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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 [*] SANDS ROBERT		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) _X_ DirectorX_10% Owner			
(Last) (First) C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, IN WOODCLIFF DRIVE, SUITE 300	0 0 0 0	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/05/2006						X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President & COO			
(Street) FAIRPORT, NY 14450	4	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_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)	Date (Month/Day/Year) Date (Month/Day/Year) Date (Month/Day/Year) Date (Instr. 8) (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			(Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership					

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)	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	4. Transac Code	tion	5. Number	(A) d of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date 7. Title and Amount of Underlying (Month/Day/Year) Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			Derivative Derivative Security Securities (Instr. 5) Beneficially Owned Following		Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.88	04/05/2006		А		164,800		04/05/2007 ⁽¹⁾	04/05/2016	Class A Common Stock	164,800	\$ 0	164,800	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.88	04/05/2006		A		30,000		(2)	04/05/2016	Class A Common Stock	30,000	\$ 0	30,000	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SANDS ROBERT C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC. 370 WOODCLIFF DRIVE, SUITE 300 FAIRPORT, NY 14450	Х	х	President & COO					

Signatures

H. Elaine Farry For: Robert Sands	04/07/2006
**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) This option becomes exercisable after the closing of the acquisition of Vincor on or before December 31, 2006 at a rate of 25% per year beginning on April 5, 2007.

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