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SCHEDULE 14A

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ADOLPH COORS COMPANY

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 - Title of each class of securities to which transaction applies:
 Class A non-voting shares of Molson Inc. (including associated options)

Class B common shares of Molson Inc.

(2)

Aggregate number of securities to which transaction applies:

111,227,543 Class A non-voting shares of Molson Inc. (including shares issuable upon exercise of outstanding options to purchase Class A non-voting shares), which represents the number of such shares to be exchanged, in a series of transactions, for shares representing interests in the combined company pursuant to the Combination Agreement (the "Combination Agreement"), dated July 21, 2004, by and among Adolph Coors Company, Molson Coors Canada Inc. and Molson Inc.

22,375,676 Class B common shares of Molson Inc., which represents the number of such shares to be exchanged, in a series of transactions, for shares representing interests in the combined company pursuant to the Combination Agreement

(3) Per unit price or other underlying value of transaction computed pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 0-11 (set forth the amount on which the filing fee is calculated and state how it was determined):

\$25.71 per Class A non-voting share of Molson Inc., which is the average of the high and low sales prices reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange for such shares on September 13, 2004, converted to U.S. dollars by applying the exchange rate on such date, which was 0.7692 U.S. dollars for each Canadian dollar (the "Exchange Rate")

\$25.79 per Class B common share of Molson Inc., which is the average of the high and low sales prices reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange for such shares on September 13, 2004, converted to U.S. dollars by applying the Exchange Rate

(4) Proposed maximum aggregate value of transaction:

\$3,436,728,815, which is the maximum value calculated pursuant to Rule 0-11 of the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended

(5) Total fee paid:

\$435,434

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, 2004

Dear Molson shareholders and optionholders and Coors stockholders:

Enclosed are proxy materials with important facts about the proposed merger of equals of Molson Inc. and Adolph Coors Company and why we believe the merger is the right decision for both companies. Since the completion of the merger transaction requires approval of both Molson shareholders and optionholders and Coors stockholders, YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT. We urge you to read the enclosed materials carefully and to promptly vote by following the instructions shown on the appropriate enclosed proxy card.

As previously announced, both companies' boards of directors unanimously approved the merger agreement between Molson and Coors. Each board of directors concluded that this combination offers significant achievable benefits to our shareholders and builds on the solid existing business relationship between Molson and Coors. Each board recommends that you vote **FOR** the merger transaction.

The merger will create one of the world's largest brewers, Molson Coors Brewing Company, with the operational scale and financial strength necessary to compete more effectively in today's consolidating market. Together, we would be the world's fifth largest brewing company by volume, with combined beer sales of 60 million hectoliters, or 51 million barrels, and a strong foundation of established brands in four of the world's top ten beer markets.

We estimate the combined company will realize U.S.\$175 million in annual cost savings, primarily resulting from procurement and network optimization. Fully half of these synergies are expected to be captured within the first 18 months following completion of the merger transaction. As a result, the combination is expected to be accretive to earnings in the first full fiscal year after completion of the merger transaction.

We will build an enhanced growth platform, balance sheet and cash flow to fund future investment. The combined company will be able to make targeted investments in support of key brands and key markets, renewed investments in product innovations and disciplined capital improvements to drive productivity growth.

Both Molson and Coors have long-standing heritages in the brewing industry, but more is needed in today's increasingly global and highly dynamic brewing market. Together we can build a stronger, more adaptable company with the necessary scope, scale and financial strength to meet the challenges of a fast-changing industry.

We urge you to vote FOR the merger by promptly submitting your proxy by signing, dating and returning the appropriate enclosed proxy card in the postage-paid envelope provided, or voting by telephone or via the Internet as described in the easy instructions included on your proxy card. Returning the proxy does not deprive you of your right to attend the special meeting and to vote your shares in person. Thank you for your consideration of this matter and your continued support.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. O'Neill

W. Leo Kiely III

President and Chief Executive Officer Molson Inc.

President and Chief Executive Officer

Adolph Coors Company

If you are a Molson securityholder with questions about the merger transaction or about how to submit your vote, please call Innisfree M&A Incorporated toll-free at:

(English speakers)

(French speakers)

(Banks and brokers may call collect at).

If you are a Coors stockholder with questions about the merger transaction

or about how to submit your vote, please call Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc. toll-free at:

MOLSON INC.

1555 NOTRE DAME STREET EAST 4th FLOOR MONTRÉAL, QUÉBEC, CANADA, H2L 2R5

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SECURITYHOLDERS OF MOLSON INC. TO BE HELD ON ,2004

A special meeting of the holders of Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares of Molson Inc. ("Molson") and of the holders of options to purchase Class A non-voting shares of Molson will be held at , on , 2004 at (Montréal time) for the following purposes:

- 1. To consider, pursuant to an interim order of the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec dated , 2004, and, if deemed advisable, to pass, with or without variation, a special resolution to approve an arrangement under Section 192 of the Canada Business Corporations Act to effect the combination of Molson and Adolph Coors Company ("Coors").
- 2. To transact other business that may properly come before the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the special meeting.

The arrangement is described in the attached document, which serves as (i) a management information circular in connection with Molson management's solicitation of proxies, and (ii) a proxy statement in connection with Coors' solicitation of proxies for the amendment of Coors' certificate of incorporation and the issuance of shares of common stock in connection with the arrangement. The full text of the Molson arrangement resolution is set forth as Annex A to the attached document. Molson's notice of application for the interim order and for a final order approving the arrangement and the full text of the interim order are set forth as Annex C to the attached document.

In accordance with the interim order referred to above, registered holders of Class A non-voting shares or Class B common shares of Molson may dissent from the arrangement. If the arrangement becomes effective, dissenting Molson shareholders will be entitled to be paid the fair value of their shares. Failure to comply strictly with the applicable dissent procedures may result in the loss or unavailability of any right to dissent.

The record date for receiving notice of, and voting securities at, the Molson special meeting is , 2004. If you were a registered shareholder or optionholder of Molson at the close of business on the record date, you are entitled to vote at the special meeting. If you are a non-registered holder of Molson shares, please read the instructions from your broker or other intermediary regarding how to vote your Molson shares.

Your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to attend the special meeting in person, you are urged to complete, sign, date and return the appropriate enclosed form of proxy to Molson or vote by telephone or via the Internet as indicated in your proxy form.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Eric H. Molson Chairman of the Board , 2004

ADOLPH COORS COMPANY

311 10th Street Golden, Colorado 80401

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON , 2004

To our stockholders:

You are cordially invited to attend a special meeting of stockholders of Adolph Coors Company ("Coors"), which will be held at time), on , 2004 at Coors Brewing Company in the Sixth Floor Auditorium in the Brewery Complex, 1½ and Ford Streets, Golden, Colorado 80401 for the following purposes:

- 1. To consider and vote on a proposal to adopt a restated certificate of incorporation of Coors in the form attached as Annex G to the enclosed document.
- 2. To consider and vote on a proposal to approve the issuance of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, Class B common stock, special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock (and any shares convertible into or exchangeable for shares of that stock) as contemplated by the combination agreement, dated as of July 21, 2004, by and among Coors, Molson Coors Canada Inc. and Molson Inc., which agreement is attached as Annex B to the attached document, and the plan of arrangement referred to in that agreement, a form of which is attached as Annex D to the attached document.
- 3. To transact other business that may properly come before the special meeting and any adjournment or postponement of the special meeting.

The amendment of the certificate of incorporation and the share issuance are described in the attached document, which serves as (i) a proxy statement under applicable U.S. securities laws in connection with Coors' solicitation of proxies, and (ii) a management information circular for Molson in connection with the combination of Molson and Coors.

The record date for receiving notice of, and voting shares at, the Coors special meeting is , 2004. At the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the special meeting, holders of record of shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock of Coors at the close of business on the record date are entitled to vote, as separate classes, with respect to Proposal No. 1 and holders of record of shares of Class A common stock of Coors at the close of business on the record date are entitled to vote with respect to Proposal No. 2.

Neither of the above proposals will be implemented unless both are approved and the merger transaction is completed.

Your vote is important. Whether or not you plan to attend the special meeting, you are urged to complete, date, sign and return the enclosed proxy in the accompanying envelope or submit your proxy by telephone or via the Internet in accordance with the instructions included with the proxy card. If your shares are held by a broker or other intermediary, please read the instructions from your broker or other intermediary regarding how to vote your Coors shares.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Peter H. Coors Chairman

Golden, Colorado , 2004

MOLSON INC. 1555 NOTRE DAME STREET EAST 4th FLOOR MONTRÉAL, QUÉBEC H2L 2R5 (514) ADOLPH COORS COMPANY 311 10th STREET GOLDEN, COLORADO 80401 (303)

JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/MANAGEMENT INFORMATION CIRCULAR

, 2004

This document is being furnished to shareholders and optionholders of Molson Inc., a corporation incorporated under the laws of Canada, in connection with the solicitation of proxies by management of Molson for use at the special meeting of the Molson securityholders, to be held at , on , 2004 at (Montréal time), and any adjournment or postponement of the special meeting.

This document is also being furnished to holders of common stock of Adolph Coors Company, a Delaware corporation, in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the board of directors of Coors for use at the special meeting of Coors stockholders to be held at Coors Brewing Company in the Sixth Floor Auditorium in the Brewery Complex, 12th and Ford Streets, Golden, Colorado 80401, on , 2004 at (local time), and any adjournment or postponement of the special meeting.

Our respective boards of directors unanimously approved a merger-of-equals transaction between Molson and Coors under which, among other things:

Adolph Coors Company will change its name to "Molson Coors Brewing Company" and amend its certificate of incorporation and bylaws to implement the proposed merger transaction, including amending the terms of Coors common stock and adding a right for the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock to elect three directors;

each Molson share will, through a series of exchanges, be exchanged for the equivalent of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors common stock and/or exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Canada Inc., a subsidiary of Molson Coors, as described in the enclosed document; and

Coors stockholders will retain their shares, which will remain outstanding as shares of Molson Coors.

This document and the accompanying form of proxy and letter of transmittal will first be mailed to shareholders and optionholders of Molson and stockholders of Coors on or about , 2004 and is dated , 2004. You should not assume that the information contained in this document is accurate as of any date other than that date, and the mailing of this document to you does not create any implication to the contrary.

Please see the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 39 for considerations relevant to approval of the resolution and proposals to be considered at the Molson and Coors special meetings and an investment in the securities referred to in this document.

The securities to be issued in connection with the merger transaction described in this document have not been approved or disapproved by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or any securities regulatory authority of any state of the United States or province or territory of Canada, nor has the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or any securities regulatory authority of any state of the United States or province or territory of Canada passed on the adequacy or accuracy of this document. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The information concerning Coors contained or incorporated by reference in this document, including the attached annexes, has been provided by Coors, and the information concerning Molson contained or incorporated by reference in this document, including the attached annexes, has been provided by Molson. The information concerning Coors and Molson after the completion of the combination of the two companies and the information used to derive the pro forma financial information has been provided jointly by Coors and Molson.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this document to vote your securities at your special meeting. No person is authorized to give any information or to make any representation not contained in this document and, if given or made, that information or representation should not be relied upon as having been authorized. This document does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to purchase, any securities, or the solicitation of a proxy, by any person in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making the offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation.

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Reporting Currencies and Accounting Principles

The financial information regarding Molson, including Molson's audited consolidated financial statements, Molson's unaudited consolidated financial statements and the summaries of those consolidated financial statements, contained in this document are reported in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise indicated, and have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("Canadian GAAP"), which differs from U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP") in certain significant respects. See Note 24 of the Molson audited consolidated financial statements and Note 11 of the Molson unaudited financial statements set forth in Annex Q to this document for a reconciliation of Molson's shareholders' equity and net earnings to U.S. GAAP.

The financial information regarding Coors, including Coors' audited financial statements, Coors' unaudited financial statements and the summaries of those financial statements, contained in this document are reported in U.S. dollars and have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The unaudited pro forma financial statements of Molson Coors contained in this document are reported in U.S. dollars and have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. These financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP and may not be comparable to financial statements of Canadian issuers.

In this document, unless otherwise stated, dollar amounts are expressed in either Canadian dollars (Cdn.\$) or U.S. dollars (U.S.\$).

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Exchange Rates

Exchanging Canadian Dollars. The following table sets forth, for each period indicated, the high and low exchange rates for one Canadian dollar during that period, the average of the exchange rates during that period, and the exchange rate at the end of that period, in each case expressed in U.S. dollars, based upon the noon selling rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York:

	Six months ended	Year ended December 31,					
	June 30, 2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	
		(In U.S.\$ per Cdn.\$1)					
High	0.788	0.774	0.662	0.670	0.697	0.693	
Low	0.716	0.635	0.620	0.624	0.641	0.654	
Average	0.747	0.714	0.637	0.646	0.673	0.673	
Period End	0.746	0.774	0.633	0.628	0.667	0.693	

On July 21, 2004, the last trading day prior to the announcement of the merger transaction, the exchange rate for one Canadian dollar expressed in U.S. dollars, based upon the noon selling rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was U.S.\$0.7616. On , 2004, the exchange rate for one Canadian dollar expressed in U.S. dollars, based upon the noon selling rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was U.S.\$

Exchanging U.S. Dollars. The following table sets forth, for each period indicated, the high and low exchange rates for one U.S. dollar during that period, the average of the exchange rates during that period, and the exchange rate at the end of that period, in each case expressed in Canadian dollars, based upon the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York:

	Six months ended	Year ended December 31,				
	June 30, 2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999
		(In Cdn.\$ per U.S.\$1)				
High	1.397	1.575	1.613	1.602	1.560	1.530
Low	1.269	1.292	1.511	1.493	1.435	1.444
Average	1.339	1.401	1.570	1.549	1.486	1.486
Period End	1.341	1.292	1.580	1.593	1.500	1.444

On July 21, 2004, the last trading day prior to the announcement of the merger transaction, the exchange rate for one U.S. dollar expressed in Canadian dollars, based upon the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was Cdn.\$1.32. On , 2004, the exchange rate for one U.S. dollar expressed in Canadian dollars, based upon the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, was Cdn.\$

Recent Exchange Rates. The following table sets forth, for each period indicated, the high and low exchange rates for one U.S. dollar during that period, expressed in Canadian dollars and for one Canadian dollar during that period, expressed in U.S. dollars, respectively. The rates are based upon

the noon buying rate in New York City for cable transfers in foreign currencies as certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

2004	September 1- September 7	August	July	June	May	April	March
		(I	n U.S.\$ pe	er Cdn.\$1)			
High	0.777	0.772	0.764	0.746	0.737	0.763	0.765
Low	0.765	0.750	0.748	0.726	0.715	0.727	0.742
		(1	n Cdn\$ p	er U.S.\$1)			
High	1.307	1.333	1.337	1.377	1.398	1.375	1.347
Low	1.287	1.296	1.309	1.341	1.357	1.310	1.308
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Questions and Answers About the Merger Transaction and the Special Meetings

When we use the term "merger transaction" throughout this document, it means the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement and the other documents referred to in the combination agreement. When we refer to "Molson Coors" in this document, we are referring to the combined company following the completion of the merger transaction, which will be named Molson Coors Brewing Company. When we use the term "we" or "us", we are referring to Molson Coors after the merger transaction or, collectively, to Molson and Coors before the merger transaction. "Molson Coors Exchangeco" or "Exchangeco" refers to Molson Coors Canada Inc., a subsidiary of Molson Coors.

GENERAL QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q:

What are Molson and Coors proposing?

A:

Molson and Coors are proposing to combine the two companies in a merger of equals to create Molson Coors Brewing Company. The merger transaction will feature the following steps:

Coors, a Delaware corporation, will change its name to "Molson Coors Brewing Company" and amend its certificate of incorporation and bylaws to implement various features of the merger transaction, including changing some of the terms of Coors' common stock and adding a right for the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock to elect three directors, all as described in this document.

All of Molson's shares will, through a series of exchanges, be exchanged for shares of Molson Coors common stock and/or exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Canada Inc., a subsidiary of Molson Coors, as described under "What will I receive in the merger transaction?" below.

The Coors stockholders will retain their shares, which will remain outstanding as shares of Molson Coors.

The combination will be carried out in accordance with a combination agreement, dated as of July 21, 2004, by and among Molson, Coors and Molson Coors Exchangeco, and the documents referred to in that agreement.

Q: How do the Molson and Coors boards of directors recommend that I vote?

A:

Molson's board of directors unanimously recommends that Molson's shareholders and optionholders vote **FOR** the Molson special resolution to approve the merger transaction, and Coors' board of directors unanimously recommends that Coors stockholders vote **FOR** Coors' amendment of its certificate of incorporation and its share issuance necessary to implement the merger transaction.

Q: Why are Molson and Coors proposing to combine?

A:

We believe that the trend toward consolidation in the international brewing industry will continue and that scale and ability to operate internationally will be increasingly essential to compete effectively. The proposed merger transaction builds on the strategic and cultural fit between the two companies and provides us with the added scale, resources and geographic coverage necessary to compete more effectively in this changing competitive environment. It leverages the solid existing business relationship between the two companies.

We believe that the merger transaction will also deliver tangible benefits to our shareholders through substantial synergies, earnings accretion within the first full fiscal year after the merger transaction and increased cash flow. We estimate the annual cost savings resulting from the merger at U.S.\$175 million. Fully half of these cost savings are expected to be captured within the first 18 months following completion of the merger transaction. We believe that the enhanced financial strength expected to result from the anticipated cost savings will provide the combined company

with the opportunity to grow revenue through added investments in marketing and other support for key brands. We also believe that our larger operating scale and enhanced financial strength resulting from the merger transaction will create a platform for our continued value-added participation in the global brewing industry consolidation.

Q: What will I receive in the merger transaction?

A:

Molson Class A Shareholders. A holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares who is a Canadian resident for Canadian income tax purposes may elect to receive for each of those shares:

0.360 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights),

through a series of exchanges, 0.360 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors, or

a combination of Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and, through a series of exchanges, shares of Class B common stock.

A holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares with an address in Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive Class B exchangeable shares. A holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares with an address outside of Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive, through a series of exchanges, for each of those shares, 0.360 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors.

Molson Class B Shareholders. A holder of Molson Class B common shares who is a Canadian resident for Canadian income tax purposes may elect to receive for each of those shares:

0.126 of a Class A exchangeable share and 0.234 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights),

through a series of exchanges, an aggregate of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors common stock, comprised of 0.126 of a share of Class A common stock and 0.234 of a share of Class B common stock, or

a combination of exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and, through a series of exchanges, shares of Molson Coors common stock.

A holder of Molson Class B common shares with an address in Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive exchangeable shares. A holder of Molson Class B common shares with an address outside of Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive, through a series of exchanges, for each of those shares, an aggregate of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors common stock comprised of 0.126 of a share of Class A common stock of Molson Coors and 0.234 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors.

Molson shareholders will be paid cash in lieu of any fractional shares. Dissenting shareholders who properly exercise their dissent rights will be entitled to be paid the fair value of their shares.

Molson Optionholders. Options to purchase Class A non-voting shares of Molson will be exchanged for options to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock. The number of shares issuable upon the exercise of these options, and their applicable exercise prices, will be adjusted to take into account the 0.360 exchange ratio applicable to the merger transaction.

Coors Stockholders. Holders of shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock of Coors will retain their shares, which will remain outstanding as shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Molson Coors Class B common stock, respectively, following the merger transaction. Some terms of the Coors common stock are being amended as a result of an amendment and restatement of Coors' certificate of incorporation, as described in this document, including adding a right for the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock to vote as a class,

together with a trustee holder of the special Class B voting stock (acting upon the instructions of the holders of Class B exchangeable shares), to elect three directors.

Coors Optionholders. Options to purchase shares of Class B common stock of Coors will remain outstanding as options to acquire shares of Class B common stock of Molson Coors.

Q: Why are exchangeable shares being offered to Canadian residents in the merger transaction?

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The exchangeable share structure will provide an opportunity for shareholders of Molson who are eligible Canadian residents to make a tax election to defer Canadian income tax on any capital gain otherwise arising on the exchange of their Molson shares. In this document we refer to these exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeable shares".

Each exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco is substantially the economic equivalent of a share of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock and is exchangeable at any time on a one-for-one basis for a share of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock. In addition, each holder of an exchangeable share will, through a trust agreement and special Molson Coors voting stock, effectively have the ability to cast votes along with holders of shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock.

What is the difference between Class A and Class B shares of Molson Coors common stock?

A:

Molson Coors Class A common stock will entitle holders to the right to vote for the election of 12 of the 15 members of the board of directors of the combined company and will otherwise be voting shares under Delaware law and the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation. Molson Coors Class B common stock will entitle holders the right to vote for the election of three of the 15 directors of the combined company and will be non-voting stock under Delaware law and the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation.

What percentage of the combined company will the shareholders of Molson and Coors own?

A:

Upon completion of the merger transaction, we estimate that Molson's former shareholders and Coors' stockholders will own approximately 55% and 45%, respectively, of the outstanding economic interest in the combined company. To reduce the dilution from the companies' stock option programs, we intend that Molson Coors will adopt a policy of purchasing, from time to time, subject to market conditions and when permitted by applicable law, shares of its Class B common stock in the open market following the completion of the merger transaction. We expect the number of shares purchased from time to time to have an aggregate market value approximately equal to the aggregate cash proceeds received in respect of exercised stock options (including replacement options issued in exchange for Molson options).

What will be the effects of the amendments to Coors' certificate of incorporation?

As a result of the amendments to the certificate of incorporation of Coors in connection with the merger transaction, the number of authorized shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Molson Coors Class B common stock each will be amended to 500,000,000, and the relative rights, privileges and preferences of each class of Molson Coors common stock will be amended as described in this document, including to provide that:

holders of the Class B common stock, together with a trustee holder of the special Class B voting stock (acting upon the instructions of the holders of Class B exchangeable shares), will be entitled to elect three of the 15 members of the board of directors of Molson Coors;

holders of Class A common stock, together with a trustee holder of the special Class A voting stock (acting upon the instructions of the holders of Class A exchangeable shares), will elect 12 of the 15 members of the board of directors and have the right to vote as a class regarding corporate actions on which they are entitled to vote;

shares of Class A common stock will be convertible at the election of the holder into shares of Class B common stock; and

shares of Class B common stock will be convertible into shares of Class A common stock in limited circumstances relating to specified offers which are not made to holders of Class B common stock.

Q: What will be the quarterly dividend payable on the Molson Coors common stock and the exchangeable shares after the closing of the merger transaction?

Coors and Molson have agreed that Molson Coors will increase its dividend by adopting a policy of paying, subject to applicable law, a quarterly dividend on Molson Coors common stock equal to the quarterly dividend payable on the Molson shares in effect on July 21, 2004, subject to adjustment for (i) the exchange rate of U.S.\$0.7616 per Canadian dollar on that date and (ii) the 0.360 exchange ratio. As a result, following completion of the merger transaction, Molson Coors' quarterly dividend rate is expected to be U.S.\$0.317 per share. Coors' current dividend rate is U.S.\$0.205 per share.

The quarterly dividend on exchangeable shares will be equal to the dividend on Molson Coors common stock and will be payable at the option of the holder in either U.S. dollars or Canadian dollars.

Q: Where will the shares of Molson Coors and the exchangeable shares be listed?

A:

Coors and Molson have agreed to apply to the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange for the listing of the following classes of shares under the symbols set forth below:

Class of Securities	NYSE Symbol	TSX Symbol
Molson Coors Class A common stock	" "	" "
Molson Coors Class B common stock	" "	" "
Class A exchangeable shares		" "
Class B exchangeable shares		" "

Q: When do Molson and Coors expect to complete the merger transaction?

Molson and Coors will complete the merger transaction when all of the conditions to completion of the merger transaction have been satisfied or waived. Molson and Coors are working toward satisfying these conditions and completing the merger transaction as quickly as possible. Molson and Coors currently plan to complete the merger transaction during the fourth calendar quarter of 2004. Because the merger transaction is subject to governmental and regulatory approvals and other conditions, some of which are beyond Coors' and Molson's control, the exact timing cannot be predicted.

MOLSON SECURITYHOLDER QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: On what am I being asked to vote?

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You are being asked to approve the Molson special resolution relating to the merger transaction between Molson and Coors. The Molson special resolution is attached as Annex A.

- Q: What vote is required to approve the Molson special resolution?
- A:

 Approval of the Molson special resolution will require the affirmative votes of not less than:

66²/3% of the votes cast at the Molson special meeting by holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Molson options, voting together as a class, and

 $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast at the Molson special meeting by holders of Molson Class B common shares.

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Each Molson Class A non-voting share and Class B common share is entitled to one vote on all matters scheduled to come before the Molson special meeting. Each holder of options to purchase Molson Class A non-voting shares will be entitled to one vote for each Molson Class A non-voting share that would be received on a valid exercise of that holder's Molson options regardless of whether they are currently exercisable.

Pentland Securities (1981), Inc., which we refer to as Pentland in this document, has committed to vote all of the Molson shares held by it in favor of the Molson special resolution. As of the record date, Pentland (which is indirectly controlled by Eric H. Molson) owned % of the Molson Class B common shares.

Q: How do I vote on the merger transaction and what do I do now?

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First, please review the information contained in this document, including the annexes. This document contains important information about Molson, Coors and the merger transaction. It also contains important information about what the boards of directors of Molson and Coors considered in evaluating the merger transaction.

Second, please submit your proxy promptly by telephone, via the Internet or by signing, dating and returning the appropriate enclosed form of proxy in the envelope provided, so that your securities can be voted at the Molson special meeting. You may also attend the Molson special meeting in person and vote at the Molson special meeting, even if you have already submitted a proxy.

There are three forms of Molson proxies, a [color] proxy applicable to Molson Class A non-voting shares, a [color] proxy applicable to Molson Class B common shares and a [color] proxy applicable to Molson options. If you hold more than one type of Molson security, or if you hold securities in both registered and non-registered name, you will receive more than one form of proxy. To ensure that all your shares are represented at the meeting, please submit a vote by telephone, via the Internet or by mail for each proxy form you receive.

Q: If I am a Canadian resident, how do I get tax-deferred treatment?

A:

If you are a Canadian resident receiving exchangeable shares in the merger transaction, we will send you a tax election package by mail or via the Internet after completion of the merger transaction if you so elect in your letter of transmittal and election form or if your address, as recorded on Molson's share register, is in Canada. You may also obtain a tax election package upon request, which will also be made available via the Internet. You must provide to Molson Coors Exchangeco, at the address indicated in the tax election package, two completed and signed copies of the applicable tax election forms on or before the 75th day after the effective date of the arrangement. For more information see "Income Tax Considerations Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Shareholders" beginning on page 126.

Do I need to send in my share certificates now?

You are not required to send your share certificates to validly cast your vote in respect of the merger transaction or to elect to receive exchangeable shares if you are a Canadian resident. However, you must send in your share certificates in addition to the letter of transmittal and election form in order to receive certificates representing shares of Molson Coors common stock and/or exchangeable shares, which you will need in order to settle any trades of these shares or to receive dividends in respect of these shares. If you hold Molson shares that are registered in the name of a broker, investment dealer, bank, trust company or other nominee, you should contact that nominee for instructions about how to deliver your Molson shares.

If I hold Molson options, what do I do?

You can vote as if you were a shareholder. You are under no obligation to exercise your Molson options before the completion of the merger transaction. Molson options that have not been

exercised prior to the effective time will be exchanged in the merger transaction for replacement options to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock. If you hold Molson options and wish to exercise them to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares in order to receive exchangeable shares and/or Molson Coors common stock, you should exercise your option through your Solium E-SOAP account at www.solium.com or by telephone at the following toll-free number: , and complete, sign and return the enclosed letter of transmittal and election form for Molson optionholders to Molson Inc. c/o Marie Giguère, Senior Vice-President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary, 1555 Notre Dame Street East, 4th Floor, Montréal (QC) H2L 2R5, Fax: , in the enclosed envelope before 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on , 2004.

Q: What happens if I don't indicate how to vote on my proxy?

If you sign and send in your proxy but do not include instructions on how to vote your properly signed form, your securities will be voted FOR the Molson special resolution and in accordance with management's recommendation with respect to amendments or variations of the matters set forth in the notice of special meeting or any other matters that may properly come before the Molson special meeting.

Q: Can I change my vote after I have mailed my signed proxy?

Yes. You can change your vote at any time before your proxy is voted at the Molson special meeting. If you are a registered holder, you can do this in one of three ways:

First, before the Molson special meeting, you can deliver a signed notice of revocation of proxy to the Secretary of Molson or to the offices of CIBC Mellon Trust Company at the addresses specified below at any time up to and including the last business day before the Molson special meeting or deposit the revocation with the chairman of the Molson special meeting.

Second, you can complete and submit a later-dated proxy form no later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on the last business day before the Molson special meeting.

Third, you can attend the Molson special meeting and vote in person. Your attendance at the Molson special meeting alone will not revoke your proxy; rather you must also vote at the Molson special meeting in order to revoke your previously submitted proxy.

If you want to change your proxy directions by mail, you should send any notice of revocation or your completed new form of proxy, as the case may be, to Molson at either of the following addresses:

Molson Inc. c/o Marie Giguère, Senior Vice-President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary 1555 Notre Dame Street East, 4th Floor Montréal (QC) H2L 2R5 CIBC Mellon Trust Company 200 Queen's Quay East, Unit 6 Toronto (ON) M5A 4K9 (Fax):

You may also revoke or change your proxy by telephone or via the Internet by following the instructions set forth below under "Can I submit my proxy by telephone or electronically?"

If a broker holds your shares in "street name" and you have instructed a broker to vote your shares and wish to change your vote, you must follow directions received from your broker to change those instructions.

Q: Can I submit my proxy by telephone or electronically?

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Yes, in most cases. To vote by telephone, please call the number shown on your proxy form from a touch-tone phone and follow the easy instructions. To vote via the Internet, please go to the website shown on your proxy form and follow the easy instructions on the screen.

Please note that you will need to refer to the control number indicated on your proxy form to identify yourself in the electronic voting system. Please also refer to the instructions on your proxy form for information regarding the deadline for voting your shares electronically.

Q:

If my broker holds my shares in "street name", will my broker vote my shares for me?

Your broker will not vote your shares unless it receives your specific instructions. After carefully reading and considering the information contained in this document, including the annexes, please follow the directions provided by your broker with respect to voting procedures. Please ensure that your instructions are submitted to your broker in sufficient time to ensure that your votes are received by Molson on or before 5:00 p.m., Montréal time, on , 2004.

If you have instructed a broker to vote your shares and wish to change your vote, you must follow directions received from your broker to change those instructions.

Q: Am I entitled to dissent or appraisal rights?

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Molson shareholders who properly exercise their dissent rights will be entitled to be paid the fair value of their shares. If you wish to dissent, you must provide to Molson, at the address specified above, a dissent notice prior to 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on the business day preceding the Molson special meeting. It is important that you strictly comply with this requirement, otherwise your dissent right may not be recognized.

Are there risks I should consider in deciding whether to vote for the Molson special resolution?

Yes. As in any significant merger transaction, there are a number of risk factors to consider in connection with the merger transaction that are described in the section of this document entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 39.

What are the Canadian and U.S. federal income tax consequences of the merger transaction to holders of Molson common stock?

Canadian Residents. The exchange of Molson shares for Molson Coors common stock, through a series of exchanges, and/or exchangeable shares will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident shareholder. However, if you are an eligible Canadian resident and exchange all or a portion of your Molson shares for consideration that includes exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and you make a valid tax election with Molson Coors Exchangeco, you may obtain a full or partial tax deferral (rollover) of any capital gain otherwise arising upon the exchange of those shares. For more information see "Income Tax Considerations Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Shareholders" beginning on page 126.

United States Residents. The exchange of Molson shares for Molson Coors common stock, through a series of exchanges, in the merger transaction will be fully taxable for United States federal income tax purposes. For more information see "Income Tax Considerations U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Shareholders" beginning on page 147.

Optionholders. The exchange of options to purchase Molson Class A non-voting shares for options to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock generally will not be a taxable event for a Canadian resident optionholder.

Who can help answer my questions about the merger transaction?

A:

Innisfree M&A Incorporated is acting as the proxy solicitor for Molson. If you have any questions about the merger transaction or about how to vote your shares, please call Innisfree toll free at the following numbers: (English speakers) (French speakers).

Banks and brokers may call collect at

COORS STOCKHOLDER QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: On what am I being asked to vote?

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A:

If you are a Coors stockholder, you are being asked to approve two proposals:

A proposal to adopt a restated certificate of incorporation of Coors in the form attached as Annex G. This amendment and restatement of the certificate of incorporation is referred to in this document as "the Coors charter amendment".

A proposal to approve the issuance of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, Class B common stock, special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock (and any shares convertible into or exchangeable for shares of that stock) as contemplated by the combination agreement. The issuance of these shares is referred to in this document as "the Coors share issuance".

All stockholders of Coors are being asked to vote with respect to the amendment of the Coors certificate of incorporation. Only holders of shares of Class A common stock of Coors are entitled to vote with respect to the Coors share issuance. A separate vote of the Coors stockholders on the combination agreement or the plan of arrangement is not required under Delaware law or Coors' certificate of incorporation.

Neither of the above proposals will be implemented unless both are approved and the merger transaction is completed.

- Q: What is the purpose of the amendment and restatement of the Coors certificate of incorporation?
- A:

 Coors is proposing to amend and restate its certificate of incorporation to effect various features of the merger transaction as further described in this document.
- Q: What vote is required to approve the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment?
- Approval of the Coors share issuance requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by holders of the outstanding shares of Class A common stock at the Coors special meeting provided the total votes cast on the proposal by holders of Class A common stock represent at least a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of Class A common stock. Holders of shares of Class B common stock of Coors are not entitled to vote with respect to the Coors share issuance.

Approval of the Coors charter amendment requires both:

the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Class A common stock, voting as a separate class, and

the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Class B common stock, voting as a separate class.

All of the Coors Class A common stock are held by the Adolph Coors Jr. Trust dated September 12, 1969, which we refer to as the Coors Trust in this document. The Coors Trust has agreed to vote the Coors Class A common stock in favor of the Coors share issuance. As a result of this agreement, the Coors share issuance is assured of approval at the Coors special meeting. In addition, the Coors Trust, Peter H. Coors and Keystone Financing LLC have agreed to vote all of their shares of Coors Class A common stock (which represents 100% of the Class A common stock) and Coors Class B common stock (which represents approximately % of the total Class B common stock as of the record date) in favor of the Coors charter amendment.

- Q: How do I vote on the proposed Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment?
- A:

 First, please review the information contained in this document, including the annexes. It contains important information about Molson, Coors and the merger transaction. It also contains important information about what the boards of directors of Molson and Coors considered in evaluating the merger transaction.

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Second, please submit your proxy promptly by telephone, via the Internet or by signing, dating and returning the enclosed appropriate proxy card in the envelope provided, so that your shares can be voted at the Coors special meeting. You may also attend the Coors special meeting in person and vote at the Coors special meeting, even if you have already submitted a proxy.

Q: What happens if I don't indicate how to vote on my proxy?

A:

If you are a record holder of Coors common stock and sign and send in your proxy, but do not include instructions on how to vote your properly signed proxy card, your shares will be voted FOR approval of the Coors share issuance and Coors charter amendment.

What happens if I don't return a proxy card?

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A:

If you are a holder of Coors Class B common stock, not returning your proxy card and not voting at the special meeting will have the same effect as a vote AGAINST the Coors charter amendment because a majority of the outstanding shares of Coors Class B common stock is required to approve the Coors charter amendment. If you are a holder of Coors Class B common stock, not returning your proxy card and not voting at the special meeting will have no direct effect on the vote for the Coors share issuance because only holders of Coors Class A common stock are entitled to vote on the Coors share issuance (and the Coors Trust has agreed to vote in favor of the Coors share issuance). Please note, however, that neither proposal will be implemented unless both are approved by the required vote of Coors stockholders and the merger transaction is completed. As a result, not returning your proxy card and not voting at the special meeting with respect to the Coors charter amendment could cause the Coors share issuance and the merger transaction not to occur.

Not returning your proxy card may also contribute to a failure to obtain a quorum at the special meeting. Under Coors' bylaws, a majority of the total issued and outstanding shares of each class entitled to vote on a matter as a separate class, present in person or represented by proxy, constitutes a quorum to take action with respect to that matter at the special meeting.

Q: Can I change my vote after I have mailed my signed proxy card?

Yes. You can change your vote at any time before your proxy is voted at the Coors special meeting. If you are a registered holder, you can do this in one of three ways:

First, before the Coors special meeting, you can deliver a signed notice of revocation of proxy to the Secretary of Coors at the address specified below.

Second, you can complete and submit a later-dated proxy card or, if you submitted your proxy by telephone or through the Internet, you can change your proxy by telephone or through the Internet.

Third, if you are a holder of record you can attend the Coors special meeting and vote in person. Your attendance at the Coors special meeting alone will not revoke your proxy; rather, you must also vote at the Coors special meeting in order to revoke your previously submitted proxy.

If you want to change your proxy directions by mail, you should send any notice of revocation or your completed new proxy card, as the case may be, to Coors at the following address:

Adolph Coors Company c/o Corporate Secretary Mail No. NH311 P.O. Box 4030 Golden, Colorado 80401 Telephone: Facsimile:

You may also revoke or change your proxy directions by telephone or via the Internet by following the instructions set forth below under "Can I submit my proxy by telephone or electronically?"

If you have instructed a broker to vote your shares and wish to change your vote, you must follow directions received from your broker to change those instructions.

Q: Can I submit my proxy by telephone or electronically?

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Q:

Yes, in most cases. Coors stockholders of record and many stockholders who hold their shares through a broker or bank will have the option to submit their proxy or voting instructions electronically through the Internet or by telephone. Please note that there are separate arrangements for using the Internet and telephone depending on whether your shares are registered in Coors' stock records in your name or in the name of a broker, bank or other holder of record. If you are a registered stockholder of Coors, you may submit your proxy electronically through the Internet or by telephone by following the instructions on the attached [color] proxy card. If you hold your shares through a broker, bank or other holder of record, you should check your proxy card or voting instruction card forwarded by your broker, bank or other holder of record to see which options are available.

Q: If my broker holds my shares of Coors Class B common stock in "street name", will my broker vote my shares for me?

A:

Yes, if you direct your broker to vote your shares on your behalf. If your shares of Coors Class B common stock are held in "street name" and you do not provide voting instructions to your broker or bank, your shares will not be voted on any proposal on which your broker does not have discretionary authority to vote. Your broker does not have discretionary authority to vote on the Coors charter amendment. Accordingly, if you do not provide your broker with voting instructions, your shares may be considered present at the Coors special meeting for purposes of determining a quorum, but will not be considered to have been voted in favor of approval of the Coors charter amendment. Shares not voted in favor of the Coors charter amendment will have the effect of a vote AGAINST that proposal.

If a broker holds your shares of Coors Class B common stock in "street name" and you have instructed a broker to vote your shares and wish to change your vote, you must follow directions received from your broker to change those instructions.

Q: Am I entitled to dissenters' or appraisal rights?

A:

No. Holders of Coors common stock do not have dissenters' or appraisal rights in connection with the merger transaction.

Q. Are there risks I should consider in deciding whether to vote for the Coors share issuance and Coors charter amendment?

A:
Yes. As in any significant merger transaction, there are a number of risk factors to consider in connection with the merger transaction that are described in the section of this document entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 39.

Who can help answer my questions about the merger transaction?

A:

Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc. is acting as the proxy solicitor for Coors. If you have any questions about the merger transaction or about how to vote your shares, please call Georgeson toll free at

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Summary

This summary highlights important information in this document but does not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should carefully read this entire document and the other documents we refer you to for a more complete understanding of the matters being considered at the special meetings.

Our Reasons for the Merger Transaction (See page 63)

We believe that the trend toward consolidation in the international brewing industry will continue and that scale and the ability to operate internationally will be increasingly important. The proposed merger transaction builds on the strategic and cultural fit between Molson and Coors and provides us with the added scale, resources and geographic coverage necessary to compete more effectively in this changing competitive environment. It leverages the solid existing business relationship between Molson and Coors.

In particular, we believe that the merger transaction will:

create the world's fifth largest brewing company by volume, with combined beer sales of 60 million hectoliters, or 51 million barrels, and a strong foundation of established brands in four of the world's top ten beer markets;

provide significant value for shareholders through an estimated U.S.\$175 million in annual cost savings, primarily resulting from procurement and network optimization; and

build an enhanced growth platform, balance sheet and cash flow to fund future investment in key brands.

The Companies

Molson Inc. (See page 156)

Molson is Canada's largest brewer and one of the world's leading brewers of quality beer with operations in Canada, Brazil and the United States. A global brewer with Cdn.\$3.5 billion in gross sales for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004, Molson traces its roots back to 1786, making it North America's oldest beer company. Committed to brewing excellence, Molson produces an award-winning portfolio of beers including Molson Canadian®, Molson Export®, Molson Dry®, Rickard's , A Marca Bavaria , Kaiser® and Bavaria®. Molson is authorized to brew, distribute and sell Coors brands in Canada under agreements between Molson and Coors and currently brews, distributes and sells the Coors Light® brand in Canada.

Molson's principal executive offices are located at 1555 Notre Dame Street East, 4th Floor, Montréal, Québec, Canada, H2L 2R5.

Adolph Coors Company (See page 211)

Coors is the third-largest brewer in the United States and the second-largest brewer in the United Kingdom. Since Coors' founding in 1873, it has been committed to producing high quality beers with a portfolio of brands designed to appeal to a wide range of consumer tastes, styles and price preferences. Coors had U.S.\$5.4 billion in sales for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2003. In the United States, Coors owns or licenses the following brands: Coors Light®, Coors Original®, Coors® Edge, Coors® Non-Alcoholic, Aspen Edge , Extra Gold®, Zima®, George Killian's® Irish Red Lager, Keystone®, Keystone Light®, Keystone Ice®, Blue Moon Belgian White Ale and Mexicali®. Coors also sells the Molson family of brands in the United States through a joint venture. Outside of the United States, Coors sells Carling®, Worthington®, Caffrey's®, Reef®, Screamers , Stones® and, through a United Kingdom joint venture, Grolsch®.

Coors' principal executive offices are located at 311 10th Street, P.O. Box 4030, Golden, Colorado 80401.

Molson Coors Exchangeco (See page 285)

Molson Coors Canada Inc. (formerly known as Coors Canada Inc.) is a Canadian subsidiary of Coors through which Coors currently conducts its Canadian operations. Molson Coors Exchangeco's registered office is located at 120 Adelaide Street West, Suite 1202, Toronto, Ontario M5H 1T1, Canada.

The Proposed Merger Transaction

Molson and Coors will combine in a merger of equals to form "Molson Coors Brewing Company" (See page 57)

Molson and Coors have entered into a combination agreement, dated as of July 21, 2004, under which the businesses of the two companies will be combined in a merger of equals transaction. The merger transaction will form the world's fifth largest brewing company by volume.

The combination agreement provides that:

Coors will change its name to "Molson Coors Brewing Company" and amend its certificate of incorporation and bylaws to implement the proposed merger transaction, including adding a right for the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock to elect three members of the board of directors, all as described in this document.

All of Molson's shares (other than shares of dissenting holders) will, through a series of exchanges, be exchanged for shares of Molson Coors common stock and/or exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco, as described under "Description of the Merger Transaction General" beginning on page 57.

The Coors stockholders will retain their shares, which will remain outstanding as shares of Molson Coors.

