

RYDER ROBERT P  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/05/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP & CFO

(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	04/05/2011		A	16,560	A	\$ 0	82,310 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)	\$ 20.6	04/05/2011		A	101,270	04/05/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/05/2021	Class 1 Common Stock
Performance Share Units	<u>(2)</u>	04/05/2011 <sup>(3)</sup>		A	9,980	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	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

H. Elaine Ziakas for Robert Ryder  
 Date: 04/07/2011

\*\*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) This option becomes exercisable at the rate of 25% per year beginning on the date specified.
- (2) Each restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Constellation Brands, Inc. Class A Common Stock.
- (3) Represents the date that the performance criteria with respect to the performance share units was satisfied.
- (4) The performance share units vest on May 1, 2011 if the reporting person remains an employee through such date. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the vesting date net of shares withheld to satisfy taxes.

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