

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

**FORM 10-K**

☒ ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022

or

☐ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number 000-01227



**Chicago Rivet & Machine Co.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Illinois  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

36-0904920  
I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number

**901 Frontenac Road, Naperville, Illinois**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**60563**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(630) 357-8500**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	CVR	NYSE American (Trading privileges only, not registered)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act. Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to

Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of “large accelerated filer,” “accelerated filer,” “smaller reporting company” and “emerging growth company” in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.:

Large accelerated filer ☐

Accelerated filer ☐

Non-accelerated filer ☒

Smaller reporting company ☒

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management’s assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report. ☐

If Securities are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act, indicate by check mark whether the financial statements of the registrant included in the filing reflect the correction of an error to previously issued financial statements. ☐

Indicate by check mark whether any of those error corrections are restatements that required a recovery analysis of incentive based compensation received by any of the registrant’s executive officers during the relevant recovery period pursuant to §240.10D-1(b). ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

The aggregate market value of common stock held by non-affiliates of the Company as of June 30, 2022 was \$22,381,687.

As of March 24, 2023, there were 966,132 shares of the Company's common stock outstanding.

### **Documents Incorporated By Reference**

Portions of the Company's definitive Proxy Statement which is to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the Company's 2023 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference in Part III of this report.

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YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022**

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## **PART I**

### **ITEM 1 - Business**

Chicago Rivet & Machine Co. (the "Company") was incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois in December 1927, as successor to the business of Chicago Rivet & Specialty Co. The Company operates in two segments of the fastener industry: fasteners and assembly equipment. The fastener segment consists of the manufacture and sale of rivets, cold-formed fasteners and parts, and screw machine products. The assembly equipment segment consists primarily of the manufacture of automatic rivet setting machines, automatic assembly equipment and parts and tools for such machines.

The principal market for the Company's products is the North American automotive industry. Sales are solicited by employees and by independent sales representatives.

The segments in which the Company operates are characterized by active and substantial competition. No single company dominates the industry. The Company's competitors include both larger and smaller manufacturers, and segments or divisions of large, diversified companies with substantial financial resources. Principal competitive factors in the market for the Company's products are price, quality and service.

The Company serves a variety of customers. Revenues are primarily derived from sales to customers involved, directly or indirectly, in the manufacture of automobiles and automotive components. The level of business activity for the Company is closely related to the overall level of industrial activity in the United States. During 2022 sales to two customers were at least 10% of the Company's consolidated revenues. Sales to Cooper-Standard Holdings Inc. accounted for approximately 14% and 11% of the Company's consolidated revenues in 2022 and 2021, respectively. Sales to TI Group Automotive Systems, LLC accounted for approximately 15% and 13% of the Company's consolidated revenues in 2022 and 2021, respectively. Sales to Parker-Hannifin Corporation accounted for approximately 12% of the Company's consolidated revenues in 2021.

The Company's business has historically been stronger during the first half of the year.

The Company purchases raw material from a number of sources, primarily within the United States. There are numerous sources of raw material, and the Company does not have to rely on a single source for any of its requirements.

Patents, trademarks, licenses, franchises and concessions are not of significant importance to the business of the Company.

The Company does not engage in significant research activities, but rather in ongoing product improvement and development. The amounts spent on product development activities in the last two years were not material.

At December 31, 2022, the Company employed 208 people.

The Company has no foreign operations. Sales to foreign customers represent approximately 16% of the Company's total sales.

## **ITEM 1A - Risk Factors**

Our business is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. If any of the events contemplated by the following risks actually occur, then our business, financial condition or results of operations could be materially adversely affected. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

### **Our business and operations have been, and may continue to be, adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.**

In March 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”) a pandemic and the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency. On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern regarding the outbreak of COVID-19. In response to the resulting pandemic, governments around the world took various preventative measures in order to control the spread of the virus, including restricting travel, full or partial business shutdowns and implementing social distancing policies. As a result, we experienced a significant drop in orders, especially in the second quarter of 2020, and the global economy was plunged into a recession. Although business conditions in our markets had improved by late in the third quarter of that year, the effects of the pandemic have continued to negatively impact our operations and those of our customers and suppliers. The duration of these effects is uncertain and will likely be tied to the course of the pandemic. As we cannot predict the duration or scope of the COVID-19 pandemic, or its broader impact on the global economy, including the demand for automobiles, it is unknown what the impact of COVID-19 and its related effects will be on our business, results of operations or financial condition, but the impact could be material and last for an extended period of time.

### **Labor shortages could prevent us from meeting customer demand.**

We and some of our third-party suppliers and service providers have experienced and may continue to experience a shortage of qualified labor at our and their facilities. A prolonged shortage of qualified labor could decrease our third-party vendors’ ability to meet our demands and efficiently operate their facilities. Prolonged labor shortage could also lead to decreased productivity and increased labor costs from higher overtime, the need to hire temporary help to meet demand and higher wages rates in order to attract and retain employees. Any of these developments could materially increase our operating costs and have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

### **We are dependent on the automotive industry.**

Demand for our products is directly related to conditions in the global automotive industry, which is highly cyclical and is affected by a variety of factors, including regulatory requirements, international trade policies, and consumer spending and preferences. The automotive industry is characterized by fierce competition and has undergone major restructuring in recent years. The impact of evolving technological changes, including a growing emphasis on electric vehicles, as well as any decline in the automotive industry, domestic or foreign, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

### **We face intense competition.**

We compete with a number of other manufacturers and distributors that produce and sell products similar to ours. Price, quality and service are the primary elements of competition. Our competitors include a large number of independent domestic and international suppliers. We are not as large as a number of these companies and do not have as many financial or other resources. Faced with intense international competition and pressure to reduce costs, many customers have expanded their sourcing of components worldwide. As a result, we have experienced competition from suppliers in other parts of the world that benefit from economic advantages, such as lower labor costs, lower health care costs and fewer regulatory burdens. There can be no assurance that we will be able to compete successfully with existing or new competitors. Increased competition could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**We rely on sales to major customers.**

Our sales to two customers constituted approximately 29% of our consolidated revenues in 2022. Sales to TI Group Automotive Systems, LLC and Cooper-Standard Holdings Inc. accounted for approximately 15% and 14% of the Company's consolidated revenues in 2022, respectively. The loss of any significant portion of our sales to these customers could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**We are subject to risks related to export sales.**

Our export sales have increased in recent years, and we are working to continue to expand our business relationships with customers outside of the United States. Export sales are subject to various risks, including risks related to changes in local economic, social and political conditions (particularly in emerging markets), changes in tariffs and trade policies and foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**Increases in our raw material costs or difficulties with our suppliers could negatively affect us.**

While we currently maintain alternative sources for raw materials, our business is subject to the risk of price fluctuations and periodic delays in the delivery of certain raw materials. At various times in recent years, we have been adversely impacted by increased costs for steel, our principal raw material, which we have been unable to wholly mitigate, as well as increases in other materials prices, including price increases due to inflation. Any continued fluctuation in the price or availability of our raw materials could have a material adverse impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**We may be adversely affected by supply chain disruptions.**

Many of our customers depend upon intricate just-in-time supply chain systems. A disruption in a supply chain caused by one or more suppliers, and/or an unrelated supplier, due to part shortages, work stoppages, bankruptcy, raw material shortages, natural disasters, coronavirus, tariffs, etc. could adversely impact our business, or our customers' business, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition.

