

RYDER ROBERT P
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RYDER ROBERT P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.
[STZ/STZ.B]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Executive VP & CFO

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC., 207 HIGH POINT DR., BLDG. 100

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/05/2010

(Street)
VICTOR, NY 14564

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 04/05/2010 | | A | 19,960 | A | \$ 0 | 68,625 ⁽¹⁾ | D |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 16.67 | 04/05/2010 | | A | 122,090 | 04/05/2011(2) 04/05/2020 | Class 1 Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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VICTOR, NY 14564

Executive VP & CFO

Signatures

H. Elaine Ziakas for Robert
Ryder

04/07/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes shares of Class A Common Stock acquired in January 2010 under the Constellation Brands, Inc. 1989 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) This option becomes exercisable at the rate of 25% per year beginning on the date specified.

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