The combination agreement is attached to this document as Annex B. Please read the combination agreement, the form of plan of arrangement referred to in the combination agreement and the other transaction agreements carefully, as they are the principal legal documents that govern the merger transaction.

Molson shareholders will receive Molson Coors common stock or exchangeable shares (see page 57)

Molson Class A Shareholders. A holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares who is a Canadian resident for Canadian income tax purposes may elect to receive for each of those shares:

0.360 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights),

through a series of exchanges, 0.360 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors, or

a combination of Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and, through a series of exchanges, shares of Class B common stock.

A holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares with an address in Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive Molson Coors Exchangeco Class B exchangeable shares. A holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares with an address outside of Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive, through a series of exchanges, for each of those shares, 0.360 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors.

Molson Class B Shareholders. A holder of Molson Class B common shares who is a Canadian resident for Canadian income tax purposes may elect to receive for each of those shares:

0.126 of a Class A exchangeable share and 0.234 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights),

through a series of exchanges, an aggregate of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors common stock comprised of 0.126 of a share of Class A common stock and 0.234 of a share of Class B common stock, or

a combination of exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and, through a series of exchanges, shares of Molson Coors common stock.

A holder of Molson Class B common shares with an address in Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares. A holder of Molson Class B common shares with an address outside of Canada, as recorded on Molson's share register, who does not make any election will receive, through a series of exchanges, for each of those shares, an aggregate of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors common stock comprised of 0.126 of a share of Class A common stock of Molson Coors and 0.234 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors.

Fractional Shares; Dissenting Shareholders. Molson shareholders will be paid cash in lieu of any fractional shares. Dissenting shareholders who properly exercise their dissent rights will be entitled to be paid the fair value of their shares (for more information see "Dissenting Shareholder's Rights" beginning on page 87).

Fixed Exchange Ratio. The exchange ratio is fixed and neither Molson nor Coors has the right to terminate the combination agreement based on changes in either party's stock price. You cannot be sure of the market value of the Molson Coors common stock or the exchangeable shares that will be outstanding following the completion of the merger transaction. This value may vary significantly from the current market value of shares of Coors common stock. Furthermore, none of the shares of Coors Class A common stock or the exchangeable shares is currently traded on a stock exchange and, as a result, no market value is available for this class of shares, except by reference to the publicly traded shares of Coors Class B common stock and the Molson shares.

Molson shareholders who are Canadian residents may elect to receive exchangeable shares (See page 57)

Molson shareholders who are Canadian residents or who hold Molson shares on behalf of Canadian residents may elect to receive an equivalent number of exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights) in lieu of Molson Coors common stock. Exchangeable shares will be exchangeable at the option of the holder at any time on a one-for-one basis for shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock. Holders of the exchangeable shares will be entitled to dividends and other rights that are substantially economically equivalent to those of holders of shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock. Through a voting trust arrangement, holders of the exchangeable shares will be entitled to vote at meetings of holders of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock.

The exchangeable share structure, which is frequently used in transactions between U.S. and Canadian companies, provides the opportunity for eligible Canadian resident shareholders of Molson to make a valid tax election to defer Canadian income tax on any capital gain that would otherwise arise on the exchange of their Molson shares.

Molson options to be exchanged for Molson Coors options (See page 86)

Options to purchase Class A non-voting shares of Molson will be exchanged for options to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock. The number of shares issuable upon the exercise of these options, and their applicable exercise prices, will be adjusted to take into account the 0.360 exchange ratio applicable to the merger transaction.

Coors stockholders will keep their shares (See page 86)

Holders of shares of Coors Class A common stock and Class B common stock will retain their shares, which will remain outstanding as shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class B common stock, respectively, following the merger transaction. Some of the terms governing the Coors shares will be amended in connection with the merger transaction, as described below.

Molson Coors to adopt the Molson dividend policy (See page 83)

Coors and Molson have agreed that Molson Coors will increase its dividend by adopting a policy of paying, subject to applicable law, a quarterly dividend on Molson Coors common stock equal to the quarterly dividend on the Molson shares in effect on July 21, 2004, subject to adjustment for (i) the exchange rate of U.S.\$0.7616 per Canadian dollar on that date and (ii) the 0.360 exchange ratio. As a result, following completion of the merger transaction, Molson Coors' quarterly dividend rate is expected to be U.S.\$0.317 per share. Coors' current dividend rate is U.S.\$0.205 per share. Following completion of the merger transaction, the quarterly dividend on exchangeable shares will be equal to the dividend on Molson Coors common stock and will be payable at the option of the holder in either U.S. dollars or Canadian dollars.

Pro Forma Economic Ownership of Molson Coors; Stock Buyback Program (See page 83)

Upon the completion of the merger transaction, we estimate that Molson's former shareholders and Coors' stockholders will own approximately 55% and 45%, respectively, of the outstanding economic interest in the combined company.

To reduce dilution from the companies' stock option programs, we intend that Molson Coors will adopt a policy of purchasing, from time to time, subject to market conditions and when permitted by applicable law, shares of its Class B common stock in the open market following the completion of the merger transaction. We expect the number of shares purchased from time to time to have an aggregate market value approximately equal to the aggregate cash proceeds received in respect of exercised stock options (including replacement options issued in exchange for Molson options).

Recommendations of the Boards of Directors

Molson Board of Directors Recommendation (See page 46)

Molson's board of directors believes that the terms of the combination agreement, the arrangement and related transactions and agreements are in the best interest of Molson and are advisable and fair to the holders of each class of Molson shares and Molson options. The Molson board of directors unanimously recommends that Molson securityholders vote "FOR" the Molson special resolution at the Molson special meeting.

Molson Independent Committee Conclusion (See page 62)

Molson's board of directors formed an independent committee of the board to review the terms and conditions of the proposed merger and make a recommendation as to the fairness of the transaction to the Molson shareholders other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson. The Molson independent committee concluded that the proposed merger transaction is fair to, and in the best

interests of, the shareholders of Molson, other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson, from a financial and non-financial point of view.

Coors Recommendation (See page 52)

Coors' board of directors believes that the combination agreement and related transactions and agreements, including the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment, are advisable and fair to, and in the best interests of, Coors and the holders of each class of Coors common stock. The Coors board of directors unanimously recommends that Coors stockholders vote "FOR" the Coors share issuance and Coors charter amendment at the Coors special meeting.

Factors Considered by Our Boards (See pages 64 and 72)

In determining whether to approve the merger transaction, our boards of directors each consulted with our respective senior managements and legal and financial advisors and considered the respective strategic, financial and other considerations referred to in "Description of the Merger Transaction" Our Reasons for the Merger Transaction" beginning on page 63.

Opinions of Financial Advisors

Molson Financial Advisors (See page 66)

In connection with the merger transaction, the Molson board of directors received the following separate written opinions dated July 21, 2004:

the opinion of Citigroup Global Markets Inc., the full text of which is attached as Annex M, to the effect that, as of the date of the opinion and based on and subject to the matters described in the opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio provided for in the merger transaction was fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of Molson shares.

the opinion of BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc., the full text of which is attached to this document as Annex N, to the effect that, as of the date of the opinion and based on and subject to the matters described in the opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio provided for in the merger transaction was fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of Molson shares.

the opinion of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, the full text of which is attached as Annex O, addressed to the Molson independent committee as well as the Molson board of directors to the effect that, as of the date of the opinion and based on and subject to the matters described in the opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to holders of Molson shares other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson.

We encourage you to read these opinions carefully in their entirety for a description of the assumptions made, procedures followed, matters considered and limitations on the reviews undertaken. The opinions were provided to the Molson board of directors (and the Molson independent committee in the case of Merrill Lynch's opinion) in connection with the board's evaluation of the 0.360 exchange ratio. They do not address any other aspect of the merger transaction and do not constitute a recommendation to any securityholder as to the shares that a securityholder should elect to receive in the merger transaction or how a securityholder should vote or act on any other matters relating to the merger transaction.

Coors Financial Advisors (See page 74)

In connection with the merger transaction, the Coors board of directors received a written opinion from Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. to the effect that, as of the date of the opinion, based upon and subject to the assumptions made, matters considered and limits of the review undertaken by Deutsche

Bank, the 0.360 exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to holders of the Coors Class A common stock and holders of the Coors Class B common stock. The full text of Deutsche Bank's written opinion is attached to this document as Annex P. We encourage you to read this opinion carefully in its entirety for a description of the assumptions made, procedures followed, matters considered and limitations on the review undertaken. Deutsche Bank's opinion was provided to the Coors board of directors in connection with its evaluation of the 0.360 exchange ratio, does not address any other aspect of the merger transaction and does not constitute a recommendation as to how a Coors stockholder should vote or act on any matters relating to the merger transaction.

Molson Coors Board of Directors (See page 102)

The combination agreement and related documents provide that, after the merger transaction, the board of directors of Molson Coors will consist of 15 members. Twelve of the 15 directors will be elected by the holders of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, voting together with holders of the Class A exchangeable shares through a voting trust arrangement. Three of the 15 directors will be elected by holders of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock, voting together with holders of the Class B exchangeable shares through a voting trust arrangement.

A committee of two Molson family directors will nominate five persons to stand for election to the Molson Coors board of directors, and a committee of two Coors family directors will similarly nominate five nominees. A nominating committee comprised of an independent director, the two Molson family directors and the two Coors family directors will nominate two additional directors to stand for election to the board of directors. These nominees, subject to the committee's fiduciary duties, will be the chief executive officer of Molson Coors, who will initially be W. Leo Kiely III, and another specified management member, initially Daniel J. O'Neill, who will be the vice-chairman, synergies and integration of Molson Coors. These nominees together with the five nominees of each family will stand for election by holders of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, voting together with holders of the Class A exchangeable shares through a voting trust arrangement. The full board of directors of Molson Coors will select three additional nominees, for a total of 15, to stand for election by holders of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock voting together with holders of the Class B exchangeable shares through a voting trust arrangement.

Initially, Eric H. Molson will be the chairman of the board of directors of Molson Coors.

Molson Coors Executive Officers and Headquarters (See pages 94 and 110)

Molson Coors executive officers will be selected from Molson and Coors management.

Molson Coors will have dual executive offices and dual operational headquarters following the merger transaction. Executive offices will be located in the metropolitan areas of Denver, Colorado and Montréal, Québec. The Canadian operational headquarters will be located in Toronto, Ontario, the U.S. operational headquarters will be in Golden, Colorado, the U.K. headquarters will be in Burton on Trent, and the Brazilian headquarters will be in São Paulo, Brazil.

Interests of Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction

Molson Directors and Management (See page 71)

In considering the recommendation of the Molson board of directors with respect to the merger transaction, Molson shareholders should be aware that certain members of the management and board of directors of Molson have interests in connection with the merger transaction that may present them with actual or potential conflicts of interest in connection with the merger transaction. The Molson independent committee was aware of these interests and considered them along with the other matters

described in "Description of the Merger Transaction Factors Considered by the Molson Independent Committee" beginning on page 64.

Coors Directors and Management (See page 79)

In considering the recommendation of the Coors board of directors with respect to the merger transaction, Coors stockholders should be aware that certain members of the management and board of directors of Coors have interests in connection with the merger transaction that may present them with actual or potential conflicts of interest in connection with the merger transaction. The Coors board of directors was aware of these interests and considered them along with the other matters described in "Description of the Merger Transaction Factors Considered by Coors' Board of Directors" beginning on page 72.

Securities to be Issued by Molson Coors

Molson Coors Stock (See page 258)

Coors' certificate of incorporation will be amended to provide a sufficient number of authorized shares of Molson Coors Class A and Class B common stock for any share issuances required by the combination agreement and for other corporate purposes. Molson Coors Class A common stock will be voting stock and Molson Coors Class B common stock will be non-voting stock (but holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock will have the right to elect three of the 15 members of the Molson Coors board of directors and to vote with respect to specified corporate actions).

Coors' certificate of incorporation will also be amended to change the name of the company to "Molson Coors Brewing Company" and to provide for the authorization of two new classes of stock, special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock, through which holders of Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares, respectively, will exercise their voting rights with respect to Molson Coors, as further described in this document. The trustee holder of the special Class A and Class B voting stock will cast a number of votes equal to the number of then outstanding Class A and Class B exchangeable shares, respectively, for which the trustee holder has received voting instructions. The trustee holder of the special Class A and Class B voting stock will vote together as a single class with holders of the Molson Coors Class A and Class B common stock, respectively.

Exchangeable Shares (See page 285)

Exchangeable shares will be securities of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, together with the ancillary rights described in this document, are substantially economically equivalent to shares of Molson Coors common stock. The holders of exchangeable shares will have the following rights:

the right to exchange those shares, at the holders' option, for shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock on a one-for-one basis;

the right to receive dividends, on a per share basis, in amounts (or property in the case of non-cash dividends), which are the same as, or economically equivalent to, and which are payable at the same time as, dividends declared on the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock;

the right to vote, through the trustee holder of the Molson Coors special voting shares, at all stockholder meetings at which holders of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock are entitled to vote;

the right to participate on a pro rata basis with the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock in the distribution of assets of Molson Coors, upon specified events relating to the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution, winding-up or other distribution of the

assets of Molson Coors through the mandatory exchange of exchangeable shares for shares of Molson Coors common stock; and

Class B exchangeable shares will be convertible into Class A exchangeable shares in limited circumstances relating to specified offers which are not made to holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock or Class B exchangeable shares.

Holders of exchangeable shares will be entitled generally to require Molson Coors Exchangeco to redeem any of their exchangeable shares for corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock for a purchase price per share of one share of Molson Coors common stock plus declared and unpaid dividends on each redeemed share. However, if a holder of exchangeable shares delivers notice of exercise of its redemption right, a Canadian subsidiary of Molson Coors will have the right to purchase, in lieu of Molson Coors Exchangeco redeeming, the holder's shares on payment of the redemption price. We refer to this Canadian subsidiary as "Callco."

Subject to applicable law and the purchase right described above, if fewer than 5% of the initial number of Class A exchangeable shares or Class B exchangeable shares (other than exchangeable shares held by Molson Coors or its affiliates) are outstanding, the board of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco may elect to have Molson Coors Exchangeco redeem the applicable class of exchangeable shares.

Subject to applicable law and the purchase right described above, on a date on or after the fortieth anniversary of the effective date of the arrangement, as established by Molson Coors Exchangeco's board of directors, all of the outstanding exchangeable shares (other than those held by Molson Coors or its affiliates) will be redeemed by Molson Coors Exchangeco for a redemption price per share of one share of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock plus declared and unpaid dividends on the share.

Stock Exchange Listings (See page 84)

Coors and Molson have agreed to apply to the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange for the listing of the following classes of shares under the following trading symbols:

Class of Securities	NYSE Symbol	TSX Symbol
Molson Coors Class A common stock	" "	" "
Molson Coors Class B common stock	" "	" "
Class A exchangeable shares		" "
Class B exchangeable shares		" "
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Transaction Structure

The following diagrams illustrate the current structure of Molson and Coors and their shareholders and the structure of Molson Coors following the merger transaction (disregarding, in certain cases, intermediate subsidiaries). For a more complete description of the merger transaction, please see "Description of the Merger Transaction General" beginning on page 57.

Current Molson and Coors Structures

Molson Coors Structure Following the Merger Transaction

Dissent Rights (See page 87)

Molson shareholders have the right to dissent from the Molson special resolution to be voted upon at the Molson special meeting. Registered Molson shareholders who properly exercise their dissent rights under the interim order issued by the Superior Court of Québec will be entitled to be paid the fair value of their Molson shares. The dissent procedures require that a registered Molson shareholder who wishes to dissent must provide Molson a dissent notice prior to 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on the business day preceding the Molson special meeting. It is important that Molson shareholders strictly comply with this requirement, which is different from the statutory dissent provisions of the Canada Business Corporations Act, which would permit a dissent notice to be provided at or prior to the Molson special meeting. We refer to the Canada Business Corporations Act in this document as the "CBCA."

Accounting Treatment (See page 83)

Molson Coors will account for the merger transaction using the purchase method of accounting under U.S. GAAP. Although the combination of Molson and Coors is a merger of equals, generally accepted accounting principles require that one of the two companies in the transaction be designated as the "acquiror" for accounting purposes. Based on a review of the applicable accounting rules, we have determined that Coors is the "acquiror" solely for accounting purposes.

Canadian and U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for Molson Shareholders

Canada (See page 126)

Exchange of Molson Shares. The exchange of Molson shares for exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and/or Molson Coors common stock, through a series of exchanges, will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson shares. However, an eligible Canadian resident who exchanges his or her Molson shares for consideration that includes exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and who makes a valid tax election with Molson Coors Exchangeco, may obtain a full or partial tax deferral (rollover) of any capital gain otherwise arising upon the exchange of those shares. A non-resident shareholder for which shares of Molson are not "taxable Canadian property" will not be subject to tax under the Income Tax Act (Canada) on the disposition of those shares.

Eligibility for Investment. The exchangeable shares will be "qualified investments" and will not be "foreign property" for deferred income plans for Canadian income tax purposes. Shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Molson Coors Class B common stock will be "qualified investments" that are "foreign property" for Canadian income tax purposes.

Exchange of Molson Options. The exchange of Molson options for options to acquire shares of Molson Coors common stock will generally not be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson options.

United States (See page 147)

The exchange of Molson shares for Molson Coors common stock, through a series of exchanges, will be fully taxable for United States federal income tax purposes.

Court Approval Will Be Required to Complete the Merger Transaction (See page 80)

Under the CBCA, a Canadian court must approve the arrangement set forth in the form of plan of arrangement. Prior to the mailing of this document, Molson will have obtained an interim order from the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec providing for the calling and holding of the Molson special meeting and other procedural matters. If the Molson securityholders approve the Molson special resolution and the Coors stockholders approve the Coors share issuance

and the Coors charter amendment, the court will hold a hearing regarding a final order. The court will consider, among other things, the fairness and reasonableness of the arrangement. The court may approve the arrangement in any manner the court may direct, subject to compliance with such terms and conditions, if any, as the court deems fit. Subject to the approval of the special resolution at the Molson special meeting and approval of the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment at the Coors special meeting, the hearing to obtain the final order of the Superior Court of Québec is scheduled to take place on or about , 2004 at .m. (Montréal time) at the Montréal courthouse located at 1 Notre-Dame Street East, Montréal, Québec, Canada.

Conditions to Closing (See page 97)

Molson's and Coors' obligations to complete the merger transaction are subject to conditions that must be satisfied or waived before the completion of the merger transaction, including:

the approval of the Molson special resolution by the Molson securityholders and the approval of the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment by the Coors stockholders;

receipt of interim and final orders approving the plan of arrangement from the Superior Court of Québec in form and terms reasonably acceptable to Coors and Molson, and those orders having not been set aside or modified in a manner unacceptable to Coors and Molson;

receipt of orders required from the applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities permitting the issuance and first resale of the shares issuable as part of the merger transaction and the issuance from time to time of Molson Coors common stock in exchange for the exchangeable shares or on the exercise of replacement options;

absence of injunctions, orders or laws restraining, enjoining or making illegal the completion of the merger transaction;

receipt of necessary regulatory approvals referred to under "Regulatory Matters" below;

receipt of the Toronto Stock Exchange's conditional approval for listing of the shares to be issued by Molson Coors Exchangeco;

receipt of New York Stock Exchange approval for listing of Molson Coors common stock;

availability of the exemption for the issuance of the shares of Molson Coors common stock to be issued under the arrangement from registration and qualification requirements under applicable U.S. federal and state securities laws;

effectiveness of a registration statement registering the issuance of shares of Molson Coors common stock issuable upon exchange of exchangeable shares;

holders of no more than 5% of all Molson shares having exercised dissent rights in respect of the arrangement; and

Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws having been amended and restated in accordance with the combination agreement.

Each party's obligation to complete the merger transaction is subject to the satisfaction of the following additional conditions by the other party:

the material truth of representations and warranties and material compliance with covenants by the other party;

the absence of events or changes that have or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the other party; and

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the execution and delivery by the other party of the voting trust agreements referred to under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116.

Molson's obligation to complete the merger transaction is also subject to the satisfaction by Coors of the following additional conditions:

the absence of developments that would (i) prevent tax deferred treatment for validly electing Canadian resident shareholders receiving consideration that includes exchangeable shares or (ii) cause the exchangeable shares to be "foreign property" under the Income Tax Act (Canada);

Molson shareholders generally having been permitted to take advantage of the holding company alternative on agreed-upon terms and conditions;

Coors having executed and delivered a registration rights agreement for the benefit of parties to the voting trust agreements referred to under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116;

Coors having taken all actions necessary to cause the board of directors of Molson Coors to be constituted as described under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" Board of Directors of Molson Coors"; and

Molson Coors Exchangeco not having been liquidated, dissolved or wound up and having remained solvent, and no bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar proceeding having been commenced against Molson Coors Exchangeco.

Non-Solicitation (See page 95)

The combination agreement contains detailed provisions prohibiting the parties from seeking an alternative transaction. Under these "non-solicitation" provisions, each of Molson and Coors has agreed that it will not, directly or indirectly:

initiate, solicit, encourage or otherwise knowingly facilitate any inquiries or the making by any third party of any acquisition proposal (as defined on page 95);

engage in any negotiations concerning, or provide any confidential information or data to, or have any discussions with, any person relating to an acquisition proposal, or otherwise knowingly facilitate any effort or attempt to make or implement an acquisition proposal;

approve or recommend, or propose publicly to approve or recommend, any acquisition proposal; or

execute or enter into, or publicly propose to accept or enter into, any agreement with respect to an acquisition proposal.

The combination agreement provides for circumstances under which the board of directors of Molson or Coors, as applicable, may share information with third parties, withdraw their recommendation or engage in discussions with third parties regarding acquisition proposals. The combination agreement also provides that each party, under specified circumstances, may enter into an agreement with respect to an acquisition proposal.

Regulatory Matters (See page 81)

In addition to the court approval described above, other regulatory approvals are required as conditions to the completion of the merger transaction, including the expiration or early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act in the United States, the expiration or early termination of the

waiting period under the Competition Act in Canada and receipt of a letter from the Commissioner of Competition stating that the Commissioner has determined not to make an application for an order under Section 92 of the Competition Act in respect of the merger transaction.

Termination (See page 99)

The combination agreement may be terminated at any time prior to completion of the merger transaction, whether before or after approval of the merger transaction by the securityholders of Molson and Coors, as summarized below.

Mutual Termination Rights

Molson and Coors may terminate the combination agreement by mutual agreement. In addition, either Molson or Coors may terminate the combination agreement prior to the completion of the merger transaction if any of the following occurs:

the merger transaction is not completed on or before January 31, 2005, subject to specified exceptions;

any law is passed that makes the arrangement illegal or otherwise prohibited or a governmental authority in the United States or Canada issues a final, non-appealable order restraining, enjoining or otherwise prohibiting consummation of the merger transaction;

the securityholders of Molson fail to approve the Molson special resolution, or the stockholders of Coors fail to approve the Coors share issuance or the Coors charter amendment;

the other party breaches any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement in the combination agreement such that the conditions to complete the arrangement are incapable of being satisfied on or before January 31, 2005;

the board of directors of the other party withdraws, modifies or qualifies its recommendation in favor of the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement; or

the other party intentionally and materially breaches the "non-solicitation" provisions of the combination agreement or its obligation to convene its stockholder meeting.

In addition, either Molson or Coors may terminate the combination agreement under specified circumstances to accept a superior proposal (as defined on page 97 of this document), upon satisfaction of various other conditions.

Termination Fees and Expenses

If the combination agreement is terminated by either party in specified circumstances, either Molson or Coors may be required to pay to the other party expenses incurred by the other party in connection with the merger transaction up to a maximum amount of U.S.\$15 million and, upon specified termination relating to competing acquisition proposals, a termination fee of U.S.\$75 million including expenses. The termination fee and expense reimbursement are required to be paid at different times, depending on the basis for the termination of the combination agreement.

Amendment of Coors' Certificate of Incorporation (See page 119)

Coors is proposing to amend and restate its certificate of incorporation to effect various features of the merger transaction. Among other changes, the Coors charter amendment will effect the following amendments to the existing certificate of incorporation of Coors, in each case as further described in this document:

the change of the company's name to "Molson Coors Brewing Company";

the amendment of the authorized number of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class B common stock to 500,000,000 for each class:

the creation of special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock of Molson Coors, through which the holders of Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares, respectively, will exercise their voting rights;

an amendment to provide that holders of the Molson Coors Class B common stock and the special Class B voting stock (acting upon the instructions of holders of Class B exchangeable shares), voting as a single class, will be entitled to elect three members of the Molson Coors board of directors:

an amendment to include additional governance and corporate actions requiring the approval of the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and the special Class A voting stock (acting upon the instructions of holders of Class A exchangeable shares), voting as a single class;

an amendment to provide that shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock will be convertible at the election of the holder into shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock;

an amendment to provide that shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock will be convertible into shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock in limited circumstances relating to specified offers which are not made to holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock; and

the creation of a nominating committee and related nominating procedures for the Molson Coors board of directors.

The restated certificate of incorporation of Molson Coors is attached to this document as Annex G. Please read the certificate of incorporation as it, together with the bylaws of Molson Coors (attached to this document as Annex H), is the principal legal document that will govern the rights of stockholders of Molson Coors after the merger transaction.

Amendment of Coors' Bylaws (See page 123)

In connection with the Coors charter amendment and related merger transaction, Coors is amending and restating its bylaws. Among other changes, the amendment to the bylaws will effect the following changes, in each case as further described in this document:

the change in the size of the Molson Coors board of directors to 15;

the addition of various governance and corporate actions requiring approval of two-thirds of the directors rather than a majority;

the appointment of a chairman and vice chairman of the board of directors and specified officers of Molson Coors; and

the revision of specified provisions relating to the calling of and conduct at stockholder meetings and the making of stockholder nominations and proposals.

The restated bylaws are attached to this document as Annex H. Please read the bylaws as they, together with the certificate of incorporation, are the principal legal documents that will govern the rights of stockholders of Molson Coors after the merger transaction.

Pentland and Coors Trust Voting Trust Agreements (See page 116)

The Coors Trust, the sole holder of the Coors Class A common stock, and Pentland, the principal holder of Molson Class B common shares, will enter into voting trust agreements upon completion of the merger transaction in order to combine their voting power over any Molson Coors Class A

common stock and Class A exchangeable shares that they will own following completion of the merger transaction.

Based on their stockholdings as of , 2004 and giving effect to the merger transaction, the Coors Trust and Pentland will have % and %, respectively, of the combined voting power of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by holders of Class A exchangeable shares). Peter H. Coors, chairman of Coors, is a trustee for the Coors Trust, and Eric H. Molson, chairman of the Molson board of directors, indirectly controls Pentland.

The Special Meetings

Molson will hold a special meeting of its securityholders to approve the arrangement (See page 46)

Molson will hold a special meeting of the holders of Class A non-voting shares, Class B common shares and options to purchase Class A non-voting shares on 2004, at .m. (Montréal time), at , Montréal, Québec. At the Molson special meeting in accordance with an interim order of the Superior Court of Québec dated , 2004, Molson securityholders will be asked to consider and vote upon the special resolution to approve the arrangement under section 192 of the CBCA to effect the combination of Molson and Coors.

Molson securityholder approvals will be required to complete the merger transaction (See page 47)

Each holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Molson Class B common shares as of the close of business on , 2004 is entitled to one vote per share on any matter to be considered at the Molson special meeting. Each holder of Molson options to purchase Class A non-voting shares at the close of business , 2004, is entitled to one vote for each Molson Class A non-voting share that the holder would have received upon a valid exercise of the holder's Molson options regardless of whether they are currently exercisable. The required approvals for the Molson special resolution are (i) $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast at the Molson special meeting by holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and holders of Molson options voting together as a class, and (ii) $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast at the Molson special meeting by holders of Molson Class B common shares voting as a class.

Ownership of Securities of Directors and Executive Officers of Molson (See page 208)

On the record date, directors and executive officers of Molson and their affiliates beneficially owned and had the right to vote:

Molson Class A non-voting shares, representing approximately % of that class outstanding on the record date.

options to purchase Molson Class A non-voting shares representing approximately % of the options outstanding on the record date.

Molson Class B common shares, representing approximately % of that class outstanding on the record date.

In addition, Pentland has entered into a voting agreement with Coors and the Coors Trust, under which Pentland has committed to vote all of its Molson Class B common shares in favor of the Molson special resolution. As of the record date, Pentland, which is indirectly controlled by Eric H. Molson, owned % of the Molson Class B common shares.

Pentland and Swiftsure Trust are parties to an agreement that restricts the transfer or conversion of shares of Molson by the parties to the agreement. The agreement provides for its termination in certain circumstances and for the provision of notice of termination by one party to the other in those circumstances, which include a party reaching a specified ownership level in the shares of Molson.

Molson and Coors have been advised by Pentland that it has taken steps towards the termination of the agreement. In the event that the merger transaction is not completed, solely as a result of Pentland's failure to terminate the agreement with Swiftsure Trust, Pentland has agreed that it will indemnify Coors for specified expenses of Coors and the Coors Trust relating to the merger transaction up to an aggregate U.S.\$15 million.

Coors will hold a special meeting of its stockholders to approve the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment (See page 52)

Coors will hold a special meeting of stockholders on at .m. (local time) at Coors Brewing Company, Sixth Floor Auditorium, Brewery Complex, 12th and Ford Streets, Golden, Colorado. At the Coors special meeting:

holders of shares of Coors Class A common stock will be asked to consider and vote on the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment; and

holders of shares of Coors Class B common stock will be asked to consider and vote on the Coors charter amendment.

Coors stockholder approvals will be required to complete the merger transaction (See page 53)

Each holder of shares of Coors Class A common stock as of the close of business on any matter to be considered at the Coors special meeting. Each holder of shares of Coors Class B common stock as of the close of business on 2004 is entitled to one vote per share on the Coors' charter amendment at the Coors special meeting.

To become effective, the Coors share issuance requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by holders of shares of Coors Class A common stock at the Coors special meeting at which the total votes cast by holders of shares of Coors Class A common stock represent at least a majority of the issued and outstanding shares of Coors Class A common stock.

To become effective, the Coors' charter amendment proposal requires (i) the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Coors Class A common stock, voting as a separate class, and (ii) the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Coors Class B common stock, voting as a separate class.

Unless both proposals are approved and the merger transaction is completed, neither proposal will be implemented.

Stock Ownership of Directors and Executive Officers of Coors (See page 255)

On the record date, directors and executive officers of Coors and their affiliates beneficially owned and had the right to vote shares of Coors Class B common stock, representing approximately % of that class outstanding on the record date.

In addition, the Coors Trust, for which Peter H. Coors, chairman of Coors, is a trustee, beneficially owns 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock, representing 100% of that class outstanding on the record date and shares of Coors Class B common stock, representing % of that class outstanding on the record date. Peter H. Coors disclaims beneficial ownership of the 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock and the shares of Coors Class B common stock held by the Coors Trust.

The Coors Trust, Peter H. Coors and Keystone Financing LLC, holders of 100% of the Class A common stock and % of the Class B common stock in the aggregate as of the record date, have entered into a voting agreement with Molson and Pentland, under which they have committed to vote all of their shares of Coors Class A common stock and Coors Class B common stock, in favor of the

Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment. As a result of the agreed-upon votes, the Coors share issuance is assured of approval at the Coors special meeting.

Risk Factors (See page 39)

There are certain risks that should be considered by the Coors stockholders and the Molson shareholders and optionholders in evaluating whether to approve the merger transaction. Some of these risks relate directly to the merger transaction while others relate to the business of the combined company. These risks include:

we may not realize the benefits we currently anticipate due to challenges associated with integrating the companies;

because the market price of Coors common stock will fluctuate and the exchange ratio is fixed, you cannot be sure of the market value of the Molson Coors common stock or the exchangeable shares that will be outstanding following completion of the merger transaction;

members of management and the boards of directors of Molson and Coors have interests in the merger transaction that are different from those of other shareholders;

the merger transaction is subject to consents and approvals from government entities that could delay completion of the merger transaction or impose conditions on the combined company;

Molson Coors' public stockholders will have no ability to influence the outcome of most matters presented to Molson Coors stockholders;

if Pentland and the Coors Trust do not agree on a matter submitted to stockholders, generally the matter will not be approved;

under certain circumstances, either Pentland or the Coors Trust may gain control from the other of a sole controlling interest in Molson Coors Class A common stock and the Class A exchangeable shares;

Molson shareholders who receive exchangeable shares will experience a delay in receiving shares of Molson Coors common stock from the date that they request an exchange;

we will continue to face intense competition;

our results may be impacted by foreign currency risk;

our operations face significant commodity price change and foreign exchange rate exposure;

we will continue to rely on a small number of suppliers to operate our business;

sales volumes could decrease and our business may be materially adversely affected by litigation directed at the alcohol beverage industry;

we are highly dependent on independent distributors in the United States to sell our products, with no assurance that these distributors will effectively sell our products;

we are and will continue to be subject to contingent liabilities;

we will be subject to the normal risks associated with investing and carrying on business in various countries; and

we are and will continue to be subject to a number of government regulations in all our operations.

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Per Share Equivalent Share Prices

The table below shows the closing prices of the Coors Class B common stock and each class of Molson shares and the pro forma equivalent per share value of each class of Molson shares at the close of the regular trading session on July 21, 2004, the last trading day before the public announcement of the merger transaction, and September 13, 2004, the most recent day for which that information was available prior to the filing of this document.

Date		Molson Sh	Molson Share Price	
	Coors Class B Closing Price(1)	Class A	Class B	Pro Forma Equivalent(2)
July 21, 2004	U.S.\$ 74.73	U.S.\$ 26.43 ⁽³⁾	U.S.\$ 26.02 ⁽³⁾	U.S.\$ 26.90
	Cdn.\$98.64 ⁽⁴⁾	Cdn.\$34.70	Cdn.\$34.17	Cdn.\$35.51 ⁽⁴⁾
, 2004	U.S.\$	U.S.\$ (5)	U.S.\$ ⁽⁵⁾	U.S.\$
	Cdn.\$ ⁽⁶⁾	Cdn.\$	Cdn.\$	Cdn.\$ ⁽⁶⁾

- (1) Shares of Coors Class A common stock are not currently traded on a stock exchange and, as a result, no market value is available for this class of shares, except by reference to the publicly traded shares of Coors Class B common stock.
- (2)

 The pro forma equivalent per share value of Molson shares is calculated by multiplying the Coors Class B closing price by the 0.360 exchange ratio.
- (3) Using the exchange rate on July 21, 2004 of U.S.\$0.7616 for one Canadian dollar.
- (4) Using the exchange rate on July 21, 2004 of Cdn.\$1.32 for one U.S. dollar.
- (5) Using the exchange rate on , 2004 of U.S.\$ for one Canadian dollar.
- (6) Using the exchange rate on , 2004 of Cdn.\$ for one U.S. dollar.

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Comparative Per Share Data

The following table sets forth certain historical per share data for Molson and Coors and pro forma combined per share data after giving effect to the merger transaction at an exchange ratio of 0.360 shares of Molson Coors common stock or Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares for each Molson share. This data should be read in conjunction with the Molson audited financial statements, the Molson interim unaudited financial statements, the Coors audited financial statements and the Coors interim unaudited financial statements that are attached to this document as Annexes Q and R, respectively, and the Molson Coors unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements included beginning on page 264 in this document. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements reflect adjustments to conform Molson's data to U.S. GAAP, presented in U.S.\$ and to give effect to the merger transaction as if it had occurred on December 30, 2002 with respect to the income statement, and as of June 27, 2004 with respect to the balance sheet. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial data are not necessarily indicative of the operating results or financial position that would have occurred had the merger transaction been completed at the beginning of the earliest period presented and should not be construed as indicative of future operations. For more information see "Information Concerning Molson" beginning on page 156 and "Information Concerning Coors" beginning on page 211.

		Years ended March 31,					Thre months e		
Historical Molson Canadian GAAP		2004	200)3	2002	-	e 30, 04	June 30, 2003	
					(Cdn.	.\$)			
Basic income per share		1.80	6 2	.42	1.48		0.54	0.43	
Diluted income per share		1.84	4 2	.38	1.45		0.53	0.42	
Book value per share at end of period(2	.)	9.5	7 8	.12	9.19		9.77	8.75	
Dividends per share	,	0.50	6 0	.42	0.38	0.15 Two		0.14 enty-six	
			Years	ended			weeks	s ended	
Historical Coors U.S. GAAP		2003	2002	2(1)	2001	J	une 27, 2004	June 29, 2003	
					(U.S.S	5)			
Basic income per share		4.81		4.47	3.33	3	2.08	2.12	
Diluted income per share		4.77		4.42	3.3	1	2.05	2.11	
Book value per share at end of period(2)		34.80	2	7.02	26.40	5	38.25	30.27	
Dividends per share		0.82		0.82	0.80)	0.41	0.41	
	Pro	o Forma	Combin	ed		Mol	lson Equi	valent(4)	
Pro forma per share data U.S. GAAP	Year ended 2003	ì	Twenty weeks e June 27,	nded	•	Year ended 2003	w	Twenty-six reeks ended one 27, 2004	
					(U.S.\$)				
Basic income per share	3.5	57		1.63		1.29)	0.59	
Diluted income per share	3.4	•		1.57		1.25		0.57	
Book value per share at end of period(3)				58.14		1.20		20.93	
Dividends per share	1.2	27(5)		0.630	(5)	0.46	í	0.23	
	1.2	.,(3)		0.03(<i>.</i>	0.40	,	0.23	

⁽¹⁾ Results prior to February 2, 2002 exclude Coors Brewers Limited, the business acquired from Interbrew on that date.

(2)

The historical book value per share is computed by dividing total stockholders' equity as of the end of each period for which the computation is made by the number of common shares outstanding at the end of each period.

- (3)

 The pro forma book value per share is computed by dividing pro forma stockholders' equity by the pro forma number of shares outstanding at the end of the period totalling 83.3 million common shares.
- (4)

 The Molson pro forma equivalent share amounts are computed by multiplying the Molson Coors pro forma combined per share amounts by the 0.360 exchange ratio.
- (5)

 The pro forma dividends per share amounts are based upon the agreement of Molson and Coors for Molson Coors to adopt Molson's dividend policy in effect on July 21, 2004, subject to applicable law and adjustment for (i) the exchange rate of U.S. \$0.7616 per Canadian dollar on that date and (ii) the exchange ratio of 0.360.

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Molson Selected Historical Financial Information

We are providing the following financial information to assist you in your analysis of the financial aspects of the merger transaction. We derived the annual Molson historical financial information from the audited consolidated financial statements of Molson as of and for each of the years ended March 31, 2000 through 2004. Molson prepares its financial statements in accordance with Canadian GAAP, which differs in significant respects from U.S. GAAP. See Note 24 to Molson's historical annual financial statements and Note 11 to Molson's interim historical financial statements in Annex Q. We derived the data as of and for the three months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 from unaudited interim financial statements of Molson. In the opinion of Molson management, this information includes adjustments (consisting only of normal and recurring adjustments) that are considered necessary for the fair presentation of the results for the interim periods.

The information below is in Cdn.\$ and is only a summary and is qualified by reference to, and should be read in conjunction with, Molson audited financial statements and the Molson unaudited interim financial statements that are attached to this document as Annex Q. The historical results included below and elsewhere in this document are not indicative of the future performance of Molson or the combined company.

For the three

	For the months June	For the years ended March 31,						
Canadian GAAP	2004	2003	2004	2003(2)	200	2(2,3)	2001	2000
	(In Cdn.\$ millions, except per share data)							
Consolidated Statement of Earnings Data:								
Net sales revenue	675.0	661.8	2,525	.5 2,515.2		2,102.3	1,857.1	1,753.7
Net earnings (loss) from continuing operations(1,4,6)	68.3	54.7	237	.0 308.7		175.6	137.2	(65.8)
Net earnings (loss)(1,4,6)	68.3	54.7	237	.0 308.7		177.6	133.9	(44.0)
Net earnings (loss) per share from continuing	0.74	0.40						(0. 5 ()
operations basic(1,4,6,7)	0.54	0.43	1.8	6 2.42		1.46	1.15	(0.56)
Net earnings (loss) per share from continuing operations diluted(1,4,6,7)	0.53	0.42	1.8	4 2.38		1.43	1.14	(0.55)
Net earnings (loss) per share basic(1,4,6,7)	0.53	0.42	1.8			1.43	1.14	(0.55)
Net earnings (loss) per share diluted(1,4,6,7)	0.54	0.43	1.8			1.46	1.12	(0.37)
Dividends declared per share(7)	0.33	0.42	0.5			0.38	0.36	0.36
Cash dividends paid per share(7)	0.15	0.14	0.5			0.37	0.34	0.34
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data: Cash and cash equivalents	14.5	3.8	21			71.0	70.1	61.7
Total assets(1,4,5)	3,929.7	3,990.2	3,930			4,506.3	3,280.8	3,111.8
Current portion of long-term debt	340.7	64.4				58.9	1 201 1	4 4 4 4 0
Total long-term debt	1,126.9	1,271.4	1,135			1,746.1	1,204.4	1,111.9
Shareholders' equity(1,4,5,6)	1,246.4	1,111.2	1,219	4 1,033.0		1,173.9	795.4	1,025.7
		For the three months ended June 30,		. <u>-</u>	For the years ended March 31,		led	
U.S. GAAP		200	04	2003		2004	20	03(2)
			(In C	dn.\$ millions,	excep	t per share	e data)	
Consolidated Statement of Earnings Data:								
Net sales revenue			687.3	\$ 661.8		2,525.5		2,515.2
Net earnings(1,6)		\$	68.7	\$ 56.8	\$	248.5	\$	294.1
Net earnings per share basic(1,6,7)		\$	0.54	\$ 0.45		1.96		2.31
Net earnings per share diluted(1,6,7)		\$	0.53	\$ 0.44		1.93		2.27
Dividends declared per share(7)		\$	0.15	\$ 0.14		0.56		0.42
Cash dividends paid per share(7)		\$	0.15	\$ 0.14	\$	0.53	\$	0.41

Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:

	For the three			For the years ended				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	month		1 7	\$	2 Mar c	ch 31 ,	12.2
Total assets(1)	\$	4,236.7	e 30 ,	3,968.0	\$	3,914.2	Ĵ	3,877.0
Current portion of long-term debt	\$	340.7	\$	04.4	\$	347.0	\$	40.6
Total long-term debt	\$	1,326.9	\$	1,271.4	\$	1,135.4	\$	1,220.6
Shareholders' equity(1,6)	\$	1,130.4	\$	970.8	\$	1,083.2	\$	892.3

- (1) In the fiscal years presented, Molson recorded provisions for rationalization consisting primarily of brewery closure costs and asset writedowns. For the year ended March 31, 2004, these provisions resulted in a pre-tax charge to earnings of \$36.3 (2003 \$63.5, 2002 \$50.0, 2001 \$nil, 2000 \$224.0).
- (2) During the year ended March 31, 2002, Molson acquired all of the outstanding shares of Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A. in Brazil. In a separate transaction, which closed in fiscal 2003, Molson sold 20% of its operations in Brazil to Heineken N.V.