**We may be adversely affected by labor relations issues.**

Although none of our employees are unionized, the domestic automakers and many of their suppliers, including many of our customers, have unionized work forces. Work stoppages or slow-downs experienced by automakers or their suppliers could result in slow-downs or closures of assembly plants where our products are included in assembled components. In the event that one or more of our customers or their customers experiences a material labor relations issue, our business, results of operations and financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

**We may incur losses as a result of product liability, warranty or other claims that may be brought against us.**

We face risk of exposure to warranty and product liability claims in the event that our products fail to perform as expected or result, or are alleged to have resulted, in bodily injury, property damage or other losses. In addition, if any of our products are or are alleged to be defective, then we may be required to participate in a product recall. We may also be involved from time to time in legal proceedings and commercial or contractual disputes. Any losses or other liabilities related to these exposures could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**We could be adversely impacted by environmental laws and regulations.**

Our operations are subject to environmental laws and regulations. Currently, environmental costs and liabilities with respect to our operations are not material, but there can be no assurance that we will not be adversely impacted by these costs and liabilities in the future either under present laws and regulations or those that may be adopted or imposed in the future.

**We could be adversely impacted by the loss of the services of key employees.**

Successful operations depend, in part, upon the efforts of executive officers and other key employees. Our future success will depend, in part, upon our ability to attract and retain qualified personnel. Loss of the services of any of our key employees, or the inability to attract or retain employees could have a material adverse affect upon our business, financial condition and results of operations.

**Any significant disruption, interruption or failure of our information systems could disrupt the operation of our business, result in increased costs and decreased revenues and expose us to liability.**

Cybersecurity threats are growing in number and sophistication and include, among others, malicious software, attempts to gain unauthorized access to data, and other electronic security breaches that could lead to disruptions in critical systems, unauthorized release of confidential or otherwise protected information and corruption of data. In addition to security threats, we are also subject to other systems failures, including network, software or hardware failures, whether caused by us, third-party service providers, natural disasters, power shortages, terrorist attacks or other events. The unavailability of our information systems, the failure of these systems to perform as anticipated or any significant breach of data security could cause loss of data, disrupt our operations, lead to financial losses from remedial actions, require significant management attention and resources, and negatively impact our reputation among our customers, which could have a negative impact on our business, results of operations and financial condition.

**The price of our common stock is subject to volatility, and our stock is thinly-traded.**

Various factors, such as general economic changes in the financial markets, announcements or significant developments with respect to the automotive industry, actual or anticipated variations in our or our competitors' quarterly or annual financial results, the introduction of new products or technologies by us or our competitors, changes in other conditions or trends in our industry or in the markets of any of our significant customers, changes in governmental regulation, or changes in securities analysts' estimates of our competitors or our industry, could cause the market price of our common stock to fluctuate substantially.

Our common stock is traded on NYSE American (not registered, trading privileges only). The average daily trading volume for our common stock during 2022 was less than 3,000 shares per day. As a result, shares of our common stock may be difficult to sell, and the price of our common stock may vary significantly based on trading volume.

## **ITEM 1B - Unresolved Staff Comments**

None.

## **ITEM 2 - Properties**

The Company's headquarters is located in Naperville, Illinois. The Company conducts its manufacturing and warehousing operations at three additional facilities. The Naperville property was sold during the third quarter of 2022 and was rented for the remainder of the year. Each other facility is owned by the Company and considered suitable and adequate for its present use.

Of the properties described below, the Madison Heights, Michigan facility is used entirely in the fastener segment. The Albia, Iowa facility is used exclusively in the assembly equipment segment. The Tyrone, Pennsylvania and the Naperville, Illinois facilities are utilized in both operating segments.

### **Plant Locations and Descriptions**

Naperville, Illinois	Brick, concrete block and partial metal construction with metal roof.
Tyrone, Pennsylvania	Concrete block with small tapered beam type warehouse.
Albia, Iowa	Concrete block with prestressed concrete roof construction.
Madison Heights, Michigan	Concrete, brick and partial metal construction with metal roof.

## **ITEM 3 - Legal Proceedings**

The Company is, from time to time involved in litigation, including environmental claims, in the normal course of business.

While it is not possible at this time to establish the ultimate amount of liability with respect to contingent liabilities, including those related to legal proceedings, management is of the opinion that the aggregate amount of any such liabilities, for which provision has not been made, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position.

## **ITEM 4 - Mine Safety Disclosures**

Not applicable.



### Information about our Executive Officers

The names, ages and positions of all executive officers of the Company, as of March 15, 2023, are listed below. Officers are elected annually by the Board of Directors at the meeting of the directors immediately following the Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The Company's bylaws provide that officers, when elected, shall hold office for the period of one year and thereafter until their respective successors shall have been duly elected, and shall have qualified (provided that officers shall be subject to removal at any time by the affirmative vote by a majority of the Board of Directors).

<u>Name and Age of Officer</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Years an Officer</u>
Michael J. Bourg    60	President, Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer	24

- Mr. Bourg has been President, Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer of the Company since May 2006. Prior to that, he served in various executive roles since joining the Company in December 1998. He has been a director of the Company since May 2006.
- Mr. Walter Morrissey was Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company and Chief Executive Officer of the Company from May 2020 until he passed away in December 2022. He was a director of the Company from 1972.

## **PART II**

### **ITEM 5 - Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities**

The Company's common stock is traded on NYSE American (trading privileges only, not registered). As of March 3, 2023 there were approximately 130 shareholders of record of such stock.

Under the terms of a stock repurchase authorization originally approved by the Board of Directors of the Company in February of 1990, as amended, the Company is authorized to repurchase up to an aggregate of 200,000 shares of its common stock, in the open market or in private transactions, at prices deemed reasonable by management. Cumulative purchases under the repurchase authorization have amounted to 162,996 shares at an average price of \$15.66 per share. The Company has not purchased any shares of its common stock since 2002.

