area Expenses \$47,218

Part X Line 2: The Organization has no uncertain tax positions that qualify for either recognition or disclosure in the financial statements and no interest and penalties have been recorded in the accompanying financial statements related to uncertain tax positions.

SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) NATEF							
101 Blue Seal Dr. SE, Leesburg, VA	36-2957357	501 (C) 3	35,598				Educating
(2) AYES							
101 Blue Seal Dr. SE, Leesburg, VA	38-3363995	501 (C) 3	31,250				Educating
(3) SkillsUSA Foundation Inc.							
14001 SkillsUSA Way, Leesburg, VA	23-7122568	501 (C) 3	15,000				Educating
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

- 2** Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table **3**
- 3** Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table **3**

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Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

	(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

All grants were made to a 501 (c) 3 organization.

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
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Name of the organization

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Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest
Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ First-class or charter travel | ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| ☐ Travel for companions | ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence |
| ☐ Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| ☐ Discretionary spending account | ☐ Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef) |

- b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.

- 2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

- 3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ Compensation committee | ☒ Written employment contract |
| ☒ Independent compensation consultant | ☒ Compensation survey or study |
| ☐ Form 990 of other organizations | ☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee |

- 4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- | | | |
|--|-----------|-------------------------------------|
| a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? | 4a | ☒ |
| b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? | 4b | ☒ |
| c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? | 4c | ☒ |
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a–c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5–9.

- 5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|
| a The organization? | 5a | |
| b Any related organization? | 5b | |
- If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

- 6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|
| a The organization? | 6a | |
| b Any related organization? | 6b | |
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

- 7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

- 8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

- 9** If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

Part III Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 Timothy A. Zilke, President & CEO	410,559		12,828	70,427	31,272	525,087	0
2 Patricia Serratore, Senior Vice President	17,392		1,153	8,921	2,505	29,971	0
3 Michael Coley, Vice President	210,330			26,291	26,292	262,913	0
4 Charles Kuncze, Vice President	189,622		1,785	24,750	30,849	247,006	0
5 Charles Roberts, Jr., Vice President	156,114		4,115	20,000	21,735	201,964	0
6 Tom Richardson, Vice President	8,923		3,505	1,799	4,187	18,414	0
7	130,038			16,195	16,316	162,549	0
8	134,581		3,505	8,425	22,051	168,562	0
9							
10							
11							
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15							
16							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Part I Line 4b - Payments to SERP - Timothy Zilke \$18,927

Part I Line 4b - Payments to 457B - Timothy Zilke \$16,500, and Patricia Serratore \$ 6,000

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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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.

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Form 990, Part VI - Section B - Line 11b : Executive committee members review the form 990.

Form 990, Part VI - Section B - Line 12c : The conflict of interest policy covers all directors and is monitored by outside legal counsel.

The outside legal counsel obtains and reviews an annual information questionnaire for each director. Outside counsel monitors board activities for any potential conflicts of interest and would recommend appropriate actions.

Form 990, Part VI - Section B - Line 15a : The corporate officers review and approve the CEO compensation based upon a periodic third party compensation study.

Form 990, Part VI - Section C - Line 19 : Policies available upon request; annual audit available upon request.

Form 990, Part IX - Line 11g: Testing and certification of automotive technicians expense.

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

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Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33.

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1) _____					
(2) _____					
(3) _____					
(4) _____					
(5) _____					
(6) _____					

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?
(1) NATEF - EIN #36-2957357 101 Blue Seal Dr., SE, STE 101, Leesburg, VA 20175	EvaluateTechTraining IL		501 (C) 3	Line 11-b N/A		Yes No ✓
(2) _____						
(3) _____						
(4) _____						
(5) _____						
(6) _____						
(7) _____						

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Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of- year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1) _____												
(2) _____												
(3) _____												
(4) _____												
(5) _____												
(6) _____												
(7) _____												

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
(1) _____									
(2) _____									
(3) _____									
(4) _____									
(5) _____									
(6) _____									
(7) _____									

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

1 During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?		Yes	No
a	Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity	1a	
b	Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	1b	
c	Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)	1c	
d	Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)	1d	
e	Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)	1e	
f	Dividends from related organization(s)	1f	
g	Sale of assets to related organization(s)	1g	
h	Purchase of assets from related organization(s)	1h	
i	Exchange of assets with related organization(s)	1i	
j	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)	1j	
k	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)	1k	
l	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)	1l	
m	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)	1m	
n	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)	1n	
o	Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)	1o	
p	Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses	1p	
q	Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses	1q	
r	Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)	1r	
s	Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)	1s	

2 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-e)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation, Inc EIN #36-2957357	1a	27,919	
(2) National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation, Inc EIN #36-2957357	1b	35,598	
(3) National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation, Inc EIN #36-2957357	1q	445,374	
(4)			
(5)			
(6)			

Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 37.

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
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Part VII **Supplemental Information**

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

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