#### CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.

(Check all applicable)

[STZ]

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

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year)

below) 01/02/2008

Executive VP & CFO

C/O CONSTELLATION BRANDS. INC., 370 WOODCLIFF DRIVE, **SUITE 300** 

(Street)

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

FAIRPORT, NY 14450

(City)

(Zip)

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

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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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title A
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.48	01/02/2008		A	30,000	01/02/2009(1)	01/02/2018	Class 1 Common Stock

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

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

01/04/2008

\*\*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.

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