### **ITEM 6 – [Reserved]**

### **ITEM 7 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This discussion contains certain "forward-looking statements" which are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual events to differ materially from those discussed herein. Factors which may cause such differences in events include those disclosed above under "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this Form 10-K. As stated elsewhere in this filing, such factors include, among other things: risk related to the COVID-19 pandemic and its related adverse effects, conditions in the domestic automotive industry, upon which we rely for sales revenue, the intense competition in our markets, the concentration of our sales with major customers, risks related to export sales, the price and availability of raw materials, supply chain disruptions, labor relations issues, losses related to product liability, warranty and recall claims, costs relating to environmental laws and regulations, information systems disruptions and the loss of the services of our key employees. Many of these factors are beyond our ability to control or predict. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to publish revised forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

#### **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

Operating results for 2022 did not meet our expectations. Net sales grew in the first half of the year, but stalled in the third quarter and declined in the fourth quarter as overall demand softened amid recessionary fears and rising interest rates. At the same time, we had difficulties meeting the requirements of certain customers due to staffing shortages. In addition, higher raw material prices and inflationary pressures also negatively impacted our margins. Fourth quarter sales were \$6,857,154 compared to \$7,749,488 in the fourth quarter of 2021, a decline of \$892,334, or 11.5%. The decline in sales, combined with high raw material prices, record-high inflation and the tight labor market contributed to reporting a net loss in the fourth quarter of \$1,312,648, or \$1.36 per share, compared to net income of \$81,178, or \$0.08 per share, in the fourth quarter of 2021. For the full year, net sales were \$33,646,033 compared to \$33,974,558 in 2021, a decline of \$328,525, or 1.0%. Net income for the full year was \$2,867,629, or \$2.97 per share, compared to \$1,113,472, or \$1.15 per share in 2021. The positive figure for 2022 includes a pre-tax gain on the sale of our Naperville, Illinois property of \$4,738,394 that was reported in the third quarter.

## 2022 Compared to 2021

Fastener segment revenues were \$6,272,480 in the fourth quarter of 2022 compared to \$6,988,047 in the fourth quarter of 2021, a decline of \$715,567, or 10.2%. We experienced a general slow-down in demand in the fourth quarter compared to earlier in the year, but at the same time, were unable to meet the requirements of certain automotive customers, where demand remained steady, due to insufficient production staff. During the quarter, sales to automotive customers increased fractionally to \$4,185,600 from \$4,163,004 in the year earlier quarter. That increase was more than offset by a decline in sales to non-automotive customers, which were \$2,086,880 in the fourth quarter of 2022 compared to \$2,825,043 a year earlier, a decline of \$738,163, or 26.1%. The abrupt decline in sales and production challenges due to staffing shortages resulted in reporting a gross loss in the fourth quarter of \$555,641 compared to gross profit of \$1,072,310 in the year earlier quarter. Fastener segment revenues for the full year 2022 were \$30,291,547 compared to \$29,831,388 in 2021, an increase of \$460,159, or 1.5%. For the full year 2022, sales to automotive customers were \$18,454,238 compared to \$17,573,104 in 2021, an increase of \$881,134, or 5.0%. Sales to non-automotive customers in 2022 were \$11,837,309 compared to \$12,258,284 in 2021, a decline of \$420,975, or 3.4%. The modest increase in fastener segment sales was more than offset by higher costs as raw material prices remained elevated and general inflation reached record levels. Difficulty achieving proper staffing further negatively impacted margins as operational efficiency suffered. As a result, gross margin for the fastener segment was \$3,167,104 in 2022 compared to \$5,185,956 in 2021.

Assembly equipment segment revenues were \$584,674 in the fourth quarter of 2022, compared to \$761,441 in the fourth quarter of 2021, a decline of \$176,767, or 23.2%. For the full year 2022, assembly equipment segment revenues were \$3,354,486, compared to \$4,143,170 reported in 2021, a decline of \$788,684, or 19.0%. While the decline in sales was significant, it should be noted that 2021 assembly equipment sales were the highest annual total since 2007. The decline in sales, combined with high inflation and some delivery delays for machine parts, resulted in a gross loss of \$51,543 for the fourth quarter of 2022 compared to a gross profit of \$195,237 in the fourth quarter of 2021. For the full year 2022, assembly equipment segment gross margins declined to \$648,220 from \$1,279,136 in 2021.

Selling and administrative expenses were \$4,992,521 in 2022 compared to \$5,106,177 in 2021, a decrease of \$113,656, or 2.2%. We incurred an increase in outside consulting of \$42,498, primarily related to hiring fees to fill certain positions, and rent expense of approximately \$33,387, primarily related to the lease agreement entered into upon the sale of the Naperville facility. These, and other smaller increases, were offset by a reduction in salaries of \$135,714, related to positions that remained unfilled for an extended period of time during the year, and reductions in commissions and director fees of \$44,126 and \$43,739, respectively. The remaining net change relates to various smaller items. As a percentage of net sales, selling and administrative expenses were 14.8% in 2022 compared to 15.0% in 2021.

As previously disclosed in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 30, 2022, we sold our Naperville, Illinois facility in which the Company's headquarters and warehouse space is located for a selling price of \$5,350,000 in cash, less customary closing costs. Concurrently with the completion of the sale, the Company entered into a lease agreement with the purchaser pursuant to which the Company leased the warehouse portion of the Naperville facility from the purchaser until December 31, 2022 and will lease the office portion until June 30, 2023. The monthly rent payable by the Company under the Lease was \$12,500 for the period from the closing until December 31, 2022 and is \$8,500 for the period from January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023. The sale was undertaken in order to take advantage of favorable market conditions and to reduce the occupancy space devoted to administrative functions.

Other income was \$91,433 in 2022 compared to \$55,557 in 2021. Other income is primarily comprised of interest income which increased during the year due to higher interest rates and greater invested balances.

The Company's effective income tax rates were 21.5% and 21.3% in 2022 and 2021, respectively.

## DIVIDENDS

In determining to pay dividends, the Board considers current profitability, the outlook for longer-term profitability, known and potential cash requirements and the overall financial condition of the Company. The Company paid four regular quarterly dividends in 2022 totaling \$0.88 per share. On February 20, 2023, the Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.22 per share, payable March 20, 2023 to shareholders of record on March 3, 2023. This continues the uninterrupted record of consecutive quarterly dividends paid by the Company to its shareholders that extends over 89 years.

## PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Total capital expenditures in 2022 were \$969,943. Fastener segment additions accounted for \$868,654 of the total, including \$92,880 for cold heading and screw machine equipment, \$208,028 for equipment to perform secondary operations and inspection of parts and \$215,540 for general plant equipment. The remaining \$352,206 of fastener segment additions related to building improvements. Assembly equipment segment additions in 2022 were \$3,207 for IT equipment. Investments for the benefit of both operating segments, primarily for building improvements, totaled \$98,082 during 2022.