- (3)

 During the year ended March 31, 2002, Molson completed the sale of its sports and entertainment business consisting of the Montréal Canadiens and the Molson Centre.
- Effective April 1, 2001, Molson adopted the CICA handbook section 3062 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" prospectively in which goodwill and other indefinite lived intangible assets are not amortized, but tested for impairment. Included in the fiscal 2001 and 2000 net earnings are \$38.5 and \$34.2 of amortization of intangible assets, respectively.
- During the year ended March 31, 2001, Molson adopted Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, or CICA, Handbook section 3461 "Employee Future Benefits" and section 3465 "Income Taxes" retroactively, without restatement. The result of adopting these standards were an increase in total assets of \$123.0, an increase in total liabilities of \$443.0 and a decrease in retained earnings of \$320.0.
- (6)

 Effective April 1, 2002, Molson adopted CICA handbook section 3870 "Stock-Based Compensation and Other Stock-Based Payments" on a prospective basis and began expensing stock options. Stock option expense for the year ended March 31, 2004 amounted to \$5.2. Fiscal 2003 was restated by \$3.7 to reflect the adoption of this standard. Prior years have not been restated.
- (7)
 All per share information is after a 2-for-1 stock split which took effect in September 2001. Prior years have been restated.

Coors Selected Historical Financial Information

We are providing the following financial information to assist you in your analysis of the financial aspects of the merger transaction. We derived the annual Coors historical financial information from the audited consolidated financial statements of Coors as of and for each of the fiscal years from 1999 through 2003. Coors prepares its financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP. We derived the data as of and for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004 and June 29, 2003 from unaudited interim financial statements of Coors. In the opinion of Coors' management, this information includes adjustments (consisting only of normal and recurring adjustments) that are considered necessary for the fair presentation of the results for the interim periods.

The information below is only a summary and is qualified by reference to, and should be read in conjunction with, the Coors audited financial statements and the Coors unaudited interim financial statements that are attached to this document as Annex R, as well as information that has been filed with the SEC. The historical results included below and elsewhere in this document are not indicative of the future performance of Coors or the combined company.

	Twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004	Twenty-six weeks ended June 29, 2003	Year ended 2003	Year ended 2002(2)	Year ended 2001	Year ended 2000(1)	Year ended 1999
			(In U.S.\$ thou	sands, except pe	er share data)		
Consolidated Income Statement Data:							
Net sales	2,074,205	1,928,517	4,000,113	3,776,322	2,429,462	2,414,415	2,236,484
Operating income	153,598	131,834	307,371	298,285	151,605	150,626	140,535
Net income	76,876	77,148	174,657	161,653	122,964	109,617	92,284
Net income per common							
share basic	2.08	2.12	4.81	4.47	3.33	2.98	2.51
Net income per common							
share diluted	2.05	2.11	4.77	4.42	3.31	2.93	2.46
Dividends per share of common	0.440	0.440	0.000	0.020	0.000	0.720	0 615
stock	0.410	0.410	0.820	0.820	0.800	0.720	0.645
Consolidated Balance Sheet Data:							
Cash and cash equivalents and short-term and long-term							
marketable securities	36,243	12,765	19,440	59,167	309,705	386,195	279,883
Total assets	4,531,957	4,269,506	4,486,226	4,297,411	1,739,692	1,629,304	1,546,376
Current portion of long-term debt							
and other short-term borrowings	210,515	83,429	91,165	144,049	88,038		
Long-term debt	931,622	1,386,454	1,159,838	1,383,392	20,000	105,000	105,000
Shareholders' equity	1,425,414	1,100,343	1,267,376	981,851	951,312	932,389	841,539

⁽¹⁾ Reflects a 53-week year.

⁽²⁾ Results for the first five weeks of fiscal 2002 and all prior fiscal years exclude Coors Brewers Limited.

Summary Molson Coors Unaudited Pro Forma Combined Financial Information

The following summary unaudited pro forma combined financial information is presented to give effect to the merger transaction between Molson and Coors and represents the combined company's pro forma unaudited condensed combined balance sheet as of June 27, 2004 and unaudited condensed combined income statements for the year ended December 28, 2003 and the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004.

The following summary unaudited pro forma combined financial information is derived from the unaudited pro forma combined financial statements beginning at page 264 and gives effect to the merger transaction between Molson and Coors as if it occurred on December 30, 2002 with respect to the income statement, and as of June 27, 2004 with respect to the balance sheet. The summary unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information is not necessarily indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved had the transaction actually taken place at the dates indicated and does not purport to be indicative of future financial position or operating results.

	For the Twenty-six Weeks Ended June 27, 2004	For the Year Ended December 28, 2003	
	(In U.S.\$ millions, except per share		
Income Statement Data			
Net sales revenue	3,993.9	7,825.1	
Net income available to common shareholders	135.1	293.6	
Net income per share basic	1.63	3.57	
Net income per share diluted	1.57	3.46	
Balance Sheet Data			
Cash and cash equivalents and short-term and long-term marketable securities	90.1		
Total assets	11,209.7		
Long-term debt	1,701.1		
Shareholders' equity	4,843.6		

Although the combination of Molson and Coors is a merger of equals, generally accepted accounting principles require that one of the two companies in the transaction be designated as the "acquiror" for accounting purposes. In connection with the merger transaction, Coors will be deemed to acquire the Molson net assets at fair value for accounting purposes. Some of these assets have finite lives and require amortization/depreciation expense to be charged to earnings over their useful lives. This has the effect of increasing amortization and depreciation by approximately U.S.\$79 million per year, pre-tax. However, this non-cash expense has no impact on cash generated from the business of the combined entity.

Risk Factors

You should carefully consider the following risk factors, as well as the other information contained in this document, including the attached annexes, in evaluating whether to approve the proposals relating to the merger transaction. Some of these risk factors relate directly to the merger transaction while others relate to the anticipated business of Molson Coors. By voting in favor of the merger transaction, Molson shareholders and optionholders will be choosing to invest in Molson Coors common stock or in the exchangeable shares, which are ultimately exchangeable for Molson Coors common stock. By voting in favor of the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment, Coors stockholders will be choosing to combine Molson's operations with Coors' operations.

Risks Related to the Merger Transaction

We may not realize the benefits we currently anticipate due to challenges associated with integrating the companies.

The success of the merger transaction will be dependent in large part on the success of the management of the combined company in integrating the operations, technologies and personnel of the two companies following the merger transaction. The failure of the combined company to meet the challenges involved in successfully integrating the operations of Molson and Coors or otherwise to realize any of the anticipated benefits of the merger transaction, including the estimated annual cost savings of U.S.\$175 million described elsewhere in this document, could impair the results of operations of the combined company. In addition, the overall integration of the two companies may result in unanticipated operations problems, expenses and liabilities and diversion of management's attention. The challenges involved in this integration include the following:

integrating successfully each company's operations, technologies, products and services;

reducing the costs associated with each company's operations;

coordinating sales, distribution and marketing efforts to effectively promote the products of the combined company;

preserving distribution, marketing or other important relationships of both Coors and Molson and resolving potential conflicts that may arise;

coordinating and rationalizing research and development activities to enhance introduction of new products;

assimilating the personnel of both companies and persuading employees that the business cultures of both companies are compatible; and

building employee morale and motivation.

Because the market price of Coors common stock will fluctuate and the exchange ratio is fixed, you cannot be sure of the market value of the Molson Coors common stock or the exchangeable shares that will be outstanding following completion of the merger transaction.

In the arrangement, each Molson share will, through a series of exchanges, be exchanged for a fixed number of shares of the applicable class or classes of shares of Molson Coors common stock or exchangeable shares (which will be eligible for exchange into shares of Molson Coors common stock). The exchange ratios in the merger transaction will not be adjusted for changes in the market prices of the shares of Coors or Molson. Changes in the market price of the Coors Class B common stock, the Molson Class A non-voting shares or the Molson Class B common shares or changes in the exchange rate between the U.S. and Canadian dollar prior to the completion of the arrangement will affect the market value of the Molson Coors common stock and the exchangeable shares to be received by

Molson shareholders. Stock price changes may result from a variety of factors, including general market and economic conditions and changes in our businesses, operations and prospects, many of which conditions and changes are beyond our control. Neither Molson nor Coors is permitted to terminate the combination agreement solely because of changes in the market prices of any of our shares or changes in the exchange rate between the U.S. and Canadian dollar.

Furthermore, none of the shares of Coors Class A common stock or exchangeable shares are currently traded on a stock exchange. As a result, no market value is available for those classes of shares, except by reference to the publicly traded shares of Class B common stock and the Molson shares.

If the merger transaction is completed, it will not be completed until after the date of the Coors and Molson special meetings and the satisfaction or waiver of all conditions to the arrangement. Therefore, at the time of your special meeting, you will not know the precise value of the Molson Coors shares or the exchangeable shares. We urge you to obtain current market prices for the Coors Class B common stock and Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares.

Members of the management and boards of directors of Molson and Coors have interests in the merger transaction that are different from those of other shareholders.

In considering whether to approve the merger transaction, Molson's securityholders and Coors' stockholders should recognize that some of the members of management and the boards of directors of Molson and Coors have interests in the merger transaction that differ from, or are in addition to, their interests as Molson securityholders or Coors stockholders. These interests include:

rights of certain officers and directors to receive termination payments or other benefits, including vesting of options, following a change of control;

future board of directors membership;

future executive officer positions; and

indemnification of officers and directors against certain liabilities.

These interests are described in "Description of the Merger Transaction Interests of Molson's Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction" beginning on page 71, "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116 and "Description of the Merger Transaction Interests of Coors' Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction" beginning on page 79.

The merger transaction is subject to the receipt of consents and approvals from government entities that could delay completion of the merger transaction or impose conditions on the combined company.

Completion of the merger transaction is conditioned upon the expiration or termination of the applicable waiting period under the HSR Act, and the receipt of consents, orders, approvals or clearance, as required, under the competition laws of Canada and certain other regulatory authorities. A substantial delay in obtaining satisfactory approvals or the imposition of unfavorable terms or conditions in the approvals could have an adverse effect on the business, financial condition or results of operations of Molson Coors.

Molson Coors' public stockholders will have no ability to influence the outcome of most matters presented to Molson Coors stockholders.

The Coors Trust, which is controlled by members of the Coors family, currently owns all of the voting stock of Coors, and Pentland, which is indirectly controlled by Eric H. Molson, owns approximately 44.7% of the voting shares of Molson. Following the merger transaction, Pentland and

the Coors Trust will be the beneficial owners of a controlling interest in the Molson Coors Class A common stock and the Class A exchangeable shares. Based on their shareholdings on , 2004, the Coors Trust and Pentland will hold %, of the combined voting power of Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by holders of Class A exchangeable shares). Peter H. Coors, the chairman of Coors, is a trustee for the Coors Trust, and Eric H. Molson, the chairman of the Molson board of directors, indirectly controls Pentland. Pentland and the Coors Trust have agreed to enter into voting trust agreements to vote their shares as a bloc. As a result of these ownership levels and voting trust agreements, the remaining holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class B common stock and Class B exchangeable shares will have no ability to influence the outcome of most matters presented to the combined company's stockholders, other than limited matters in which the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock vote separately.

Because Pentland and the Coors Trust will collectively own a controlling interest in the Molson Coors Class A common stock and the Class A exchangeable shares, a third party may be deterred from pursuing a tender offer, change in control or take-over attempt in respect of Molson Coors that is not supported by them.

If Pentland and the Coors Trust do not agree on a matter submitted to stockholders, generally the matter will not be approved.

Pentland and the Coors Trust, which will be Molson Coors' two largest stockholders, will enter into voting trust agreements upon the completion of the merger transaction through which they will combine their voting power over the Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares they will own upon completion of the merger transaction. However, in the event that these two stockholders do not agree to vote in favor of a matter submitted to a stockholder vote (other than the election of directors), the voting trustees will be required to vote all of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares deposited in the voting trusts against the matter. There is no other mechanism in the voting trust agreements to resolve a potential deadlock between these stockholders. Therefore, if either Pentland or the Coors Trust are unwilling to vote in favor of a transaction that is subject to a stockholder vote, we may be unable to complete the transaction even if our board, management or other stockholders believe the transaction is beneficial for Molson Coors.

Under specified circumstances, either Pentland or the Coors Trust may forfeit the right to instruct the trustees with respect to voting on matters presented to Molson Coors stockholders and thereby vest the other with a sole controlling interest in Molson Coors Class A common stock and the Class A exchangeable shares.

If Pentland and its permitted transferees cease to beneficially own a specified minimum number of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares, then Pentland will forfeit the right to instruct the trustees with respect to voting on matters presented to Molson Coors stockholders, and lose rights relating to the nomination of directors to the Molson Coors board of directors. Similarly, if the Coors Trust and its permitted transferees cease to beneficially own a specified minimum number of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares, they will forfeit the right to instruct the trustees with respect to voting on matters presented to Molson Coors stockholders, and lose rights relating to the nomination of directors to the Molson Coors board of directors.

In the event that one party forfeits its right to instruct the trustees with respect to voting on matters presented to Molson Coors stockholders, while the other party retains its right to so instruct the trustees, the party that retains its right to give voting instructions to the trustees will be vested with the sole controlling interest in Molson Coors Class A common stock and the Class A exchangeable shares held in the voting trusts and the sole ability to direct the outcome of most matters presented to

Molson Coors' stockholders, other than limited matters on which the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock vote separately.

For a detailed description of these voting trust agreements, see "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116.

Molson shareholders who receive exchangeable shares will experience a delay in receiving shares of Molson Coors common stock from the date that they request an exchange.

Molson shareholders who receive exchangeable shares in the arrangement and later request to receive Molson Coors common stock in exchange for their exchangeable shares will not receive Molson Coors common stock for 10 to 15 business days after the applicable request is received. During this 10- to 15-business day period, the market price of Molson Coors common stock may increase or decrease. Any such increase or decrease would affect the value of the consideration to be received by the holder of exchangeable shares on the effective date of the exchange.

Risks Related to the Molson Coors Business and Operations

We will continue to face intense competition, which may negatively impact our operating results.

The brewing industry is highly competitive and requires substantial human and capital resources. Competition in our various markets could cause us to reduce prices, increase capital and other expenditures or lose market share, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business and financial results. In addition, in some of our markets, our primary competitors have substantially greater financial, marketing, production and distribution resources than Molson Coors will have. In all of the markets where Molson Coors will operate, aggressive marketing strategies by our main competitors could adversely affect our financial results.

Our results may be impacted by foreign currency risk.

Molson Coors will hold assets and incur liabilities, earn revenues and pay expenses in a variety of currencies other than the U.S. dollar, primarily the Canadian dollar, the Brazilian real and the British pound. Because our financial statements will be presented in U.S. dollars, we must translate our assets, liabilities, income and expenses into U.S. dollars at then-applicable exchange rates. Consequently, increases and decreases in the value of the U.S. dollar will affect, perhaps negatively, the value of these items in our financial statements, even if their value has not changed in their original currency.

Our operations face significant commodity price change and foreign exchange rate exposure.

Molson Coors will use a large volume of agricultural and other raw materials to produce its products, including malt, hops and water. The supply and price of these raw materials can be affected by a number of factors beyond our control, including frosts, droughts and other weather conditions, economic factors affecting growth decisions, plant diseases and theft. To the extent any of the foregoing factors affect the prices of ingredients, our results of operations could be materially and adversely impacted. In addition, in Brazil agricultural and other raw materials are priced based on the U.S. dollar and, since Molson's sales in Brazil are made in local currency, fluctuations in the exchange rate between the U.S. dollar and the Brazilian real may negatively impact our earnings in Brazil.

Both companies have active hedging programs to address commodity price and foreign exchange rate changes. However, to the extent we fail to adequately manage the foregoing risks, including if our hedging arrangements do not effectively or completely hedge changes in foreign currency rates or commodity price risks, our results of operations may be negatively impacted.

We will continue to rely on a small number of suppliers to operate our business.

We purchase most of our packaging and container supplies from a single supplier or a small number of suppliers. In addition, consolidation of the glass bottle industry in North America has reduced local supply alternatives and increased risks of glass bottle supply disruptions. The inability of any of these suppliers to meet our production requirements without sufficient time to develop an alternative source could have a material adverse effect on our business.

Litigation directed at the alcohol beverage industry may adversely affect our sales volumes and our business.

Coors and many other brewers and distilled spirits manufacturers have been sued in several courts regarding advertising practices and underage consumption. The suits allege that each defendant intentionally marketed its products to "children and other underage consumers." In essence, each suit seeks, on behalf of an undefined class of parents and guardians, an injunction and unspecified money damages. We will vigorously defend these lawsuits and it is not possible at this time to estimate the possible loss or range of loss, if any, in these lawsuits.

We are highly dependent on independent distributors in the United States to sell our products, with no assurance that these distributors will effectively sell our products.

We sell all of our products in the United States to distributors for resale to retail outlets. Some of our distributors are at a competitive disadvantage because they are significantly smaller than the largest distributors in their markets. Our distributors also sell products that compete with our products. We cannot control or provide any assurance that these distributors will not give our competitors' products higher priority, thereby reducing sales of our products. In addition, the regulatory environment of many states makes it very difficult to change distributors. Consequently, if we are not allowed or are unable to replace unproductive or inefficient distributors, our business, financial position, and results of operation may be adversely affected.

We are and will continue to be subject to various contingent liabilities and cannot predict with certainty that our reserves for those liabilities will be sufficient.

In the course of our respective businesses, we are subject to various litigation claims and other contingent liabilities. These include, among others, (i) claims asserted against Molson's subsidiary, Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A., by Brazilian tax authorities, including claims for income taxes, federal excise taxes, value-added tax, revenue taxes (PIS/federal unemployment insurance contribution) and federal social security tax, (ii) claims by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that Coors is a potentially responsible party at the Lowry Superfund Site and (iii) various other legal claims arising in the ordinary course of our businesses.

While we have estimated and accrued for costs expected to be incurred in connection with our contingent liabilities, if actual costs are higher than expected, we could be required to accrue for additional costs and make additional cash payments.

We will be subject to the normal risks associated with investing and carrying on business in various countries.

We conduct activities in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom and Brazil. Our investments are subject to the risks normally associated with any conduct of business in foreign countries including: uncertain political and economic environments; changes in laws or policies of particular countries; taxation; delays in obtaining or failure to obtain necessary governmental permits; limitations on repatriation of earnings; and increased financing costs.

We are, and will be, subject to a number of government regulations in all our operations.

Our business is regulated by federal, state, provincial and local laws and regulations in various countries regarding such matters as licensing requirements, trade and pricing practices, labeling, advertising, promotion and marketing practices, relationships with distributors, environmental matters and other matters. Failure to comply with these laws and regulations could result in the loss, revocation or suspension of our licenses, permits or approvals. In addition, changes in tax, environmental or any other laws or regulations which affect our products or their production, handling or distribution could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

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Information Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

This document (including the documents attached as annexes to this document) contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of historical fact contained in this document and the materials accompanying this document are forward-looking statements.

The forward-looking statements are based on the beliefs of management of each of Molson and Coors, as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to management of each of Molson and Coors. Frequently, but not always, forward-looking statements are identified by the use of the future tense and by words such as "believes," "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "will," "may", "could", "would", "projects," "continues," "estimates" or similar expressions. Forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and actual results could differ materially from those indicated by the forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause Molson's, Coors' or their industry's actual results, levels of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements.

Among the important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated by forward-looking statements are the risks and uncertainties described under "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this document, in Molson's other filings with Canadian securities administrators and in Coors' other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Neither Molson nor Coors can provide any assurance that the plans, intentions or expectations upon which forward-looking statements are based will occur. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including those discussed elsewhere in this document and the documents that are attached as annexes to this document. Although Molson and Coors believe that the expectations represented in forward-looking statements are reasonable, neither Molson nor Coors can assure that these expectations will prove to be correct.

Forward-looking statements are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. The forward-looking statements included in this document are made as of the date of this document and neither Molson nor Coors undertakes any obligation to publicly update forward-looking statements to reflect new information, subsequent events or otherwise.

Special Meeting of Molson Securityholders

The accompanying Molson proxy is solicited on behalf of Molson's management for use at the Molson special meeting.

Date, Time and Place of the Molson Special Meeting

The Molson special meeting is scheduled to be held as follows:

Date: , 2004

Time: , Montréal time

Place: , Montréal, Québec

Purpose of the Molson Special Meeting

At the Molson special meeting, Molson securityholders will be asked to:

- 1. consider, pursuant to an interim order of the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec dated , 2004, and, if deemed advisable, to pass, with or without variation, the Molson special resolution attached to this document as Annex A to approve the arrangement under Section 192 of the CBCA to effect the combination of Molson and Coors; and
- 2. transact other business that may properly come before the Molson special meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the Molson special meeting.

The combination agreement is attached as Annex B to this document. Other documents referred to in the combination agreement also are attached as annexes to this document. Molson securityholders are encouraged to read the combination agreement and related exhibits in their entirety and the other information contained in this document, including the annexes, carefully before deciding to vote.

Recommendation of the Molson Board of Directors

Molson's board of directors recommends that Molson securityholders vote "FOR" the approval of the special resolution attached to this document as Annex A to approve the arrangement under Section 192 of the CBCA.

Record Date and Entitlement to Vote

The Molson board of directors has fixed the close of business on entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Molson special meeting. As of the record date, there were (i) Molson Class A non-voting shares,

Molson Class B common shares and (iii) options to purchase the Molson special meeting.

Molson Class A non-voting shares outstanding and entitled to vote at the Molson special meeting.

Molson will prepare, within 10 days after the record date, a list of the holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares, Molson Class B common shares and Molson options entitled to vote at the Molson special meeting. The list of Molson securityholders will be available for inspection at the offices of , Molson's registrar and transfer agent, at during usual business hours.

Registered Holders of Molson Shares or Options

If you are a registered holder of Molson shares at the close of business (Montréal time) on the record date, you are entitled to attend the Molson special meeting in person or by proxy and to cast one vote for each Molson Class A non-voting share and Molson Class B common share held by you on the record date. If you are a holder of Molson options at the close of business (Montréal time) on the

record date, you are entitled to attend the Molson special meeting in person or by proxy and to cast one vote for each Molson Class A non-voting share you would have received on a valid exercise of the Molson options held by you on the record date, regardless of whether the Molson options are currently exercisable.

Non-Registered Shareholders

The names of the shareholders whose shares are held in the name of a broker or another intermediary will not appear on the list of shareholders of Molson. If you are not a registered Molson shareholder, in order to vote you must obtain the material relating to the Molson special meeting from your broker or other intermediary, complete the request for voting instructions sent by the broker or other intermediary and follow the directions of the broker or other intermediary with respect to voting procedures.

In accordance with National Instrument 54-101 adopted by the Canadian securities administrators entitled "Communication with Beneficial Owners of Securities of a Reporting Issuer", Molson is distributing copies of the material related to the Molson special meeting to the clearing agencies and intermediaries for distribution to non-registered holders. Intermediaries must forward the material related to the Molson special meeting to non-registered holders and often use a service company (such as ADP Investor Communications in Canada) to permit you, if you are not a registered shareholder, to direct the voting of the Molson shares which you beneficially own. If you are a non-registered Molson shareholder, you may revoke voting instructions which have been given to an intermediary at any time by written notice to the intermediary. If you are a non-registered Molson shareholder, please submit your voting instructions to your intermediary or broker in sufficient time to ensure that your votes are received by Molson on or before p.m., Montréal time, on .

Quorum and Votes Required

Attendance in person or by proxy of holders of 25% of the issued and outstanding Molson Class A non-voting shares and holders of 25% of the issued and outstanding Molson Class B common shares will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Molson special meeting. If a quorum is not present, the Molson special meeting may be adjourned to allow additional time for obtaining additional proxies or votes. At any subsequent reconvening of the Molson special meeting, all proxies will be voted in the same manner as the proxies would have been voted at the original convening of the Molson special meeting, except for any proxies that have been effectively revoked or withdrawn prior to the subsequent meeting.

In accordance with the interim order of the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec, the requisite approval for the Molson special resolution will be:

not less than $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast on the Molson special resolution by holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and holders of Molson options, voting together as a class, present in person or by proxy at the Molson special meeting (so that each holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares is entitled to one vote for each Molson Class A non-voting share held and each holder of Molson options is entitled to one vote for each Molson Class A non-voting share that the holder would have received on a valid exercise of the holder's Molson options), and

not less than $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast on the Molson special resolution by holders of Molson Class B common shares, voting as a separate class, present in person or by proxy at the Molson special meeting.

Any spoiled votes, illegible votes and defective votes will be considered not to be votes cast.

Proxies

Your vote is very important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Molson special meeting, we urge you to vote promptly to ensure that your securities are represented at the meeting. You may vote by mail by dating and signing the enclosed form of proxy and promptly returning it in the postage-paid envelope provided. For a proxy to be valid, you (or your attorney, who must be authorized in writing) must sign and date it, and must either return it in the envelope provided or deposit it at the offices of at not later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on , 2004 or, if the Molson special meeting is adjourned, 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays) before the time the adjourned Molson special meeting is to be reconvened. An undated but executed proxy will be deemed to be dated the date of this document.

You may also cast your vote by proxy via the Internet at the website indicated on your proxy form or by telephone by calling the toll-free number shown on your proxy form and following the instructions. You must do so not later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) two business days before the Molson special meeting. You will also need your control number located on the front of your proxy form to identify yourself to the system. If you submit your proxy via the Internet or by telephone, please do not return a signed form of proxy. A signed and completed form of proxy or properly submitted telephone or Internet proxies received by Molson prior to or at the Molson special meeting will be voted as instructed.

There are three forms, a [color] proxy applicable to holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares, a [color] proxy applicable to holders of Molson Class B common shares and a [color] proxy applicable to Molson optionholders. Please be sure to execute a vote by telephone, Internet or mail with regard to each form of proxy you receive.

If you need an additional form of proxy, please contact our proxy solicitor, Innisfree M&A Incorporated, toll free at or (French speakers). (English speakers)

If your broker or other nominee holds your shares in its name, carefully follow the instructions given to you by your broker or other intermediary to ensure that your shares are properly voted.

Voting of Proxies

The individuals named in the enclosed form of proxy will vote the Molson securities represented by proxy in accordance with the instructions of the Molson securityholder who appointed them. If you submit a validly executed proxy without providing instructions, the Molson securities represented by the proxy will be voted "FOR" the Molson special resolution. The enclosed form of proxy, when properly completed and signed, confers discretionary authority on the appointed individuals to vote as they see fit on any amendment or variation to any of the matters identified in the notice of Molson special meeting and on any other matter that may properly be brought before the Molson special meeting. At the date of this document, neither the Molson board of directors nor management of Molson is aware of any variation, amendment or other matter to be presented for a vote at the Molson special meeting.

Revocation of Proxies

If you are a registered holder, you may revoke a proxy at any time before the Molson special meeting:

by executing, or having your attorney (who must be authorized in writing) execute, a valid form of revocation of proxy and delivering it to the Secretary of Molson or the offices of at the address referred to above, at any time up to and including the last business day preceding the day of the Molson special meeting, or any adjournment of the Molson special meeting, or to the

chairman of the Molson special meeting at any time before the Molson special meeting or any adjournment of the Molson special meeting;

by completing and submitting, or having your attorney (who must be authorized in writing) complete and submit, a later-dated proxy form no later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on the last business day before the Molson special meeting;

by attending the Molson special meeting and voting in person. Your attendance at the Molson special meeting alone will not revoke your proxy. You must also vote at the Molson special meeting in order to revoke a previously submitted proxy.

You may also revoke a proxy via the Internet at the website indicated on your proxy form or by telephone by calling the toll-free number shown on your proxy form and following the instructions.

If a broker holds shares in "street name" and you have instructed a broker to vote your shares and wish to change your vote, you must follow directions received from your broker to change those instructions.

Molson Voting Agreement

As a condition to Coors entering into the combination agreement, concurrently with the execution and delivery of the combination agreement, Pentland entered into the Molson voting agreement with Coors and the Coors Trust under which, among other things, Pentland has agreed, subject to the terms of the Molson voting agreement, to vote all Molson shares owned by it in favor of the merger transactions contemplated by the combination agreement.

Pentland and the Swiftsure Trust are parties to an agreement that restricts the transfer or conversion of shares of Molson by the parties to the agreement. The agreement provides for its termination in certain circumstances and for the provision of notice of termination by one party to the other in those circumstances, which include a party reaching a specified ownership level in the shares of Molson. Molson and Coors have been advised by Pentland that it has taken steps towards the termination of the agreement. In the event that the merger transaction is not completed solely as a result of Pentland's failure to terminate the agreement with Swiftsure Trust, Pentland has agreed that it will indemnify Coors for specified expenses of Coors and the Coors Trust relating to the merger transaction, up to an aggregate of U.S.\$15 million.

For more information about the Molson voting agreement, see "The Combination Agreement and Related Agreements Voting Agreements" beginning on page 101.

Voting Securities and Principal Holders of Securities

On the record date, there were outstanding (i) Molson Class A non-voting shares, (ii) Molson Class B common shares, and (iii) Molson options entitling the holders of those options to receive upon the valid exercise of those options Molson Class A non-voting shares. Each Molson Class A non-voting share and Class B common share carries the right to one vote. Each Molson option carries the right to one vote for each Molson Class A non-voting share the holder of that option is entitled to receive upon the valid exercise of the option.

The only shareholder that, to the knowledge of Molson management, as of the record date, owned beneficially, or exercised control or direction over more than 10% of the total outstanding Molson Class A non-voting shares was AIM Funds Management Inc. which, as of July 31, 2004, controlled 15,225,750 Molson Class A non-voting shares or approximately 14.5% of the total outstanding Molson Class A non-voting shares as of that date.

The only shareholders that, to the knowledge of Molson management, as of the record date, owned beneficially, or exercised control or direction over more than 10% of the total outstanding Molson Class B common shares were:

Eric H. Molson, chairman of the Molson board of directors, who indirectly through Pentland controlled 10,000,000 Molson Class B common shares or approximately % of the total outstanding Molson Class B common shares. Pentland is owned by Lincolnshire Holdings Inc. and Nooya Investments Inc., which are respectively owned by Eric H. Molson and his brother Stephen T. Molson;

the Estate of the late T.H.P. Molson, a family estate trust of which Eric H. Molson and Stephen T. Molson are, together with a corporate trustee, trustees, held 2,407,200 Molson Class B common shares or approximately

Molson Class B common shares; and

% of the total outstanding

R. Ian Molson, who controls Nantel Investments Ltd. which beneficially owned, through Swiftsure Trust, 2,300,000 Molson Class B common shares or approximately % of the total outstanding Molson Class B common shares.

On the record date, directors and executive officers of Molson and their affiliates beneficially owned and had the right to vote:

Molson Class A non-voting shares, representing approximately % of the class outstanding on the record date;

options to purchase Molson Class A non-voting shares representing approximately % of the options outstanding on the record date; and

Molson Class B common shares, representing approximately % of the class outstanding on the record date.

Solicitation of Proxies

The management of Molson is soliciting proxies for use at the Molson special meeting and has designated the individuals listed on the enclosed form of proxy as persons whom Molson securityholders may appoint as their proxyholders. If you are a Molson securityholder and wish to appoint an individual not listed on the enclosed form of proxy to represent you at the Molson special meeting, you may do so either by crossing out the names on the enclosed form of proxy and inserting the name of that other individual in the blank space provided on the enclosed form of proxy or by completing another acceptable form of proxy. A proxy nominee need not be a Molson securityholder. If the Molson securityholder is a corporation, it must execute the proxy by an officer or properly appointed attorney.

Molson will bear the expenses in connection with the solicitation of proxies from Molson securityholders, except that Coors and Molson have agreed to share equally out-of-pocket expenses related to the printing and filing of this document. Molson has retained Innisfree M&A Incorporated, a proxy solicitation firm, for assistance in connection with the solicitation of proxies in Canada and the United States and anticipates paying a fee not exceeding U.S.\$500,000 plus additional charges related to telephone calls and other services. Arrangements will also be made with brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for the forwarding of solicitation material to the beneficial owners of Molson shares held of record by these persons, and Molson may reimburse them for their reasonable transaction and clerical expenses. Molson and Coors have agreed to share the costs of the solicitation of proxies.

Solicitation of proxies may also be made by mail, in person, or by telephone, email, Internet, facsimile, telegram or other means of communication, by Molson's directors, officers and employees.

These people will receive no additional compensation for these services, but will be reimbursed for any transaction expenses incurred by them in connection with these services.

Independent Auditors

Representatives of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Molson's independent auditors, plan to attend the Molson special meeting and will be available to answer questions. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP's representatives will also have an opportunity to make a statement at the Molson special meeting if they so desire.

Dissenting Shareholder's Rights

Under the provisions of the interim order, registered Molson shareholders will have the right to dissent with respect to the Molson special resolution. If the arrangement becomes effective, a registered Molson shareholder who dissents will be entitled to be paid the fair value of its Molson shares by Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco. This right to dissent is described in this document and in the plan of arrangement which is attached to this document as Annex D. If you want to dissent in respect of the Molson special resolution, you must provide a written dissent notice to Molson's secretary at Molson Inc., 1555 Notre Dame Street East, 4th Floor, Montréal, Québec H2L 2R5, Attention: Secretary, facsimile number , not later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on the business day immediately preceding the Molson special meeting (or any adjournment or postponement of the Molson special meeting). If you do not strictly comply with this requirement, you could lose your right to dissent. This requirement is different from the statutory dissent procedures of the CBCA that would permit a dissent notice to be provided at or prior to the Molson special meeting.

Special Meeting of Coors Stockholders

The accompanying Coors proxy is solicited on behalf of Coors' board of directors for use at the Coors special meeting.

Date, Time and Place of the Coors Special Meeting

The special meeting is scheduled to be held as follows:

Date: , 2004

Time: , local time

Place: Coors Brewing Company, Sixth Floor Auditorium, Brewery Complex, 12th and

Ford Streets, Golden, Colorado

Purpose of the Coors Special Meeting

The purpose of the Coors special meeting is to:

- 1. consider and vote on a proposal to adopt a restated certificate of incorporation of Coors in the form attached as Annex G;
- 2. consider and vote on a proposal to approve the issuance of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, Class B common stock, special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock (and any shares convertible into or exchangeable for shares of those classes of stock) as contemplated by the combination agreement and the plan of arrangement; and
- 3. transact other business that may properly come before the Coors special meeting and any adjournment or postponement of the Coors special meeting.

Unless both proposal 1 and proposal 2 are approved at the Coors special meeting and the merger transaction is completed, neither proposal will be implemented.

The combination agreement is attached as Annex B to this document. Other documents referred to in the combination agreement also are attached as annexes to this document. Coors stockholders are encouraged to read the combination agreement and exhibits in their entirety and the other information contained in this document, including the annexes, carefully before deciding to vote.

Recommendation of the Coors Board of Directors

Coors' board of directors recommends that Coors shareholders vote "FOR" approval of the adoption of the restated certificate of incorporation of Coors in the form attached to this document as Annex G and "FOR" approval of the issuance of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, Class B common stock, special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock (and any shares convertible into or exchangeable for that stock) as contemplated by the combination agreement and the plan of arrangement.

Record Date and Entitlement to Vote

Coors' board of directors has fixed the close of business on $\,$, 2004 as the record date for determining Coors stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Coors special meeting. As of the record date, there were 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock and shares of Coors Class B common stock outstanding and entitled to vote.

Quorum and Votes Required

A majority of each class of issued and outstanding shares of Coors common stock, as of the record date, represented in person or by proxy, will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the Coors special meeting. If a quorum is not present with respect to a matter, the Coors special meeting may be postponed or adjourned to allow additional time for obtaining additional proxies or votes. At any subsequent reconvening of the Coors special meeting, all proxies will be voted in the same manner as the proxies would have been voted at the original convening of the Coors special meeting, except for any proxies that have been effectively revoked or withdrawn prior to the subsequent meeting. Each share of Coors Class A common stock, each of which is held by the Coors Trust, entitles its owner to one vote on all matters presented at the Coors special meeting. Each share of Coors Class B common stock entitles its owner to one vote on the Coors charter amendment presented at the Coors special meeting. Shares held by Coors in its treasury do not count toward a quorum.

Approval of the Coors charter amendment requires (i) the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Coors Class A common stock, voting as a separate class, and (ii) the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of Coors Class B common stock, voting as a separate class. Approval of the Coors share issuance requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast on the proposal by holders of the outstanding shares of Coors Class A common stock (provided that the total votes cast on the Coors share issuance represent at least a majority of the Coors Class A common stock issued and outstanding and entitled to vote at the Coors special meeting).

Abstentions

If any Coors stockholder submits a proxy that indicates an abstention from voting on all matters, that stockholder's shares will be counted as present in determining the existence of a quorum at the Coors special meeting. Abstentions are included in determining the number of outstanding shares entitled to vote on the proposals submitted to stockholders. As a result, abstentions will count as a vote against the Coors charter amendment.

Attending the Coors Special Meeting

If you are a holder of record of Coors common stock and plan to attend the Coors special meeting, please indicate this when you submit your proxy. When you arrive at the Coors special meeting, you will be asked to present photo identification, such as a driver's license. If you are a beneficial owner of Coors common stock held by a broker, bank, or other nominee, you will need proof of ownership to be admitted to the special meeting. A recent brokerage statement or a letter from a bank or broker are examples of proof of ownership. If you want to vote your Coors common stock held in nominee name in person, you must get a written proxy in your name from the broker, bank, or other nominee that holds your shares.

Proxies

Your vote is very important. Whether or not you plan to attend the Coors special meeting, we urge you to vote promptly to ensure that your securities are represented at the meeting. You may vote by mail by dating and signing the enclosed proxy card and promptly returning it in the postage-paid envelope provided. Alternatively, you can simplify the process and save Coors expense by submitting your proxy via the Internet at or by telephone at and following the instructions. You will need a control number, which is located on your proxy card to verify your identity as a Coors stockholder and allow you to submit your proxy and confirm that your voting instructions have been recorded properly. If you submit your proxy via the Internet or by telephone, please do not return a signed proxy card. A signed and completed proxy card or properly submitted telephone or Internet

proxy received by Coors prior to or at the Coors special meeting will be voted as instructed. If your broker or other nominee holds your shares in its name, carefully follow the instructions given to you by your broker or other intermediary to ensure that your shares are properly voted.

Please be sure to submit your proxy by telephone, Internet or mail.

If you need an additional proxy card, please contact our proxy solicitor, Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc. toll free at

If your broker or other nominee holds your shares in its name, carefully follow the instructions given to you by your broker or other intermediary to ensure that your shares are properly voted.

Voting of Proxies

All properly-executed proxies that Coors receives prior to the vote at the Coors special meeting, and that are not revoked, will be voted in accordance with the instructions indicated on the proxy card. If you submit a validly executed proxy without providing direction, the proxy will be voted in favor of approval of the proposals (except for broker non-votes, which are discussed below).

Brokers holding shares in "street name" may vote the shares only if you provide them with instructions on how to vote. Brokers will direct you on how to instruct them to vote your shares or submit a proxy or give voting instructions. If your shares are held in "street name," your broker or nominee may permit you to instruct them by telephone or electronically. Please check your proxy card or contact your broker or nominee to determine whether these methods are available to you.

Under the rules that govern brokers who have record ownership of shares that are held in "street name" for their clients (who are the beneficial owners of the shares), brokers have discretion to vote the shares on routine matters but not on non-routine matters. The Coors charter amendment and Coors share issuance are non-routine matters. Accordingly, brokers will not have discretionary voting authority to vote your shares on these proposals at the Coors special meeting. A "broker non-vote" occurs when a broker does not have discretionary voting authority and has not received instructions from the beneficial owners of the shares. Broker non-votes will be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present at the special meeting, but will not be counted as votes in favor of approval for purposes of determining whether a proposal has been approved.

Failing to return your proxy or attend the Coors special meeting will reduce the number of votes cast at the Coors special meeting and may contribute to a lack of a quorum.

Because approval of the Coors charter amendment requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of each class of Coors common stock, abstentions, failures to vote and broker non-votes will have the same effect as votes against the Coors charter amendment. Consequently, we urge you to return the enclosed proxy card with your vote marked.

Coors does not expect that any matter or proposal other than the proposals described in this document will be brought before the Coors special meeting or any adjournment. If, however, other matters are properly presented, the persons named as proxies will vote in accordance with their judgment with respect to those matters on which the grantor of the proxy is entitled to vote.

Revocation of Proxies

You can change your vote at any time before your proxy is voted at the Coors special meeting. If you are a registered holder, you can do this in one of three ways:

First, before the Coors special meeting, you can deliver a signed notice of revocation of proxy to the Secretary of Coors at the address specified below.

Second, you can complete and submit a later-dated proxy card or, if you submitted your proxy by telephone or through the Internet, you can change your proxy by telephone or through the Internet.

Third, you can attend the Coors special meeting and vote in person. Your attendance at the Coors special meeting alone will not revoke your proxy; rather, you must also vote at the Coors special meeting in order to revoke your previously submitted proxy.

If you want to change your proxy directions by mail, you should send any notice of revocation or your completed new proxy card, as the case may be, to Coors at the following address:

Adolph Coors Company c/o Corporate Secretary Mail No. NH311 P.O. Box 4030 Golden, Colorado 80401 Telephone: Facsimile:

You may also revoke or change your proxy directions by telephone or via the Internet by following the instructions set forth below under "Proxies" above.

If you have instructed a broker to vote your shares and wish to change your vote, you must follow directions received from your broker to change those instructions.

Coors Voting Agreement

As a condition to entering into the combination agreement, concurrently with the execution and delivery of the combination agreement, each of the Coors Trust, Keystone Financing LLC and Peter H. Coors entered into the Coors voting agreement with Pentland and Molson under which, among other things, each has agreed subject to the terms of the Coors voting agreement to vote all of the shares of Coors common stock beneficially owned by each of them in favor of the Coors charter amendment and Coors share issuance contemplated by the combination agreement. As of the record date, these three stockholders collectively beneficially owned:

all of the issued and outstanding shares of Coors Class A common stock, and

shares of Coors Class B common stock, or approximately % of the issued and outstanding shares of Coors Class B common stock.

For more information about this voting agreement, see "The Combination Agreement and Related Agreements-Voting Agreements" beginning on page 101.

Shares Beneficially Held by Directors and Executive Officers

On the record date, directors and executive officers of Coors and their affiliates beneficially owned and had the right to vote shares of Coors Class B common stock, representing approximately % of that class outstanding on the record date.

In addition, the Coors Trust, for which Peter H. Coors, the chairman of Coors' board of directors, is a trustee, beneficially owns 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock, representing 100% of that class outstanding on the record date, and shares of Class B common stock, representing % of that class outstanding on the record date. Peter H. Coors disclaims beneficial ownership of the 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock and the shares of Coors Class B common stock held by the Coors Trust.

Based on discussions with its board of directors and executive officers, to Coors' knowledge, all directors and executive officers of Coors intend to vote their common stock in favor of the Coors charter amendment proposal, although none of the officers or directors, other than Peter H. Coors, as described above, is obligated to do so.

For more information regarding beneficial ownership of shares of Coors common stock by each current Coors director, certain executive officers of Coors, all directors and executive officers of Coors as a group and other principal stockholders, see "Information Concerning Coors Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners, Directors and Management" beginning on page 255.

Solicitation of Proxies

The management of Coors is soliciting proxies for use at the Coors special meeting and has designated the individuals listed on the enclosed form of proxy as persons whom Coors stockholders may appoint as their proxyholders. If you are a Coors stockholder and wish to appoint an individual not listed on the enclosed form of proxy to represent you at the Coors special meeting, you may do so either by crossing out the names on the enclosed form of proxy and inserting the name of that other individual in the blank space provided on the enclosed form of proxy or by completing another acceptable form of proxy. A proxy nominee need not be a Coors stockholder. If the Coors stockholder is a corporation, it must execute the proxy by an officer or properly appointed attorney.

