#### RYDER ROBERT P

Form 4

February 23, 2011

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.

(Check all applicable)

[STZ/STZ.B]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title

Executive VP & CFO

(Month/Day/Year)

02/18/2011

below)

Issuer

Other (specify

C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS.

(Street)

INC., 207 HIGH POINT DR.,

BLDG, 100

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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VICTOR, NY 14564

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A)

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

5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) **Following** or Indirect Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Class A 125,673 (1) Common 02/18/2011  $\mathbf{C}$ 59.923 Α \$0 D Stock

Class A \$

Common 02/18/2011 Stock

S 59,923 D 21.0179  $65,750 \frac{(1)}{}$ 

(2)

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

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7. Nature of Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title a Underlyi (Instr. 3 a
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.85	02/18/2011		M		59,923	04/06/2010(3)	04/06/2019	Class Comm Stock
Class 1 (convertible) Common Stock	<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2011		M	59,923		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class Comm Stock
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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RYDER ROBERT P C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. 207 HIGH POINT DR., BLDG. 100 VICTOR, NY 14564

Executive VP & CFO

# **Signatures**

Robert Ryder 02/23/2011

\*\*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 July 2010 and January 2011 under the Constellation Brands, Inc. 1989 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Represents the weighted average sale price. The sale price range is \$20.97 to \$21.04. Upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate

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price.

- (3) This option becomes exercisable at the rate of 25% per year beginning on the date specified.
  - Shares of Class 1 Common Stock are convertible into shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer on a one-to-one basis in connection
- (4) with the holder's sale of the shares of Class A Common Stock received upon the conversion. Class 1 Common Stock is not traded on any stock exchange.

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