Capital expenditures during 2021 were \$670,898. Of the total, \$493,564 related to fastener segment activities, including cold heading equipment additions of \$62,600, secondary processing equipment of \$360,588 and general plant equipment additions of \$70,376. Additional investments of \$177,334 were made in 2021 for facilities improvements that benefit both the assembly equipment segment and the fastener segment.

Depreciation expense was \$1,279,870 in 2022 and \$1,318,554 in 2021.

## **LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**

Working capital at December 31, 2022 was \$20,073,089, an increase of \$2,651,504 from the beginning of the year. The improvement was primarily due to the gain realized on the sale of our Naperville property during the third quarter. While working capital also improved due to a decline in net accounts receivable during the year of \$672,847, an increase in inventory of \$601,450, due to higher material prices and elevated quantities on hand to minimize supply disruptions, and a \$585,190 increase in other current assets, had a negative impact on working capital. The Company's investing activities in 2022 included the proceeds from the sale of property and equipment of \$5,043,240 and the net maturities of certificates of deposit of \$50,000 less capital expenditures of \$969,943. The only financing activity during 2022 was the payment of \$850,196 in dividends. These changes and other cash flow activity resulted in a balance of cash, cash equivalents and certificates of deposit of \$6,736,101 at the end of 2022 compared to \$4,777,954 as of the beginning of the year.

Management believes that current cash, cash equivalents and operating cash flow will be sufficient to provide adequate working capital for the next twelve months.

### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

The Company has not entered into, and has no current plans to enter into, any off-balance sheet financing arrangements.

## **CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND ESTIMATES**

The preparation of financial statements and related disclosures in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. We base our estimates and assumptions on historical experience, current trends and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. We evaluate our estimates and judgments required by our policies on an ongoing basis and update them as appropriate based on changing conditions. A summary of critical accounting policies can be found in Note 1 of the financial statements.

Critical accounting estimates are those that require application of management's most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, often as a result of matters that are inherently uncertain and may change in subsequent periods. We have reviewed our accounting estimates, and none were deemed to be considered critical for the accounting periods presented. While we apply our judgment based on assumptions believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, actual results could vary from these assumptions. Additionally, future facts and circumstances could change and impact our estimates and assumptions.

## **NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS**

The Company's financial statements and financial condition were not, and are not expected to be, materially impacted by new, or proposed, accounting standards. A summary of recent accounting pronouncements can be found in Note 1 of the financial statements.

## **OUTLOOK FOR 2023**

Operating results for 2022 were negatively impacted by numerous factors. Although demand early in the year was steady for both the fastener segment and the assembly equipment segment, as the year progressed, we experienced a softening in demand which led to a significant drop in sales in the fourth quarter. The tight labor market made maintaining an optimal workforce difficult and those challenges intensified as the year progressed. We endured extended periods where important positions remained unfilled, resulting in inefficiencies and higher costs. We are committed to overcoming these challenges as part of an overall strategic review that is underway and have made investments in the new year in an effort to address the challenges of maintaining efficient operations with a smaller, less experienced workforce. We are also reviewing, and seeking to adjust, our pricing in light of higher operating costs related to the current economic and labor market environment. As always, we will continue to look for additional areas for improvement while pursuing opportunities to increase sales by emphasizing value over price and focusing on our abilities to make more complex parts for which our experience, quality and service are important factors in purchasing decisions.

We were saddened to report the passing of Walter W. Morrissey in December 2022. Mr. Morrissey had served as a Director of the Company since 1972 and as Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer since May 2020. His contributions to the success of the Company over the years will be missed. Director James W. Morrissey was named non-executive Chairman of the Board until the Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 9, 2023. The search for a new Chief Executive Officer is currently underway.

Notwithstanding the difficult environment we are operating in, we believe that our sound financial condition and long history of success in a variety of challenging circumstances will provide the basis for improved operating activities in the future. We increased our capital expenditures in 2022 over the previous year and expect to make further investments in 2023. We will also continue our efforts to develop new customer relationships and build on existing ones in all the markets we serve by emphasizing our experience, quality and customer service in a very competitive global marketplace. We are grateful for the contributions of our dedicated employees in what was a uniquely challenging year as well as for the loyalty of our customers and the support of our shareholders.

## **ITEM 7A - Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

As a Smaller Reporting Company as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and in item 10(f)(1) of Regulation S-K, we are electing scaled disclosure reporting obligations with respect to this item and therefore are not required to provide the information requested by this Item 7A.

## **ITEM 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data**

### **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Shareholders and the Board of Directors of Chicago Rivet & Machine Co.  
Naperville, Illinois

## Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Chicago Rivet & Machine Co. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the related consolidated statements of income, shareholders' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

## Critical Audit Matters

Critical audit matters are matters arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that were communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relate to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. We determined that there are no critical audit matters.

/Crowe LLP/

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2014.

Oak Brook, Illinois  
March 29, 2023



**CHICAGO RIVET & MACHINE CO.**  
Consolidated Balance Sheets

	<b>December 31, 2022</b>	December 31, 2021
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 4,045,101	\$ 2,036,954
Certificates of Deposit	2,691,000	2,741,000
Accounts Receivable - Less allowances of \$160,000 and \$170,000, respectively	4,975,137	5,647,984
Inventories, net	9,121,230	8,519,780
Prepaid Income Taxes	509,119	440
Other Current Assets	422,747	346,236
Total Current Assets	21,764,334	19,292,394
Property, Plant and Equipment, net	11,861,793	12,473,864
Total Assets	<u>\$ 33,626,127</u>	<u>\$ 31,766,258</u>
<b>Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 697,235	\$ 692,635
Accrued Wages and Salaries	462,332	509,332
Other Accrued Expenses	327,961	366,418
Unearned Revenue and Customer Deposits	203,717	302,424
Total Current Liabilities	1,691,245	1,870,809
Deferred Income Taxes, net	948,084	926,084
Total Liabilities	2,639,329	2,796,893
<b>Commitments and Contingencies (Note 8)</b>		
<b>Shareholders' Equity</b>		
Preferred Stock, No Par Value, 500,000 Shares Authorized: None Outstanding	-	-
Common Stock, \$1.00 Par Value, 4,000,000 Shares Authorized: 1,138,096 Shares Issued, 966,132 Shares Outstanding	1,138,096	1,138,096
Additional Paid-in Capital	447,134	447,134
Retained Earnings	33,323,666	31,306,233
Treasury Stock, 171,964 Shares at cost	(3,922,098)	(3,922,098)
Total Shareholders' Equity	30,986,798	28,969,365
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	<u>\$ 33,626,127</u>	<u>\$ 31,766,258</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