Coors will bear the expenses in connection with the solicitation of proxies from Coors stockholders, except that Coors and Molson have agreed to share equally out-of-pocket expenses related to the printing and filing of this document. Coors has retained Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc., a proxy solicitation firm, for assistance in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the special meeting for a fee of approximately U.S.\$50,000 plus additional charges related to telephone calls and other services. Arrangements will also be made with brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for the forwarding of solicitation material to the beneficial owners of common stock held of record by these persons, and Coors may reimburse them for their reasonable transaction and clerical expenses. Molson and Coors have agreed to share the costs of the solicitation of proxies.

Solicitation of proxies may be made by mail, in person, or by telephone, email, Internet, facsimile, telegram or other means of communication, by Coors' directors, officers and employees. These people will receive no additional compensation for these services, but will be reimbursed for any transaction expenses incurred by them in connection with these services.

Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Representatives of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Coors' independent registered public accounting firm, plan to attend the Coors special meeting and will be available to answer questions. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP's representatives will also have an opportunity to make a statement at the Coors special meeting if they so desire.

Description of the Merger Transaction

General

On July 21, 2004, Coors, Molson and Exchangeco entered into the combination agreement to combine Molson with Coors in accordance with a plan of arrangement to be submitted for approval by the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec. Upon the issuance of a certificate of arrangement under the CBCA and the restated certificate of incorporation of Coors becoming effective:

Coors will change its name to "Molson Coors Brewing Company" and amend its certificate of incorporation and bylaws to implement the proposed merger transaction, all as described under "Amendment to Coors' Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws" beginning on page 119.

Canadian resident holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares (other than dissenting shareholders) will receive one of the following in respect of each of those shares:

0.360 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and certain ancillary rights), with a whole share being exchangeable at any time on a one-for-one basis for a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors,

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0.360 of a Class B1 preferred share and 0.360 of a Class B2 preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.360 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors,

or

an equivalent combination of Class B exchangeables shares and, through the preferred share exchange, Molson Coors Class B common stock, as selected by the holder.

Canadian resident holders of Molson Class B common shares (other than dissenting shareholders) will receive one of the following in respect of each of those shares:

both:

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0.126 of a Class A exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and certain ancillary rights) with a whole share being exchangeable at any time on a one-for-one basis for a share of Molson Coors Class A common stock; *and*

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0.234 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and certain ancillary rights) with a whole share being exchangeable at any time on a one-for-one basis for a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock;

or

both:

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0.126 of a Class A preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.126 of a share of Class A common stock of Molson Coors; *and*

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0.234 of a Class B1 preferred share and 0.234 of a Class B2 preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.234 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors;

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or

an equivalent combination of exchangeable shares and, through the preferred share exchange, Molson Coors common stock, as selected by the holder.

Non-Canadian resident holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares (other than dissenting shareholders) will receive, in respect of each of those shares, 0.360 of a Class B1 preferred share and 0.360 of a Class B2 preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.360 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors. As a result, a non-Canadian resident Molson shareholder will receive 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock for each Class A non-voting share of Molson.

Non-Canadian resident holders of Molson Class B common shares (other than dissenting shareholders) will receive, in respect of each of those shares, both:

0.126 of a Class A preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.126 of a share of Class A common stock of Molson Coors, *and*

0.234 of a Class B1 preferred share and 0.234 of a Class B2 preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.234 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors.

Only holders of Molson shares that are residents of Canada for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada), or partnerships any member of which is a resident of Canada for purposes of that law, may elect to receive exchangeable shares. These holders should complete, sign and return the enclosed letter of transmittal and election form to in the enclosed envelope at one of the addresses indicated in the form before 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on , 2004.

A holder may exercise this right with respect to all or any portion of the holder's Molson shares. If no letter of transmittal is returned, an election will be made for the holder based on the address of the record holder of the shares (as shown in the Molson shareholder register). Holders with a record address in Canada will receive only exchangeable shares, and holders with a record address outside of Canada will receive only preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for shares of Molson Coors common stock.

Neither Molson Coors nor Exchangeco will issue certificates for fractional shares to shareholders in connection with the merger transaction. Rather, a Molson shareholder will receive cash, without interest, equal to the shareholder's pro rata portion of the net proceeds after expenses received by the depositary upon the sale of whole shares representing the accumulation of all fractional interests in the shares to which all Molson shareholders are entitled.

Each outstanding option to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares will be exchanged for an option to purchase Molson Coors Class B common stock. Each replacement option will constitute an option to purchase a number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock based on the 0.360 exchange ratio. See " Treatment of Stock Options" beginning on page 86.

Background of the Merger Transaction

During the past several years, the international brewing industry has undergone substantial consolidation. The Molson and Coors boards of directors have each periodically discussed and reviewed their respective businesses, strategic directions, performances and prospects in the context of developments in the brewing industry, including the continuing trend toward consolidation in the industry, and have periodically discussed ways to enhance their competitive position and shareholder value. The strategy for both Molson and Coors has been to grow their businesses organically while also supplementing that growth through strategic transactions designed to strengthen competitive position in

key markets. In the course of these strategic reviews, both companies concluded independently that the status quo did not represent the best alternative to long term shareholder value.

Coors and Molson and their respective senior managements have become familiar with each other's businesses through their licensing arrangement, which began in the 1980s, and their distribution partnerships, through which Molson has been manufacturing, marketing, distributing and selling Coors Light® in Canada since 1998. Coors began to market, distribute and sell Molson products in the United States in 2001. During the course of the working relationships built through those distribution arrangements and partnerships, senior management of the two companies from time to time in the past have informally discussed the possible benefits of a strategic combination of the two companies. Management of both companies recognized many potential strategic benefits of a combination, including benefits from the complementary product mix, geographic profiles and distribution networks of the two companies as well as their cultural compatibility as breweries with long operating histories as family-controlled companies.

On March 16, 2004, Leo Kiely, the president and chief executive officer of Coors, wrote to Daniel O'Neill, the president and chief executive officer of Molson, inviting Mr. O'Neill to consider pursuing discussions on a merger-of-equals between the two companies.

On April 15, 2004 and May 7, 2004, Peter H. Coors, the chairman of Coors, and Eric H. Molson, the chairman of the board of Molson, held initial meetings to discuss the basic principles to guide any merger discussions. Based on these discussions, Messrs. Molson and Coors concluded that a transaction between the two companies would have to:

offer long term value for all shareholders;
be fair to, and in the best interests of, all shareholders;
maintain the heritage of each company;
continue a commitment to brewing as the core of the business; and
allow each family to play a continued role in the combined company.

In May 2004, with the authorization of the Molson board of directors, Molson engaged Citigroup Global Markets Inc. to assist it in identifying and evaluating various strategic or financial alternatives for Molson. Citigroup was subsequently engaged as one of Molson's financial advisors in connection with the proposed merger transaction with Coors.

On June 1, 2004, Messrs. Kiely and O'Neill met in Chicago to discuss the preliminary guidelines for a potential transaction.

During June 2004, the parties and their respective advisors discussed the structure and mechanics of a potential business combination, including the form of the transaction to be pursued, the tax treatment of the transaction to the various shareholders of each company, the capital structure of the combined company, and possible governance arrangements designed to achieve meaningful participation by both companies in the future strategic direction of the combined company. The parties preliminarily agreed that, conceptually, the transaction would provide for a fixed exchange ratio based on a range of recent market prices of the companies' shares. In the course of the discussions during this period, the parties reached tentative agreement on a transaction structure contemplating a plan of arrangement under Canadian law that would provide Molson's Canadian resident securityholders the ability to receive tax deferred treatment and also made substantial progress concerning governance arrangements for the combined company which would result in the current controlling shareholders of each company relinquishing their sole control in favor of shared governance of the combined company.

In early June, Molson retained the services of BMO Nesbitt Burns to assist it in evaluating the proposed merger transaction with Coors.

In early June, Coors retained the services of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. to assist it in evaluating the proposed merger transaction with Molson.

On June 11, 2004, the parties signed a confidentiality agreement, authorized the commencement of reciprocal due diligence and authorized their legal advisors to prepare and negotiate the terms of definitive transaction documents.

Following execution of the confidentiality agreement, a committee of senior management from each company was established to further quantify and identify synergies that could result from the combination. Under the auspices of this committee, working groups were formed to identify and quantify specific cost savings and other financial synergy opportunities in various areas, including operations or manufacturing, supply chain functions and integration of technology platforms.

From mid-June to early July, a number of due diligence and management meetings and presentations were held among the parties and their respective legal and financial advisors. From time to time throughout June and July, senior management of Molson and Coors, including Messrs. O'Neill and Kiely, as well as the principal financial, corporate development and legal officers of Molson and Coors, discussed various financial aspects and other terms of the merger transaction.

On June 22, 2004, at a regular meeting of the Molson board of directors, also attended by representatives of Citigroup and BMO Nesbitt Burns, senior management reviewed with the Molson board of directors the broad parameters of the proposed combination. The Molson board of directors authorized management to continue discussions with Coors.

At that meeting, the Molson board of directors also formed an independent committee comprised of Francesco Bellini, John Cleghorn, Daniel Colson, Robert Ingram, David O'Brien and Sanford Riley, as chairman. The Molson independent committee was formed to review the terms and conditions of the proposed merger transaction and make recommendations to the Molson board of directors, including as to the fairness of the transaction to the shareholders of Molson, other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson, from a financial and non-financial point of view.

Following its formation, the Molson independent committee retained the services of Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP and Shearman & Sterling LLP to act as its legal counsel. With the assistance and advice of its legal advisors, the members of the Molson independent committee concluded that each of the members was independent of Molson management and Pentland. The Molson independent committee then engaged Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated to serve as its financial advisor. The Molson independent committee reviewed the credentials and experience of Merrill Lynch and concluded that Merrill Lynch was qualified and independent of Molson and Coors.

On June 25, 2004, at a special meeting of the Coors board of directors, senior executive management of Coors briefed the board on the status of their discussions to date and various strategic considerations relating to the transaction, including the proposed governance and other terms of the transaction, and presented a preliminary financial analysis regarding the proposed transaction. Following discussion, the Coors board authorized management to continue discussions with Molson. On the same day, at a meeting of the trustees of the Coors Trust, the trustees also were briefed on the proposed transaction by Mr. Coors and Coors management and authorized further discussions regarding the proposed shareholder arrangements contemplated in connection with the merger transaction.

On June 26, 2004, the Molson independent committee held a meeting with its legal advisors by telephone. During that meeting, the Molson independent committee's legal advisors made a presentation to the Molson independent committee with respect to the role and obligations of the Molson independent committee in evaluating the proposed merger.

On June 30, 2004 and July 1, 2004, meetings took place in Evergreen, Colorado between members of senior management of Molson and Coors, along with the companies' respective financial advisors, to review business plans and strategic objectives for each of the companies.

Negotiation of definitive transaction documents, including the combination agreement, the proposed amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws of the combined company and the other agreements to be entered into by the companies and their respective principal shareholders, began on July 8, 2004 and continued through July 21. During this period, the parties and their financial advisors also had further discussions regarding the appropriate method for determining the exchange ratio for the proposed transaction.

In meetings held during July 2004, with the assistance of its legal advisors, the Molson independent committee conducted a detailed review of the terms and conditions of the proposed merger transaction, including with respect to proposed governance arrangements for the combined company. The Molson independent committee also discussed with Merrill Lynch the value of Molson and Coors, as well as the value of the synergies anticipated by management in connection with the proposed merger transaction and the potential costs arising from the combination of Molson and Coors.

At the request of the Molson independent committee, throughout July 2004 Molson's management provided the Molson independent committee with updates on the status of merger discussions and discussed with the Molson independent committee potential benefits and risks of the proposed merger. At a meeting held on July 16, 2004, the Molson independent committee received detailed presentations from Molson's management which provided an overview of the proposed merger with Coors, an analysis of the strategic rationale for the transaction, a detailed review of the anticipated synergies to be derived and the potential costs arising from the combination of the two companies, the anticipated impact of those synergies on the work force of each company, and the proposed management organization and allocation of responsibilities among the executives of the combined entity. Representatives of Citigroup and BMO Nesbitt Burns also attended the meeting and discussed with the Molson independent committee financial aspects of the merger transaction and the combined company.

One of the members of the Molson independent committee also discussed with the chairman of Coors' audit committee the governance and board practices of each company and their compatibility.

Throughout this time period, the Molson independent committee informed Molson and its management and legal and financial advisors of the Molson independent committee's questions and comments on various aspects of the merger transaction. Molson's management and financial advisors were present by invitation and did not participate in the deliberations of the Molson independent committee.

From July 16, 2004 to July 21, 2004, the chairman and other members of the Molson independent committee received oral and written communications from Mr. Ian Molson indicating that he was in discussions with a group of investors, including Onex Corporation, in connection with a possible offer to acquire all of the shares of Molson for potential cash consideration of Cdn.\$40 per share. After considering these communications, the members of the Molson independent committee noted, among other things, that the communications received from Mr. Ian Molson assumed the continuance of a strong commercial relationship between Molson and Coors but provided no further information regarding structure or other terms and conditions nor did any of the communications indicate whether the required financing had been secured. After consultation with its advisors, the Molson independent committee determined that these communications did not constitute an offer for the Molson shares.

On July 19, 2004, at a special meeting of Coors' board of directors, Coors' senior executive management and Deutsche Bank provided an update on the merger discussions to date and discussed with Coors' board the strategic implications and potential benefits and risks of the proposed merger transaction. Coors' management also reviewed and discussed with Coors' board the results of its due

diligence review of Molson and discussed in detail various matters relating to the structure and terms reflected in the proposed combination agreement and related documents. Senior management responded to questions from directors. Deutsche Bank presented the Coors board with its financial analysis of the merger transaction, responded to questions by the board and provided its oral opinion to the effect that, as of that date, based upon and subject to the assumptions made, matters considered and limits of the review undertaken by Deutsche Bank, the 0.360 exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to holders of each class of Coors common stock. After this presentation and further discussion and deliberation, the Coors board of directors determined that, subject to the parties agreeing to the final terms of the definitive transaction then under negotiation, the board believed that the merger transaction (including the issuance of Coors shares in the transaction and the contemplated amendments to Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws) was advisable and in the best interests of the company and its stockholders. Accordingly, the Coors' board of directors authorized management to continue its negotiation of the merger transaction and delegated to an independent special committee of the board of directors, comprised of Albert C. Yates and Pamela H. Patsley, the authority to give final approval of the merger transaction upon agreement of the final terms of the transaction agreements.

Between July 19, 2004 and July 21, 2004, the parties continued their negotiations and reached agreement on the terms of the definitive transaction documents.

On July 21, 2004, the special committee of Coors' board of directors met telephonically to consider the proposed merger. Coors' chief legal officer presented the final terms of the proposed merger and responded to questions by the special committee members. After discussion and deliberation, the special committee, on behalf of the board, approved the merger agreement and the transactions contemplated by that agreement and authorized Coors' management to execute the combination agreement and other related agreements.

On July 21, 2004, the Molson independent committee met to review the final terms of the proposed merger. At this meeting, Mr. Kiely made a presentation to the Molson independent committee in which he described his strategic vision for the combined company and responded to questions of the Molson independent committee members. Eric H. Molson made a presentation to the Molson independent committee in which he confirmed that he and Pentland were supportive of the merger transaction and were committed to remaining involved as shareholders of a significant participant in the global brewing industry. Eric H. Molson further indicated that neither he nor Pentland had any intention of selling their interests in Molson. Subsequently, Merrill Lynch provided the Molson independent committee with a financial analysis of the merger transaction and an oral opinion, which was subsequently confirmed in writing, to the effect that, as of that date, based upon, and subject to, the assumptions made, matters considered and limits of the review undertaken by Merrill Lynch, the 0.360 exchange ratio in the merger transaction was fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of Molson shares, other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson. The Molson independent committee voted unanimously that the merger transaction, to be implemented through an arrangement made under the provisions of the CBCA, was fair to, and in the best interests of Molson shareholders, other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson, from a financial and non-financial point of view. The Molson independent committee subsequently recommended that the Molson board of directors authorize the combination agreement and recommend to Molson shareholders that they vote in favor of the combination.

On July 21, 2004 at a special meeting of Molson's board of directors, held immediately after the meeting of the Molson independent committee, Molson's financial advisors, Citigroup and BMO Nesbitt Burns, each reviewed with the Molson board of directors its financial analysis of the 0.360 exchange ratio provided for in the merger transaction and each delivered a written opinion to the board of directors to the effect that, as of that date and based on and subject to the matters described in its opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of

Molson shares. The chairman of the Molson independent committee also reported on the opinion received from Merrill Lynch, the Molson independent committee's financial advisor, on the recommendation of the Molson independent committee and on the reasons for its recommendation. After these presentations and further discussion, the Molson board of directors voted unanimously to authorize the execution of the combination agreement and other related agreements.

The merger agreement was thereafter executed on behalf of each of the companies, and the companies and their respective principal shareholders entered into the voting agreements contemplated by the merger transaction. The merger transaction was publicly announced on July 22, 2004.

On September 9, 2004, Molson and Coors agreed to make technical revisions to the forms of amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws attached to this document as Exhibits G and H, respectively, and the Coors board of directors met by telephone to approve the final documents.

Our Reasons for the Merger Transaction

Our boards of directors believe that the trend of consolidation in the international brewery industry will continue in the future and that scale and ability to operate internationally will be increasingly essential to compete effectively. We have summarized below the key benefits identified by both of our boards of directors during their individual evaluations of the merger transaction. Because both of our boards considered and reached the same conclusions on the common benefits of the merger transaction described below, we have presented this information in a single section that reflects the views of each of our boards.

Strategic Benefits

Economies of Scale and Global Reach. The merger transaction will create one of the world's largest brewers with the operational scale and global diversity necessary to compete more effectively in today's consolidating market. On a pro forma basis, the combined entity will be the fifth largest brewing company in the world in terms of annual volume, with pro forma net sales of approximately U.S.\$6 billion and combined beer sales of approximately 60 million hectoliters, or 51 million barrels, for the twelve-month period ended March 31, 2004.

Leading Brands. The merger transaction will result in a stronger combined product portfolio with more than 40 brands, including leading brands in Canada and the United Kingdom, the third-ranked brands in the United States and Brazil and the seventh-ranked brand worldwide.

Geographic Diversification. The merger transaction will create a company with top brands in a number of important global markets, including the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom and Brazil, as well as distribution arrangements with brewers in a number of additional key markets. This geographic presence ensures that the combined company's revenue sources are diversified, thereby reducing volatility of earnings and improving the combined company's ability to compete effectively with major multinational competitors.

History and Corporate Culture. The merger transaction builds on the strategic and cultural fit between the two companies. Both companies have rich and lengthy heritages as family controlled breweries and share common values and operating philosophies.

Existing Relationship. The two companies have an existing strong working relationship in Canada and the United States, jointly marketing and selling Coors Light in Canada and Molson products in the United States. We believe the merger will cement these working relationships and lead to streamlined, more efficient cooperation in these markets.

Expected Financial Synergies

Cost Savings. We expect the merger transaction to deliver immediate tangible benefits to shareholders through substantial synergies, earnings accretion and cash flow, including estimated annual cost savings resulting from the merger of U.S.\$175 million. We anticipate these savings to be phased in over the three-year period following the completion of the merger transaction, with approximately 50% of the savings expected in the first 18 months. These cost savings are expected to come primarily from the following areas:

optimization and consolidation of the combined company's brewery and distribution network,

improved procurement terms resulting from economies of scale,

elimination of duplicative operational functions, and

integration of the companies' technology platforms.

Growth Opportunities. While the two companies' forecasted synergies do not include revenue enhancements, we believe that the enhanced financial strength expected to result from the anticipated cost savings will provide the combined company with the opportunity to grow revenue through added investments in marketing and other support for key brands.

Additional Opportunities. We anticipate that the merger transaction will build an enhanced growth platform, balance sheet and cash flow to fund future investment, including continued participation in brewing industry consolidation. In addition, the combined company will be able to make renewed investments in product innovations and disciplined capital improvements to drive productivity.

Factors Considered by the Molson Independent Committee

On July 21, 2004, Molson's independent committee, after an extensive review and thorough discussion of all facts and issues it considered relevant with respect to the proposed merger transaction, concluded unanimously that the proposed merger transaction is fair to, and in the best interests of, the shareholders of Molson, other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson, from a financial and non-financial point of view. The Molson independent committee subsequently proposed that Molson's full board of directors authorize Molson to enter into the proposed combination agreement and recommend to shareholders of Molson that they vote in favor of the Molson special resolution.

In reaching their conclusion and making their recommendation, the members of the Molson independent committee relied on their personal knowledge of Molson and the industry in which it is involved and on the advice of its legal and financial advisors. The Molson independent committee also reviewed the information provided by Molson and its advisors. The Molson independent committee considered numerous factors, including among other things, the following:

the fairness opinion provided by Merrill Lynch to the effect that, as of the date of and based upon the assumptions made, matters considered and limits of review set forth in the opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio in the merger transaction was fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of Molson shares other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson;

the current economic, industry and market trends affecting each of Molson and Coors in their respective markets, including those which favor the concentration of business in the hands of a small number of large companies;

the fact that Molson has been controlled by a family group for more than 200 years and had a dual class of voting and non-voting securities for more than 50 years;

the statement by Eric H. Molson to the effect that he and Pentland were supportive of the merger transaction and were committed to remaining involved as shareholders of a significant participant in the global brewing industry, and that neither Mr. Molson nor Pentland were considering selling their interests in Molson;

the allocation of management responsibilities within the combined company;

the fact that the all-share consideration offered in connection with the transaction provides Molson's shareholders with an opportunity to participate in the ownership of a larger, financially stronger company that is expected to be better positioned to respond to opportunities and developments in an industry in which size is increasingly important;

the fact that the combined company would be geographically diversified as it would have significant businesses in Canada, the United States, Brazil and the United Kingdom, making it a stronger entity than Molson individually;

the fact that the merger transaction secures the current commercial relationship between Molson and Coors and that Coors would have the ability to terminate that relationship in the event of a change of control of Molson;

the significant opportunities for the combined company to realize the estimated annual cost savings of U.S.\$175 million resulting from the merger transaction within three years;

the expectation that the transaction would be earnings accretive to Molson's shareholders on a per share basis;

the ability of the shareholders of Molson to continue to participate in future earnings and growth of the combined company after completion of the merger transaction through their ownership of shares of the combined company's stock or exchangeable shares of Exchangeco;

the structure of the merger transaction, which effectively permits Molson shareholders who are Canadian residents to elect to receive exchangeable shares and make a valid tax election to defer Canadian income tax at the time of the merger transaction;

the terms and conditions of the combination agreement generally, including the circumstances in which a termination fee would be payable by Molson, the amount of the termination fee and the ability of Molson to consider an unsolicited third party proposal and to terminate the combination agreement in specified circumstances;

the various incentive and benefits plans currently available to the employees of each company and the impact of the merger transaction on the current and future terms and conditions of those plans;

the current and historical trading prices of Molson shares, and the fact that, in a merger of equals, the exchange ratio would not provide shareholders of Molson with a premium to the current market prices of Molson's shares; and

the approval process for the merger transaction, including the requirement for the approval of holders of $66^2/3\%$ of each of the Class A non-voting shares of Molson and the Class B common shares of Molson, voting as separate classes, and the requirement for the Superior Court of Québec to approve the merger transaction and to issue a final order concerning its approval.

The Molson independent committee also considered the potential risks of the merger, including the following:

the proposed governance arrangements of the combined company, which would provide that voting control would be shared by Pentland and the Coors Trust, and the associated risks of a stalemate between them;

the risk that the estimated cost savings will not be achieved; and

the fact that the merger transaction would constitute a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes for U.S. resident shareholders of Molson.

This discussion of the information and factors considered by the Molson independent committee is not intended to be exhaustive but addresses the major information and factors considered by the Molson independent committee in its consideration of the merger transaction. In reaching its conclusion, the Molson independent committee did not find it practical to assign, and did not assign, any relative or specific weight to the different factors that were considered, and individual members of the Molson independent committee may have given different weight to different factors.

Opinions of Molson's Financial Advisors

Citigroup Opinion

Citigroup has been retained by Molson to act as one of its financial advisors in connection with the merger transaction. In connection with this engagement, Molson requested that Citigroup evaluate the fairness, from a financial point of view, of the 0.360 exchange ratio provided for in the merger transaction. On July 21, 2004, at a meeting of the Molson board of directors held to evaluate the proposed merger transaction, Citigroup delivered to the Molson board of directors a written opinion dated July 21, 2004 to the effect that, as of that date and based on and subject to the matters described in its opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of Molson shares.

The full text of Citigroup's written opinion dated July 21, 2004, which describes the assumptions made, procedures followed, matters considered and limitations on the review undertaken, is attached to this document as Annex M and is incorporated into this document by reference. Citigroup's opinion was provided to the Molson board of directors in connection with its evaluation of the 0.360 exchange ratio and relates only to the fairness of the 0.360 exchange ratio from a financial point of view, does not address any other aspect of the merger transaction and does not constitute a recommendation to any securityholder as to the shares of Molson Coors or Molson Coors Exchangeco a securityholder should elect to receive or how a securityholder should vote or act on any other matters relating to the proposed merger transaction.

In arriving at its opinion, Citigroup:

reviewed drafts of the combination agreement and certain related documents made available to it;

held discussions with certain senior officers, directors and other representatives and advisors of Molson and certain senior officers and other representatives and advisors of Coors concerning the businesses, operations and prospects of Molson and Coors;

examined certain publicly available business and financial information relating to Molson and Coors as well as certain financial forecasts and other information and data relating to Molson and Coors that were provided to or otherwise discussed with Citigroup by the managements of Molson and Coors, including information relating to the potential strategic implications and operational benefits anticipated by the managements of Molson and Coors to result from the merger transaction;

reviewed the financial terms of the merger transaction as set forth in the combination agreement and related documents in relation to, among other things: current and historical market prices of Molson Class A non-voting and Class B common shares and Coors Class B common stock; historical and projected earnings and other operating data of Molson and Coors; and the capitalization and financial conditions of Molson and Coors;

considered, to the extent publicly available, the financial terms of certain other transactions effected or announced which it considered relevant in evaluating the merger transaction and analyzed certain financial, stock market and other publicly available information relating to the businesses of other companies whose operations Citigroup considered relevant in evaluating those of Molson and Coors;

evaluated certain pro forma financial effects of the merger transaction on Molson and Coors;

conducted other analyses and examinations and considered other information and financial, economic and market criteria as it deemed appropriate in arriving at its opinion; and

evaluated the 0.360 exchange ratio provided for in the merger transaction without giving effect to any premium or discount that may be attributable to any class of Molson shares, Molson Coors Exchangeco shares or Coors common stock by reason of any control, liquidity or voting, or other rights or aspects of those securities.

In rendering its opinion, Citigroup assumed and relied, without independent verification, on the accuracy and completeness of all financial and other information and data publicly available or provided to or otherwise reviewed by or discussed with Citigroup and on the assurances of the managements of Molson and Coors that no relevant information was omitted or remained undisclosed to Citigroup. With respect to financial forecasts and other information and data relating to Molson and Coors provided to or otherwise reviewed by or discussed with Citigroup, Citigroup was advised by the respective managements of Molson and Coors that the forecasts and other information and data were reasonably prepared on bases reflecting the best currently available estimates and judgments of the managements of Molson and Coors as to the future financial performance of Molson and Coors and the potential strategic implications and operational benefits resulting from the merger transaction. Citigroup assumed, with Molson's consent, that the financial results (including potential strategic implications and operational benefits resulting from the merger transaction) reflected in the forecasts and other information and data would be realized in the amounts and at the times projected. Citigroup also assumed, with Molson's consent, that the merger transaction would be completed in accordance with its terms without waiver, modification or amendment of any material term, condition or agreement and that, in the course of obtaining the necessary regulatory or third party approvals, consents and releases for the merger transaction, no delay, limitation, restriction or condition would be imposed that would have an adverse effect on Molson or Coors or the contemplated benefits of the merger transaction. Representatives of Molson advised Citigroup, and Citigroup further assumed, that the final terms of the combination agreement and related documents would not vary materially from those contained in the drafts reviewed by or otherwise described to Citigroup. Citigroup also assumed, with Molson's consent, that with respect to Molson, Coors and Molson Coors Exchangeco, the merger transaction would not be subject to Canadian or U.S. federal income tax.

Citigroup's opinion relates to the relative values of Molson and Coors. Citigroup did not express any opinion as to what the value of Molson Coors common stock or Molson Coors Exchangeco shares actually will be when issued or the prices at which Molson Coors common stock or Molson Coors Exchangeco shares will trade or otherwise be transferable at any time. Citigroup did not express any opinion as to the relative fairness of the 0.360 exchange ratio between the holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and the holders of Molson Class B common shares. Citigroup did not make, and was not provided with, an independent evaluation or appraisal of the assets or liabilities (contingent or otherwise) of Molson or Coors and did not make any physical inspection of the properties or assets of

Molson or Coors. Citigroup was not requested to, and it did not, solicit third party indications of interest in the possible acquisition of all or a part of Molson. Citigroup's opinion does not address the relative merits of the merger transaction as compared to any alternative business strategies that might exist for Molson or the effect of any other transaction in which Molson might engage. Citigroup's opinion also does not address any aspect or implication of any agreement to be entered into by any shareholder of Molson or Coors or their respective affiliates in connection with the merger transaction. Citigroup's opinion was necessarily based on information available, and financial, stock market and other conditions and circumstances existing and disclosed, to Citigroup as of the date of its opinion. Although Citigroup evaluated the 0.360 exchange ratio from a financial point of view, Citigroup was not asked to and it did not recommend the specific consideration payable in the merger transaction, which was determined through negotiation between Molson and Coors. Except as described above, Molson imposed no other instructions or limitations on Citigroup with respect to the investigations made or procedures followed by Citigroup in rendering its opinion.

Citigroup's opinion and financial analyses were only one of many factors considered by the Molson board of directors in its evaluation of the merger transaction and should not be viewed as determinative of the views of the Molson board or management with respect to the merger transaction or the 0.360 exchange ratio provided for in the merger transaction.

Under the terms of its engagement, Citigroup will receive customary fees for its financial advisory services in connection with the merger transaction, a significant portion of which is contingent upon the completion of the merger transaction and a portion of which was payable in connection with the delivery of Citigroup's opinion. Molson also has agreed to reimburse Citigroup for reasonable travel and other expenses incurred by Citigroup in performing its services, including the fees and expenses of its legal counsel, and to indemnify Citigroup and related persons against liabilities, including liabilities under applicable securities laws, arising out of its engagement.

In the ordinary course of business, Citigroup and its affiliates may actively trade or hold the securities of Molson and Coors for their own account or for the account of customers and, accordingly, may at any time hold a long or short position in those securities. One of Citigroup's affiliates in the commercial lending business is a lender under Molson's existing Cdn.\$625.0 million credit facility. In addition, Citigroup and its affiliates, including Citigroup Inc. and its affiliates, may maintain relationships with Molson, Coors and their respective affiliates.

BMO Nesbitt Burns Fairness Opinion

On July 21, 2004, BMO Nesbitt Burns delivered its written opinion to the board of directors of Molson to the effect that, as of that date, and based upon the assumptions made, matters considered, and limits and other limitations of review set forth in its opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares.

The full text of BMO Nesbitt Burns' opinion, which sets forth the assumptions made, matters considered and limitations on its review, is attached to this document as Annex N. The following summary of the opinion is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the opinion. The opinion of BMO Nesbitt Burns is for the use and benefit of Molson's board of directors in its evaluation of the arrangement and it does not constitute a recommendation to any Molson securityholder as to how that securityholder should vote on the arrangement or any related matter.

In connection with rendering its opinion, BMO Nesbitt Burns has reviewed and relied upon, or carried out, among other things, the following:

the audited annual financial statements and the interim financial statements, annual reports, quarterly reports and annual information forms for each of the three consecutive fiscal years ended December 28, 2003 in the case of Coors and March 31, 2004 in the case of Molson;

the quarterly report for the period ended March 28, 2004 of Coors;

preliminary quarterly reports for the periods ended June 30 for Molson and June 27 for Coors;

public information relating to the business, operations, financial performance and stock trading history of Molson and Coors;

a recent draft of the combination agreement, which outlined, among other things, the terms, conditions and mechanics of the merger transaction;

draft copies of certain other documents pertaining to the merger transaction, including a form of plan of arrangement and a form of voting trust agreement;

discussions with management of Molson and Coors regarding analysis of past, and expectations of future, performance, business operations and financial condition of Molson and Coors;

discussions with management of Molson and Coors regarding the strategic rationale for, and the potential benefits and the pro forma financial impact of, the merger transaction;

financial models provided by the management of each of Molson and Coors;

discussions with the management of Molson and Coors with respect to the underlying assumptions of the financial models provided to BMO Nesbitt Burns by each of Molson and Coors;

information with respect to other transactions of a comparable nature that BMO Nesbitt Burns considered relevant;

information with respect to the trading value of public companies that BMO Nesbitt Burns considered relevant;

a letter of representation as to certain factual matters, addressed to BMO Nesbitt Burns and dated July 21, 2004, provided by senior officers of Molson; and

other information, investigations and analyses as BMO Nesbitt Burns considered appropriate in the circumstances.

BMO Nesbitt Burns received a fee in connection with the delivery of its opinion and is also entitled to a monthly work fee and an additional fee upon successful completion of the merger transaction. In addition, Molson has agreed to reimburse BMO Nesbitt Burns for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with its engagement and to indemnify BMO Nesbitt Burns for specified liabilities arising out of its engagement.

An affiliate of BMO Nesbitt Burns is the lead lender of long standing to Molson. BMO Nesbitt Burns acts as a trader and dealer, both as principal and agent, in all major North American financial markets and, in that capacity, has had and may have positions in the securities of Molson and Coors and, from time to time, has executed or may execute transactions on behalf of Molson and Coors for which it receives compensation. In addition, as an investment dealer, BMO Nesbitt Burns conducts research on securities and may, in the ordinary course of its business, provide or be expected to provide investment advice to its clients on issuers and investment matters, including Molson and Coors and their securities.

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Merrill Lynch Fairness Opinion

On July 21, 2004, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated delivered its written opinion to Molson's independent committee to the effect that, as of that date and based upon the assumptions made, matters considered and limits of review set forth in its written opinion, the 0.360 exchange ratio in the proposed merger transaction was fair from a financial point of view to the holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares, other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson. A copy of Merrill Lynch's opinion is attached to this proxy statement as Annex O.

Merrill Lynch's opinion sets forth the assumptions made, matters considered and limits on the scope of review undertaken by Merrill Lynch. You are encouraged to read Merrill Lynch's opinion in its entirety. Merrill Lynch's opinion was intended for the use and benefit of the Molson independent committee and the board of directors of Molson, does not address the merits of the underlying decision by Molson to engage in the merger transaction and does not constitute a recommendation to any securityholder as to how that securityholder should vote on the merger transaction or any related matter. This summary of Merrill Lynch's opinion is qualified by reference to the full text of the opinion attached as Annex O.

In arriving at its opinion, Merrill Lynch has, among other things:

reviewed certain publicly available business and financial information relating to Molson and Coors that Merrill Lynch deemed to be relevant;

reviewed certain information, including financial forecasts, relating to the business, earnings, cash flow, assets, liabilities and prospects of Molson and Coors, as well as the amount and timing of the cost savings and related expenses and synergies expected to result from the merger transaction furnished to Merrill Lynch by Molson and Coors;

conducted discussions with members of senior management and representatives of Molson and Coors concerning the merger transaction, as well as their respective businesses and prospects both before and after giving effect to the merger transaction and the expected synergies;

reviewed the market prices and valuation multiples for the Molson shares and Coors common stock and compared those prices and multiples with those of certain publicly traded companies that Merrill Lynch deemed to be relevant;

reviewed the results of operations of Molson and Coors and compared them with those of certain publicly traded companies that Merrill Lynch deemed to be relevant;

compared the proposed terms of the merger transaction with the terms of certain other transactions that Merrill Lynch deemed to be relevant;

participated in certain due diligence discussions among representatives of Molson and Coors and their financial and legal advisors;

reviewed the potential pro forma impact of the merger transaction;

reviewed a draft of the combination agreement dated July 20, 2004; and

reviewed other financial studies and analyses and took into account other matters as Merrill Lynch deemed necessary, including its assessment of general economic, market and monetary conditions.

In preparing its opinion, Merrill Lynch assumed and relied on the accuracy and completeness of all information supplied or otherwise made available to Merrill Lynch, discussed with or reviewed by or for Merrill Lynch, or publicly available, and Merrill Lynch did not assume any responsibility for independently verifying information or undertake an independent evaluation or appraisal of any of the assets or liabilities of Molson or Coors, and was not furnished with any evaluation or appraisal, nor did

Merrill Lynch evaluate the solvency or fair value of Molson or Coors under any state, provincial or federal laws relating to bankruptcy, insolvency or similar matters. In addition, Merrill Lynch did not assume the obligation to conduct any physical inspection of the properties or facilities of Molson or Coors or their respective subsidiaries. With respect to the financial forecast information and the synergies expected to result from the merger transaction furnished to or discussed with Merrill Lynch by Molson or Coors, Merrill Lynch assumed that they have been reasonably prepared and reflect the best currently available estimates and judgments of Molson's and/or Coors' management as to the expected future financial performance of Molson and/or Coors, as the case may be, and the expected synergies. Merrill Lynch also assumed that the merger transaction will be accounted for as a purchase under U.S. GAAP, that Coors is deemed to be the acquiring entity for accounting purposes, and that the merger transaction will be a taxable acquisition of the assets of Molson for United States federal income tax purposes. Merrill Lynch also assumed that the final form of the combination agreement would be substantially similar to the last draft reviewed by Merrill Lynch.

Merrill Lynch's opinion was necessarily based upon market, economic and other conditions as they existed and could be evaluated on, and on the information made available to Merrill Lynch as of, the date of its opinion. Merrill Lynch assumed that in the course of obtaining the necessary regulatory or other consents or approvals (contractual or otherwise) for, or in connection with, the merger transaction, no restrictions, including any divestiture requirements or amendments or modifications, would be imposed that would have a material adverse effect on the contemplated benefits of the merger transaction, including the expected synergies.

In connection with the preparation of its opinion, Merrill Lynch was not authorized by Molson, its board of directors or the Molson independent committee to solicit, nor did Merrill Lynch solicit, any third-party indications of interest for the acquisition of all or any part of Molson.

In addition, Merrill Lynch was not asked to address, and Merrill Lynch's opinion did not address, the fairness to, or any other consideration of, the holders of any class of securities, creditors or other constituencies of Molson, other than the holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares (other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson). Merrill Lynch did not express any opinion as to the prices at which Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares or Coors Class A common stock and Class B common stock will trade following announcement or completion of the merger transaction. In addition, Merrill Lynch's opinion does not address the tax consequences of the merger transaction to the holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares.

Merrill Lynch acted as financial advisor to the Molson independent committee in connection with the merger transaction and will receive fees from Molson for its services, which fees are not contingent on completion of the merger transaction. In addition, Molson has agreed to reimburse Merrill Lynch for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the engagement (including the reasonable fees and disbursements of legal counsel) and to indemnify Merrill Lynch for liabilities arising out of its engagement. Merrill Lynch has, in the past, provided financial advisory and financing services to Molson and Coors and their respective affiliates and may continue to do so and has received, and may receive, fees for the rendering of those services. In addition, in the ordinary course of its business, Merrill Lynch may actively trade Molson shares and other securities of Molson, as well as Coors common stock and other securities of Coors, for its own account and for the accounts of customers and, accordingly, may at any time hold a long or short position in those securities.

Interests of Molson's Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction

Change of Control Payments

Under certain circumstances, Daniel J. O'Neill, president and chief executive officer of Molson, under the terms of his February 22, 1999 employment agreement, would become entitled to 36 months

of salary (Cdn.\$1,000,000 per year) and other benefits as a result of the merger transaction. Mr. O'Neill has agreed to continue his employment with Molson Coors, and Molson has agreed to make a one-time payment to Mr. O'Neill of Cdn.\$3,000,000 in lieu of the payments and benefits mentioned above. The deferred share units granted to Mr. O'Neill in March 2004 will also be paid out as part of the transaction. Coors is in the process of negotiating a new agreement with Mr. O'Neill as vice-chairman, synergies and integration of Molson Coors.

In the event of a change of control, which will occur as a result of the merger transaction, Molson is obligated to pay Robert Coallier 18 months of salary, annual bonus, benefits and pension accrual.

Retention Program

Molson has put in place an employee retention program under which 37 employees will receive in , 2005 cash payments of Cdn.\$1.8 million in the aggregate. No single cash payment to any employee is material.

Treatment of Options

Upon completion of the merger transaction, all Molson options will vest and will be exercisable at the option of the holders. In addition, all performance-based objectives tied to the vesting of Molson options will be waived upon completion of the merger transaction.

Board and Management Arrangements

As described under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" beginning on page 102, the combination agreement and related documents provide for arrangements regarding the composition of Molson Coors' board of directors and senior management. Those arrangements provide that some of the current directors and officers of Molson will have director and/or management positions with Molson Coors.

Indemnification and Insurance

The combination agreement provides that Molson Coors will:

honor all indemnification agreements between Molson and its directors and officers in effect prior to the completion of the merger transaction;

honor all indemnification provisions in the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson and not amend in an adverse manner any of those provisions for six years following completion on the merger transaction; and

maintain in effect, if available, directors' and officers' liability insurance covering persons currently covered under Molson's policy with respect to events arising prior to the completion of the merger transaction on terms comparable to those applicable to the current directors and officers of Molson.

Factors Considered by Coors' Board of Directors

In reaching its decision to approve the merger transaction and related transactions, including the Coors share issuance and Coors charter amendment, the Coors board of directors considered the following material factors, all of which it viewed as supporting its decision to approve the merger transaction:

The strategic reasons for the merger transaction described above under " Our Reasons for the Merger Transaction";

Information concerning the respective businesses of Molson and Coors, including information regarding financial performance and condition, operations, technology and management, and the results of Coors' due diligence review of Molson's businesses and operations;

The current and prospective competitive environment in which brewing companies, including Coors, operate, including the continuing consolidation in the industry and the likely effect of that competitive environment on Coors in light of, and in the absence of, the merger transaction;

The analyses of, and discussions between, the Coors board of directors and Coors' financial advisor and the financial advisor's opinion to the effect that, as of the date of the opinion, based upon and subject to the assumptions made, matters considered and limits of the review undertaken, the 0.360 exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to holders of each class of Coors common stock (for more information see "Opinion of Coors' Financial Advisor" beginning on page 74);

The exchange ratio in the merger transaction of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock for each Molson Class A non-voting share and 0.126 of a share of Molson Coors Class A common stock plus 0.234 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock for each Molson Class B common share, and the determination of the Coors board of directors that the fixed exchange ratio was appropriate in a strategic transaction of this type;

The structure and terms of the merger transaction, including:

The structure of the transaction as a merger-of-equals whereby management of each company will have substantial input with respect to the control and future plans of the combined company, including the provisions in the combined company's certificate of incorporation and bylaws designed to ensure the maintenance of equal representation among director nominees of former Coors and former Molson directors and substantial consensus among directors regarding major business decisions, and the conclusion of the Coors board of directors that this level of participation and consensus will enhance the likelihood that the combined company will achieve its anticipated strategic objectives;

The reciprocal nature of the terms of the combination agreement and the other transaction documents, and the board's determination that those terms and conditions were appropriate in a strategic transaction of this type; and

The provisions of the combination agreement designed to restrict the ability of the parties to solicit third party acquisition proposals but affording both sides the ability to consider and pursue an unsolicited superior proposal, the provisions of the combination agreement providing for the payment of termination fees under specified circumstances relating to the termination of that agreement following the occurrence of an acquisition proposal and the conclusion of the Coors board of directors that those provisions were an appropriate and reasonable means to increase the likelihood that the merger transaction will be completed;

The conclusion that a merger with Molson offered a unique opportunity to accomplish a strategically beneficial transaction in light of the direction from the Coors Trust that, given the Coors family's more than 130-year commitment to the U.S. brewing industry, it would not approve a transaction in which the Coors Trust did not have a meaningful continuing role in the surviving company;

The fact that members of the Coors family supported and agreed to vote shares representing 100% of the Coors Class A common stock and approximately 30% of the Coors Class B common stock in favor of the merger; and

The likelihood that the merger transaction will be completed on a timely basis, including the likelihood that the merger transaction will receive all necessary regulatory approvals.

