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CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. Form 4 December 28, 2007 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading RYDER ROBERT P Issuer Symbol CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. (Check all applicable) [STZ] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS. 12/27/2007 Executive VP & CFO INC., 370 WOODCLIFF DRIVE, **SUITE 300** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting FAIRPORT. NY 14450 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Securitie Code Acquired (A) or (Instr. 8) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | Securities A) or E (D) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Titl Under (Instr. |
|---|---|---|---|--|---------|------------------------------|--|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 24.13 | 12/27/2007 | | A <u>(1)</u> | 150,000 | | 06/27/2008 <u>(2)</u> | 06/27/2017 | Cla Com Sto |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 24.13 | 12/27/2007 | | D <u>(1)</u> | | 150,000 | 06/27/2008 <u>(2)</u> | 06/27/2017 | Cla Com Sto |

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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| RYDER ROBERT P C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. 370 WOODCLIFF DRIVE, SUITE 300 FAIRPORT, NY 14450 | | | Executive VP & CFO | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| By: H. Elaine Ziakas For: Robert Ryder | 12/27/2 | 2007 | | | | | |
| **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).

The two reported transactions reflect the amendment of an outstanding option. The amendment may, for Section 16 purposes, have resulted in a deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option originally was exercisable for

- (1) resulted in a deemed calcellation of the ord option and the grant of a replacement option. The option organizity was exceeded to be shares of Class A Common Stock and is currently exercisable for shares of Class 1 Common Stock. No other terms of the option were amended.
- (2) This option becomes exercisable at the rate of 25% per year beginning on the date specified.

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