CHICAGO RIVET & MACHINE CO.  
Consolidated Statements of Income

	Year Ended December 31, 2022	Year Ended December 31, 2021
Net Sales	\$ 33,646,033	\$ 33,974,558
Cost of Goods Sold	29,830,710	27,509,466
Gross Profit	3,815,323	6,465,092
Operating (Income) Expenses:		
Selling and Administrative Expenses	4,992,521	5,106,177
Gain on Sale of Property	(4,738,394)	0
Total Operating Expenses	254,127	5,106,177
Operating Profit	3,561,196	1,358,915
Other Income	91,433	55,557
Income Before Income Taxes	3,652,629	1,414,472
Provision for Income Taxes	785,000	301,000
Net Income	\$ 2,867,629	\$ 1,113,472
Per Share Data:		
Basic net income per share	\$ 2.97	\$ 1.15
Diluted net income per share	\$ 2.97	\$ 1.15
Weighted Average Common Shares Outstanding:		
Basic	966,132	966,132
Diluted	966,132	966,132
Cash Dividends Declared Per Share	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.88

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

**CHICAGO RIVET & MACHINE CO.**  
Consolidated Statements of Shareholders' Equity

	Common Stock				Retained Earnings	Treasury Stock, At Cost		Total Shareholders' Equity
	Preferred Stock	Shares	Amount	Additional Paid-In Capital		Shares	Amount	
Balance, December 31, 2020	\$ 0	966,132	\$ 1,138,096	\$ 447,134	\$ 31,042,957	171,964	\$ (3,922,098)	\$ 28,706,089
Net Income					1,113,472			1,113,472
Dividends Declared (\$0.88 per share)					(850,196)			(850,196)
Balance, December 31, 2021	\$ 0	966,132	\$ 1,138,096	\$ 447,134	\$ 31,306,233	171,964	\$ (3,922,098)	\$ 28,969,365
Net Income					2,867,629			2,867,629
Dividends Declared (\$0.88 per share)					(850,196)			(850,196)
Balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 0	966,132	\$ 1,138,096	\$ 447,134	\$ 33,323,666	171,964	\$ (3,922,098)	\$ 30,986,798

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

CHICAGO RIVET & MACHINE CO.  
Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Year Ended December 31, 2022	Year Ended December 31, 2021
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Net Income	\$ 2,867,629	\$ 1,113,472
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Used in Operating Activities:		
Depreciation and Amortization	1,279,870	1,318,554
(Gain) Loss on the Sale of Property and Equipment	(4,741,096)	21,564
Deferred Income Taxes	22,000	(85,000)
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities:		
Accounts Receivable, net	672,847	(484,534)
Inventories, net	(601,450)	(3,366,486)
Other Current Assets	(585,190)	123,036
Accounts Payable	4,600	226,211
Accrued Wages and Salaries	(47,000)	27,324
Other Accrued Expenses	(38,457)	43,450
Unearned Revenue and Customer Deposits	(98,707)	52,926
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	(1,264,954)	(1,009,483)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Capital Expenditures	(969,943)	(670,898)
Proceeds from the Sale of Property and Equipment	5,043,240	7,800
Proceeds from Certificates of Deposit	1,495,000	4,484,000
Purchases of Certificates of Deposit	(1,445,000)	(2,492,000)
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	4,123,297	1,328,902
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:		
Cash Dividends Paid	(850,196)	(850,196)
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	(850,196)	(850,196)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,008,147	(530,777)
Cash and Cash Equivalents:		
Beginning of Year	2,036,954	2,567,731
End of Year	\$ 4,045,101	\$ 2,036,954
Cash Paid for Income Taxes	\$ 1,271,679	\$ 300,500

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

### 1 - Nature of Business and Significant Accounting Policies

**Nature of Business-**The Company operates in the fastener industry and is in the business of producing and selling rivets, cold-formed fasteners and parts, screw machine products, automatic rivet setting machines and parts and tools for such machines.

**A summary of the Company's significant accounting policies follows:**

**Principles of Consolidation-**The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Chicago Rivet & Machine Co. and its wholly-owned subsidiary, H & L Tool Company, Inc. ("H & L Tool"). All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

**Revenue Recognition-** Revenue is recognized when control of the promised goods or services is transferred to our customers, generally upon shipment of goods or completion of services, in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Sales taxes we may collect concurrent with revenue producing activities are excluded from revenue. Revenue is recognized net of certain sales adjustments to arrive at net sales as reported on the statement of income. These adjustments primarily relate to customer returns and allowances, which vary over time. The Company records a liability and reduction in sales for estimated product returns based upon historical experience. If we determine that our obligation under warranty claims is probable and subject to reasonable determination, an estimate of that liability is recorded as an offset against revenue at that time. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, reserves for warranty claims were not material. Cash received by the Company prior to shipment is recorded as unearned revenue. In 2022 and 2021 the Company recognized revenue from such payments of \$302,357 and \$248,799, respectively, that was included in the unearned revenue balance at the beginning of the period. Shipping and handling fees billed to customers are recognized in net sales, and related costs as cost of sales, when incurred.

**Credit Risk-**The Company extends credit on the basis of terms that are customary within our markets to various companies doing business primarily in the automotive industry. The Company has a concentration of credit risk primarily within the automotive industry and in the Midwestern United States. The Company has established an allowance for accounts that may become uncollectible in the future. This estimated allowance is based primarily on management's evaluation of the financial condition of the customer and historical experience. The Company monitors its accounts receivable and charges to expense an amount equal to its estimate of potential credit losses. The Company considers a number of factors in determining its estimates, including the length of time its trade accounts receivable are past due, the Company's previous loss history and the customer's current ability to pay its obligation. Accounts receivable balances are charged off against the allowance when it is determined that the receivable will not be recovered.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents and Certificates of Deposit-**The Company considers all highly liquid investments, including U.S. Treasury bills and certificates of deposit, with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. Certificates of deposit with an original maturity of greater than three months are separately presented at cost which approximates market value. The Company maintains cash on deposit in several financial institutions. At times, the account balances may be in excess of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured limits.

**Fair Value of Financial Instruments-**The carrying amounts reported in the consolidated balance sheets for cash and cash equivalents, certificates of deposit, accounts receivable and accounts payable approximate fair value based on their short-term nature.

**Inventories-**Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value, cost being determined by the first-in, first-out method. The value of inventories is reduced for estimated excess and obsolete inventories based on a review of on-hand inventories compared to historical and estimated future sales and usage.