The Coors board of directors also considered the potential risks of the merger and potential conflicts of interest, including the following:

The challenge of combining the businesses of two major international companies;

The risk that the anticipated cost savings will not be achieved;

The costs that may be incurred to combine the operations of Coors and Molson;

The potential conflicts of interest of Coors officers and directors in connection with the merger transaction (for more information see " Interests of Coors' Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction" beginning on page 79); and

The risk of diverting management's attention from other strategic priorities to implement integration efforts.

In view of the wide variety of factors considered by the Coors board of directors in connection with its evaluation of the merger transaction and the complexity of these matters, the Coors board of directors did not find it useful, and did not attempt, to quantify, rank or otherwise assign relative weights to these factors. In considering the factors described above, individual members of the Coors board of directors may have given different weight to different factors. The Coors board of directors conducted an overall analysis of the factors described above, including thorough discussions with, and questioning of, Coors' management, and financial and legal advisors, and considered the factors overall to be favorable to, and to support, its determination.

The Coors board of directors determined that the combination agreement, the other agreements referred to in the combination agreement and the transactions referred to in the combination agreement and those other agreements (including the Coors share issuance and Coors charter amendment described in this document) are advisable and fair to, and in the best interests of, Coors and the holders of each class of Coors common stock and recommends that the stockholders of Coors approve and adopt the Coors share issuance and Coors charter amendment at the Coors special meeting.

Opinion of Coors' Financial Advisor

Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., or Deutsche Bank, has acted as financial advisor to Coors in connection with the merger transaction. On July 19, 2004, Deutsche Bank delivered its oral opinion to the Coors board of directors, subsequently confirmed in writing as of July 21, 2004, to the effect that, as of that date, based upon and subject to the assumptions made, matters considered and limits of the review undertaken by Deutsche Bank, the exchange ratio was fair, from a financial point of view, to holders of the Coors Class A common stock and holders of the Coors Class B common stock.

The full text of Deutsche Bank's written opinion, dated July 21, 2004, which discusses, among other things, the assumptions made, matters considered and limits on the review undertaken by Deutsche Bank in connection with the opinion, is attached to this document as Annex P and is incorporated by reference. Coors' stockholders are urged to read this opinion in its entirety. The following summary of the Deutsche Bank opinion is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the opinion.

In connection with Deutsche Bank's role as financial advisor to Coors, and in arriving at its opinion, Deutsche Bank has reviewed certain publicly available financial and other information concerning Molson and Coors and certain internal analyses and other information furnished to it by Molson and Coors. Deutsche Bank also held discussions with members of the senior managements of

Molson and Coors regarding the businesses and prospects of their respective companies and the joint prospects of a combined company. In addition, Deutsche Bank:

reviewed the reported prices and trading activity for Molson Class A non-voting shares, Molson Class B common shares and Coors Class B common stock.

compared certain financial and stock market information for Molson and Coors with similar information for certain other companies whose securities are publicly traded,

reviewed the financial terms of certain recent business combinations which it deemed comparable to the merger transaction in whole or in part,

reviewed the terms of the combination agreement, the plan of arrangement and certain related documents, and

performed other studies and analyses and considered other factors as it deemed appropriate.

In preparing its opinion, Deutsche Bank did not assume responsibility for independent verification of, and did not independently verify, any information, whether publicly available or furnished to it, concerning Molson or Coors, including, without limitation, any financial information, forecasts or projections considered in connection with the rendering of its opinion. Accordingly, for purposes of its opinion, Deutsche Bank assumed and relied upon the accuracy and completeness of that information and Deutsche Bank did not conduct a physical inspection of any of the properties or assets, and did not prepare or obtain any independent evaluation or appraisal of any of the assets or liabilities, of Molson or Coors. With respect to the financial forecasts and projections, including the analyses and forecasts of certain cost savings, operating efficiencies, revenue effects and financial synergies expected by Coors and Molson to be achieved as a result of the merger transaction, made available to Deutsche Bank and used in its analyses, Deutsche Bank assumed that they have been reasonably prepared on bases reflecting the best currently available estimates and judgments of the management of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, as to the covered matters. In rendering its opinion, Deutsche Bank expressed no view as to the reasonableness of those forecasts and projections, including the analyses and forecasts of cost savings, operating efficiencies, revenue effects and financial synergies expected by Coors and Molson to be achieved as a result of the merger transaction, or the assumptions on which they are based. Deutsche Bank's opinion is necessarily based upon economic, market and other conditions as in effect on, and the information made available to it as of, the date of its opinion.

For purposes of rendering its opinion, Deutsche Bank assumed that, in all respects material to its analysis:

the representations and warranties of Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco and Molson contained in the combination agreement are true and correct.

Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco and Molson will each perform all of the covenants and agreements to be performed by it under the combination agreement and all conditions to the obligations of each of Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco and Molson to complete the merger transaction will be satisfied without any waiver, and

all material governmental, regulatory or other approvals and consents required in connection with the completion of the merger transaction will be obtained and that in connection with obtaining any necessary governmental, regulatory or other approvals and consents, or any amendments, modifications or waivers to any agreements, instruments or orders to which either Coors or Molson is a party or is subject or by which it is bound, no limitations, restrictions or conditions will be imposed or amendments, modifications or waivers made that would have a material adverse effect on Coors or Molson or materially reduce the contemplated benefits of the merger transaction to Coors.

In addition, Coors informed Deutsche Bank, and accordingly for purposes of rendering its opinion Deutsche Bank assumed, that the merger transaction will not result in a tax realization event for Coors or its stockholders.

Financial Analysis of Coors' Financial Advisor

Set forth below is a summary of the material financial analyses performed by Deutsche Bank in connection with its opinion and reviewed with the board of directors of Coors at its meeting on July 19, 2004.

Deutsche Bank calculated an implied merger transaction share price of U.S.\$26.24 for Molson Class A non-voting shares and Molson Class B common shares based on the exchange ratio of 0.360 and the Coors Class B common stock closing share price of U.S.\$72.88 as of July 15, 2004. This implied merger transaction share price was used by Deutsche Bank when making its comparisons of the ranges of implied share prices derived from the various analyses described below to the implied share price in the merger transaction. In analyzing the trading prices of Molson shares, Deutsche Bank focused principally on the Molson Class A non-voting shares given the relatively small public float of the Molson Class B common shares.

Comparison of Financial Performance

Deutsche Bank reviewed historical financial performance data for Molson and Coors for the two companies' fiscal years 2001, 2002 and 2003 with respect to net revenues, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, or EBITDA; earnings before interest and taxes, or EBIT; and net income. Deutsche Bank observed that while Coors revenues and EBITDA were greater than those of Molson, Coors' larger capital expenditures, depreciation and leverage resulted in Coors having lower EBIT and lower net income than Molson. Deutsche Bank also observed that a significant portion of Molson's profitability is derived from its interest in Coors Canada, which brews and distributes Coors Light in Canada.

52-Week Price Range

Deutsche Bank reviewed the closing trading prices of Molson Class A non-voting shares for the 52 weeks ending July 15, 2004. Based on this review, Deutsche Bank determined that the 52-week trading price range for Molson Class A non-voting shares was U.S.\$22 to U.S.\$29 per share and compared that range to the implied merger transaction share price of U.S.\$26.24.

Deutsche Bank also reviewed the closing trading prices of Coors Class B common stock for the 52 weeks ending July 15, 2004. Based on this review, Deutsche Bank determined that the 52-week trading price range for Coors Class B common stock was U.S.\$48 to U.S.\$73 per share and compared that range to the July 15, 2004 closing share price for Coors Class B common stock of U.S.\$72.88.

Analyst Research Price Targets

Deutsche Bank reviewed the price targets of Molson Class A non-voting shares as projected by various research analysts as of June 22, 2004. Based on this review, Deutsche Bank determined that the lowest and highest analyst research price targets resulted in a price range of Molson Class A non-voting shares of U.S.\$23 to U.S.\$29 and compared that range to the implied merger transaction share price of U.S.\$26.24.

Deutsche Bank also reviewed the price targets of Coors Class B common stock as projected by various research analysts as of July 6, 2004. Based on this review, Deutsche Bank determined that the lowest and highest analyst research price targets resulted in a price range of Coors Class B common stock of U.S.\$52 to U.S.\$65 and compared that range to the July 15, 2004 closing share price for Coors Class B common stock of U.S.\$72.88.

Relative Contribution Analysis

Deutsche Bank analyzed the pro forma relative financial performance contributions of Molson and Coors, based on management estimates for the 2004 and 2005 calendar years, as compared to the pro forma relative economic ownership percentages for Molson and Coors respectively, based on the exchange ratio of 0.360.

The financial performance contributions analyzed by Deutsche Bank included the following estimates furnished by the management of Molson and Coors, respectively:

2005 estimated revenues

2005 estimated EBITDA

2005 estimated EBIT

2005 estimated net income

2004 estimated net income

Based on these metrics, Deutsche Bank observed that on a combined basis (excluding any adjustments for purchase accounting), the implied pro forma economic ownership percentage for Coors shareholders, after adjustment for the respective Molson and Coors leverage, ranged from 40.6% to 75.0%. Deutsche Bank compared this range of implied pro forma economic ownership percentages for Coors shareholders with the economic ownership percentage of 45.5% implied by the exchange ratio of 0.360.

In addition, Deutsche Bank reviewed the implied pro forma economic ownership percentages of the shareholders of Molson and Coors, respectively, based on the relative equity market capitalizations of the two companies as of July 15, 2004. Deutsche Bank noted that this analysis implied a pro forma economic ownership percentage of 47% for Coors shareholders in the combined company. Deutsche Bank then compared this implied pro forma economic ownership percentage for Coors shareholders with the economic ownership percentage of 45.5% implied by the exchange ratio of 0.360.

Exchange Ratio Analysis

Deutsche Bank analyzed the exchange ratio of closing prices per share of Coors common stock and Molson common stock from July 15, 2002 to July 15, 2004. Deutsche Bank observed the following average implied exchange ratios over various periods ending on July 15, 2004:

Period Ending July 15, 2004	Average Implied Exchange Ratio	
Prior 10 trading days	0.349	
Prior 30 trading days	0.349	
Prior 90 trading days	0.350	
Prior 1 year	0.418	
Prior 2 years	0.403	

Deutsche Bank noted that the exchange ratio of 0.360 implied a price that is 2.8% to 3.3% higher than the Molson closing stock price on July 15, 2004 based on the closing stock prices for Coors Class B common stock during the period from 10 to 90 trading days prior to July 15, 2004.

Other Financial Analyses

Deutsche Bank conducted other financial analyses of Coors and Molson which supported Deutsche Bank's opinion as to the fairness of the 0.360 exchange ratio from a financial point of view to Coors Class A common stockholders and Class B common stockholders.

Deutsche Bank reviewed certain financial information and calculated commonly used valuation measurements for Molson and Coors and compared them to corresponding information and measurements for other publicly traded companies in the brewing industry. Deutsche Bank observed that, based on these relative metrics, the implied valuations of Coors and Molson in the financial markets were consistent with the implied valuations of these brewing companies in the financial markets.

Deutsche Bank performed discounted cash flows analyses for Coors and Molson. The estimated future free cash flows were based on the financial projections for Coors and Molson prepared by Coors and Molson management teams. The discount rates were based on Deutsche Bank's judgment of the estimated weighted average cost of Coors' and Molson's capital and the long-term growth rates were based on its review of the long-term characteristics of the Coors and Molson businesses. Deutsche Bank noted that the pro forma ownership percentage for Coors of 45.5%, as implied by the 0.360 exchange ratio, slightly exceeded the mid-point of the relative discounted cash flow analyses of Coors and Molson.

General

The foregoing summary describes all analyses and factors that Deutsche Bank deemed material in its presentation to the Coors board of directors, but is not a comprehensive description of all analyses performed and factors considered by Deutsche Bank in connection with preparing its opinion. The preparation of a fairness opinion is a complex process involving the application of subjective business judgment in determining the most appropriate and relevant methods of financial analysis and the application of those methods to the particular circumstances and, therefore, is not readily susceptible to summary description. Deutsche Bank believes that its analyses must be considered as a whole and that considering any portion of those analyses and of the factors considered without considering all analyses and factors could create a misleading view of the process underlying the opinion. In arriving at its fairness determination, Deutsche Bank did not assign specific weights to any particular analyses.

In conducting its analyses and arriving at its opinion, Deutsche Bank utilized a variety of generally accepted valuation methods. The analyses were prepared solely for the purpose of enabling Deutsche Bank to provide its opinion as investment bankers to the Coors board of directors as to the fairness of the exchange ratio, from a financial point of view, to holders of the Coors Class A common stock and holders of the Coors Class B common stock and do not purport to be appraisals or necessarily reflect the prices at which businesses or securities actually may be sold, which are inherently subject to uncertainty. In connection with its analyses, Deutsche Bank made, and was provided by Coors' and Molson's management with, numerous assumptions with respect to industry performance, general business and economic conditions and other matters, many of which are beyond the control of Coors, Molson, or their respective advisors. Analyses based on estimates or forecasts of future results are not necessarily indicative of actual past or future values or results, which may be significantly more or less favorable than suggested by those analyses. Because those analyses are inherently subject to uncertainty, being based upon numerous factors or events beyond the control of Coors, Molson or their respective advisors, none of Coors, Molson, Deutsche Bank nor any other person assumes responsibility if future results or actual values are different from these forecasts or assumptions.

The terms of the merger transaction were determined through negotiations between Coors and Molson and were approved by the Coors board of directors. Although Deutsche Bank provided advice to Coors during the course of these negotiations, the decision to enter into the merger transaction was solely that of the Coors board of directors. As described above, the opinion and presentation of Deutsche Bank to the Coors board of directors was only one of a number of factors taken into consideration by the Coors board of directors in making its determination to recommend the merger transaction. Deutsche Bank's opinion was provided to the Coors board of directors to assist it in connection with its consideration of the merger transaction and does not constitute a recommendation

to any stockholder as to how to vote or take any other action with respect to any matter related to the merger transaction.

Deutsche Bank's opinion does not in any manner address the prices at which any securities of Coors or Molson will trade after the announcement or completion of the merger transaction. Deutsche Bank assumes no responsibility for updating or revising its opinion based on circumstances or events occurring after the date of the opinion. In connection with the preparation of its opinion, Deutsche Bank was not authorized by Coors or the Coors board of directors to solicit, nor has Deutsche Bank solicited, third-party indications of interest for the acquisition of all or any part of Coors or any other extraordinary transaction involving Coors.

Coors selected Deutsche Bank as financial advisor in connection with the merger transaction based on Deutsche Bank's qualifications, expertise, reputation and experience in mergers and acquisitions. Coors has retained Deutsche Bank under a letter agreement dated June 14, 2004 which, as supplemented by an addendum dated June 17, 2004, we refer to as the engagement letter. Deutsche Bank will be paid a fee for its services as financial advisor to Coors in connection with the merger transaction, a substantial portion of which is contingent upon completion of the merger transaction. If the merger transaction closes, the total fee will consist of \$8.5 million plus an additional amount to be paid at the discretion of Coors between \$1.5 million and \$5.5 million, as per the addendum, provided Deutsche Bank has provided specified additional services to Coors. A portion of the fee will be paid by Molson Coors Exchangeco in the form of preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco in consideration for services provided by Deutsche Bank to Molson Coors Exchangeco.

Deutsche Bank is an affiliate of Deutsche Bank AG, which together with its affiliates we refer to as the DB Group. Deutsche Bank is an internationally recognized investment banking firm experienced in providing advice in connection with mergers and acquisitions and related transactions. One or more members of the DB Group have, from time to time, provided investment banking, commercial banking (including extension of credit) and other financial services to Coors and Molson or their affiliates for which it has received compensation, including Coors' June 2003 U.S.\$500 million commercial paper program for which a member of the DB Group acted as co-dealer. In the ordinary course of business, members of the DB Group may actively trade in the securities and other instruments and obligations of Coors and Molson for their own accounts and for the accounts of their customers. Accordingly, the DB Group may at any time hold a long or short position in those securities, instruments and obligations.

Interests of Coors' Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction

You should be aware that members of the management and board of directors of Coors have interests in the merger transaction that may be in addition to or different from the interests of Coors stockholders generally. These interests include the following:

Rights on Change of Control

In June 2002, Coors entered into agreements with each of its executive officers, including each of the Coors named executive officers listed in "Information Concerning Coors Executive Compensation" beginning on page 249, and other members of management relating to employment upon a change of control of Coors. The terms of these agreements provide that there is a change of control of Coors at a time when either (a) the Coors Trust ceases to have voting control of Coors and another party acquires more than 20% of voting power of Coors or (b) the current members of Coors' board of directors (and successors nominated by them) cease to constitute a majority of Coors' board of directors. Both of these events will occur as part of the merger transaction.

The change of control agreements provide that for a period of two years following a change of control, the officer will be entitled to specified compensation if triggering events specified in the agreement were to occur. These events include direct or constructive termination without cause.

resignation for good reason or resignation by the officer during a 30-day period beginning one year after the change of control. Upon a triggering event, the officer would be paid a multiple of the officer's annual salary and bonus and would receive continued health, pension and life insurance benefits. Stock option exercises would be subject to a floor price equal to the price of Coors' stock on the date of a change of control. For each of Coors' chairman and chief executive officer, the compensation would equal three times annual salary and bonus, plus benefits for the equivalent of three years coverage, plus three years credit for additional service toward pension benefits. All other officers who are party to these agreements would receive two times annual salary and bonus, plus two years equivalent benefit coverage, plus vesting and credit for two years additional service toward pension benefits.

In addition, under Coors' Equity Incentive Plan, all stock options granted under the plan vest upon a change in control, which will occur upon completion of the merger transaction.

Board and Management Arrangements

As described under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" beginning on page 102, the combination agreement and related documents provide for arrangements regarding the composition of Molson Coors' board of directors and senior management. Those arrangements provide that some of the current directors and officers of Coors will have director and/or management positions with Molson Coors.

Court Approval of the Arrangement and Completion of the Merger Transaction

Under the CBCA, the arrangement requires court approval. Prior to the mailing of this document, Molson will have obtained an interim order from the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec, providing for the calling and holding of the Molson special meeting and other procedural matters. A copy of each of the interim order and the notice of application for a final order is attached as Annex C.

Subject to the approval of the Molson special resolution by the Molson shareholders and optionholders at the Molson special meeting and the approval of the Coors share issuance and Coors charter amendment by the Coors stockholders at the Coors special meeting, the hearing in respect of a final order is expected to take place on or about, , 2004 at a.m. (Montréal time) in room at the Montréal courthouse at 1 Notre Dame Street East, Montréal, Québec.

If you are a Molson securityholder who wishes to appear or be represented and to present evidence or arguments, you must serve and file a notice of appearance as set forth in the notice of application for the final order and satisfy any other requirements of the court. The court will consider, among other things, the fairness and reasonableness of the arrangement. The court may approve the arrangement in any manner the court may direct, subject to compliance with any terms and conditions the court deems fit.

Assuming the final order is granted and the other conditions to closing contained in the combination agreement are satisfied or waived, it is anticipated that the following will occur substantially simultaneously:

the Coors certificate of incorporation will be amended and restated in substantially the form attached to this document as Annex G and filed with the Secretary of State of Delaware;

articles of arrangement for Molson will be filed with the director under the CBCA and a certificate of arrangement issued to give effect to the arrangement;

the exchangeable share support agreement and voting and exchange trust agreement (attached as Annexes E and F, respectively) will be executed and delivered; and

the various other documents necessary to complete the transactions contemplated under the combination agreement will be executed and delivered.

The closing of the merger transaction will take place on the second business day after the date on which all closing conditions have been satisfied or waived (other than any conditions which by their terms cannot be satisfied until the closing date) or any other time agreed to in writing by Molson, Coors and Molson Coors Exchangeco.

Regulatory Matters

Under the combination agreement, Coors and Molson have both agreed to apply for and obtain all regulatory approvals necessary or advisable in connection with the merger transaction contemplated by the combination agreement.

U.S. Antitrust Filing

Under the HSR Act, the merger transaction may not be completed until notifications have been given and required information and materials have been furnished to and reviewed by the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Federal Trade Commission and the required waiting period has expired or terminated. Under the HSR Act, the merger transaction may not be completed until 30 days after the initial filing (unless early termination of this waiting period is granted) or, if the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice or the Federal Trade Commission issues a request for additional information, 30 days after Coors and Molson have complied with that request for additional information (unless this period is shortened by a grant of early termination).

It is a condition to the completion of the merger transaction that the applicable waiting period under the HSR Act expires or is terminated. Coors and Molson each filed a Pre-Merger Notification and Report Form under the HSR Act with the U.S. Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission on September 3, 2004.

During or after the statutory waiting periods, and even after the completion of the merger transaction, U.S. federal or state governmental authorities could seek to challenge the merger transaction as they deem necessary or desirable in the public interest.

Holders of Molson Class A common stock and Class B common stock who will hold, as a result of the proposed transaction, Molson Coors common stock or exchangeable shares valued in excess of \$50 million may be required to comply with the requirements of the HSR Act prior to receipt of those shares.

Canadian Competition Act

The Competition Act (Canada) requires that parties to certain merger transactions that exceed specified size thresholds provide to the Commissioner of Competition appointed under the Competition Act prior notice of, and information relating to, the merger transaction. Parties to the merger transaction must await the expiration of a prescribed "waiting period" prior to completing the merger transaction unless the Commissioner has (1) issued an advance ruling certificate under Section 102 of the Competition Act advising the parties that the transaction will not be challenged under Section 92 of the Competition Act or (2) waived the notification obligation under Section 113(c) of the Competition Act.

The merger provisions of the Competition Act permit the Commissioner to apply to the Canadian Competition Tribunal to seek relief in respect of merger transactions that are likely to prevent or lessen competition substantially. The relief that may be ordered by the Competition Tribunal includes, in the case of a merger transaction, prohibiting completion of the merger transaction in whole or in part and, in the case of a completed merger, the dissolution of the merger or the divestiture of assets or shares

designated by the Tribunal. Proceedings under the merger provisions of the Competition Act may be instituted for a period of three years after a merger transaction has been substantially completed unless an advance ruling certificate has been issued.

It is a condition to the completion of the merger transaction that Coors and Molson (i) receive an advance ruling certificate or (ii) the waiting period under Part IX of the Competition Act has expired or been reduced by the Commissioner and a letter from the Commissioner or a person authorized by the Commissioner that the Commissioner has determined not to make an application for an order under section 92 of the Competition Act in respect of the merger transaction (referred to as a "no-action letter") has been received.

The parties filed their pre-merger notification with the Competition Bureau on August 13, 2004 and the waiting period expired on August 27, 2004. The parties have requested that the Commissioner issue a no-action letter in respect of the proposed transaction. The Competition Bureau has classified the merger transaction with a corresponding non-binding maximum service standard period of 10 weeks. The 10-week service standard expires on October 18, 2004 and the parties believe they will receive the no-action letter by that time.

Investment Canada Act

Molson Coors will be a Canadian-controlled entity under section 26 of the Investment Canada Act and therefore no filings will be required under the Investment Canada Act.

Considerations Relating to Molson-Coors Canada Partnership Agreements

Coors and Molson have entered into agreements which provide for the manufacture, marketing and distribution of Coors Light and other Coors brands in Canada by a partnership, 49.9% of which is owned by Molson and 50.1% of which is owned by Coors.

The agreements are terminable by either party under specified circumstances. The events giving rise to Coors' right to terminate the partnership include the acquisition by a non-competitor of Coors, directly or indirectly, of beneficial ownership of, or control or direction over, more than 50% of Molson's Class B common shares, unless the non-competitor who holds more than 50% of Molson's Class B common stock is a descendant of Molson brewery founder John Molson.

The events giving rise to Coors' right to terminate the partnership also include the acquisition by a "competitor of Coors" of a "significant investment" in Molson. A "competitor of Coors" is defined as any entity which by itself or with an affiliate has a collective share of the U.S. malt beverage market greater than 3% and also certain companies designated by name. Under this definition, "competitors of Coors" include Anheuser Busch, Grupo Modelo, InBev (formerly Interbrew), and SABMiller, among others. A "significant investment" of a "competitor of Coors" is defined as the direct or indirect beneficial ownership of, or control or direction over, (a) 10% or more of the aggregate of all issued and outstanding Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares of Molson, (b) 33% or more of either the Class A non-voting shares or Class B common shares of Molson, or (c) 10% or more of the Class A non-voting shares or Class B common shares of Molson, together with the right to elect at least one director of Molson.

Additionally, upon Coors exercising its right to terminate the partnership, Coors would be entitled to elect to negotiate in good faith with Molson a new 10-year manufacturing and distribution agreement regarding Coors Light and the other Coors brands on terms no less favorable to Coors than the existing manufacturing and distribution agreement. If a new agreement is not reached, the existing terms of the current manufacturing and distribution agreement would continue in force for a further 10-year period.

Dividend Information

Coors and Molson have agreed that Molson Coors, subject to applicable law (including the fiduciary duties of the Molson Coors directors), will increase its quarterly common stock dividend after the closing of the merger transaction by adopting Molson's dividend policy in effect on July 21, 2004, subject to adjustment for (i) the exchange rate of U.S.\$0.7616 per Canadian dollar on that date and (ii) the exchange ratio of 0.360. As a result, subject to the above qualifications, immediately following completion of the merger transaction, Molson Coors' quarterly dividend rate is expected to be U.S.\$0.317 per share.

Molson and Coors will coordinate with respect to the declaration of dividends on Molson shares and Coors common stock and the record dates and payment dates for those dividends. Molson and Coors intend that holders of Molson shares and Coors common stock will not receive two dividends, or fail to receive one dividend, for any quarter as a result of the merger transaction. We currently intend that, following the merger transaction, the timing of dividend payments will be in accordance with Coors historical policy. Coors' recent dividend payment dates are set forth under "Comparative Market Prices and Dividends" on page 320 below.

Pro Forma Economic Ownership of Molson Coors; Stock Buyback Program

Upon the completion of the merger transaction, we estimate that Molson's former shareholders and Coors' stockholders will own approximately 55% and 45%, respectively, of the outstanding economic interest in the combined company.

To reduce dilution from the companies' stock option programs, we intend that Molson Coors will adopt a policy of purchasing, from time to time, subject to market conditions and when permitted by applicable law, shares of its Class B common stock in the open market following the completion of the merger transaction. We expect the number of shares purchased from time to time to have an aggregate market value approximately equal to the aggregate cash proceeds received in respect of exercised stock options (including replacement options issued in exchange for Molson options).

Accounting Treatment

Molson Coors will account for the merger transaction using the purchase method of accounting under U.S. GAAP. Although the combination of Molson and Coors is a merger of equals, generally accepted accounting principles require that one of the two companies in the transaction be designated as the "acquiror" for accounting purposes. Based on a review of the applicable accounting rules, we have determined that Coors is the "acquiror" solely for accounting purposes. The purchase price (based on the market price of Coors common stock for the period commencing two days before and ending two days after the July 22, 2004 announcement of the merger transaction) will be allocated to Molson's identifiable assets and liabilities based on their estimated fair market values at the date of the completion of the merger transaction, and any excess of the purchase price over those fair market values will be accounted for as goodwill. Final valuations of property, plant and equipment, and intangible and other assets have not yet been completed as management is still reviewing the existence, characteristics and useful lives of Molson's intangible assets. The completion of the valuation work could result in significantly different amortization expenses and balance sheet classifications. After completion of the merger transaction, the results of operations of Molson will be included in the consolidated financial statements of Molson Coors.

Stock Exchange Listings

Coors and Molson have agreed to:

cause the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Molson Coors Class B common stock to be issued in the arrangement to be approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange before the completion of the arrangement, subject to official notice of issuance;

cause the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Molson Coors Class B common stock to be issued upon exchange of the exchangeable shares and upon exercise of replacement options to purchase Molson Coors common stock to be approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange before completion of the arrangement, subject to official notice of issuance; and

cause the Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares and the Class A, B1 and B2 preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco to be issued in the arrangement to be conditionally approved for listing on the Toronto Stock Exchange before the completion of the arrangement, subject to filing of the required documentation.

Application will be made to list the following classes of securities under the trading symbols described below:

ass of Securities NYSE Symbol		TSX Symbol		
Molson Coors Class A common stock	"	"	"	"
Molson Coors Class B common stock	"	"	"	"
Class A exchangeable shares			"	"
Class B exchangeable shares			"	"

We do not intend to list these shares on any other stock exchange. Preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco will also be listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange during the merger transaction, but will be promptly exchanged for Molson Coors common stock.

Issue and Resale of Exchangeable Shares and Shares of Molson Coors Common Stock Received in the Arrangement

United States

The issuance of shares of Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares to holders of Molson shares, to be delivered under the plan of arrangement, will not be registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The shares of Molson Coors common stock and the exchangeable shares issued in connection with the plan of arrangement will be issued in reliance upon the exemption available under Section 3(a)(10) of the Securities Act of 1933. Section 3(a)(10) exempts securities issued in exchange for one or more bona fide outstanding securities from the general requirement of registration where the fairness of the terms and conditions of the issuance and exchange of the securities have been approved by any court or authorized governmental entity, after a hearing upon the fairness of the terms and conditions of exchange at which all persons to whom the securities will be issued have the right to appear and to whom adequate notice of the hearing has been given. The court is authorized to conduct a hearing to determine the fairness of the terms and conditions of the plan of arrangement, including the proposed issuance of securities in exchange for other outstanding securities. Prior to the mailing of this document, the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec will have entered the interim order and, subject to the approval of the plan of arrangement by the Molson securityholders and the approval of the Coors charter amendment and the Coors share issuance by the Coors stockholders, a hearing on the fairness of the arrangement will be held on or about , 2004 by the Superior Court District of Montréal, Province of Québec.

The shares of Molson Coors common stock, and the exchangeable shares issued in the arrangement will be freely transferable under U.S. federal securities laws, except by persons who are deemed to be "affiliates" (as that term is defined under the Securities Act of 1933) of Molson prior to the merger transaction or persons who are affiliates of Molson Coors after the merger transaction. Shares held by Molson or Molson Coors affiliates may be resold only in transactions permitted by Rule 901 in combination with Rule 903 or Rule 904 of Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, the resale provisions of Rule 145(d)(1), (2) or (3) under the Securities Act of 1933 or as otherwise permitted under the Securities Act of 1933. Rule 145(d)(1) generally provides that "affiliates" of Molson may not sell securities of Molson Coors received in the merger transaction unless the sale is effected by use of an effective registration statement or in compliance with the volume, current public information, manner of sale and timing limitations set forth in paragraphs (c), (e), (f) and (g) of Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933. These limitations generally permit sales made by an affiliate in any three-month period that do not exceed the greater of 1% of the outstanding shares of the relevant class of Molson Coors common stock or the average weekly reported trading volume in those securities over the four calendar weeks preceding the placement of the sell order, provided the sales are made in unsolicited, open market "broker transactions" and that current public information on Molson Coors is available. Persons who may be deemed to be affiliates of an issuer generally include individuals or entities that directly or indirectly control, are controlled by, or are under common control with, that issuer and may include officers and directors of the issuer as well as beneficial owners of 10% or more of any class of capital stock of the issuer. Rules 145(d)(2) and (3) generally provide that these limitations lapse for non-affiliates of Molson Coors (who were affiliates of Molson prior to exchange of shares in the arrangement) after a period of one or two years, respectively, from the date of share issuances, depending upon whether specified currently available information continues to be publicly available with respect to Molson Coors.

Under the combination agreement, prior to the date of the Molson special meeting, Molson will provide Coors with a list of the persons, who, in the opinion of Molson, may be deemed to be affiliates of Molson as of the date of the Molson special meeting.

This document does not cover any resales of shares of Molson Coors common stock received in the merger transaction by any person who may be deemed an affiliate of Molson Coors after the merger transaction.

Coors has agreed that it will file and maintain effective the necessary registration statements covering the issuance of Molson Coors common stock from time to time in exchange for the exchangeable shares. Accordingly, the shares of Molson Coors common stock issued from time to time in exchange for the exchangeable shares will be freely transferable under U.S. federal securities laws, subject to restrictions on persons who are affiliates of Molson Coors after the merger transaction.

Coors will enter into a registration rights agreement providing registration rights permitting resale of the Molson Coors common stock or exchangeable shares issued to persons who are parties to the voting trust agreements referred to below under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116. Coors will provide similar registration rights to the estate of the late T.H.P. Molson and its affiliates. This estate is a Molson family estate of which Eric H. Molson and Stephen T. Molson are trustees. Molson Coors will also assume all outstanding options issued under Molson's Amended Incentive Stock Option Plan, and Coors has agreed to file a registration statement with the SEC on Form S-8 to register the shares of Molson Coors common stock that may be issued upon exercise of those options.

Canada

Coors and Molson Coors Exchangeco expect to receive rulings or orders from applicable provincial securities regulatory authorities in Canada providing exemptions from their prospectus and registration requirements (and the rights and protections otherwise afforded under those requirements) to permit, among other things:

the issuance of the exchangeable shares and Molson Coors common stock to Molson shareholders upon completion of the merger transaction;

the issuance of Molson Coors common stock to holders of exchangeable shares upon the exchange the exchangeable shares;

the issuance of Molson Coors replacement options to holders of Molson options as part of the merger transaction;

the issuance of Molson Coors common stock to holders of Molson Coors replacement options upon the exercise of those options; and

the resale of the exchangeable shares and Molson Coors common stock received (1) in connection with the merger transaction, (2) upon the exchange of the exchangeable shares or (3) upon the exercise of Molson Coors replacement options, in those Canadian provinces in which any ruling is required (subject to customary restrictions).

Ongoing Canadian Reporting Obligations

Molson Coors, upon completion of the arrangement, will be a reporting issuer in several Canadian provinces and territories. Under the Multijurisdictional Disclosure System, Molson Coors will be permitted to satisfy its Canadian statutory and financial reporting obligations, including in respect of insider reporting, by complying with applicable U.S. securities laws so long as certain conditions are satisfied, including that following the completion of the merger transaction, Molson Coors files with the relevant Canadian securities regulatory authorities copies of its reports and other materials filed with the SEC. Molson Coors Exchangeco, upon completion of the arrangement, will be, or will be deemed to be, a reporting issuer in all the Canadian provinces and territories. Molson Coors Exchangeco will be exempt from Canadian statutory financial and reporting requirements, including in respect of insider reporting so long as certain conditions are satisfied, including that, following completion of the merger transaction, Molson Coors files with the relevant Canadian securities regulatory authorities copies of certain of its reports filed with the SEC and that holders of exchangeable shares receive certain materials that are sent to holders of Molson Coors common stock, including annual and interim financial statements of Molson Coors and stockholder meeting materials. Reports filed by insiders of Molson Coors with the SEC will disclose beneficial ownership of common stock of Molson Coors and exchangeable shares.

Upon completion of the merger transaction, Molson will apply to the securities regulatory authorities in Canada to cease to be a reporting issuer.

Treatment of Stock Options

On	2004, there were outstanding	ng options to purchase Molson Class A non-voting shares which,	when vested,	would be
exercisable to acquire	a total of approximately	Molson Class A non-voting shares at prices between Cdn.\$	to Cdn.\$	with various
expiration dates to				

Upon completion of the merger transaction, all Molson options will vest and will be exerciseable at the option of the holders. In addition, all performance-based objectives tied to the grant or vesting of Molson options will be waived upon completion of the merger transaction.

At the effective time of the arrangement, each Molson option will be exchanged for an option to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock. Each replacement option will constitute an option to purchase a number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock equal to the product of the 0.360 exchange ratio and the number of Molson Class A common shares subject to the Molson option being replaced. Each replacement option will provide for an exercise price per share of Molson Coors Class B common stock equal to the exercise price per share of that option immediately prior to the completion of the merger transaction divided by the 0.360 exchange ratio. If the foregoing calculation results in the replacement option being exercisable for a number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock that includes a fraction of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock, then the number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock subject to the replacement option will be rounded down to the next whole number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock and the exercise price for the replacement option will be reduced by the exercise price of the fractional share of Molson Coors Class B common stock. Except as noted above or under "Interests of Molson's Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction", the term to expiration, conditions to and manner of exercising and all other terms and conditions of replacement options will otherwise be unchanged from those of the Molson options for which they were exchanged. Any document or agreement previously evidencing Molson options will thereafter evidence and be deemed to evidence options to purchase Molson Coors Class B common stock.

Molson Coors will file a registration statement on Form S-8 for the shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock issuable upon the exercise of Molson stock options replaced by options to acquire Molson Coors Class B common stock within five days after the completion of the merger transaction.

Holders of Molson options who wish to exercise those options in order to receive shares of Class B exchangeable shares and/or Molson Coors Class B common stock in the arrangement should deliver to _____, in the enclosed envelope at one of the addresses indicated in the letter of transmittal and election form for Molson optionholders, not later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on _____, 2004, a properly completed and signed letter of transmittal and election form for Molson optionholders. Molson optionholders are under no obligation to exercise their Molson options before the effective time. Molson options that have not been exercised prior to the effective time will be exchanged in the arrangement for replacement options to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock.

Dissenting Shareholder's Rights

Molson

If you are a registered holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares or Class B common shares, in accordance with the interim order issued by the Superior Court, District of Montréal, Province of Québec, you will have the right to dissent from the Molson special resolution. If the arrangement becomes effective and you properly dissent from the Molson special resolution in compliance with Section 190 of the CBCA, you will be entitled to be paid by Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco the fair value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares or Class B common shares you hold, determined as of the close of business on the day before the Molson special resolution is approved.

If you want to dissent, you must dissent for all your shares of the relevant class. If you hold shares on behalf of one or more beneficial owners, Section 190 of the CBCA allows you to dissent only for all the shares you hold on behalf of any one beneficial owner that are registered in your name.

Under Section 190 of the CBCA, you may dissent only for shares that are registered in your name. In many cases, people beneficially own shares that are registered either:

in the name of an intermediary, such as a bank, trust company, securities dealer, broker, trustee or administrator of "registered retirement savings plans," "registered retirement income funds",

"registered educational savings plans" and similar plans and their nominees, as these terms are defined under the Income Tax Act (Canada); or

in the name of a clearing agency in which the intermediary participates, such as The Canadian Depositary for Securities Limited or The Depository Trust Company.

If you want to dissent and your shares are registered in someone else's name, you must contact your intermediary and either:

instruct your intermediary to exercise the dissent rights on your behalf (which, if the shares are registered in the name of a clearing agency, will require that the shares first be re-registered in your intermediary's name); or

instruct your intermediary to re-register the shares in your name, in which case you will have to exercise your dissent rights directly.

In other words, if your shares are registered in someone else's name, you will not be able to exercise your dissent rights directly unless the shares are re-registered in your name.

If you want to dissent in respect of the Molson special resolution, you must provide a written dissent notice to Molson's secretary at Molson Inc., 1555 Notre Dame Street East, 4th Floor, Montréal, Québec H2L 2R5, Attention: Secretary, facsimile number , not later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on the business day immediately preceding the Molson special meeting (or any adjournment or postponement of the Molson special meeting). If you do not strictly comply with this requirement, you could lose your right to dissent. This requirement is different from the statutory dissent procedures of the CBCA, which would permit a dissent notice to be provided at or prior to the Molson special meeting.

If you send a dissent notice, you still have the right to vote at the Molson special meeting. However, under the CBCA if you send a dissent notice and then vote in favor of the Molson special resolution, you will no longer be considered a dissenting shareholder with respect to that class of shares voted in favor of the Molson special resolution. You must either vote against the Molson special resolution or abstain to dissent.

The CBCA does not provide (and Molson will not assume) that a vote against the Molson special resolution or an abstention constitutes a dissent notice. Similarly, if you give someone a proxy to vote for the Molson special resolution and then revoke the proxy, your revocation does not constitute a dissent notice. However, if you want to dissent, you should revoke any proxy that instructs the proxy holder to vote for the Molson special resolution to prevent the proxy holder from voting your shares in favor of the Molson special resolution and causing you to forfeit your dissent rights. For instructions on revoking a proxy, see "Special Meeting of Molson Securityholders Revocation of Proxies" beginning on page 48.

If you dissent, Molson is required to notify you that the Molson special resolution has been adopted within 10 days after Molson's shareholders adopt the resolution. Molson is not required to send you a notice if you vote for the Molson special resolution or withdraw your dissent notice.

If you dissent, you must send Molson (to its secretary at the address above) a written demand for payment within 20 days after you receive Molson's notice that the Molson special resolution has been adopted. If you do not receive that notice, you must send a written demand for payment within 20 days after you learn that the Molson special resolution has been adopted. Your demand for payment must contain:

your name and address;

the number of Molson Class A non-voting shares or Class B common shares, or both, for which you are dissenting; and

a demand for payment of the fair value of those shares.

Within 30 days of sending a demand for payment, you must send Molson (to its secretary at the address above) or its transfer agent the certificates representing your dissenting shares. If you do not send in your certificates, you forfeit your right to dissent. The Molson transfer agent will endorse on your share certificates a notice that you are a dissenting shareholder and will then send the certificates back to you.

After you send your demand for payment, you will no longer have any rights as a Molson shareholder other than the right to be paid the fair value of your shares unless:

you withdraw your demand for payment before Molson makes a written offer to pay;

Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco does not make you a timely written offer to pay and you withdraw your demand for payment; or

Molson's board of directors revokes the Molson special resolution.

In all three cases described above, your rights as a shareholder will be reinstated, and in the first two cases, your shares will be subject to the arrangement if it has been completed.

Also, under the plan of arrangement, if you duly exercise your dissent rights and are ultimately determined to have the right to be paid the fair value of your Molson shares, you will be deemed to have transferred your shares to Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco at the effective time of the arrangement. If you exercise your dissent rights but are ultimately determined for any reason not to have the right to be paid the fair value of your shares, you will be deemed to have participated in the arrangement like any non-dissenting shareholder who is deemed, under the plan of arrangement, to have elected to receive exchangeable shares or Molson Coors common stock. If your address, as shown in the Molson shareholder register, is in Canada as of the close of business on the day preceding the effective day of the arrangement. If your address, as shown in the Molson shareholder register, is not in Canada as of the close of business on the day preceding the effective day of the arrangement, you will receive preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco, which will be exchanged for corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock, in accordance with the procedures contained in the plan of arrangement.

If you dissent, within seven days after the later of the effective date of the arrangement and the date when Molson receives your demand for payment, Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco is required to send you an offer to pay for your shares. That offer must be in an amount that Molson's board of directors considers to be the fair value of the shares. Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco must also send you a statement with the offer to pay showing how the fair value was determined. Every offer to pay for a dissenting shareholder's shares must be on the same terms for shares of the same class. Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco must pay for your shares within 10 days after you accept the offer to pay, but the offer of Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco to pay you will lapse if your acceptance is not received within 30 days after it has made the offer to pay.