**Property, Plant and Equipment**—Properties are stated at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method for financial reporting purposes. Accelerated methods of depreciation are used for income tax purposes. Direct costs related to developing or obtaining software for internal use are capitalized as property and equipment. Capitalized software costs are amortized over the software’s useful life when the software is placed in service. The estimated useful lives by asset category are:

<u>Asset Category</u>	<u>Estimated Useful Life</u>
Land improvements.....	15 to 40 years
Buildings and improvements.....	10 to 40 years
Machinery and equipment.....	5 to 18 years
Capitalized software costs.....	3 to 5 years
Other equipment.....	3 to 10 years

The Company reviews the carrying value of property, plant and equipment for impairment whenever events and circumstances indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable from the estimated future cash flows expected to result from its use and eventual disposition. In cases where undiscounted expected future cash flows are less than the carrying value, an impairment loss is recognized equal to an amount by which the carrying value exceeds the fair value of assets. There were no triggering events requiring assessment of impairment as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

When properties are retired or sold, the related cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and any gain or loss on disposition is recognized in current operations. Maintenance, repairs and minor betterments that do not improve the related asset or extend its useful life are charged to operations as incurred.

**Income Taxes**—Deferred income taxes are determined under the asset and liability method. Deferred income taxes arise from temporary differences between the income tax basis of assets and liabilities and their reported amounts in the financial statements. Deferred taxes are shown on the balance sheet as a net long-term asset or liability.

The Company applies a comprehensive model for the financial statement recognition, measurement, classification and disclosure of uncertain tax positions. In the first step of the two-step process, the Company evaluates the tax position for recognition by determining if the weight of available evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the position will be sustained on audit, including resolution of related appeals or litigation processes, if any. In the second step, the Company measures the tax benefit as the largest amount that is more than 50% likely of being realized upon settlement. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Company determined that there are no uncertain tax positions with a more than 50% likelihood of being realized upon settlement.

The Company classifies interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as a component of income tax expense. There were no such expenses in 2022 or 2021.

The Company’s federal income tax returns for the 2019 through 2021 tax years are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service (“IRS”). While it may be possible that a reduction could occur with respect to the Company’s unrecognized tax benefits as an outcome of an IRS examination, management does not anticipate any adjustments that would result in a material change to the results of operations or financial condition of the Company.

No statutes have been extended on any of the Company’s federal income tax filings. The statute of limitations on the Company’s 2019, 2020 and 2021 federal income tax returns will expire on September 15, 2023, 2024 and 2025, respectively.

The Company’s state income tax returns for the 2019 through 2021 tax years are subject to examination by various state authorities with the latest closing period on October 31, 2025. The Company is currently not under examination by any state authority for income tax purposes and no statutes for state income tax filings have been extended.

**Segment Information-**The Company reports segment information based on the internal structure and reporting of the Company's operations.

**Net Income Per Share-** Net income per share of common stock is based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding of 966,132 in 2022 and 2021.

**Use of Estimates-**The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes. Significant items subject to estimates and assumptions include depreciable lives, deferred taxes and valuation allowances for accounts receivable and inventory obsolescence. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Recent Accounting Pronouncements-** In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments and in November 2018 issued an amendment, ASU 2018-19, Codification Improvements to Topic 326, Financial Instruments – Credit Losses. ASU 2016-13 amends the impairment model by requiring entities to use a forward-looking approach based on expected losses rather than incurred losses to estimate credit losses on certain types of financial instruments, including trade receivables. This may result in the earlier recognition of allowances for losses. ASU 2016-13 and ASU 2018-19 should be applied on either a prospective transition or modified-retrospective approach depending on the subtopic. ASU 2016-13 is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2022, including interim periods within those fiscal years, with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted this ASU on January 1, 2023. The impact of the adoption on our consolidated financial statements was not material.

## 2 - Balance Sheet Details

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Inventories:		
Raw materials	\$ 4,460,071	\$ 4,645,923
Work in process	2,747,427	2,181,457
Finished goods	2,534,732	2,304,400
	<u>9,742,230</u>	<u>9,131,780</u>
Valuation reserves	(621,000)	(612,000)
	<u>\$ 9,121,230</u>	<u>\$ 8,519,780</u>

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Property, Plant and Equipment, net:		
Land and improvements	\$ 1,510,513	\$ 1,778,819
Buildings and improvements	6,818,066	8,456,983
Machinery and equipment	35,982,194	35,618,735
Capitalized software and other	1,038,768	1,060,379
	<u>45,349,541</u>	<u>46,914,916</u>
Accumulated depreciation	(33,487,748)	(34,441,052)
	<u>\$ 11,861,793</u>	<u>\$ 12,473,864</u>

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Other Accrued Expenses:		
Profit sharing plan contribution	\$ 170,000	\$ 145,000
Property taxes	41,497	80,269
All other items	116,464	141,149
	<u>\$ 327,961</u>	<u>\$ 366,418</u>

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts:		
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000
Charges to statement of income	(1,660)	0
Write-offs, net of recoveries	(8,340)	0
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 160,000</u>	<u>\$ 170,000</u>

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Inventory Valuation Reserves:		
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 612,000	\$ 600,000
Charges to statement of income	17,070	41,308
Write-offs	(8,070)	(29,308)
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 621,000</u>	<u>\$ 612,000</u>

**3 - Income Taxes**—The provision for income tax expense consists of the following:

	2022	2021
Current:		
Federal	\$ 723,000	\$ 378,000
State	40,000	8,000
Deferred	22,000	(85,000)
	<u>\$ 785,000</u>	<u>\$ 301,000</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax rate to the actual effective tax rate:

	2022		2021	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Expected tax at U.S. statutory rate	\$ 767,000	21.0	\$ 297,000	21.0
Permanent differences	(14,000)	(0.4)	(2,000)	(0.1)
State taxes, net of federal benefit	32,000	0.9	6,000	0.4
Income tax expense	<u>\$ 785,000</u>	<u>21.5</u>	<u>\$ 301,000</u>	<u>21.3</u>



The deferred tax assets (liabilities) consist of the following:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Depreciation and amortization	\$ (1,216,451)	\$ (1,196,119)
Inventory	157,687	157,600
Accrued vacation	71,923	74,037
Allowance for doubtful accounts	38,250	38,250
Other, net	507	148
	<u>\$ (948,084)</u>	<u>\$ (926,084)</u>

Valuation allowances related to deferred taxes are recorded based on the “more likely than not” realization criteria. The Company reviews the need for a valuation allowance on a quarterly basis for each of its tax jurisdictions. A deferred tax valuation allowance was not required at December 31, 2022 or 2021.

**4 - Profit Sharing Plan-** The Company has a noncontributory profit sharing plan covering substantially all employees. Total expenses relating to the profit sharing plan amounted to \$170,000 in 2022 and \$145,000 in 2021.

**5 - Other Income-** consists of the following:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Interest income	\$ 55,333	\$ 19,797
Other	36,100	35,760
	<u>\$ 91,433</u>	<u>\$ 55,557</u>

**6 - Segment Information-** The Company operates in the United States in two business segments as determined by its products. The fastener segment, which comprises H & L Tool and the parent company’s fastener operations, includes rivets, cold-formed fasteners and parts and screw machine products. The assembly equipment segment includes automatic rivet setting machines and parts and tools for such machines. Information by segment is as follows:

	<u>Fastener</u>	<u>Assembly Equipment</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Consolidated</u>
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2022:</b>				
Net Sales.....	\$ 30,291,547	\$ 3,354,486	\$ 0	\$ 33,646,033
Depreciation.....	1,129,151	133,615	17,104	1,279,870
Segment operating profit.....	505,751	413,995	0	919,746
Selling and administrative expenses.....	0	0	(2,096,944)	(2,096,944)
Gain on sale of property.....			4,738,394	4,738,394
Other income.....	0	0	91,433	91,433
Income before income taxes.....				<u>3,652,629</u>
Capital expenditures.....	868,654	3,207	98,082	969,943
Segment assets:				
Accounts receivable, net.....	4,683,620	291,517	0	4,975,137
Inventories, net.....	7,766,703	1,354,527	0	9,121,230
Property, plant and equipment, net.....	9,562,329	1,303,497	995,967	11,861,793
Other assets.....	0	0	7,667,967	<u>7,667,967</u>
				<u>33,626,127</u>

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Year Ended December 31, 2021:				
Net Sales.....	\$ 29,831,388	\$ 4,143,170	\$ 0	\$ 33,974,558
Depreciation.....	1,161,596	134,957	22,001	1,318,554
Segment operating profit.....	2,384,486	997,048	0	3,381,534
Selling and administrative expenses.....	0	0	(2,022,619)	(2,022,619)
Other income.....	0	0	55,557	55,557
Income before income taxes.....				<u>1,414,472</u>
Capital expenditures.....	493,564	0	177,334	670,898
Segment assets:				
Accounts receivable, net.....	5,302,257	345,727	0	5,647,984
Inventories, net.....	7,214,050	1,305,730	0	8,519,780
Property, plant and equipment, net.....	9,782,324	1,433,905	1,257,635	12,473,864
Other assets.....	0	0	5,124,630	<u>5,124,630</u>
				<u>31,766,258</u>

The Company does not allocate certain selling and administrative expenses for internal reporting, thus, no allocation was made for these expenses for segment disclosure purposes. Segment assets reported internally are limited to accounts receivable, inventory and long-lived assets. Certain long-lived assets of one plant location are allocated between the two segments based on estimated plant utilization, as this plant serves both fastener and assembly equipment activities. Other assets are not allocated to segments internally and to do so would be impracticable.

The following table presents revenue by segment, further disaggregated by end-market:

	Fastener	Assembly Equipment	Consolidated
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2022:</b>			
Automotive	\$ 18,454,238	\$ 209,735	\$ 18,663,973
Non-automotive	11,837,309	3,144,751	14,982,060
Total net sales	<u>\$ 30,291,547</u>	<u>\$ 3,354,486</u>	<u>\$ 33,646,033</u>
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2021:</b>			
Automotive	\$ 17,573,104	\$ 157,652	\$ 17,730,756
Non-automotive	12,258,284	3,985,518	16,243,802
Total net sales	<u>\$ 29,831,388</u>	<u>\$ 4,143,170</u>	<u>\$ 33,974,558</u>

The following table presents revenue by segment, further disaggregated by location:

	Fastener	Assembly Equipment	Consolidated
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2022:</b>			
United States	\$ 24,955,181	\$ 3,202,729	\$ 28,157,910
Foreign	5,336,366	151,757	5,488,123
Total net sales	<u>\$ 30,291,547</u>	<u>\$ 3,354,486</u>	<u>\$ 33,646,033</u>
<b>Year Ended December 31, 2021:</b>			
United States	\$ 24,280,114	\$ 4,053,102	\$ 28,333,216
Foreign	5,551,274	90,068	5,641,342
Total net sales	<u>\$ 29,831,388</u>	<u>\$ 4,143,170</u>	<u>\$ 33,974,558</u>

Sales to one customer in the fastener segment accounted for 15% of consolidated revenues during 2022 and 13% in 2021. The accounts receivable balance for this customer accounted for 19% and 16% of consolidated accounts receivable as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Sales to a second customer in the fastener segment accounted for 14% of consolidated revenues during 2022 and 11% in 2021. The accounts receivable balance for this customer accounted for 16% and 11% of consolidated accounts receivable as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Sales to a third customer were 12% of consolidated revenue in 2021. The accounts receivable balance for this customer accounted for 18% of consolidated accounts receivable as of December 31, 2021.

**7 - Gain on Sale of Property** - On August 12, 2022, the Company entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement (the “PSA”) with Frontenac Properties LLC (the “Purchaser”) pursuant to which the Company agreed, subject to the terms and conditions of the PSA, to sell its facility in Naperville, Illinois, in which the Company’s headquarters and warehouse space are located, to the Purchaser. On September 27, 2022, the Company’s sale of the facility to the Purchaser was completed for a selling price of \$5,350,000 in cash, less customary closing costs. The net gain on the transaction was \$4,738,394. A portion of the net proceeds was invested in U.S. Treasury bills and is included in cash and cash equivalents as of December 31, 2022.

Concurrently with the completion of the sale of the Naperville facility, the Company and the Purchaser entered into a lease

agreement pursuant to which the Company leased the warehouse portion of the Naperville facility from the Purchaser until December 31, 2022 and the office portion until June 30, 2023. The monthly rent payable by the Company under the lease was \$12,500 for the period from the closing until December 31, 2022 and will be \$8,500 for the period from January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023. The Company adopted the practical expedient for short-term leases under ASC 842 which allows for leases of 12 months or less to be expensed on a straight-line basis over the lease term without reporting on the balance sheet.

**8 - Commitments and Contingencies-** The Company recorded rent expense aggregating approximately \$91,000 and \$27,000 in 2022 and 2021, respectively. Total future minimum rentals at December 31, 2022 were \$51,000.

The Company is, from time to time involved in litigation, including environmental claims, in the normal course of business. While it is not possible at this time to establish the ultimate amount of liability with respect to contingent liabilities, including those related to legal proceedings, management is of the opinion that the aggregate amount of any such liabilities, for which provision has not been made, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial position.