If you do not accept the offer or if Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco fails to make you an offer to pay after you have sent your demand for payment, Molson may apply to a court in the Province of Québec to fix a fair value for the shares of all dissenting shareholders. If Molson decides to apply to a court to fix the fair value, it must do so within 50 days after the effective date of the arrangement or within any longer period that the court allows. If Molson fails to apply to a court, you may apply to a court in Québec for the same purpose within a further period of 20 days or within any

longer period that the court allows. You are not required to give security for the costs of applying to a court.

If Molson, you or another dissenting shareholder applies to a court, all dissenting shareholders whose shares have not been purchased by Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco will be joined as parties and will be bound by the court's decision. Molson will be required to notify each affected dissenting shareholder of the date, place and consequences of the application and of the shareholder's right to appear and be heard in person or by counsel. The court may determine whether any person is a dissenting shareholder who should be joined as a party, and the court will then fix a fair value for the shares of all dissenting shareholders. The court will render a final order against Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco in favor of each dissenting shareholder and for the amount of the fair value of the dissenting shareholder's shares. The court may, in its discretion, allow a reasonable rate of interest on the amount payable to each dissenting shareholder from the effective date of the arrangement until the date of payment.

This is a summary of the dissenting shareholder provisions of the plan of arrangement and the CBCA, which are technical and complex. Complete copies of the plan of arrangement and Section 190 of the CBCA are attached as Annexes D and J, respectively. If you want to dissent, we recommend that you seek legal advice because, if you fail to comply strictly with the provisions of the plan of arrangement and the CBCA, you could forfeit your dissent rights.

The Canadian federal income tax consequences to a holder of Molson shares who exercises dissent rights and who receives fair value for the holder's shares from Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco will be different from the consequences to a holder who participates in the arrangement. For more information see "Income Tax Considerations" Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Shareholders" beginning on page 126.

Coors

Under Delaware law, holders of Coors common stock will not be entitled to demand appraisal of, or to receive payment for, their shares of Coors common stock in connection with the actions to be taken at the Coors special meeting.

The Combination Agreement and Related Agreements

This section of the document describes the material provisions of the combination agreement and related documents but does not purport to describe all of the terms of those agreements. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the combination agreement, which is attached as Annex B to this document and incorporated into this document by reference and those other documents referred to below. We urge you to read the full text of the combination agreement and those other documents because they are the legal documents that govern the merger transaction.

Closing and Effective Time

Closing

The closing of the merger transaction will take place on the second business day after the date on which all closing conditions have been satisfied or waived (other than any conditions which by their terms cannot be satisfied until the closing date, but subject to the satisfaction or, where permitted, waiver of those conditions as of the closing date) or another time as agreed to in writing by Molson, Coors and Molson Coors Exchangeco. We currently expect to complete the merger transaction in the fourth quarter of calendar year 2004.

Effective Time

The merger transaction will be effective at 12:01 a.m. (Montréal time) on the date shown on the certificate of arrangement issued under the CBCA, which will give effect to the merger transaction.

Representations and Warranties

The combination agreement contains a number of customary representations and warranties of Molson and Coors relating to, among other things:

proper organization, good standing and qualification of each party and its respective subsidiaries;

no violations of organizational documents;

each party's capitalization;

the corporate authorization and enforceability of, and board approval of, the combination agreement, related agreements and the merger transaction;

the absence of conflicts with applicable law in connection with the parties' performance under the combination agreement and related agreements, required consents and required government approvals;

compliance with laws and permits;

the accuracy of reports required to be filed with Canadian securities regulatory authorities and the Toronto Stock Exchange, in the case of Molson, and with the SEC and the New York Stock Exchange, in the case of Coors, since January 1, 2002 and the accuracy of the financial statements included in those reports;

absence of undisclosed liabilities:

absence of any material adverse effect and certain other changes or events since the date of the last audited financial statements;

absence of litigation or other actions which if determined adversely would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Molson or Coors, as applicable;

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employee plans;
labor matters;
title to property;
insurance;
taxes and tax status of Molson and Coors;
environmental matters;
intellectual property;
material contracts;
brokers and finders fees;
the opinions of each party's financial advisors;
the securityholder votes required to approve the merger transaction and related matters;
the ownership, solvency status and obligations of Callco and Molson Coors Exchangeco, in the case of Coors;
the exchangeable shares and preferred shares to be issued by Molson Coors Exchangeco, in the case of Coors; and
the common stock to be issued by Molson Coors in connection with the arrangement, in the case of Coors.

Covenants

Each of Molson and Coors has agreed that, pending the consummation of the merger transaction, except as expressly contemplated by the combination agreement or as the other party may expressly consent, it will conduct its business, and its subsidiaries will conduct their respective businesses, in the ordinary course and consistent with past practice and in compliance with all applicable laws and will refrain from taking various non-ordinary course actions, including not doing any of the following:

amending its governing documents;

effecting any split, combination, subdivision or reclassification of its capital stock or any redemption, repurchase or other acquisition of its securities, subject to certain exceptions such as dividends consistent with past practices and in the ordinary course;

adopting any plan of liquidation, dissolution, winding up, merger, consolidation, amalgamation, restructuring, recapitalization or other material reorganization (other than a merger or consolidation with wholly owned subsidiaries);

issuing, delivering or selling equity securities, subject to specified exceptions such as upon the exercise or granting of stock options or conversion of convertible securities;

acquiring any material business;

selling or otherwise transferring any material assets or material rights, other than under current contracts or ordinary course sales of inventory;

incurring, assuming or guaranteeing any indebtedness or issuing or selling any debt securities or entering into any keep-well or other arrangements to maintain the financial condition of another person, other than short-term borrowings in the ordinary course consistent with past practices;

making any loan, advance or capital contribution, subject to specified exceptions such as loans to subsidiaries or otherwise in the ordinary course of business to the extent not material;

changing its methods of accounting or accounting practices in any material respect, or its fiscal year, except as required by law;

entering into, terminating or amending any material contract;

settling or proposing to settle any action or liability to the extent the settlement would provide for any injunctive relief or other material restriction on its business or would require a material payment;

taking any action that would prevent or materially impair or delay the ability to consummate the merger transaction; and

agreeing or committing to do any of the foregoing.

Each of Molson and Coors has also agreed to a number of other mutual covenants, including:

providing the other party with reasonable access to its books and records and properties and with all information as may be reasonably requested during the period prior to the termination of the combination agreement or the completion of the merger transaction;

using reasonable best efforts to develop a joint communications plan and, except in connection with any announcement required by applicable law or by any listing agreement or the rules of any securities exchange, to consult with each other before making public statements regarding the merger transaction;

soliciting in favor of the shareholder approvals required to effect the merger transaction;

recommending to its securityholders eligible to vote on these matters that they vote in favor of the shareholder approvals required to effect the merger transaction;

not withdrawing, modifying or qualifying the recommendation referred to above unless the board of directors of the party, after consultation with outside legal counsel, has determined that the failure to take the action would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable law;

using its reasonable best efforts to obtain all necessary approvals and to take all actions necessary or advisable to consummate the merger transaction as soon as reasonably practicable;

taking reasonable steps to ensure that certain tax treatment for the merger transaction is achieved;

using its reasonable best efforts to cause a service provider of Molson Coors Exchangeco to make a representation to Molson Coors Exchangeco as to the absence, upon completion of the merger transaction and thereafter, of ownership of shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco other than Class C preferred shares to be exchanged for services provided to Molson Coors Exchangeco; and

using its reasonable best efforts to cause the service provider referred to above to enter into binding arrangements with an unrelated third party to sell at least 25% (but not more than 75%) of the Molson Coors Exchangeco Class C preferred shares.

In addition, Coors has made a number of additional covenants in connection with the merger transaction (in each case subject to the limits and qualifications set forth in the combination agreement), including:

using its reasonable best efforts to obtain clearance from Canadian securities regulatory authorities for the issuance and first resale of the exchangeable shares and the Molson Coors

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common stock issued under the merger transaction and the issuance and first resale of the Molson Coors common stock upon exchange of the exchangeable shares from time to time or exercise of stock options issued under the plan of arrangement in exchange for Molson stock options;

using its reasonable best efforts to obtain the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange for the listing of the exchangeable shares and preferred shares at or prior to the effective time of the merger transaction;

using its reasonable best efforts to obtain the approval of the New York Stock Exchange for the listing of the Molson Coors common stock to be issued in connection with the merger transaction contemplated by the combination agreement at or prior to the effective time of the merger transaction;

reserving from its authorized capital the number of shares of Molson Coors common stock as may be required from time to time upon the exchange of exchangeable shares or the exercise of stock options as described above, in each case for shares of Molson Coors common stock;

using its reasonable best efforts to cause all registration statements filed in connection with the merger transaction to become effective;

after the completion of the merger transaction, maintaining dual headquarters in the metropolitan areas of Denver, Colorado and Montréal, Canada, and maintaining its North American operating units headquarters in Toronto, Ontario and Golden, Colorado;

subject to receiving the Coors stockholder approval, taking all actions necessary to cause its certificate of incorporation and bylaws to be amended as contemplated by the combination agreement, including changing the name of Coors to "Molson Coors Brewing Company";

using its reasonable best efforts to cause the full board of directors of Molson Coors to consist of the 15 individuals set forth in the combination agreement;

using its reasonable best efforts to cause the nominating committee of Molson Coors and specified subcommittees to consist of the individuals set forth in the combination agreement;

causing the committees of the board of directors of Molson Coors to consist of the standing committees contemplated by the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation and bylaws, including an audit committee, a human resources and compensation committee and any other committees as the parties may agree;

causing the current chief executive officer of Coors to serve as chief executive officer of Molson Coors, the current chief executive of Molson to become vice chairman, synergies and integration of Molson Coors and causing the specified persons set forth in the combination agreement to be appointed to the officer positions referred to in the combination agreement;

until the last day of the fiscal year in which W. Leo Kiely III ceases to serve as the chief executive officer of Molson Coors, causing the chairman of the board of directors of Molson Coors to be Eric H. Molson, who is the current chairman of Molson's board of directors, or another individual appointed as chairman by the Class A-M nominating subcommittee of the Molson Coors nominating committee;

using its reasonable best efforts to cause the nominating committee of Molson Coors to nominate Daniel J. O'Neill as a director at Molson Coors' 2005 annual meeting;

subject to applicable law, increasing its dividend by adopting a policy of paying a quarterly dividend on Molson Coors common stock equal to the quarterly dividend rate on the Molson

shares in effect on July 21, 2004, subject to adjustment for (i) the exchange rate of U.S.\$0.7616 per Canadian dollar on that date and (ii) the 0.360 exchange ratio;

ensuring that at all times prior to the effective time of the merger transaction Molson Coors Exchangeco will lawfully be allowed to pay dividends and redeem its shares;

using its best efforts to cause Molson Coors Exchangeco to be a "taxable Canadian corporation" and a "public corporation" within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada);

refraining from taking actions that would prevent the exchange of Molson shares for exchangeable shares under the arrangement by validly electing Canadian resident shareholders from being tax deferred for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada);

using its reasonable best efforts to cause Molson Coors Exchangeco to maintain a substantial presence in Canada for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada);

permitting Molson holders to effect a "safe-income tuck-in" transaction on the terms described below under "Elections Available to Molson Securityholders Holding Company Alternative" beginning on page 153;

taking all steps within its control as are necessary to ensure that Molson Coors will not become a "specified financial institution" for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) (subject to specified exceptions) or a "U.S. real property holding corporation" for U.S. tax purposes;

taking all steps within its control as are necessary to ensure that Molson Coors will not become a "foreign investment entity" for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) (subject to specified exceptions);

on behalf of Molson Coors Exchangeco, paying additional amounts if specified U.S. withholding taxes are imposed so that holders of exchangeable shares will receive the same amount as if those taxes were not imposed;

fulfilling indemnification obligations to the directors and officers of Molson in effect immediately prior to the completion of the merger transaction, and maintaining for six years directors' and officers' liability insurance policies on terms comparable to those applicable to the directors and officers of Molson prior to the completion of the merger transaction; and

indemnifying holders of exchangeable shares from claims, damages and other costs or expenses incurred by those holders as a result of the fact that Molson Coors Exchangeco has been or is an operating subsidiary of Coors rather than being a special purpose vehicle.

Covenants Regarding Non-Solicitation

The combination agreement contains detailed provisions prohibiting the parties from seeking an alternative transaction. Under these "non-solicitation" provisions, each of Molson and Coors has agreed that it will not, directly or indirectly:

initiate, solicit, encourage or otherwise knowingly facilitate any inquiries or the making by any third party of any proposal or offer with respect to a purchase, merger, reorganization, share exchange, consolidation, amalgamation, arrangement, business combination, liquidation, dissolution, recapitalization or similar transaction involving any material portion of the consolidated assets of Molson or Coors or any shares of any class of equity securities of Molson or Coors (we refer to any such proposal as an "acquisition proposal");

engage in any negotiations concerning, or provide any confidential information or data to, or have any discussions with, any person relating to an acquisition proposal, or otherwise knowingly facilitate any effort or attempt to make or implement an acquisition proposal;

approve or recommend, or propose publicly to approve or recommend, any acquisition proposal; or

execute or enter into, or publicly propose to accept or enter into, any agreement with respect to an acquisition proposal.

If an acquisition proposal is received, however, nothing contained in the combination agreement will prevent Molson or Coors, or their respective boards of directors, from complying with the provisions of applicable securities laws or regulations relating to directors' obligations to issue a circular or statement in response to a third-party take-over bid or tender offer, as the case may be. In addition, so long as (1) the applicable securityholder approval required by the combination agreement has not yet been obtained and (2) the board of directors of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, has determined in good faith after consultation with outside legal counsel that failure to do so would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable law, nothing contained in the combination agreement will prevent Molson or Coors, or their respective boards of directors, from:

providing information in response to a request by a person who has made an unsolicited bona fide written acquisition proposal, if the board of directors of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, (i) determines in good faith (after consultation with its financial advisor and outside legal counsel) that the acquisition proposal constitutes, or is reasonably likely to result in, a superior proposal and (ii) receives from that person an executed confidentiality agreement on terms no less favorable in the aggregate to the disclosing party than those contained in the confidentiality agreement between Molson and Coors;

withdrawing, modifying or qualifying (or publicly proposing to or publicly stating its intention to withdraw, modify or qualify) the recommendation of the board of directors of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, in favor of the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement in respect of an acquisition proposal; or

engaging in any negotiations or discussions with any person who has made an unsolicited bona fide acquisition proposal if the board of directors of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, determines in good faith (after consultation with its financial advisor and outside legal counsel) that the acquisition proposal constitutes, or is reasonably likely to result in, a superior proposal.

The combination agreement also provides that each party, concurrently with the termination of the combination agreement in connection with a superior proposal and following payment of the termination fee described in the second paragraph under "Termination Fees and Expense Reimbursement" below, may enter into an agreement with respect to an acquisition proposal if, prior to effecting that termination:

the applicable shareholder approval required by the combination agreement has not yet been obtained;

the party is in compliance with the "non-solicitation" provisions of the combination agreement;

the board of directors of the party has determined in good faith, and, in the case of Molson, after considering the recommendation of the Molson independent committee, that the acquisition proposal constitutes a superior proposal after giving effect to all of the adjustments which may be offered by the other party as described below;

the party has notified the other party in writing, at least five days in advance of termination, that it is considering terminating the combination agreement, specifying the material terms and conditions of the superior proposal and the identity of the person making the superior proposal and delivering the documentation described below; and

during the five-day period referred to above, the terminating party has negotiated, and has made its financial and legal advisors available to negotiate, with the other party should the other party elect to make adjustments in the terms and conditions of the combination agreement so that, after giving effect to the adjustments, the acquisition proposal would no longer constitute a superior proposal.

The combination agreement defines a "superior proposal" as a bona fide written acquisition proposal with respect to a party that the board of directors of that party concludes in good faith, after consultation with financial advisors and outside legal counsel, and taking into account all legal, financial, regulatory and other aspects of the proposal, is (i) more favorable, from a financial point of view, to the shareholders of the party receiving the proposal and (ii) fully financed or reasonably capable of being fully financed, reasonably likely to receive all necessary approvals on a timely basis and otherwise reasonably capable of being completed on a timely basis. For purposes of this definition, however, "acquisition proposal" has the meaning set forth above, except that the references in that definition to "any shares" instead will be deemed to be references to "a majority of all outstanding shares of each class" and references to "any material portion" instead will be deemed to be references to "all or substantially all."

Each party must notify the other within 24 hours if any inquiries, proposals or offers are received by, any information is requested from, or any discussions or negotiations are sought to be initiated or continued with, any of its representatives, indicating the name of the relevant person and the material terms and conditions of any proposals or offers and providing, within one business day of receipt, a copy of all documentation setting forth the terms of the inquiry, proposal or offer. Thereafter, the party must keep the other party informed, on a current basis, of the status and terms of those proposals or offers and the status of any related discussions or negotiations (including by delivering any further documentation of the type referred to above).

Conditions to Completion of the Merger Transaction

Molson's and Coors' obligations to complete the merger transaction are subject to conditions that must be satisfied or waived before the completion of the merger transaction, including:

the approval of the Molson special resolution by the Molson securityholders and the approval of the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment by the Coors stockholders;

receipt of interim and final orders approving the plan of arrangement from the Superior Court of Québec in form and terms reasonably acceptable to Coors and Molson, and those orders having not been set aside or modified in a manner unacceptable to Coors and Molson;

receipt of orders required from the applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities permitting the issuance and first resale of the Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares issuable as part of the merger transaction and the Molson Coors common stock to be issued from time to time, in exchange for the exchangeable shares;

the absence of injunctions, orders or laws restraining, enjoining or making illegal the completion of the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement and plan of arrangement;

receipt of necessary regulatory approvals;

receipt of Toronto Stock Exchange's conditional approval for listing of the exchangeable shares and preferred shares;

receipt of New York Stock Exchange approval for listing of Molson Coors common stock;

availability of the exemption for the issuance of the shares of Molson Coors common stock to be issued under the arrangement from registration and qualification requirements under applicable U.S. federal and state securities laws;

effectiveness of a registration statement registering shares of Molson Coors common stock issuable upon exchange of exchangeable shares;

holders of no more than 5% of Molson's shares having exercised dissent rights in respect of the merger transaction;

Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws having been amended and restated in accordance with the combination agreement; and

the registration statement covering the exchange from time to time of exchangeable shares for shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock having become effective in accordance with the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of that registration statement having been issued and remaining in effect).

Each party's obligation to effect the arrangement is subject to the satisfaction of the following additional conditions by the other party:

the representations and warranties of the other party to the combination agreement (without giving effect to any materiality or material adverse effect qualification) being true and correct as of the closing date of the merger transaction (or other specified date), except as would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a material adverse effect on the other party;

performance and compliance in all material respects with all agreements and covenants required by the combination agreement;

the absence of any event or change which, individually or in the aggregate, has or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the other party; and

the execution and delivery by the other party of the voting trust agreements referred to under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116.

Molson's obligations to effect the arrangement are also subject to the satisfaction by Coors of the following additional conditions:

the absence of any development that would (i) prevent the exchange of Molson shares for exchangeable shares by validly electing Canadian resident holders eligible to make that election from being treated as a tax deferred transaction for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) or (ii) cause the exchangeable shares to be "foreign property" under the Income Tax Act (Canada);

Molson shareholders generally having been permitted to effect a "safe-income-tuck-in" transaction described under "Elections Available to Molson Securityholders Holding Company Alternative" beginning on page 153;

Coors having executed and delivered a registration rights agreement for the benefit of parties to the voting trust agreements referred to below under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116;

Coors having taken all actions necessary to cause the board of directors of Molson Coors to be constituted as described under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" Board of Directors of Molson Coors" beginning on page 102; and

Molson Coors Exchangeco not having been liquidated, dissolved or wound up and having remained solvent, and no bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar proceeding having been commenced against Molson Coors Exchangeco.

Amendment and Waiver

Subject to applicable law and the interim order of the Superior Court of Québec, at any time prior to the effective time, Molson and Coors may amend the combination agreement by written agreement. However, after the Molson securityholders have approved the Molson special resolution or the Coors stockholders have approved the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment, no amendment requiring further approval by the securityholders of Molson shareholders or the Coors stockholders, as the case may be, may be effected without that further approval.

Termination

Molson and Coors may terminate the combination agreement by mutual agreement. In addition, either Molson or Coors may terminate the combination agreement prior to the effective time of the arrangement if any of the following occurs:

the merger transaction is not completed on or before January 31, 2005, except that a party that is in breach of its obligations under the combination agreement may not have the right to terminate if its breach has resulted in the failure of the merger transaction to occur:

any law is passed that makes the arrangement illegal or otherwise prohibited or a governmental authority in the United States or Canada issues a final, non-appealable order restraining, enjoining or otherwise prohibiting consummation of the merger transaction;

the securityholders of Molson fail to approve the Molson special resolution, or the stockholders of Coors fail to approve the Coors share issuance and the Coors charter amendment;

the other party breaches a representation, warranty, covenant or agreement in the combination agreement so that the conditions to complete the arrangement are incapable of being satisfied on or before January 31, 2005;

the other party withdraws, modifies or qualifies the recommendation of its board of directors in favor of the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement; or

the other party intentionally and materially breaches the "non-solicitation" provisions of the combination agreement or its obligation to convene its stockholder meeting.

Either party may also terminate the combination agreement if all of the following occur:

that party has received a superior proposal, as described above under " Covenants Regarding Non-Solicitation";

that party has provided the other party with written notice of the superior proposal in accordance with the combination agreement;

at least five days following receipt by the other party of notice of the superior proposal, and after taking into account any revised proposal made by the other party during the five-day period, the board of directors of the terminating party has determined in good faith that the superior proposal remains a superior proposal that the board of directors has determined to accept;

that party is in compliance with the "non-solicitation" covenants in the combination agreement; and

immediately prior to the termination of the combination agreement, that party pays to the other party the termination fee described below.

In the event of termination of the combination agreement, the obligations of Molson and Coors will terminate, except for the provisions relating to confidentiality, fees and expenses and termination of the combination agreement. Except for the foregoing, there will be no liability on the part of either Molson or Coors upon termination of the combination agreement except for liabilities or damages arising from a willful or intentional breach of the combination agreement.

Termination Fees and Expense Reimbursement

Each of Molson and Coors (referred to in this section entitled "Termination Fees and Expense Reimbursement" as the "paying party") must reimburse all of the other party's out-of-pocket fees and expenses (up to U.S.\$15,000,000) in cash if:

the other party terminates the combination agreement because of a withdrawal, modification or qualification of the recommendation of the board of directors of the paying party in favor of the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement, provided that the full termination fee will be payable in lieu of expenses in the circumstances described in the first bullet under the next paragraph;

the other party terminates the combination agreement because of an intentional and material breach by the paying party of the "non-solicitation" provisions of the combination agreement or its obligation to convene its special meeting of securityholders;

Molson or Coors terminates the combination agreement because the arrangement has not been completed on or before January 31, 2005 and an acquisition proposal has been announced or otherwise communicated to the shareholders of the paying party prior to the termination of the combination agreement;

Molson or Coors terminates the combination agreement because the securityholders of the paying party have failed to approve the proposals relating to the merger transaction and an acquisition proposal has been announced or otherwise communicated to the shareholders of the paying party prior to the termination of the combination agreement; or

the other party terminates the combination agreement because of an uncured breach of a representation, warranty, covenant or agreement in the combination agreement by the paying party so that the closing conditions are incapable of being satisfied on or before January 31, 2005 and an acquisition proposal has been announced or otherwise communicated to the shareholders of the paying party prior to the termination of the combination agreement.

The paying party must pay the other party a termination fee of U.S.\$75,000,000 in cash if:

the other party terminates the combination agreement in the circumstances described in the first bullet of the previous paragraph and prior to the termination the board of directors of the paying party has withdrawn, modified or qualified its recommendation of the transaction as a result of an acquisition proposal received by the paying party or publicly announced or otherwise communicated to the paying party or its shareholders, or

the paying party terminates the combination agreement to accept a superior proposal, as described above.

In addition, following a termination described in the third, fourth or fifth bullets of the first paragraph of this section "Termination Fees and Expense Reimbursement", the paying party must pay the other party an amount in cash equal to the amount by which (i) the termination fee of U.S.\$75,000,000 exceeds (ii) the expenses of the other party reimbursed by the paying party if an acquisition proposal with respect to the paying party is completed within 12 months of termination.

Voting Agreements

This section of the document describes the material provisions of the voting agreements but does not purport to describe all of the terms of those agreements. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the voting agreements, which are attached as Annexes K and L to this document and incorporated into this document by reference. We urge you to read the full text of the voting agreements because they are the legal documents that govern the voting of shares held by specified significant shareholders of Molson and Coors.

Each of Peter H. Coors, individually, and in his capacity as trustee of the Coors Trust, and Keystone Financing LLC has entered into a voting agreement in favor of Molson and Pentland covering all of the shares of Coors common stock beneficially owned by each of them (collectively 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock, representing 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of Coors Class A common stock and shares of Coors Class B common stock representing approximately % of the shares of Coors Class B common stock issued and outstanding as of the record date). In addition, Pentland has entered into a voting agreement in favor of Coors and the Coors Trust covering all of the Molson shares that it beneficially owns (Molson Class B common shares, representing approximately % of the Molson Class B common shares issued and outstanding as of the record date).

Under the voting agreements, each shareholder has agreed, among other things, to vote all shares covered by the agreement:

in favor of the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement;

against any action or agreement likely to result in (1) any conditions to the obligations of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, under the combination agreement not being fulfilled or (2) a breach of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, under the combination agreement;

against any acquisition proposal;

against any amendments to the organizational documents of Molson or Coors, as the case may be, other than those expressly contemplated in the combination agreement; and

against any other action or agreement that is intended, or would reasonably be expected, to impede, interfere with, delay or postpone the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement.

Under the voting agreements, these shareholders also have agreed, except as expressly set forth in the applicable voting agreement, not to:

transfer any or all of their respective shares prior to the completion of the merger transaction or the termination of the combination agreement;

solicit, encourage, initiate or knowingly facilitate any acquisition proposal, engage in discussions with respect to an acquisition proposal or furnish any non-public information with respect to any acquisition proposal; or

participate in any claims against Molson or Coors, as the case may be, in respect of the transactions contemplated by the combination agreement.

In addition, Pentland has agreed not to exercise dissent rights with respect to the plan of arrangement.

The voting agreements will terminate upon the first to occur of the completion of the merger transaction or the termination of the combination agreement.

Fees and Expenses

Whether or not the merger transaction is completed, all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the merger transaction will be paid by the party incurring the expense, except as otherwise provided in the combination agreement and except that all expenses and fees incurred in connection with the filing, printing and mailing of this document will be shared equally by Coors and Molson.

Governance and Management of Molson Coors

This section of the document describes the material governance and management arrangements that will apply to Molson Coors upon completion of the merger transaction. This summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors to become effective upon completion of the merger transaction, which are attached as Annexes G and H to this document, respectively. We urge you to read the full text of the proposed amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors because they are the legal documents that will govern Molson Coors after the merger transaction. A summary of the material differences between the proposed amended and restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors and the existing certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Coors is set forth below under "Amendment to Coors' Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws".

Board of Directors of Molson Coors

The combination agreement provides that the Molson Coors board of directors will be comprised of 15 directors upon completion of the merger transaction:

12 directors will be elected by the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and the special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by holders of Class A exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco), voting together as a single class; and

three directors will be elected by the holders of the Molson Coors Class B common stock and the special Class B voting stock (the votes of which are directed by holders of Class B exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco), voting together as a single class.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation and bylaws will provide that the board of directors may change the size of the board by vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies), except that (1) any decrease in the number of directors below 15 must be approved by holders representing a majority of the voting power of Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class, and (2) any increase in the number of directors must be by a number divisible by three.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will contain provisions that are intended to ensure that at all times a majority of the directors must be independent. The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will define an independent director as any director who is independent of the management of Molson Coors and is free from any interest and any business or other relationship (other than interests or relationships arising from ownership of shares of Molson Coors stock) which could, or could reasonably be perceived to, materially interfere with the director's ability to act with a view to the best interests of Molson Coors.

We currently anticipate that the following individuals will serve on the initial Molson Coors board of directors:

Class A Directors

Name	Age	Business Experience, Public Company Directorships Held
Francesco Bellini	56	Dr. Bellini has been a board member of Molson since 1997 serving on the audit and finance committee, the environment, health and safety committee and the human resources and pension fund committee. He has served on boards of various public and private companies. Dr. Bellini has been chairman and chief executive officer of Neurochem Inc., a leading Canadian biopharmaceutical company, since 2002. He is also chairman of Picchio Pharma Inc., Innodia Inc., Adaltis Inc., and ViroChem Pharma Inc., all biopharmaceutical companies. A pioneer in the Canadian biopharmaceutical industry, he was chairman & chief executive officer, as well as co-founder of Biochem Pharma (now Shire-Biochem) from 1986 to 2001. Graduate of the University of New Brunswick with a Ph.D. in 1977, he has authored or co-authored more than twenty patents over his 20-year career as a research scientist.
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Peter H. Coors	57	Mr. Coors has been chairman of the boards of directors of Coors and Coors Brewing Company since 2002. He was chief executive officer of Coors from May 2000 to July 2002 and of Coors Brewing Company from December 1992 to May 2000. He has been a director of Coors and Coors Brewing Company since 1973. Prior to 1993, he served as executive vice president and chairman of the brewing division of Coors, before it was organized as Coors Brewing Company. He served as interim treasurer and chief financial officer of Coors from December 1993 to February 1995. He also has served in a number of different executive and management positions for Coors Brewing Company. Since March 1996, he has been a director of U.S. Bancorp. He also has been a director of Energy Corp. of America since March 1996, and was appointed to the board of directors of H.J. Heinz & Co., a manufacturer and marketer of consumer food products, in 2001. He is currently on unpaid leave of absence from Coors to run as a candidate for the U.S. Senate from Colorado.
Melissa E. Coors	32	Ms. Coors has served in a variety of managerial positions with Coors Brewing Company since 1996 with emphasis on international markets. She has served as Caribbean area manager developing strategic annual business plans for the Caribbean markets, business development manager with emphasis on growth in profit and market share in key Coors Brewing Company markets, and assistant brand manager for Coors Light, managing Coors' development and implementation of marketing strategy for the Hispanic market. She earned an MBA from the University of Denver in Marketing and holds a B.S. degree from Georgetown University in Foreign Service, Latin American Studies.
Franklin W. Hobbs	57	Mr. Hobbs was appointed a director of Coors and Coors Brewing Company in 2001 and is a member of the audit committee and the compensation and human resources and pension plan committee. He graduated from Harvard College and Harvard Business School and joined the investment bank, Dillon, Read & Co. Inc., in 1972. He served in roles of increasing responsibility at the firm and was chief executive officer from 1994 to 1997 when the firm was merged into the firm that subsequently became UBS. He was chairman of the investment banking division of UBS from 1999 to 2000 and subsequently became chief executive officer of the investment bank Houlihan Lokey Howard & Zukin from 2002 to 2003. He also serves on the board of directors of Lord Abbett Group of Mutual Funds, the board of overseers of Harvard College, and is president of the board of trustees at Milton Academy.

W. Leo Kiely III	57	Mr. Kiely was appointed chief executive officer of Coors in July 2002 and has served as chief executive officer of Coors Brewing Company since May 2000. He served as president and chief operating officer of Coors Brewing Company from March 1993 to May 2000. He has been a director of Coors and Coors Brewing Company since August 1998. Prior to joining Coors Brewing Company, he held executive positions with Frito-Lay, Inc., a subsidiary of PepsiCo.
Eric H. Molson	67	Mr. Molson has been a director of Molson since 1974 and has served as chairman of the board of Molson since 1988. He is also chancellor of Concordia University and a director of the Montréal General Hospital Corporation and Foundation, the Canadian Irish Studies Foundation and Vie des Arts. Mr. Molson received an Arts Baccalaureate (A.B.) with Honors in Chemistry from Princeton University. He earned a Master Brewer Certificate from the United States Brewers Academy and subsequently studied economics at the McGill Graduate School.
Andrew T. Molson	36	Mr. Molson has been with National Public Relations since 1997. One of his mandates with National Public Relations involved acting as the director of communications of the Montréal Exchange during the restructuring of the Canadian exchanges in 1999. Mr. Molson became a member of the Québec bar in 1994 and holds a law degree from Laval University, a B.A. from Princeton University and a Masters in corporate governance and ethics from the University of London (Birkbeck College). In 2003, he was elected fellow and professional administrator of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators. Mr. Molson is the vice president of the Molson Foundation and a director of the McCord Museum, the Montréal Fluency Centre and the Ste-Justine Hospital Foundation.
David P. O'Brien	63	Mr. O'Brien has been a director of Molson since 2002 and is a member of the human resources and pension fund committee and the corporate governance committee. Mr. O'Brien has been chairman of the board of directors of EnCana Corporation, an oil and gas company, since April 2002. He was chairman of the board of directors and chief executive officer of PanCanadian Energy Corporation from October 2001 to April 2002 and, before that, he had been chairman of PanCanadian since 1991. Mr. O'Brien was chairman of the board of directors, president and chief executive officer of Canadian Pacific Limited, an energy, hotels and transportation company, from May 1996 to October 2001. He is also chairman of Royal Bank of Canada and a director of Inco Limited, Fairmont Hotels & Resorts and Transcanada Pipelines Limited. In addition, he is a director of the C.D. Howe Institute, a research and educational institution.
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Daniel J. O'Neill	52	Mr. O'Neill has been president and chief executive officer of Molson since June 2000. He joined the organization as executive vice president and chief operating officer, North American brewing in 1999 and has served as a director since that time. He had been executive vice president of H.J. Heinz & Co., and served as president and chief executive officer of Star-Kist Foods. He was a director of H.J. Heinz from January 1998 to March 1999. Mr. O'Neill was the president of Campbell Soup Company from March 1994 to December 1997. He joined Campbell Soup after an international career spanning five countries and three continents working with S.C. Johnson, a consumer products company. He received an M.B.A. degree from Queen's University in 1976.
Pamela Patsley	47	Ms. Patsley has served as a director of both Coors and Coors Brewing Company since November 1996. She chairs the audit committee and formerly served as a member of the compensation and human resources committee. She is senior executive vice president of First Data Corporation and president of First Data International, responsible for all operations outside the United States in First Data's card issuing and merchant services businesses. Prior to joining First Data, she served as president and chief executive officer of Paymentech and was a founding director of the company. She was a founding officer in 1985 of the financial institution First USA, Inc. and served as chief financial officer of its parent company from 1987 to 1994. Prior to 1985, she was with KPMG Peat Marwick for six years. She also serves on the board of directors of Texas Instruments Incorporated as a member of the audit and the stockholder relations and public policy committees and as a director of Pegasus Solutions, Inc., serving on the audit and the governance committees.
H. Sanford Riley	53	Mr. Riley has been a director of Molson since 1999, and serves as chairman of the audit and finance committee and is a member of the human resources and pension fund committee. Mr. Riley is president and chief executive officer of Richardson Financial Group, a specialized financial service company. Between 1992 and 2001, he served as president and chief executive officer of Investors Group Inc., a personal financial services organization, retiring as chairman in 2002. Mr. Riley currently serves as a director of the North West Company and James Richardson International Co. His community affiliations include serving as past chairman of the Manitoba Business Council and chancellor of the University of Winnipeg. He obtained a B.A. from Queen's University and an LL.B. from Osgoode Hall Law School.

Albert C. Yates	62	Dr. Yates has served as a director of Coors and Coors Brewing Company since August 1998.
		He was appointed chairman of the compensation and human resources committee in
		November 2001. He was a committee member prior to his appointment as chair and also
		served as a member of the audit committee. He retired after 12 years as president of
		Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado in June 2003. He was also a chancellor
		of the Colorado State University System until October 2003, and is a former member of the
		board of the Federal Reserve Board of Kansas City-Denver Branch and the board of directors
		of First Interstate Bank. He currently serves as a director of StarTek, Inc., a publicly-traded
		company engaged in business outsourcing services, chairs the board of directors of
		Centennial Bank of the West and is a member of the advisory board of the Janus Funds.

Class B Directors

John E. Cleghorn	63	Mr. Cleghorn has been a director of Molson since 2003 and serves on the human resources and pension fund committee and the corporate governance committee. Mr. Cleghorn is
		chairman of the board of directors of SNC-Lavalin Group Inc., an international engineering
		and construction firm. He is the retired chairman of the board of directors and chief
		executive officer of Royal Bank of Canada. He held that position from 1995 until his
		retirement in July 2001. He is also a director of Canadian Pacific Railway, Finning
		International, a distributor of large-scale machinery and equipment, and both Nortel
		Networks Limited and Nortel Networks Corporation, communications companies. He
		graduated with a B.Comm. from McGill University and is an officer of the Order of Canada
		and a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ontario and Québec

Charles M. Herington

44 Mr. Herington joined the boards of both Coors and Coors Brewing Company in
February 2003. He was appointed as a member of the compensation and human resources
committee in May 2003. Since 1999 he has been president and chief executive officer of
America Online Latin America. Prior to joining AOL Latin America, he served as president
of Revlon Latin America. From 1990 to 1997, Mr. Herington held various executive
positions with PepsiCo Restaurants International, serving most recently, from 1995 to 1997,
as regional vice president of Kentucky Fried Chicken, Pizza Hut, Taco Bell of South
America, Central America and the Caribbean. He also held several high level positions in
management and marketing with Procter & Gamble, a consumer products company, in
Canada, Puerto Rico and Mexico during the 10 years prior to his association with PepsiCo.
He is also director of NII Holdings, Inc. (formerly known as Nextel International), a

The third initial Class B Director has not yet been chosen and will be an independent director designated by Molson and Coors prior to the completion of the merger transaction.

telecommunications company.

There are no family relationships among any of the directors or principal officers other than Mr. Peter H. Coors and Ms. Melissa E. Coors, who are father and daughter and Messrs. Eric and Andrew Molson, who are father and son.

Nomination of Molson Coors Director Candidates; Removal of Directors

Nomination of Molson Coors Directors

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will provide that nominees for election to the Molson Coors board of directors will be selected by the board of directors, a nominating committee or one of two nominating subcommittees, as follows:

The Class A-M nominating subcommittee will nominate five candidates to stand for election by the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and the special Class A voting stock. In this document we refer to the directors elected according to this nomination process, together with the directors listed under the caption "Class A Directors" above that are currently members of the Molson board of directors, as Molson directors. The Class A-M nominating subcommittee must exercise this nominating power to ensure that at all times a majority of the Molson directors are independent.

The Class A-C nominating subcommittee will nominate five candidates to stand for election by the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and the special Class A voting stock. In this document we refer to the directors elected according to this nomination process, together with the directors listed under the caption "Class A Directors" above that are currently members of the Coors board of directors, as Coors directors. The Class A-C nominating subcommittee must exercise this nominating power to ensure that at all times a majority of the Coors directors are independent.

The full nominating committee will nominate two candidates meeting the qualifications described below to stand for election by the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and the special Class A voting stock.

The board of directors will nominate three independent candidates to stand for election by the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and the special Class B voting stock.

Class A-M and A-C Nominating Subcommittees. The Class A-M nominating subcommittee initially will be comprised of Peter H. Coors and Melissa E. Coors. If a vacancy arises on the Class A-M nominating subcommittee, then the vacancy will be filled by either (1) the remaining member of the subcommittee or (2) if there is no remaining member, Pentland, as the initial representative of the Molson family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements referred to below (or, if Pentland ceases to act as representative, then the Molson representative then serving under the voting trust agreements). Vacancies on the Class A-C nominating subcommittee will be filled by either (1) the remaining member of the subcommittee or (2) if there is no remaining member, the Coors Trust, as the initial representative of the Coors family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements referred to below (or, if the Coors Trust ceases to act as representative then the Coors representative then serving under the voting trust agreements). The process of selecting family representatives under the voting trust agreements is further discussed below under "Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders".

The Class A-M nominating subcommittee will fill vacancies caused by the removal, resignation, retirement or death of a Molson director and fill newly created seats designated to be filled by Molson directors, and the Class A-C nominating subcommittee will fill vacancies caused by the removal, resignation, retirement or death of a Coors director and fill newly created seats designated to be filled by Coors directors.

The Class A-M nominating subcommittee will cease to have the right to make nominations if Pentland and other Molson family shareholders from time to time party to the voting trust agreement cease to beneficially own, in the aggregate, a number of shares of Molson Coors common stock and

exchangeable shares (as adjusted for any stock split, recapitalization, reclassification, reorganization or similar transaction) equal to at least 2% of the aggregate number of shares of Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares outstanding on the date of the completion of the merger transaction, of which at least 825,000 shares must be Molson Coors Class A common stock and/or Class A exchangeable shares. Similarly, the Class A-C nominating subcommittee will cease to have the right to make nominations if the Coors Trust or the specified members of the Coors family who select the Coors family representative no longer beneficially own, in the aggregate, a number of shares of Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares (as adjusted for any stock split, recapitalization, reclassification, reorganization or similar transaction) equal to at least 3% of the aggregate number of shares of Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares outstanding on the date of the completion of the merger transaction, of which at least 825,000 shares must be Molson Coors Class A common stock and/or Class A exchangeable shares. In either case, if the applicable nominating subcommittee ceases to have the right to make nominations, then the subcommittee will be disbanded and independent directors (as that term is defined in the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation) will replace the subcommittee's members on the nominating committee.

Nominating Committee. The members of the Class A-M and Class A-C nominating subcommittees will serve on the nominating committee and will select another member of the board of directors who is independent to also serve on the nominating committee.

The full nominating committee will name two director nominees to stand for election by the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and the special Class A voting stock, who must be comprised of the following people, subject to the fiduciary duties of the committee:

the chief executive officer of Molson Coors, initially W. Leo Kiely III; and

Daniel J. O'Neill, or after he ceases to serve as vice chairman, synergies and integration of Molson Coors, a member of management approved by at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies).

The nominating committee will also have the power to fill vacancies in the two director positions referred to above (with director candidates meeting the qualifications mentioned above).

Nominations by the Board of Directors. The full board of directors of Molson Coors will nominate three independent candidates to stand for election by the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and the special Class B voting stock and will have the power to fill corresponding vacancies.

Removal of Molson Coors Directors

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will provide that any director may be removed as follows:

for cause, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all classes of stock of Molson Coors entitled to vote at an election of directors, voting together as a single class, or

without cause, by a vote of the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the class or classes of stock that elected such director.

Other Board Matters

Chairman of the Molson Coors Board

Eric H. Molson will serve as the initial chairman of the Molson Coors board of directors. In that capacity, Mr. Molson will preside at all meetings of the board of directors and of the stockholders at which he is present.

Under the bylaws of Molson Coors, the Class A-C nominating subcommittee and the Class A-M nominating subcommittee will be alternately vested during succeeding biennial periods with the power and authority to appoint a director to serve as the non-executive chairman of the Molson Coors board of directors and to remove any director then serving as chairman from that position (but not from his or her position as a director). Initially, during the first biennial period, which will begin at the completion of the merger transaction and end on the last day of the fiscal year in which W. Leo Kiely III ceases to serve as Molson Coors' chief executive officer, this power and authority will be vested in the Class A-M nominating subcommittee, and the initial non-executive chairman will be Eric H. Molson. The second biennial period will begin immediately following the last day of the first biennial period and end on the third annual meeting of Molson Coors stockholders held subsequent to the first biennial period. After the second biennial period, each subsequent biennial period will begin immediately following the last day of the previous biennial period and will end on the date of the second annual meeting of stockholders held subsequent to the previous biennial period.