**9 - COVID-19-** In March 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") a pandemic and the President of the United States declared the COVID-19 outbreak a national emergency. The rapid spread of the virus and the response domestically and internationally to combat it had a significant negative impact on the global economy, including the automotive industry upon which we rely for sales. Beginning in March 2020, most states issued executive orders which temporarily closed businesses deemed non-essential in an effort to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Similar measures also took place in foreign markets we serve. As a result, our operations and the operations of our customers and suppliers were adversely affected. While most shutdown orders were lifted later that year, various work-related restrictions remained in place for some time resulting in widespread economic disruption. As of the beginning of 2022, our operations had not returned to pre-pandemic levels and the pandemic continues to disrupt and have unpredictable impacts on our operations and the markets we serve, most notably in terms of labor shortages, supply chain disruptions and high inflation. These factors make the timing and sustainability of any broad economic recovery uncertain and will likely remain tied to the course of the pandemic. As we cannot predict the duration or scope of the COVID-19 pandemic, or its broader impact on the global economy, including the demand for automobiles, it is unknown what the impact of COVID-19 and its related effects will be on our business, results of operations or financial condition, but the impact could be material and last for an extended period of time.

**10 - Subsequent Events-** On February 20, 2023, the Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.22 per share, or \$212,549, payable March 20, 2023 to shareholders of record on March 3, 2023.

**ITEM 9 - Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure**

None.

**ITEM 9A – Controls and Procedures**

Disclosure Controls and Procedures.

The Company's management, with the participation of the Company's principal executive and principal financial officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the "Exchange Act") as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on such evaluation, the Company's principal executive and principal financial officer has concluded that, as of the end of such period, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in recording, processing, summarizing and reporting, on a timely basis, information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as that term is defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f). The Company's management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2022, based on the 2013 criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework, issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). Based on this assessment, the Company's management has concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting is effective as of December 31, 2022.

This Annual Report on form 10-K is not required to, and does not, include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm on the Company's internal control over financial reporting, because the Company is not an accelerated filer or a large accelerated filer as defined in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

There have not been any changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act) during the quarter ended December 31, 2022 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**ITEM 9B – Other Information**

None.

**ITEM 9C – Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdictions that Prevent Inspections**

Not applicable.

### **PART III**

#### **ITEM 10 – Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance**

The information in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement (i) with respect to the Board of Directors' nominees for directors that is not related to security ownership in "Security Ownership of Management" and (ii) in the third paragraph in "Additional Information Concerning the Board of Directors and Committees" is incorporated herein by reference. The 2023 Proxy Statement is to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the Company's 2023 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The information called for with respect to executive officers of the Company is included in Part I of this Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption "Information about our Executive Officers."

The Company has adopted a code of ethics for its principal executive officer, chief operating officer and senior financial officers. A copy of this code of ethics was filed as Exhibit 14 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K dated March 29, 2005.

#### **ITEM 11 - Executive Compensation**

The information set forth in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement in "Compensation of Directors and Executive Officers" is incorporated herein by reference.

During 2022, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors consisted of Directors Kent H. Cooney, Kurt Moders and Patricia M. Miller.

#### **ITEM 12 - Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters**

The information set forth in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement in "Principal Shareholders" and the information with respect to security ownership of the Company's directors and officers set forth in "Security Ownership of Management" is incorporated herein by reference.

The Company does not have any equity compensation plans or arrangements.

#### **ITEM 13 - Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence**

The information set forth in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement in (i) "Additional Information Concerning the Board of Directors and Committees - Policy Regarding Related Person Transactions" and (ii) the first paragraph under "Additional Information Concerning the Board of Directors and Committees" is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **ITEM 14 – Principal Accountant Fees and Services**

The information set forth in the Company's 2023 Proxy Statement in "Ratification of Selection of Independent Auditor – Audit and Non-Audit Fees" is incorporated herein by reference.

## **PART IV**

### **ITEM 15 – Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules**

(a) The following documents are filed as a part of this report:

1. Financial Statements:

See the section entitled "Consolidated Financial Statements" in Item 8 of this report.

2. Financial Statement Schedules:

Financial statement schedules and supplementary information have been omitted because they are not applicable or the required information is shown in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

3. Exhibits:

See the section entitled "Exhibits" which appears on page 29 of this report.

### **ITEM 16 – Form 10-K Summary**

None.



**CHICAGO RIVET & MACHINE CO.**

**EXHIBITS**

<b><u>Exhibit Number</u></b>	
2.1	<a href="#"><u>Purchase and Sale Agreement. Incorporated by reference to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated September 30, 2022.</u></a>
3.1	<a href="#"><u>Articles of Incorporation, as last amended August 18, 1997. Incorporated by reference to the Company's report on Form 10-K, dated March 27, 1998.</u></a>
3.2	<a href="#"><u>Amended and Restated By-Laws, as amended through March 22, 2021. Incorporated by reference to the Company's report on Form 10-K, dated March 21, 2022.</u></a>
14	<a href="#"><u>Code of Ethics for Principal Executive and Senior Financial Officers. Incorporated by reference to the Company's report on Form 10-K, dated March 29, 2005.</u></a>
21	<a href="#"><u>Subsidiaries of the Registrant.</u></a>
31	<a href="#"><u>Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) or 15d-14(a) as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u></a>
32	<a href="#"><u>Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.</u></a>
101.INS	Inline XBRL Instance Document – the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
101.SCH	File because its XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
101.CAL	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted in Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101).

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Chicago Rivet & Machine Co.

By /s/Michael J. Bourg  
Michael J. Bourg  
President and Chief Operating Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

/s/James W. Morrissey  
James W. Morrissey

Chairman of the Board of Directors  
and Member of the Executive Committee  
March 29, 2023

/s/Michael J. Bourg  
Michael J. Bourg

President, Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer  
(Principal Executive and Financial Officer),  
Director and Member of the Executive Committee  
March 29, 2023

/s/Kent H. Cooney  
Kent H. Cooney

Director, Member of the Audit Committee  
March 29, 2023

/s/Kurt Moders  
Kurt Moders

Director  
March 29, 2023

/s/John L. Showel  
John L. Showel

Director, Member of the Audit Committee  
March 29, 2023

**Exhibit 21**

**CHICAGO RIVET & MACHINE CO.**

**SUBSIDIARIES OF THE REGISTRANT**

The Company's only subsidiary is H & L Tool Company, Inc., which is wholly-owned and is organized in the State of Illinois.

### Exhibit 31

I, Michael J. Bourg, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K of Chicago Rivet & Machine Co.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 29, 2023

/s/ Michael J. Bourg

Michael J. Bourg

President, Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer

(Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer)

## Exhibit 32

**Certification Pursuant to  
18 U.S.C. Section 1350,  
as Adopted Pursuant to  
Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Chicago Rivet & Machine Co. (the "Company") for the period ended December 31, 2022 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Michael J. Bourg, as President, Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer (and, as such, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer) of the Company, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1350, as adopted pursuant to § 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of my knowledge:

(1) the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Michael J. Bourg

Name: Michael J. Bourg

Title: President, Chief Operating Officer and Treasurer

(Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer)

Date: March 29, 2023