Committees of the Board of Directors

The Molson Coors bylaws will provide for an audit committee of the board of directors and a compensation committee of the board of directors (in addition to the nominating committee described above). The members of the audit committee will meet the applicable independence and financial literacy requirements of the New York Stock Exchange and the SEC. The board of directors may form other committees from time to time with the approval of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies), unless the creation of a committee is required under applicable law or applicable rules of a securities exchange or quotation system, in which case a majority vote is sufficient. The combination agreement also provides that Molson and Coors may agree to constitute additional committees prior to completion of the merger transaction.

Stockholder Nominations of Molson Coors Directors and Other Stockholder Proposals

The Molson Coors bylaws will provide that a stockholder may nominate persons to stand for election to the board of directors at an annual meeting of stockholders and, in the case of the Class A shareholders, may propose other proper business to be considered by the stockholders at an annual meeting of stockholders. In each case, stockholders must comply with the following procedures prior to making nominations or proposing business:

The stockholder must be entitled to vote at the meeting with respect to the matter and be a stockholder of record of the relevant class of stock at the time notice of the matter is delivered to the secretary of Molson Coors.

The stockholder must give notice of the nomination or business to be considered to the secretary of Molson Coors not less than 90 nor more than 120 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting. In the case of the first annual meeting after completion of the merger transaction (which we expect to be the 2005 annual meeting) or if an annual meeting is advanced by more than 20 days, or delayed by more than 90 days from the anniversary date, the stockholder must give notice not earlier than 120 days prior to the annual meeting and no later than the close of business on the later of 90 days prior to the annual meeting or the tenth day following the day on which a public announcement of the date of the meeting is first made.

The notice must set forth:

as to each director nominee, all information that is required to be disclosed in a proxy solicitation for election of directors under applicable law, including a written consent from the nominee to serve as a director if elected;

as to any business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting, the reasons for conducting the business at the meeting and any material interest in the business of the stockholder and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the proposal is made; and

as to the stockholder giving the notice and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the nomination or proposal is made, (1) name and address of the stockholder on Molson Coors' books, (2) the name and address of the beneficial owner, if any, and (3) the class and number of shares of owned beneficially and the number and class of shares owned of record.

The Molson Coors bylaws will also provide that stockholders of record holding at least 50% of the voting power entitled to vote for a majority of directors may make a proposal of business at an annual meeting of stockholders without complying with these notice procedures. Immediately after the completion of the merger transaction, Pentland and Coors Trust would be able to meet this 50% threshold as a group.

Officers of Molson Coors

In the combination agreement, Molson and Coors have agreed that, upon completion of the merger transaction, the following persons will hold the officer positions at Molson Coors set forth opposite their names:

Name	Age	Office and Business Experience
W. Leo Kiely III	57	President and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Kiely was appointed chief executive officer of Coors in July 2002 and has served as chief executive officer of Coors Brewing Company since May 2000. He served as president and chief operating officer of Coors Brewing Company from March 1993 to May 2000. He has been a director of Coors and Coors Brewing Company since August 1998. Prior to joining Coors Brewing Company, he held executive positions with Frito-Lay, Inc., a subsidiary of PepsiCo.
Daniel J. O'Neill	52	Vice Chairman, Synergies and Integration. Mr. O'Neill has been president and chief executive officer of Molson since June 2000. He joined the organization as executive vice president and chief operating officer, North American brewing in 1999. He had been executive vice president of H.J. Heinz & Co. and served as president and chief executive officer of Star-Kist Foods. He was a director of H.J. Heinz from January 1998 to March 1999. Mr. O'Neill was the president of Campbell Soup Company from March 1994 to December 1997. He joined Campbell Soup after an international career spanning five countries and three continents working with SC Johnson, a consumer products company. He received an M.B.A. degree from Queen's University in 1976.
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Robert Coallier 44 C	President and Chief Executive Officer, Molson Canada. Mr. Boyce joined Molson in April 2004 as president and chief operating officer, North America after a career spanning almost 20 years with Unilever, a consumer products company, in several positions, including most recently president and chief executive officer, Unilever Cosmetics International from 2003, president and chief executive officer. Unilever Canada from May 2000 to October 2003, and president of Good Humor Breyer's ice cream division of Unilever prior to that. **Global Chief Business Development Officer.** Mr. Coallier was appointed executive vice president, corporate strategy and international operations of Molson in June 2004. Prior to that
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M C c	date, he was executive vice president of Molson and president and chief executive officer of Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A. as well as executive vice president and chief financial officer of Molson from May 2000 to July 2002. Prior to joining Molson, he was chief financial officer of C-MAC Industries, an electronics manufacturer. He is also a director, the chairman of the audit committee and a member of the corporate governance committee of Quebecor World Inc., a commercial printing corporation.
J C F C a h 1 V	President and Chief Executive Officer, Coors Brewers Limited. Mr. Kendall joined Coors in January 1998 as senior vice president and chief international officer of Coors Brewing Company. In 2002, he was appointed chief executive officer of Coors Brewers Limited, Coors' principal UK subsidiary, and is also a vice president of Coors. Before joining Coors Brewing Company, he was executive vice president of operations and finance for Sola International, Inc., a manufacturer and marketer of eyeglass lenses in Menlo Park, California. From 1995 to 1996, he was president of International Book Operations for McGraw Hill Companies. From 1981-1994, he worked in leadership positions for Pepsi International, PepsiCo and PepsiCo Wines and Spirits. Prior to working for PepsiCo, he spent six years at McKinsey & Co., a management consulting firm.

Robert D. Klugman	56	Global Chief Strategy Officer. Mr. Klugman is chief strategy officer (global) for Coors and Coors Brewing Company and a vice president of Coors. From May 1994 to 2003 he served as senior vice president of corporate development of Coors Brewing Company. He served as chief international officer, following the acquisition of Coors Brewers Limited. Prior to that, he was vice president of brand marketing, and also served as vice president of international, development and marketing services. Before joining Coors, he was a vice president of client services at Leo Burnett USA, a Chicago-based advertising agency.
Sylvia Morin	50	Global Chief Corporate Affairs Officer. Ms. Morin is Molson's senior vice president, corporate affairs. Prior to June 24, 2002 when she joined Molson, she was vice president, corporate communications, at BCE Emergis, a leading provider of e-commerce services, and, from May 1999 to June 2000, director, corporate communications at Bell Nexxia, an owner and operator of fiber optic networks and, from 1998 to 1999, director, corporate communications at Teleglobe Inc., a wholesale provider of telecommunications.
Cathy Noonan	48	Global Chief Synergies Officer. Ms. Noonan is Molson's senior vice president, global costs. Prior to July 19, 1999 when she joined Molson, she was senior vice president, planning of Hudson's Bay Company, Canada's largest department store retailer, and, from 1996 to 1998, she was vice-president, logistics for Maple Leaf Meats, a meat products company.
Robert M. Reese	54	Global Chief Legal Officer. Mr. Reese joined Coors in December 2001 as vice president and general counsel. He currently serves as chief legal officer (global) of Coors and Coors Brewing Company. Prior to joining Coors, he was associated with Hershey Foods Corporation from 1978 to 2001, serving most recently as senior vice president of public affairs, general counsel and secretary.
Mara E. Swan	44	Global Chief People Officer. Ms. Swan was appointed chief people officer (global) of Coors and Coors Brewing Company in March 2002. She joined Coors Brewing Company in November 1994 as a director of human resources responsible for the sales and marketing area and most recently was vice president, human resources. Prior to that, she worked for 11 years at Miller Brewing Company in Milwaukee where she held various positions in human resources.
Peter Swinburn	51	President and Chief Executive Officer, Coors Brewing Worldwide. Mr. Swinburn was appointed president of Coors Brewing Worldwide, a division of Coors Brewing Company, in May 2003. He previously served as chief operating officer of Coors Brewers Limited from Coors' acquisition of Coors Brewers Limited in February 2002 until May 2003. Prior to Coors' acquiring Coors Brewers Limited, Mr. Swinburn was sales director for Bass Brewers (the predecessor entity) from 1994 to 2002.
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Fernando Tigre	60	President and Chief Executive Officer, Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A. Mr. Tigre was appointed president and chief executive officer of Cervejarias Kaiser Brand S.A. on July 1, 2004. Prior to that date, he had been a director of Camargo Correa, parent company of São Paolo Alpargatas, a major shoe and textile manufacturer in Brazil, where he was president from 1997 to 2003. Prior to 1997, he was president of Jari Cellulose, a pulp and paper company in Brazil and also held positions with Alcoa, Westinghouse and GE in Brazil.
Gregory L. Wade	55	Global Chief Technical Officer. Mr. Wade is Molson's senior vice president, quality brewing. Prior to March 26, 2001, when he joined Molson, he was corporate vice president and vice president, R&D/QA/engineering/safety and purchasing, with Vlasic Foods International, and from 1996 to 1998, was senior director, R&D/QA international grocery division for Campbell Soup Company.
Ronald A. Tryggestad	48	Chief Accounting Officer. Mr. Tryggestad was named vice president and controller of Coors Brewing Company and controller of Coors in May 2003. He joined Coors in December 1997 as the director of tax. Prior to joining Coors Brewing Company, he was with Total Petroleum Inc. from 1994 to 1997, serving there as director of tax and internal audit. He also worked for Shell Oil Company from 1990 through 1993, and Price Waterhouse from 1982 through 1989.

Appointment and Removal of Officers

The board of directors has the authority to elect and remove a chief financial officer and a chief legal officer of Molson Coors by a majority vote. The board of directors also has the authority, by a vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies), to elect a vice chairman or vice chairmen, and to remove any vice chairman by a majority vote. A vice chairman must also be a director. Initially, Daniel J. O'Neill will be the vice chairman, synergies and integration. The chief executive officer may appoint any officer other than a vice chairman, a chief financial officer and a chief legal officer. Any officer appointed by the chief executive officer may be removed with or without cause by the chief executive officer at any time. The appointment or removal of the chief executive officer generally can only be made by a vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies). Notwithstanding this two-thirds vote requirement, if the appointment or removal of a chief executive officer is proposed but fails to obtain the necessary vote, then the proposed action will be referred to a committee of the board of directors composed of all of the directors who are independent directors, as defined in the restated certificate of incorporation of Molson Coors, and if at least two-thirds of the members of that committee vote to approve the action, the action may be taken notwithstanding the failure to obtain that two-thirds vote. The board of directors may not revoke, cancel, amend or limit that committee action without a vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies).

Supermajority Board Approval Requirement

The Molson Coors bylaws will provide that the following specified governance actions cannot be taken by Molson Coors, except with the vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies):

except as described above under " Nomination of Molson Coors Director Candidates; Removal of Directors" and " Other Board Matters," the creation of and changes to committees of the

board of directors and, except as described under "Officers of Molson Coors Appointment and Removal of Officers" above, the assignment of directors to committees of the board of directors and the removal of members of these committees. A majority vote, however, will be sufficient if an action is required under applicable law or the rules of any applicable securities exchange or quotation system;

the removal and appointment and any material change in the salary, incentive plans and other forms of compensation of the Molson Coors chief executive officer. If, however, the action is proposed but fails to obtain the required two-thirds approval, the proposed action will be referred to a committee of all of the independent directors, and if at least two-thirds of the members of that committee approves the action, the action may be taken. The board of directors may not revoke, cancel, amend or limit that committee action without a vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies);

the nomination of persons to stand for election by the holders of the Molson Coors Class B common stock and the special Class B voting stock and the filling of any related vacancy;

any increase or decrease in the number of members of the board of directors, except that (1) any decrease in the number of directors below 15 must also be approved by holders representing a majority of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class and (2) any increase in the number of directors must be made by a number divisible by three;

any relocation of Molson Coors' executive offices or North American operational headquarters to locations outside of the greater metropolitan areas in which they are currently located;

any amendment to the Molson Coors bylaws or the adoption of any bylaws by the board of directors;

any approval or recommendation to the stockholders of any amendment to the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation;

any declaration or payment of dividends. However, a majority vote will be sufficient for regular quarterly cash dividends payable consistent with past practice and in an amount no greater than the amount paid in the immediately preceding fiscal quarters; and

entering into any transaction with any affiliate of Molson Coors or a family member of an affiliate (other than compensation of directors and salary and benefits to officers and employees in the ordinary course of business).

The Molson Coors bylaws will provide that the following transformational actions cannot be taken by Molson Coors, except with the vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies):

any acquisition or disposition or any agreement to acquire or dispose of (a) any business or any corporation, partnership, association or other business organization or division or (b) any other assets or properties (other than the sale of inventory in the ordinary course of business), in any case either having an equity or enterprise value or a purchase price in excess of 15% of the total consolidated assets of Molson Coors;

any sale, transfer or other disposition of any capital stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for capital stock) of either Molson or Coors Brewing Company or any of their respective successors to a third party (other than a wholly-owned subsidiary of Molson Coors);

any sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of Molson or Coors Brewing Company or any of their respective successors;

any issuance of shares of Molson Coors common stock or preferred stock (or any securities convertible, exchangeable or exercisable for that stock), other than any issuance (i) upon conversion, exchange or exercise of securities (including exchangeable shares) exchangeable or exercisable for shares of common stock or preferred stock or (ii) the issuance of Class B common stock under (a) an award granted under an employee benefit plan or (b) a registered public offering consisting solely of cash; and

any adoption, approval or recommendation of any plan of complete or partial liquidation, merger or consolidation of Molson Coors.

Other Governance Matters

Stockholder Voting Rights

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation and other ancillary agreements related to the merger transaction will provide the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock (the votes of which are directed by holders of Class B exchangeable shares), voting together as a single class, the right to elect three directors to the board of directors of Molson Coors and, under the limited circumstances described below, to vote on the removal of certain directors. Except in the limited circumstances provided in the certificate of incorporation, as described below, the right to vote for all other purposes will be vested exclusively in the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation, as described below, will require an affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class, prior to the taking of certain actions, including:

the issuance of any shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock (other than upon the conversion of Molson Coors Class B common stock under circumstances provided in the certificate of incorporation or the exchange or redemption of Class A exchangeable shares in accordance with the terms of those exchangeable shares) or securities (other than Molson Coors Class B common stock) convertible into or exercisable for Molson Coors Class A common stock;

the issuance of a number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock (other than upon the conversion of Molson Coors Class A common stock under circumstances provided in the certificate of incorporation or the exchange or redemption of Class B exchangeable shares in accordance with the terms of those exchangeable shares) or securities (other than Molson Coors Class A common stock) that are convertible into or exercisable for a number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock, whether in a single transaction or series of related transactions, that is equal to or greater than 20% of the number of outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock before the issuance;

the issuance of any preferred stock having any voting rights other than those expressly required by Delaware law;

the sale, transfer or other disposition of any capital stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for capital stock) of Molson or Coors Brewing Company or any of their respective successors to third parties (other than a wholly-owned subsidiary of Molson Coors);

the sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of Molson or Coors Brewing Company or any of their respective successors; and

any decrease in the number of members of the Molson Coors board of directors to a number below 15.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will also require the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of both the Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting as a single class, and the Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock, voting as a single class, for:

any agreement of merger that requires stockholder approval under Delaware law or a statutory share exchange (but only to the extent that Delaware law is amended to provide for such a statutory share exchange);

any sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the property and assets of Molson Coors (other than to or with any entity that is directly or indirectly wholly owned by Molson Coors) or any sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the property and assets of any entity (i) of which Molson Coors, directly or indirectly, has the power to direct the management and policies of the entity, whether through ownership of voting shares or interests, by contract or otherwise and (ii) whose shares or other interests held by Molson Coors constitute all or substantially all of the property and assets of Molson Coors;

any proposal to dissolve Molson Coors or any proposal to revoke the dissolution of Molson Coors; and

any amendment of the certificate of incorporation that requires stockholder approval under the certificate of incorporation or Delaware law and that would:

increase or decrease the aggregate number of the authorized shares of Class B common stock;

change the designation, preferences, limitations or relative rights of any shares of Class B common stock;

change the shares of all or part of the Class B common stock into a different number of shares of the same class;

increase the rights, preferences or number of authorized shares of any other class, or create a new class, that is equal or superior to Class B common stock with respect to distribution or dissolution rights;

other than in accordance with the provisions of the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation described under "Comparison of Shareholders' Rights Conversion Rights and Coattails" and "Description of Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights Coattail Conversion Rights", exchange or reclassify any shares of Class B common stock into shares of another class, or exchange, reclassify or create the right to exchange any shares of another class into shares of Class B common stock; or

limit or deny existing preemptive rights of, or cancel or otherwise affect rights to distributions or dividends that have accumulated but have not yet been declared on, any shares of Class B common stock.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will also provide that the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock will have the ability to act by majority written consent. The holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock will not be permitted to act by written consent.

Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders

This section of the document describes the material provisions of the voting trust agreements between Pentland and the Coors Trust (or other members of the Molson or Coors families that may become party to the agreements from time to time) but does not purport to describe all of the terms of

those documents. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of those documents, which are attached as Annexes I and J to this document and incorporated into this document by reference. We urge you to read the full text of the voting trust agreements because they are the legal documents that will govern voting decisions and transfer restrictions applicable to shares of significant beneficial stockholders of Molson Coors and Molson Coors Exchangeco after completion of the merger transaction.

The Coors Trust, the sole holder of Coors Class A common stock, and Pentland, the principal holder of the Molson Class B common shares, will enter into voting trust agreements upon completion of the merger transaction in order to combine their voting power over the Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares they will own upon completion of the merger transaction. The Coors Trust will deposit into the trust arrangements all of its shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, or % of the pro forma voting power of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock. Pentland will deposit into the trust arrangements all of its Class A exchangeable shares, or % of the pro forma voting power of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock. These shares, together with any other shares deposited into the trust, will be voted as a block by the trustees as follows:

All shares subject to the voting trust agreements will be voted in favor of director nominees that have been nominated by the nominating committee or the Class A-M or Class A-C nominating subcommittees, and against any other director nominees;

If the representative of the Molson family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements or the representative of the Coors family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements so instructs the trustees, the trustees will vote all shares subject to the voting trust agreements in favor of the removal of a director nominated or appointed by the Class A-M nominating subcommittee or the Class A-C nominating subcommittee, respectively, from the board of directors; the trustees will otherwise vote all the shares against a removal of those directors; and

Unless the representatives of both the Molson family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements and the Coors family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements instruct the trustees to vote otherwise, all shares subject to the voting trust agreements will be voted in accordance with the recommendation of the board of directors with respect to any other proposal to remove a director from the board of directors.

With respect to all corporate matters other than those described above relating to the election and removal of directors, all shares subject to the voting trust agreements will be voted against the approval of any matter unless the trustees receive instructions from the representatives of both the Molson family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements and the Coors family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements to vote in favor of the approval of the matter.

Each of the Molson and Coors shareholders party to the voting trust agreements will appoint a representative to act on behalf of the beneficiaries of their respective family groups. The representative of the Molson family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements will forfeit the right to provide instructions to the trustees with respect to any of the above matters if Pentland and any other Molson family shareholders cease to beneficially own, in the aggregate, a number of shares of Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares (as adjusted for any stock split, recapitalization, reclassification, reorganization or similar transaction) equal to at least 2% of the total number of shares of Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares outstanding on the date of the completion of the merger transaction, of which at least 825,000 shares must be Molson Coors Class A common stock (and/or Class A exchangeable shares) subject to the voting trust agreements. Similarly, the representative of the Coors family beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements will forfeit the right to provide instructions to the trustees with respect to the above matters if the Coors Trust and any other Coors family stockholders cease to beneficially own, in the aggregate, a number of shares of Molson Coors common

stock and exchangeable shares (as adjusted for any stock split, recapitalization, reclassification, reorganization or similar transaction) equal to at least 3% of the total number of shares of Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares outstanding on the date of the completion of the merger transaction, of which at least 825,000 shares must be Molson Coors Class A common stock (and/or Class A exchangeable shares) subject to the voting trust agreements. In the event of a forfeiture by either family of the above rights, the trustee under the voting trust agreements will vote all shares at the direction of the representative of the other family acting on its own. If both families forfeit the above rights, the voting trust agreements will terminate.

The voting trust agreements will also contain restrictions on the transfer of the shares subject to the voting trust agreements. A Molson family beneficiary or Coors family beneficiary under the voting trust agreements may transfer its interest in shares subject to the voting trust agreements to any other beneficiary under the relevant voting trust agreements or to members of its family group, so long as the transferee is or becomes a party to the voting trust agreements with respect to the transferred shares. Shares subject to the voting trust agreements must be converted into shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock (or Class B exchangeable shares, as applicable) before they can be transferred to any persons that are not beneficiaries under the voting trust agreements or members of the Molson or Coors family groups. Any shares so converted will no longer be subject to the voting trust agreements.

The voting trust agreements prohibit any Molson family beneficiary from transferring its interest in shares subject to the voting trust agreements to a third party (or converting these shares into shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock or Class B exchangeable shares) if the remaining shares subject to those agreements would constitute less than 50.1% of the aggregate voting power of the outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares, unless prior to the proposed transfer or conversion, the number of shares of the Coors family beneficiaries subject to the voting trust agreement is less than the number (as adjusted for any stock split, recapitalization, reclassification, reorganization or similar transactions) initially deposited by the Coors Trust into the voting trust.

A Molson family beneficiary and a Coors family beneficiary under the voting trust agreements is also prohibited from transferring its interest in shares subject to the voting trust agreements if, as a result of the transfer, the right of holders of Shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock or the right of holders of Class B exchangeable shares to convert into shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or Class A exchangeable shares, respectively, in limited circumstances relating to specified offers which are not made to holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock or Class B exchangeable shares would be triggered. The trustee under these agreements is authorized, unless both family groups give instructions to the contrary, in the event of such specified offers, to deliver a notice providing Molson Coors with adequate assurances that the family groups will not participate in the specified offers. See "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights".

Amendment to Coors' Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

This section of the document describes the material differences between the proposed restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors to become effective upon completion of the merger transaction and the current certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Coors but does not purport to describe all of the differences between, or terms of, those documents. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the proposed restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors, which are attached as Annexes G and H, respectively, to this document and incorporated into this document by reference. We urge you to read the full text of the proposed restated certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors because they are the legal documents that will govern Molson Coors after the merger transaction.

Amendments to Coors' Certificate of Incorporation

The combination agreement requires that Coors amend and restate its certificate of incorporation at the completion of the merger transaction in the form attached to this document as Annex G. Amendments to Coors' certificate of incorporation that will be reflected in the restated certificate of incorporation of Molson Coors to be adopted upon completion of the merger transaction are summarized in the table below:

	Proposed Molson Coors Certificate of Incorporation	Existing Coors Certificate of Incorporation	Reasons for Amendment
Company Name	"Molson Coors Brewing Company".	"Adolph Coors Company".	The parties to the merger transaction agreed that the name of the combined company should reflect its leading product lines.
Authorized Capital Stock	500,000,000 shares of Class A common stock. 500,000,000 shares of Class B common stock.	1,260,000 shares of Class A common stock. 200,000,000 shares of Class B common stock.	The changes in the number of authorized Class A and Class B shares are necessary to accommodate the number of shares being issued in the merger transaction (including shares reserved for stock options held by Molson optionholders) or to be issued
	One share of special Class A voting stock. One share of special Class B voting stock. 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock.	25,000,000 shares of preferred stock.	upon the exchange of exchangeable shares, a desire for flexibility for necessary corporate actions (including any stock splits in the future based on market conditions) and the fact that each class is convertible into the other class under specified circumstances, as described below under " Conversion of
	For a description of each class of stock, see "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock" beginning on page 258.		Class A Common Stock" and " Conversion of Class B Common Stock".
			The addition of the special voting stock provides a mechanism for holders of exchangeable shares, which are intended to be substantially the economic equivalent of the Molson Coors common stock, to vote with the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock.
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Voting Rights

Holders of Class A common stock and the holder of the special Class A voting stock have the right to vote for the election of all of the directors, except the three directors elected by holders of Class B common stock and the holder of the special Class B voting stock.

Holders of Class A common stock and the holder of the special Class A voting stock have the exclusive right to vote with respect to all other matters, except that holders of Class B common stock and the holder of the special Class B voting stock also may vote (1) if required by Delaware law or (2) under limited specified circumstances. These specified circumstances are not materially different from those set forth in the existing certificate of incorporation and are described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors" beginning on page 102.

The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class, is required prior to taking of the actions described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Governance Matters Stockholder Voting Rights" beginning on page 115.

Votes Per Share Class A common stock:
One vote per share.

Special Class A voting stock:
One vote for each Class A exchangeable share from time to time outstanding as of the applicable record date, excluding shares held by Molson Coors or its subsidiaries.

Class B common stock: One vote per share.

Holders of Class A common stock have the exclusive right to vote for the election of all directors.

Holders of Class A common stock have the exclusive right to vote with respect to all other matters, except that holders of Class B common stock also may vote (1) if required by Delaware law or (2) under limited specified circumstances. Holders of Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock will be given the power to elect three directors, as is the case with Molson Class A non-voting shareholders who will be receiving Molson Coors Class B common stock in the merger.

Holders of the special voting stock will vote as a class with holders of shares of corresponding common stock, consistent with the intention of Molson and Coors to provide holders of exchangeable shares with voting rights that are functionally equivalent to those held by holders of corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock.

Coors' existing certificate of incorporation does not contain a similar provision.

Class A common stock:
One vote per share.

Class B common stock: One vote per share.

The authority of holders of Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock to vote on fundamental changes in governance and business operation will be increased, as agreed to by Molson and Coors, in order to accomplish the intent of the principal shareholders of each of Molson and Coors that those shareholders preserve their ability to influence major decisions affecting the combined company.

This structure provides voting rights to a holder of the exchangeable shares through a voting trust arrangement.

Special Class B voting stock:
One vote for each Class B exchangeable share from time to time outstanding as of the applicable record date or written consent, excluding shares held by Molson Coors or its subsidiaries.

Dividends

No dividend may be declared or paid on the Class A common stock or Class B common stock unless an equal dividend is declared or paid on the Class B common stock or Class A common stock, as applicable. No dividend may be declared or paid on the Class A common stock unless an equal dividend is declared or paid on the Class B common stock. This provision reflects the intent of the parties that the holders of each class of common stock will receive the same dividends and that holders of the exchangeable shares will receive the economic equivalent of those dividends through their ownership of exchangeable shares but no additional dividends by virtue of the special voting shares.

No dividends will be paid on the special Class A voting stock or the special Class B voting stock.

Action by Written Consent

Holders of Class B common stock may not take action by written consent.

Coors' existing certificate of incorporation does not contain a similar provision.

Action by the holders of Class B common stock may be taken only at an annual or special meeting of stockholders. This will ensure that each holder of the Class B common stock is given an opportunity to participate in determining any proposed action that these shareholders are entitled to take.

Conversion of Class A Common Stock

Shares of Class A common stock may be converted, on a one-for-one basis, to Class B common stock at any time at the election of the holder, as described in "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights" beginning on page 261.

Coors' existing certificate of incorporation does not permit conversion from shares of Class A common stock to Class B common stock.

Since a majority of the Class A common stock (together with the equivalent exchangeable shares) will initially be held by just two entities, Pentland and Coors Trust, a conversion right has been provided to the holders of Class A common stock so the shares may be exchanged for Class B common stock, which we expect to be more liquid than the Class A common stock. Molson's charter currently permits similar conversions.

Conversion of Class B Common Stock

Shares of Class B common stock may be converted, on a one-for-one basis, to Class A common stock under very limited circumstances relating to specified offers that are not made to holders of Class B common stock, as described in "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights" beginning on page 261.

Coors' existing certificate of incorporation does not permit conversion from shares of Class B common stock to Class A common stock

This provision ensures that the Molson Coors charter is consistent with the Molson charter and the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange regarding the rights of the holders of the Class B common stock to convert their shares under limited circumstances relating to specified offers that are not made to holders of Class B common stock.

Removal of Directors

Any director may be removed with cause, by a vote of holders of a majority of the voting power of the Class A common stock, special Class A voting stock, Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock, voting together as a single class.

Any director may be removed, with or without cause, by a vote of holders of a majority of the voting power of the Class A common stock.

This change is made necessary by the expansion of director election rights to holders of Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock, and reflects the operation of Delaware law with respect to the removal of directors.

Any director may be removed without cause, by a vote of holders of a majority of the voting power of the class or classes of stock that elected the director.

Nominations of Director Candidates

The amended and restated certificate of incorporation contains detailed mechanisms for nominating candidates for directors, as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Nomination of Molson Coors Director Candidates; Removal of Directors" beginning on page 107.

Coors' existing certificate of incorporation does not contain a similar provision.

Under Coors' current bylaws, nominations for director candidates could be made by any holder of Class A common stock. These procedures, together with the arrangements under the voting trust agreements, will permit the continued involvement of the principal shareholders in the Molson Coors board nomination process.

Amendments to Coors' Bylaws

The combination agreement requires that Coors amend and restate its bylaws at the completion of the merger transaction in the form attached to this document as Annex H. Amendments to Coors' bylaws include the following:

	Proposed Molson Coors Bylaws	Existing Coors Bylaws	Reasons for Amendment	
Size of Board of Directors	Initially, 15 members.	Currently, 8 members.	The size and composition of the board is intended to represent an equitable split between the two predecessor companies of the board of directors based on the merger-of-equals nature of the merger transaction.	
	Board of directors may increase the number of directors to be elected by holders of the Class A common stock and the holder of the special Class A voting stock as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Board of Directors of Molson Coors" beginning on page 102.	Board of directors may set the size of the board so long as there are at least three directors.		
Stockholder Nominations of and Other Stockholder Proposals	The amended and restated bylaws contain detailed mechanisms for stockholder nominations of director candidates and for the making of other stockholder proposals, as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Board Matters" beginning on page 108.	Nominations for director candidates could be made by any holder of Class A common stock.	This change is appropriate in light of the expansion of voting rights to holders of Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock, and provides for an orderly process for the making of director nominations and proposals by those stockholders. This provision also permits the board of directors an opportunity to consider the qualifications of proposed nominees and proposals.	
Conduct of Meetings	Annual meetings of all stockholders will be held at a time and place determined by the board of directors.	Annual meetings of only the holders of Class A common stock are held.	This change results from the expansion of voting rights to holders of Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock to include the right to annually elect three directors.	
	Only the board of directors may call a special meeting of stockholders.	Specified officers who are also board members must call a special meeting upon the demand of the holders of shares representing at least 10% of the votes entitled to be cast on a matter that may properly be raised at a meeting.	This change is appropriate in light of the expansion of voting rights to holders of Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock and the fact that the merger transaction will result in the Class A common stock being widely held rather than held by a single holder, as is currently the case. The change is intended to ensure that stockholder meetings will be called on an orderly basis determined in the business judgment of the elected board of directors.	
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The proposed bylaws provide a mechanism for alternating the selection of a chairman of the board of directors between the two nominating subcommittees, as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Board Matters" beginning on page 108.

The board of directors must elect one of its members as the chairman.

This procedure facilitates the merger-of-equals provisions set forth in the combination agreement.

Supermajority Board Approval

Specified governance or transformational actions cannot be taken by Molson Coors, except with the vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies), as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Supermajority Board Approval Requirement" beginning on page 113.

Coors' existing bylaws do not contain a similar provision.

This procedure is intended to ensure that extraordinary corporate or business actions have substantial consensus among directors.

Audit and Compensation Committees

The proposed bylaws provide for an audit committee and compensation committee of the board of directors, as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Board Matters" beginning on page 108.

Coors' existing bylaws do not contain a similar provision, although Coors has both committees This amendment is reflective of the current composition of committees of Molson's and Coors' boards of directors, as well as being consistent with current governance practices for publicly held companies.

Officers and Directors

The proposed bylaws provide for the selection and removal of a chief executive officer, vice chairman, chief financial officer and chief legal officer, as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Board Matters" beginning on page 108.

Coors' existing bylaws do not provide specifically for a chief executive officer, vice chairman, chief financial officer or chief legal officer, although Coors has individuals who serve in these roles (other than vice-chairman).

This provision reflects the key officers to be appointed as agreed under the combination agreement.

Restrictions on Transfers of Shares

The proposed bylaws do not contain a similar provision, although Pentland and Coors Trust have agreed to transfer restrictions described under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116.

The following shares could only be transferred if the shares were first offered for purchase by Coors and specified Coors family members:

Shares of Class A common stock, all of which are held by Coors Trust; and

Shares of Class B common stock that were issued in transactions that were not registered under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

The limitation on transfers of shares of Class A common stock will be eliminated in light of the fact that Molson Coors intends for the shares to be publicly listed on the New York Stock Exchange and Toronto Stock Exchange.

Future Bylaw Amendments

The board of directors may amend the bylaws by a two-thirds vote, except for the following provisions, which will require the affirmative vote of the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock:

the provisions of the bylaws providing that specified actions can only be taken with the approval of two-thirds of the directors;

the provisions of the bylaws providing for the selection of the chairman of the board of directors;

the provisions of the bylaws providing for amendments.

The holders of the Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock may amend the bylaws, and may further limit the power of the board of directors to amend the bylaws through an amendment to the certificate of incorporation or the bylaws that provides that a particular bylaw may only be amended by the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock.

Board of directors is authorized to amend the bylaws at any annual meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose.

The holders of the Class A common stock also may:

amend the bylaws at any annual meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose; or

further limit the power of the board of directors to amend the bylaws through an amendment to the certificate of incorporation or the bylaws that provides that a particular bylaw may only be amended by the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock.

These amendments will permit Molson Coors' principal shareholders, so long as they maintain control over a certain percentage of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares, to continue to prevent the amendment of certain fundamental governance procedures set out in the combination agreement.

Income Tax Considerations

Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Shareholders

In the opinion of McCarthy Tétrault LLP, the following is an accurate summary of the principal Canadian federal income tax considerations under the Income Tax Act (Canada), which we refer to in this section as the "Canadian Tax Act", generally applicable to Molson shareholders who, for purposes of the Canadian Tax Act, and at all relevant times, hold their Molson Class A non-voting shares and/or Molson Class B common shares and will hold their Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares, Class A exchangeable shares and/or Class B exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco, shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and/or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock as capital property, deal at arm's length with, and are not and will not be affiliated with Molson Coors, Molson, Callco or Molson Coors Exchangeco. This summary does not apply to a Molson shareholder with respect to whom Molson Coors is or will be a foreign affiliate within the meaning of the Canadian Tax Act.

Molson Class A non-voting shares, Molson Class B common shares, Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares, Class A exchangeable shares, Class B exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco, shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and/or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock will generally be considered to be capital property to a shareholder unless the shares are held in the course of carrying on a business of trading or dealing in securities, in an adventure in the nature of trade or as "mark-to-market property" for the purposes of the Canadian Tax Act. Molson shareholders who are residents of Canada for the purposes of the Canadian Tax Act, and whose Molson shares might not otherwise qualify as capital property, may be entitled to make an irrevocable election in accordance with subsection 39(4) of the Canadian Tax Act to have their Molson shares and every "Canadian security" (as defined in the Canadian Tax Act) owned by such Molson shareholder in the taxation year of the election and in all subsequent taxation years deemed to be capital property. Where a Molson shareholder makes an election with Molson Coors Exchangeco under section 85 of the Canadian Tax Act in respect of Molson shares, as described below, the Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares, Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares received under the arrangement in exchange for such Molson shares will not be "Canadian Securities" for this purpose and therefore will not be deemed to be capital property under subsection 39(4) of the Canadian Tax Act. Molson shareholders who do not hold their Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares as capital property should consult their own tax advisors regarding their particular circumstances.

This summary is based on the Canadian Tax Act and the regulations thereunder and the published administrative practices and policies of the Canada Revenue Agency, which we refer to in this section as the "CRA", all in effect as of the date of this proxy circular. This summary takes into account all proposed amendments to the Canadian Tax Act and the regulations thereunder that have been publicly announced by or on behalf of the Minister of Finance (Canada) prior to the date hereof and assumes that such proposed amendments will be enacted substantially as proposed. However, no assurance can be given that such proposed amendments will be enacted in the form proposed, or at all. This summary does not take into account or anticipate any other changes in law, whether by judicial, governmental or legislative action or decision, nor does it take into account provincial, territorial or foreign income tax legislation or considerations, which may differ from the Canadian federal income tax considerations described herein. No advance income tax ruling has been sought or obtained from the CRA to confirm the tax consequences of any of the transactions described herein and accordingly no assurance can be given that the CRA will not assert a position contrary to one or more positions reflected in the summary below.

This summary is of a general nature only and is not intended to be, and should not be construed to be, legal, business or tax advice to any particular Molson shareholder. This summary does not take

into account your particular circumstances and does not address consequences that may be particular to you. Therefore, you should consult your own tax advisor regarding the particular consequences of the arrangement to you.

In particular, this summary does not take into account the mark-to-market rules applicable to securities held by financial institutions, special rules applicable to insurers carrying on business in Canada and elsewhere that are not Canadian residents for the purpose of the Canadian Tax Act, the Income Tax Application Rules, applicable to Molson shareholders who have held their Molson shares continuously since December 31, 1971 (or are deemed to have done so under those rules), or the tax consequences of participating in the holding company alternative as described under "Elections Available to Molson Securityholders Holding Company Alternative".

For the purposes of the Canadian Tax Act, all amounts relating to the acquisition, holding or disposition of securities (including dividends, adjusted cost base and proceeds of disposition) must be expressed in Canadian dollars; amounts denominated in United States dollars must be converted into Canadian dollars based on the prevailing United States dollar exchange rate generally at the time such amounts arise.

Allocation of Consideration

Under the arrangement, (i) a pro rata portion of the total number of Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares and/or the total number of Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) received by a holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares will be allocated to each Molson Class A non-voting share disposed of by such shareholder at the effective time of the arrangement and (ii) a pro rata portion of the total number of Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares and/or the total number of Class A exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) received by a holder of Molson Class B common shares will be allocated to each Molson Class B common share disposed of by such shareholder at the effective time of the arrangement. As a consequence, on the disposition of Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be, the same indivisible combination of types of consideration will be received in respect of each such Molson share.

Receipt of Ancillary Rights

A Molson shareholder who receives Class A exchangeable shares and/or Class B exchangeable shares under the arrangement will also receive the ancillary rights connected to such shares, (e.g. the voting rights and exchange rights described under "Information Concerning Molson Coors Exchangeco"). A Molson shareholder will be required to account for the ancillary rights in determining the proceeds of disposition of such shareholder's Molson shares and the cost of exchangeable shares and/or Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares received in consideration therefor. Molson is of the view that the ancillary rights have nominal fair market value. This determination of value is not binding on the CRA and it is possible that the CRA could take a contrary view.

Call Rights

Molson is of the view that the liquidation call rights, retraction call rights and redemption call rights granted by Molson shareholders who acquire the exchangeable shares have only a nominal fair market value and accordingly no amount should be allocated to such call rights. This determination of value is not binding on the CRA and it is possible that the CRA could take a contrary view. Provided that this view with respect to the value of such call rights is correct, the granting of the call rights will not result in any material adverse income tax consequences to a Molson shareholder who acquires exchangeable shares. However, should the CRA challenge this view and ultimately succeed in establishing that the call rights have a fair market value in excess of a nominal amount, Molson

shareholders who acquire exchangeable shares will realize a capital gain in an amount equal to the fair market value of the call rights. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss".

Cost Averaging of Identical Property

The Canadian Tax Act provides for a cost averaging rule for "identical properties", such as shares issued by a company (including any fractional share) that are of the same class or series. Generally, when a person acquires a property that is identical to one or more other properties already held by the person, the person's adjusted cost base of each identical property will be equal to the quotient obtained when the aggregate of the adjusted cost bases of all the identical properties previously held by the person and the cost of the newly acquired identical property is divided by the number of all such identical properties held at that time. Accordingly, at any time, the cost to a holder of a Class A exchangeable share, Class B exchangeable share, share of Molson Coors Class A common stock, share of Molson Coors Class B common stock, an ancillary right connected to a Class A exchangeable share, as the case may be, will be averaged with the adjusted cost bases of any other properties identical to such property held by such person as capital property at that time.

Molson Shareholders Resident in Canada

The following section of the summary is applicable to a holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares and/or Molson Class B common shares who, for the purpose of the Canadian Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, is or is deemed to be a resident of Canada at all relevant times. Such a shareholder is hereinafter referred to as a Canadian resident shareholder or a Canadian resident holder.

Rollover Transaction. A Canadian resident holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares and/or Molson Class B common shares (i) who elects to receive consideration that includes exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) in exchange for such Molson shares, (ii) who is eligible to make an election under subsection 85(1) or subsection 85(2) of the Canadian Tax Act, as described below under the heading "Rollover Election" ("Rollover Election") and (iii) who makes a valid Rollover Election with Molson Coors Exchangeco in respect of any such Molson shares, may obtain a full or partial tax deferral (rollover) of any capital gain otherwise arising on the exchange of such Molson shares, depending on the adjusted cost base to such eligible shareholder of the Molson shares at the time of the exchange, the number of Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares received (if any) in exchange for such Molson Shares and the amount elected by such eligible shareholder to be the proceeds of disposition of such Molson shares.

Non-Rollover Transaction. The following is a summary of the tax consequences to a Canadian resident holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares and/or Molson Class B common shares (i) who is not eligible to make the Rollover Election, or (ii) who does not make a valid Rollover Election with Molson Coors Exchangeco in respect of the Molson shares.

Exchange of Molson Class A Non-Voting Shares for Class B Exchangeable Shares (and Ancillary Rights)

Unless a valid Rollover Election is made, the exchange of Molson Class A non-voting shares for Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares. Such shareholder will be considered, at the effective time of the arrangement, to have disposed of the Molson Class A non-voting shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the sum of (i) the fair market value of Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share that under the arrangement will be disposed of for cash) acquired by

such shareholder on the exchange and (ii) the fair market value of the ancillary rights acquired by such shareholder on the exchange. As a result, such a shareholder will realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that such proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class A non-voting shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

The cost to such a shareholder of:

Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) and the ancillary rights received on the exchange; and

the ancillary rights received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the ancillary rights received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) and the ancillary rights received on the exchange.

Exchange of Molson Class A Non-Voting Shares for Class B1 Preferred Shares and Class B2 Preferred Shares

The exchange of Molson Class A non-voting shares solely for Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares. Such shareholder will not be entitled to make a Rollover Election and will be considered, at the effective time of the arrangement, to have disposed of the Molson Class A non-voting shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the aggregate fair market value of the Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional preferred shares) acquired by such shareholder on the exchange. As a result, such a shareholder will realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that such proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class A non-voting shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

The cost to such a shareholder of:

Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of all the Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class A non-voting shares; and

Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the

numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class A non-voting shares.

Exchange of Molson Class A Non-Voting Shares for Class B Exchangeable Shares (and Ancillary Rights) and Class B1 Preferred Shares and Class B2 Preferred Shares

Unless a valid Rollover Election is made, the exchange of Molson Class A non-voting shares for Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares. Such shareholder will be considered, at the effective time of the arrangement, to have disposed of the Molson Class A non-voting shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the sum of (i) the fair market value of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share that under the arrangement will be disposed of for cash) acquired by such shareholder on the exchange, (ii) the fair market value of Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) and Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) acquired by such shareholder on the exchange and (iii) the fair market value of the ancillary rights acquired by such shareholder on the exchange. As a result, such a shareholder will realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that such proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class A non-voting shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

The cost to such a shareholder of:

Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class A non-voting shares;

Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class A non-voting shares;

Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class A non-voting shares; and

ancillary rights received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the ancillary rights received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class A non-voting shares.

Exchange of Molson Class B Common Shares for Class A Exchangeable Shares (and Ancillary Rights) and Class B Exchangeable Shares (and Ancillary Rights)

Unless a valid Rollover Election is made, the exchange of Molson Class B common shares for Class A exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) and Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights) will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson Class B common shares. Such shareholder will be considered, at the effective time of the arrangement, to have disposed of the Molson Class B common shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the sum of (i) the aggregate fair market value of the Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional shares that under the arrangement will be disposed of for cash) acquired by such shareholder on the exchange, and (ii) the fair market value of the ancillary rights acquired by such shareholder on the exchange. As a result, such a shareholder will realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that such proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class B common shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

The cost to such a shareholder of:

Class A exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class A exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares;

Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares;

ancillary rights in respect of the Class A exchangeable shares received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Molson Class B common shares multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of those ancillary rights received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares; and

ancillary rights in respect of the Class B exchangeable shares received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Molson Class B common shares multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of those ancillary rights received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares.

Exchange of Molson Class B Common Shares for Class A Preferred Shares, Class B1 Preferred Shares and Class B2 Preferred Shares

The exchange of Molson Class B common shares solely for Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares, will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson Class B common shares. Such a shareholder will not be entitled to make a Rollover Election and will be considered, at the effective time of the arrangement, to have disposed of the Molson Class B common shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the aggregate fair market value of the Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares (including fractional preferred shares) acquired by such shareholder on the exchange. As a result, such a shareholder will realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that such proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class B common shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

The cost to such a shareholder of:

Class A preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class A preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange;

Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange; and

Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange.

Exchange of Molson Class B common shares for Class A Exchangeable Shares (and Ancillary Rights), Class B Exchangeable Shares (and Ancillary Rights), Class A Preferred Shares, Class B1 Preferred Shares and Class B2 Preferred Shares

Unless a valid Rollover Election is made, the exchange of Molson Class B common shares for Class A exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights), Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights), Class B exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights), Class B preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares will generally be a taxable event to a Canadian resident holder of Molson Class B common shares. Such a shareholder will be considered, at the effective time of the arrangement, to have disposed of the Molson Class B common shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the sum of (i) the aggregate fair market value of the Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional shares that under the arrangement will be disposed of for cash) acquired by such shareholder on the exchange, (ii) the aggregate fair market value of the Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional shares) acquired by such shareholder on the exchange, and (iii) the aggregate fair market value of the ancillary rights acquired by such shareholder on the exchange. As a result, such a shareholder will realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that such proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class B common shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

The cost to such a shareholder of:

Class A exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class A exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares;

Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares;

Class A preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class A preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares;

Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the

aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares;

Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares;

ancillary rights in respect of Class A exchangeable shares received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of those ancillary rights received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares; and

ancillary rights in respect of Class B exchangeable shares received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of the Molson Class B common shares at the effective time of the arrangement multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of those ancillary rights received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the total consideration (including any fractional shares) received in exchange for such Molson Class B common shares.

Rollover Election

Molson Coors Exchangeco will make a joint election under subsection 85(1) or subsection 85(2), as applicable, of the Canadian Tax Act (and the corresponding provisions of any applicable provincial tax legislation) in respect of particular Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, with an eligible Canadian resident beneficial owner of Molson shares who elects (or for whom the registered holder of such Molson shares has elected on such beneficial owner's behalf) to receive consideration that includes exchangeable shares (and ancillary rights), and at the amounts elected by such beneficial owner of Molson shares, subject to the limitations under the Canadian Tax Act and in the arrangement. For further information respecting the tax election, see Interpretation Bulletin IT-291R3 "Transfer of Property to a Corporation under Subsection 85(1)" (January 12, 2004) and Information Circular IC 76-19R3 "Transfer of Property to a Corporation under Section 85" (June 17, 1996) issued by the CRA. The comments made herein with respect to such elections are provided for general assistance only. The law in this area is complex and contains numerous technical requirements. Eligible shareholders wishing to make the tax election should consult their own tax advisors.

Eligible Shareholders. Molson Coors Exchangeco will only make an election with an eligible shareholder. For this purpose, an "eligible shareholder" must (i) be the beneficial owner of Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be; (ii) be a resident of Canada for the purposes of the Canadian Tax Act, including a partnership any member of which is a resident of Canada for the purposes of the Canadian Tax Act; (iii) not be exempt from tax under the Canadian Tax Act; and (iv) not be a partnership, all of the members of which who are residents of Canada are exempt from tax under the Canadian Tax Act.

Elected Amount. An eligible shareholder may elect an amount which, subject to certain limitations contained in the Canadian Tax Act and in the arrangement, will be treated as the proceeds of

disposition of such eligible shareholder's Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be. The limitations imposed by the Canadian Tax Act are that the amounts elected in respect of the exchange of the Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be, to which the tax election applies may not be:

less than the fair market value of the ancillary rights received on the particular exchange;

less than the lesser of (i) the adjusted cost base to the eligible shareholder of the Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be, and (ii) the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be; and

greater than the fair market value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be;

in each case, determined at the effective time of the arrangement. In addition to the foregoing limitations, the arrangement provides that the elected amount cannot be less than the sum of (i) the fair market value of any preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco (including any fractional shares) received in consideration for Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be and (ii) the fair market value of the ancillary rights received on the particular exchange.

If the amount elected in the tax election is greater than the permissible maximum amount or is less than the permissible minimum amount, the elected amount is deemed to be such permissible maximum or minimum amount. The amount elected by an eligible shareholder, as modified by such limitations, is referred to herein as the Elected Amount.

Tax Treatment to holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares. Where an eligible shareholder and Molson Coors Exchangeco make a valid Rollover Election in respect of the holder's Molson Class A non-voting shares, the tax treatment to such shareholder will generally be as follows:

the shareholder's Molson Class A non-voting shares will be deemed to have been disposed of for proceeds of disposition equal to the Elected Amount;

such shareholder will not realize a capital gain (nor a capital loss), provided that the Elected Amount is equal to the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class A non-voting shares immediately before the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition;

a capital gain (or a capital loss) will be realized, however, to the extent that the Elected Amount exceeds (or is less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class A non-voting shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below;

the cost to such shareholder of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the Elected Amount, minus the sum of (i) the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the ancillary rights acquired on the exchange and (ii) the fair market value upon the completion of the merger transaction of any Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange;

the cost to such shareholder of any ancillary rights received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to their fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement;

the cost to such shareholder of any Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of such Class B1 preferred shares immediately after the completion of the merger transaction; and

the cost to such shareholder of any Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class A non-voting shares will be equal to the fair market value of such Class B2 preferred shares immediately after the effective time of the arrangement.

Tax Treatment to Holders of Molson Class B Common Shares. Where an eligible shareholder and Molson Coors Exchangeco make a valid Rollover Election in respect of the holder's Molson Class B common shares the tax treatment to such shareholder will generally be as follows:

the shareholder's Molson Class B common shares will be deemed to have been disposed of for proceeds of disposition equal to the Elected Amount;

such shareholder will not realize a capital gain (nor a capital loss), provided that the Elected Amount is equal to the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class B common shares immediately before the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition;

a capital gain (or capital loss) will be realized, however, to the extent that the Elected Amount exceeds (or is less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of his or her Molson Class B common shares immediately prior to the exchange and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below;

the cost to such a shareholder of the Class A exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to (A) the Elected Amount, minus the sum of (i) the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the ancillary rights acquired on the exchange and (ii) the fair market value immediately after the completion of the merger transaction of any Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange, multiplied by (B) a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value immediately after the effective time of the arrangement of the Class A exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value immediately after the effective time of the arrangement of all Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange;

the cost to such shareholder of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to (A) the Elected Amount, minus the sum of (i) the fair market value at the effective time of the arrangement of the ancillary rights acquired on the exchange and (ii) the fair market value immediately after the completion of the merger transaction of any Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange, multiplied by (B) a fraction the numerator of which is the fair market value immediately after the effective time of the arrangement of the Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional share) received on the exchange and the denominator of which is the aggregate fair market value immediately after the effective time of the arrangement of all Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares (including any fractional shares) received on the exchange;

the cost to such shareholder of the ancillary rights in respect of the Class A exchangeable shares and the ancillary rights in respect of the Class B exchangeable shares received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to their respective fair market values at the effective time of the arrangement;

the cost to such shareholder of any Class A preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market

value of such Class A preferred shares (including any fractional share) immediately after the effective time of the arrangement;

the cost to such shareholder of any Class B1 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of such Class B1 preferred shares immediately after the effective time of the arrangement; and

the cost to such shareholder of any Class B2 preferred shares (including any fractional share) received in exchange for the Molson Class B common shares will be equal to the fair market value of such Class B2 preferred shares immediately after the effective time of the arrangement.

Procedure for Making an Election. In order to make a Rollover Election, the eligible shareholder must provide to Molson Coors Exchangeco, at the address indicated in the tax election package (to be obtained from Molson's transfer agent), two signed copies of the applicable tax election forms within 75 days following the effective date of the arrangement, duly completed with (i) the details of the number of Molson Class A non-voting shares and/or Molson Class B common shares transferred in respect of which the eligible shareholder is making a Rollover Election, (ii) the applicable Elected Amounts for each class of shares and (iii) the details of the consideration received for each class of shares.

A tax election package, consisting of the relevant CRA and Québec tax election forms and a letter of instructions, may be obtained from the transfer agent. An eligible shareholder interested in making the Rollover Election should so indicate on the Letter of Transmittal and Election Form that is enclosed with this document and a tax election package will be sent to such shareholder. The relevant federal tax election form is form T2057 (or, in the event that the Molson shares are held as partnership property, form T2058). For an eligible shareholder subject to Québec income tax, the Québec tax election form is form TP-518 (or, in the event that the Molson shares are held as partnership property, form TP-529).

Joint Ownership. Where the Molson shares are held in joint ownership and two or more of the co-owners wish to make a tax election, a co-owner designated for such purpose should file a copy of the federal election form T2057 (and any other relevant provincial or territorial forms) for each co-owner. Such election forms must be accompanied by a list of the names, addresses and social insurance numbers or tax account numbers of each of the co-owners, along with the letter signed by each of the co-owners authorizing the designated co-owner to complete and file the forms.

Partnership. Where the Molson shares are held as partnership property and the partnership wishes to make the tax election, a partner designated by the partnership must file a copy of the federal election form T2058 (and any other relevant provincial or territorial forms) on behalf of all members of the partnership. Such election forms must be accompanied by a list of the names, addresses, social insurance numbers or tax account numbers of each of the partners, along with the letter signed by each partner authorizing the designated partner to complete and file the forms.

Additional Provincial or Territorial Election Forms. Certain provincial or territorial jurisdictions may require that a separate joint election be filed for provincial or territorial income tax purposes. Molson Coors Exchangeco will also make a joint election with an eligible shareholder under the provisions of the relevant provincial or territorial income tax law with similar effect to section 85 of the Canadian Tax Act, subject to the same limitations as described herein. Eligible shareholders should consult their own tax advisors to determine whether separate election forms must be filed with any provincial or territorial taxing authority and to determine the procedure for filing any such separate election form. It will be the sole responsibility of each eligible shareholder who wishes to make such an election to obtain the appropriate provincial or territorial election forms and to submit such forms to Molson Coors Exchangeco for execution at the same time as the federal election forms.

Execution by Molson Coors Exchangeco of Election Forms. Subject to the election forms complying with the provisions of the applicable income tax law and the arrangement, Molson Coors Exchangeco will sign the tax election forms that appear correct and complete, and return them to the eligible shareholder within 45 days of their receipt. Molson Coors Exchangeco, in its sole discretion, may choose to sign and return an election form even if such form is received more than 75 days following the effective date of the arrangement, but Molson Coors Exchangeco will have no obligation to do so. With the exception of signing and returning the properly completed election forms it receives, Molson Coors Exchangeco assumes no responsibility for making any tax election, and compliance with the requirements for a valid election will be the sole responsibility of the eligible shareholder making the election. Neither Molson Coors Exchangeco nor the transfer agent will be responsible for the proper completion or filing of any election form, except for Molson Coors Exchangeco's obligation to sign and return properly completed election forms which are received by the transfer agent within 75 days following the effective date of the arrangement, within 45 days of receipt by the transfer agent. Neither Molson, Molson Coors nor Molson Coors Exchangeco will be responsible or liable for any taxes, interest, penalties, damages or expenses resulting from the failure by anyone to properly complete or file an election form in the form and manner and within the time prescribed by the Canadian Tax Act (or the corresponding provisions of any applicable provincial tax legislation).

Filing of Election Forms. In order for the CRA (and, where applicable, the Ministère du Revenu du Québec) or any provincial tax authority to accept a tax election form without a late filing penalty being paid by an eligible shareholder, the election forms, duly completed and executed by both the eligible shareholder and Molson Coors Exchangeco must be received by the appropriate tax authorities on or before the earliest due date for the filing of either Molson Coors Exchangeco's or the eligible shareholder's income tax return for the taxation year in which the exchange takes place. Molson Coors Exchangeco's current taxation year will end on the date the plan of arrangement becomes effective and it is required to file its tax return within six months thereof. Thus, if the exchange occurs in 2004, the tax election form generally must, in the case of an eligible shareholder who is an individual (other than a trust), be received by the tax authorities by April 30, 2005 (being generally the deadline when such individuals are required to file tax returns for the 2004 taxation year). Eligible shareholders are strongly advised to consult their own tax advisors as soon as possible respecting the deadlines applicable to their own particular circumstances. However, regardless of such deadlines, properly completed tax election forms must be received by Molson Coors Exchangeco at the address set out in the tax election package (to be obtained from the transfer agent) within 75 days following the effective date of the arrangement. Any eligible shareholder who does not ensure that Molson Coors Exchangeco has received the properly completed tax election forms within 75 days following the effective date of the arrangement may not be able to benefit from the rollover provisions of the Canadian Tax Act and any applicable provincial tax legislation.

Exchange of Preferred Shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco for shares of Molson Coors Class A Common Stock and/or shares of Molson Coors Class B Common Stock

At the effective time of the arrangement, a holder of preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco will transfer such shares to Callco in exchange for shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock. Such shareholder will be considered (i) to have disposed of such preferred shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the fair market value at that time of the shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock acquired in exchange therefor, (ii) to realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that the fair market value at that time of the shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock acquired on the exchange exceeds (or is less than) the adjusted cost base of such preferred shares and (iii) to have acquired the shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock at a cost equal to the fair market value at the time of the exchange of such preferred shares.

Molson is of the view that the fair market value of a Class A preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco will be equal to the fair market value of a share of Molson Coors Class A common stock and that the aggregate fair market value of a Class B1 preferred share and Class B2 preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco will be equal to the fair market value of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock. So long as this view with respect to the value of the preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco and the shares of Molson Coors common stock is correct, a holder of preferred shares will not realize a capital gain (or capital loss) on the exchange of preferred shares for shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock. This determination of value is not binding on the CRA and it is possible that the CRA could take a contrary view.

Receipt of Cash for Fractional Shares

The arrangement provides that share certificates for fractional preferred shares and fractional exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco and fractional shares of the common stock of Molson Coors will not be issued to Molson shareholders upon the exchange of Molson Class A non-voting shares and/or Molson Class B common shares. Under the arrangement, a Molson shareholder entitled to a fraction of an exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco will receive a cash payment from the depositary on the sale of such fractional share and a Molson shareholder entitled to a fraction of a preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco will receive a cash payment from the depositary from the sale of the fractional share of Molson Coors common stock acquired on the exchange of the fractional preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco.

A Molson shareholder will be considered to have received proceeds of disposition equal to the amount of cash received from the transfer agent for any fractional exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco and for any fractional shares of the common stock of Molson Coors. To the extent such proceeds of disposition of such fractional share exceed (or are less than) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of the fractional exchangeable share or fractional preferred share, as the case may be, immediately before the disposition, a capital gain (or a capital loss) will result. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

Dividends on Molson Coors Exchangeco Exchangeable Shares

Individuals. In the case of a holder of exchangeable shares who is an individual (including most trusts), dividends received or deemed to be received on exchangeable shares by the shareholder are required to be included in computing the individual's income when received and are subject to the gross-up and dividend tax credit rules generally applicable to taxable dividends received from a corporation resident in Canada.

Corporations. In the case of a holder of exchangeable shares that is a corporation, dividends received or deemed to be received on the exchangeable shares are required to be included in computing the corporation's income and, subject to the special rules and limitations described below, such dividends will normally be deductible in computing the corporation's taxable income.

In the case of a holder of exchangeable shares that is a "private corporation" (as defined in the Canadian Tax Act) or any other corporation controlled or deemed to be controlled by or for the benefit of an individual (other than a trust) or a related group of individuals (other than trusts), such shareholder will generally be liable to pay a refundable tax under Part IV of the Canadian Tax Act of $33^{1/3}\%$ on dividends received (or deemed to be received) on the exchangeable shares, if such dividends are deductible in computing such shareholder's taxable income. A "Canadian-controlled private corporation" may be liable to pay an additional refundable tax of $6^{2/3}\%$ on dividends received or deemed to be received on the exchangeable shares if such dividends are not deductible in computing taxable income.

In the case of a corporate holder of Class A exchangeable shares or Class B exchangeble shares, as the case may be, that is a "specified financial institution", dividends on such shares will not be deductible in computing the shareholder's taxable income unless either: (i) such shareholder did not acquire the exchangeable shares in the ordinary course of the business carried on by it; or (ii) at the time the dividend is received or deemed to be received, the exchangeable shares of such class are listed on a prescribed stock exchange in Canada (which currently includes the Toronto Stock Exchange) and such shareholder, either alone or together with persons with whom such shareholder does not deal at arm's length and, in certain cases, either directly or through a trust or partnership of which such shareholder or other person is a beneficiary or member, respectively, does not receive (and is not deemed to receive) dividends in respect of more than 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of that class.

A corporation will, in general, be a "specified financial institution" for purposes of the Canadian Tax Act if it is a bank, a trust company, a credit union, an insurance corporation, a corporation whose principal business is the lending of money to persons with whom the corporation is dealing at arm's length or the purchasing of debt obligations issued by such persons or a combination thereof, a prescribed corporation, or a corporation controlled by or related to such entities. If Molson Coors or any other person with whom Molson Coors does not deal at arm's length is a specified financial institution at the time that a dividend is paid on an exchangeable share, subject to the exception described below, dividends received or deemed to be received by a holder of exchangeable shares that is a corporation will not be deductible in computing such holder's taxable income but will be fully includable in taxable income under Part I of the Canadian Tax Act. Coors has represented in the combination agreement that it will not be a specified financial institution immediately prior to the effective time of the arrangement provided Molson is not a specified financial institution at that time. In addition, Coors has covenanted (subject to certain limitations) to take all steps within its control that are necessary to ensure that it will not become a "specified financial institution" so long as, generally, any person who received more than 10% of any class of exchangeable shares under the arrangement continues to own such shares. In any event, this denial of the dividend deduction for a shareholder of Molson Coors Exchangeco that is a corporation will not apply if, at the time a dividend is received or deemed to be received, the class of exchangeable shares held by the corporation are listed on a prescribed stock exchange (which currently includes the Toronto Stock Exchange), Molson Coors and Callco are related to Molson Coors Exchangeco for the purposes of the Canadian Tax Act, and the recipient, either alone or together with persons with whom the recipient does not deal at arm's length or any partnership or trust of which the recipient or such person is a member or beneficiary, respectively) does not receive (and is not deemed to receive) dividends in respect of more than 10% of the issued and outstanding shares of that class.

The exchangeable shares are "taxable preferred shares" and "short-term preferred shares" for the purpose of the Canadian Tax Act. A holder of exchangeable shares who receives or is deemed to receive dividends on such shares will not be subject to the 10% tax under Part IV.1 of the Canadian Tax Act.

Dividends on Shares of Molson Coors Class A Common Stock and Shares of Molson Coors Class B Common Stock

Individuals. In the case of a holder of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and/or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock who is an individual, dividends received or deemed to be received by the shareholder on such shares will be required to be included in computing the shareholder's income and will not be subject to the gross-up and dividend tax credit rules in the Canadian Tax Act.

Corporations. In the case of a holder of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and/or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock that is a corporation, dividends received or deemed to

be received by the shareholder on such shares will be required to be included in computing the shareholder's income and generally will not be deductible in computing the shareholder's taxable income. A shareholder that is a Canadian-controlled private corporation may be liable to pay an additional refundable tax of $6^2/3\%$ on such dividends.

Any United-States non-resident withholding tax on such dividends generally will be eligible to be credited against the holder's income tax or deducted from income subject to certain limitations under the Canadian Tax Act.

Redemption, Exchange and Disposition of Molson Coors Exchangeco Exchangeable Shares

A shareholder will be considered to have disposed of exchangeable shares (i) on a redemption (including pursuant to a retraction request) of such exchangeable shares by Molson Coors Exchangeco and (ii) on an acquisition of such exchangeable shares by Callco or Molson Coors. However, the Canadian federal income tax consequences of the disposition will be quite different for the shareholder depending on whether the event giving rise to the disposition is a redemption or an acquisition. A shareholder who exercises the right to require redemption of an exchangeable share by giving a retraction request cannot control whether the exchangeable share will be acquired by Callco under the retraction call right or redeemed by Molson Coors Exchangeco; however, the shareholder will be notified if Callco will not exercise the retraction call right, in which case the shareholder may cancel the retraction request and retain the exchangeable share.

Redemption or Retraction by Molson Coors Exchangeco. On a redemption (including pursuant to a retraction request) of an exchangeable share by Molson Coors Exchangeco, a shareholder will generally be deemed to receive a dividend equal to the amount by which the redemption proceeds exceed the paid-up capital (for purposes of the Canadian Tax Act) of the exchangeable share so redeemed. On the redemption, the holder of an exchangeable share will be considered to have disposed of the exchangeable share for proceeds of disposition equal to the redemption proceeds less the amount of the deemed dividend. A holder will realize a capital loss (or a capital gain) equal to the amount by which the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to the holder of the exchangeable share, and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition, exceeds (or is less than) the proceeds of disposition. For this purpose, the "redemption proceeds" of an exchangeable share will be equal to the sum of (i) the fair market value at the time of the redemption of the share of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock received by the shareholder, and (ii) the amount of all declared but unpaid dividends, if any, on the exchangeable share.

The deemed dividend will be subject to the tax treatment described above under the heading "Dividends on Molson Coors Exchangeco Exchangeable Shares". For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

In the case of a shareholder that is a corporation, it is possible that in some circumstances all or part of the deemed dividend may be treated as proceeds of disposition and not as a dividend.

Purchase by Callco, Molson Coors or Other Disposition. On the acquisition of an exchangeable share by Callco or Molson Coors for a share of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock or on any other disposition or deemed disposition of an exchangeable share by a shareholder, other than a redemption (including pursuant to a retraction request), a shareholder will generally be considered to realize a capital gain (or a capital loss) equal to the amount by which the proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the total of (i) the adjusted cost base of the exchangeable share to the shareholder and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For this purpose, the proceeds of disposition in respect of an acquisition of an exchangeable share by Callco or Molson Coors will be equal to the sum of (i) the fair market value at the time of the exchange of the share of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock, and (ii) the amount of all declared but unpaid dividends on the exchangeable share. The acquisition of an exchangeable share by Callco or Molson

Coors will not result in a deemed dividend. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

The cost of a share of Molson Coors common stock received by a holder of exchangeable shares on the redemption or retraction of an exchangeable share by Molson Coors Exchangeco or on the acquisition of an exchangeable share by Callco or Molson Coors will be equal to the fair market value of such exchangeable share at the time of such event.

Disposition of shares of Molson Coors Class A Common Stock and/or shares of Molson Coors Class B Common Stock

The disposition or deemed disposition of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock will generally be a taxable event to a shareholder. On such disposition, such shareholder will be considered to realize a capital gain (or capital loss) to the extent that the proceeds of disposition of such shares exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to such shareholder of the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock, as the case may be, immediately prior to the disposition and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition. For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" below.

Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss

Generally, a shareholder is required to include in computing its income for a taxation year 50% of the amount of any capital gain (the "taxable capital gain"). A shareholder may deduct 50% of the amount of any capital loss (the "allowable capital loss") realized in a taxation year from taxable capital gains realized by the shareholder in such year, subject to and in accordance with rules contained in the Canadian Tax Act. Any allowable capital losses in excess of taxable capital gains for the year of disposition generally may be carried back up to three taxation years or carried forward indefinitely and deducted against taxable capital gains in such other years to the extent and under the circumstances described in the Canadian Tax Act.

Capital gains realized by a shareholder who is an individual or trust, other than certain specified trusts, may give rise to alternative minimum tax under the Canadian Tax Act.

A shareholder that is a "Canadian-controlled private corporation", as defined in the Canadian Tax Act, may be liable to pay an additional refundable tax of $6^2/3\%$ on its "aggregate investment income" for the year which will include an amount in respect of taxable capital gains.

If the holder of an exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco or a share of Molson is a corporation, the amount of any capital loss realized on a disposition or deemed disposition of such share may be reduced by the amount of dividends received or deemed to have been received by it on such share to the extent and under circumstances prescribed by the Canadian Tax Act. Similar rules may apply where a corporation is a member of a partnership or a beneficiary of a trust that owns such shares or where a trust or partnership of which a corporation is a beneficiary or a member is a member of a partnership or a beneficiary of a trust that owns any such shares. Shareholders to whom these rules may be relevant should consult their own tax advisors.

Foreign Investment Entity Draft Legislation

Draft legislation regarding the taxation of investments in "foreign investment entities" was released on October 30, 2003. In general, where the draft legislation applies, a holder of an interest in a foreign investment entity will be required to either (i) include in (or deduct from) income on an annual basis any increase (or decrease) in the value of that interest or (ii) include in income annually, an imputed return at the prescribed rate on the "designated cost" of such interest. A corporation is not a foreign

investment entity if the "carrying value" of all of its "investment property" is not greater than one-half of the "carrying value" of all of its property or if its principal business is not an "investment business" within the meaning of those terms in the draft legislation. Coors has covenanted (subject to certain limitations) that it will take all steps within its control that are necessary to ensure that it will not become a "foreign investment entity" so long as, generally, more than 10% of the shares of any class of exchangeable shares or more than 10% of the shares of any class of Molson Coors common stock are held by any person who received under the arrangement more than 10% of the shares of any such class. In any event, in general, the proposed rules will not apply to shares of Molson Coors common stock so long as such shares qualify as an "arm's length interest" under the Canadian Tax Act and it is reasonable to conclude that the holder has no tax avoidance motive in respect of such shares. No assurance can be given that the shares of Molson Coors common stock or exchangeable shares will qualify as arm's length interests and shareholders should consult their own tax advisors in this respect.

Foreign Property Information Reporting

In general, a "specified Canadian entity", as defined in the Canadian Tax Act, for a taxation year or fiscal period whose total cost amount of "specified foreign property", as defined in the Canadian Tax Act, at any time in the year or fiscal period exceeds \$100,000, is required to file an information return for the year or period disclosing prescribed information, including the cost amount, any dividends received in the year, and any gains or losses realized in the year, in respect of such property. With some exceptions, a taxpayer resident in Canada in the year will be a specified Canadian entity. Exchangeable shares and preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco, ancillary rights, shares of Molson Coors common stock and options to acquire shares of Class B common stock of Molson Coors will constitute specified foreign property to a shareholder. Accordingly, holders of exchangeable shares, shares of Molson Coors common stock and such options should consult their own advisors regarding compliance with these rules.

Dissenting Molson Shareholders

A dissenting Molson shareholder is entitled, if the arrangement becomes effective, to be paid by Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco the fair value of Molson shareholder by the dissenting shareholder. For a description of the dissent rights of a Molson shareholder, see "Description of Merger Transaction Dissenting Shareholder's Rights" above. The Canadian federal income tax consequences to a dissenting Molson shareholder are different depending on whether the payment is made by Molson or by Molson Coors Exchangeco. Such a dissenting Molson shareholder cannot control whether the payment will be made by Molson or by Molson Coors Exchangeco.

Payment made by Molson. Upon the receipt of a payment by Molson, a dissenting shareholder will be deemed to receive a taxable dividend equal to the amount by which the amount paid by Molson (other than in respect of interest awarded by the court) exceeds the paid-up capital (for purposes of the Canadian Tax Act) of such shareholder's Molson shares. Such dissenting shareholder will also be considered to have disposed of the Molson shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the amount received by such shareholder from Molson, less the amount of the deemed dividend and interest awarded by a court. As a result, such dissenting shareholder will also realize a capital loss (or a capital gain) equal to the amount by which the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to the shareholder of the Molson shares and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition, exceeds (or is less than) such proceeds of disposition. The deemed dividend is subject to the same tax treatment described above under the heading "Dividends on Molson Coors Exchangeable Shares". In the case of a shareholder that is a corporation, it is possible that in some circumstances all or part of the deemed dividend may be treated as proceeds of disposition and not as a dividend.

Payment made by Molson Coors Exchangeco. Upon the receipt of a payment by Molson Coors Exchangeco, a dissenting shareholder will be considered to have disposed of the Molson shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the amount received by such shareholder from Molson Coors Exchangeco (other than in respect of interest awarded by the court). As a result, such dissenting shareholder will realize a capital gain (or a capital loss) equal to the amount by which such proceeds of disposition exceed (or are less than) the sum of (i) the adjusted cost base to the shareholder of its Molson shares and (ii) any reasonable costs of disposition.

Any interest awarded to a dissenting shareholder by the court will be includable in such shareholder's income for purposes of the Canadian Tax Act.

For a description of the tax treatment of capital gains and losses, see "Taxation of Capital Gain or Capital Loss" above.

Molson Shareholders Not Resident in Canada

The following section of the summary is applicable to a holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares and/or Molson Class B common shares who, for the purposes of the Canadian Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, at all relevant times is not, and is not deemed to be, a resident of Canada and does not, and is not deemed to, use or hold Molson Class A non-voting shares, Molson Class B common shares, Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares, shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock in, or in the course of, carrying on a business in Canada. Such a shareholder is hereinafter referred to as a non-resident shareholder.

Dispositions of Shares of Molson and Shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco

A non-resident shareholder for whom shares of Molson or preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco are not taxable Canadian property will not be subject to tax under the Canadian Tax Act on the disposition of such shares. Generally, Molson Class A non-voting shares and Molson Class B common shares will not be "taxable Canadian property" to a non-resident shareholder at a particular time provided that (i) the shares are listed on a "prescribed stock exchange" (which includes the Toronto Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange), (ii) the non-resident shareholder, persons not dealing at arm's length with the non-resident shareholder and the non-resident shareholder together with such persons have not owned 25% or more of the shares of any class of shares of Molson at any time during the 60-month period ending at the particular time, and (iii) such shares are not deemed to be taxable Canadian property to the non-resident shareholder under the provisions of the Canadian Tax Act. Generally, Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares will not be "taxable Canadian property" to a non-resident shareholder at a particular time provided that (i) the shares are listed on a "prescribed stock exchange" (which includes the Toronto Stock Exchange), (ii) the non-resident shareholder, persons not dealing at arm's length with the non-resident shareholder and the non-resident shareholder together with such persons have not owned 25% or more of the shares of any class of shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco at any time during the 60-month period ending at the particular time, and (iii) such shares are not deemed to be taxable Canadian property to the non-resident shareholder under the provisions of the Canadian Tax Act.

Dissenting Molson Non-Resident Shareholders

A dissenting non-resident shareholder of Molson is entitled, if the arrangement becomes effective, to be paid by Molson or Molson Coors Exchangeco the fair value of Molson shares held by the dissenting shareholder. For a description of the dissent rights of a Molson shareholder, see "Description of the Merger Transaction" Dissenting Shareholders' Rights" above. The Canadian

federal income tax consequences to a dissenting non-resident shareholder of Molson are different depending on whether the payment is made by Molson or by Molson Coors Exchangeco. Such a dissenting Molson shareholder cannot control whether the payment will be made by Molson or by Molson Coors Exchangeco.

Payment made by Molson. Upon the receipt of a payment by Molson, a dissenting non-resident shareholder will be deemed to receive a dividend and to realize a capital loss (or capital gain) as described above under the heading "Molson Shareholders Resident in Canada Dissenting Molson Shareholders" above. Any deemed dividends (and any interest) paid to such a non-resident shareholder will be subject to Canadian withholding tax at the rate of 25%, unless the rate is reduced under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty.

Payment made by Molson Coors Exchangeco. Upon the receipt of a payment by Molson Coors Exchangeco, a dissenting shareholder will be considered to have disposed of the Molson shares for proceeds of disposition equal to the amount received from Molson Coors Exchangeco (other than in respect of interest awarded by the court). A non-resident dissenting shareholder for whom shares of Molson are not "taxable Canadian property", as described above under the heading " Dispositions of Shares of Molson and Shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco" will not be subject to tax under the Canadian Tax Act on the disposition of such shares. Any interest paid to such a non-resident shareholder will be subject to Canadian withholding tax at the rate of 25%, unless the rate is reduced under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty.

Eligibility for Investment in Canada

Qualified Investment. The exchangeable shares and preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco and the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock will be "qualified investments" under the Canadian Tax Act for trusts governed by registered retirement savings plans (RRSPs), registered retirement income funds (RRIFs), deferred profit sharing plans (DPSPs) or registered education savings plans (RESPs), as defined in the Canadian Tax Act provided that such shares are listed on a "prescribed stock exchange" (which includes the Toronto Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange).

Ancillary rights received by holders of exchangeable shares will not be "qualified investments" for trusts governed by RRSPs, RRIFs, RESPs or DPSPs. As described above, Molson is of the view that ancillary rights have only nominal value. This determination of value is not binding on the CRA and it is possible that the CRA could take a contrary view. On the basis that the fair market value of the ancillary rights is nominal, there should be no material adverse tax consequences to trusts governed by RRSPs, RRIFs or DPSPs as a result of acquiring or holding such ancillary rights. However, RESPs holding such ancillary rights may realize material adverse consequences and should consult their own tax advisors on this matter.

Foreign Property. Trusts governed by RRSPs, RRIFs or DPSPs, registered pension plans and certain other persons subject to Part XI of the Canadian Tax Act are subject to a penalty tax on excessive holdings of foreign property.

The exchangeable shares will not be "foreign property" under the Canadian Tax Act for trusts governed by RRSPs, RRIFs or DPSPs, registered pension plans or for certain other persons subject to tax under Part XI of the Canadian Tax Act provided that the exchangeable shares are listed on a "prescribed stock exchange" (which includes the Toronto Stock Exchange) and Molson Coors Exchangeco maintains a "substantial Canadian presence" as defined in the Canadian Tax Act.

Ancillary rights received by holders of exchangeable shares will be "foreign property" for purposes of Part XI of the Canadian Tax Act. As described above Molson is of the view that such ancillary rights have only nominal value. This determination of value is not binding on the CRA and it is possible that

the CRA could take a contrary view. On the basis that the fair market value of the ancillary rights is nominal, there should be no material adverse tax consequences to such entities from holding the ancillary rights as foreign property.

Shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock will be "foreign property".

Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Optionholders

Subject to the qualifications and assumptions contained herein, the following portion of this summary is applicable to holders of options to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares who (i) are resident or deemed to be resident in Canada for the purpose of the Canadian Tax Act, (ii) deal at arm's length with, and are not affiliated with, any of Molson, Molson Coors Exchangeco, Callco or Molson Coors, (iii) are current or former employees or directors of Molson (or any subsidiary), and (iv) received their options to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares in respect of, in the course of, or by virtue of, such employment or in consideration for the services performed by them as directors, as the case may be, at a time when Molson was not a "Canadian-controlled private corporation" within the meaning of the Canadian Tax Act.

Exercise of Options to Acquire Molson Class A Non-Voting Shares

Molson optionholders who exercise their options to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares prior to the effective time of the arrangement will be subject to income tax consequences arising on such exercise which are not addressed in this summary and which may be relevant to a Molson optionholder's decision as to whether to exercise his or her options to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares prior to such time. Molson optionholders who are considering the exercise of their options should consult their own tax advisors to determine the tax consequences to them of such exercise.

Exchange of Options to Acquire Molson Class A Non-Voting Shares for Options to Acquire Molson Coors Class B Common Stock

The terms of the arrangement provide that options to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares that are not exercised prior to the effective time of the arrangement will be exchanged for options to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock. A holder of an option to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares who exchanges such option for an option to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock will not be considered to have disposed of the option to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares provided that the only consideration received by the holder on the exchange is an option to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock, and (i) the total value of the shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock that the holder is entitled to acquire under the option to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock immediately after the exchange (in excess of the total amount payable by the holder to acquire the shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock) is not greater than (ii) the total value of the Molson Class A non-voting shares that the holder was entitled to acquire under the option to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares immediately before the exchange (in excess of the amount payable by the holder to acquire the Molson Class A non-voting shares). As the only consideration a holder of an option to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares will receive on the exchange of such option will be an option to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock and as Molson has advised counsel that the amounts referred to in (i) and (ii) above will be equal to each other, no disposition should arise on the exchange of an option to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares for an option to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock under the arrangement. However, should the CRA challenge this view and ultimately succeed in establishing that the amount referred to in (ii) above is greater than the amount referred to in (i) above, the holder will be required to include in income as a ben

amount by which the value of the option to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock exceeds the amount, if any, paid to acquire the option to acquire Class A non-voting shares of Molson. In such event, the holder may, depending on the circumstances, be entitled to a deduction in computing taxable income equal to one-half of the benefit.

U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Shareholders

The following is a summary of the material United States federal income tax consequences to U.S. Holders (as defined below) and Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below, and together with U.S. Holders, "Holders") who exchange Molson shares in the merger transaction.

Except where noted, this summary deals only with Holders who hold their Molson shares as capital assets, and does not represent a detailed description of the U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to you if you are subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws, including if you are:

a broker or dealer in securities or currencies;
a financial institution;
a regulated investment company;
a real estate investment trust;
a tax-exempt organization;
an insurance company;
a person holding the Molson shares as part of a hedging, integrated, conversion, wash or constructive sale transaction or a straddle or synthetic security;
a trader in securities that has elected the mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities;
a person liable for alternative minimum tax;
a person who acquired Molson shares in a compensatory transaction;
a Non-U.S. Holder who is or has previously been engaged in the conduct of a trade or business in the United States;
a person who is an investor in a pass-through entity;
a person owning 10% or more of the voting stock of Molson;
a U.S. Holder whose "functional currency" is not the U.S. dollar;
a "controlled foreign corporation";

a "foreign personal holding company";
a "passive foreign investment company"; or
a U.S. expatriate.

This summary is based upon provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and regulations, rulings and judicial decisions as of the date of this document. Those authorities may be changed, perhaps retroactively, so as to result in U.S. federal income tax consequences different from those summarized below. This summary does not represent a detailed description of the U.S. federal income tax consequences to you in light of your particular circumstances.

If a partnership holds Molson shares, the tax treatment of a partner will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. If you are a partner of a partnership holding Molson shares, you are urged to consult your tax advisors.

You are urged to consult your own tax advisors concerning the application of the U.S. federal income tax laws to your particular situation as well as any consequences to you arising under the laws of any other taxing regime or jurisdiction, including estate, gift, state and local tax consequences.

Consequences to U.S. Holders

"U.S. Holder" means a beneficial owner of Molson shares that is for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

an individual citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation (or any other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States, any state of the United States or the District of Columbia;

an estate the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust if it (1) is subject to the primary supervision of a court within the United States and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (2) was in existence on August 20, 1996 and has a valid election in effect under applicable U.S. Treasury regulations to be treated as a U.S. person.

Exchange of Molson shares for Molson Coors Exchangeco Preferred Shares. The exchange of Molson shares for Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares and any cash received in lieu of fractional shares will be a fully taxable exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Consequently, upon the exchange a U.S. Holder will recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the sum of the fair market value, as of the exchange date, of the Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares received in the exchange and any cash received in lieu of fractional shares and (ii) the U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Molson shares. Gain or loss on the exchange of Molson shares will generally be capital gain or loss. Capital gains of individuals derived with respect to capital assets held for more than one year are eligible for reduced rates of taxation. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations. The tax basis of Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares received will be equal to the fair market value of those shares as of the exchange date.

Exchange of Molson Coors Exchangeco Preferred Shares for Molson Coors Common Stock. The exchange of Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares for Molson Coors common stock will be a fully taxable exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Consequently, upon the exchange a U.S. Holder will recognize gain or loss equal to the difference between (i) the sum of the fair market value, as of the exchange date, of the Molson Coors common stock received in the exchange and (ii) the U.S. Holder's tax basis in its Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares.

Molson is of the view that the fair market value of a preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco is equal to the fair market value of the Molson Coors common stock for which that preferred share will be exchanged. Accordingly, it is expected that a U.S. Holder will not recognize any additional gain or loss upon the exchange of Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares for Molson Coors common stock. The tax basis of Molson Coors common stock received will be equal to the fair market value of that stock on the exchange date. The holding period for those shares will begin on the day after the exchange date.

Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders

"Non-U.S. Holder" means a beneficial owner of Molson shares (other than a partnership) that is not a U.S. Holder.

Dividends Received by Non-U.S. Holders on Molson Coors Common Stock. Dividends paid to a Non-U.S. Holder of Molson Coors common stock generally will be subject to withholding of U.S. federal income tax at a 30% rate or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty. Under the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention, dividends from U.S. sources distributed to persons that are residents of Canada for purposes of the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention are currently subject to a maximum withholding rate of 15%. However, dividends that are effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business by the Non-U.S. Holder within the United States (or, where a tax treaty applies, are attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Holder) are not subject to the withholding tax, provided certain certification and disclosure requirements are satisfied. Instead, those dividends are subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis in the same manner as if the Non-U.S. Holder were a U.S. person as defined under the Code. Any effectively connected dividends received by a foreign corporation may be subject to an additional "branch profits tax" at a 30% rate or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty. A Non-U.S. Holder will be required to satisfy certification requirements to claim treaty benefits or otherwise claim a reduction of, or exemption from, the U.S. withholding tax described above.

Gain or Loss on Disposition of Molson Coors Common Stock. Any gain realized on the disposition of Molson Coors common stock generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax unless:

the gain is effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Holder of a trade or business in the United States or, if a tax treaty applies, is attributable to a permanent establishment of the Non-U.S. Holder in the United States;

in the case of gain recognized by an individual Non-U.S. Holder, the individual is present in the United States for 183 days or more during the taxable year of disposition and other conditions set forth in the Code are met; or

Molson Coors is or has been a "United States real property holding corporation" for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

An individual Non-U.S. Holder described in the first bullet point in the list immediately above will be subject to tax on the net gain derived from the sale under regular graduated U.S. federal income tax rates. An individual Non-U.S. Holder described in the second bullet point in the list immediately above will be subject to a flat 30% tax (or such lower rate as may be provided by an applicable income tax treaty) on the gain derived from the sale, which may be offset by U.S. source capital losses, even though the individual is not considered a resident of the United States. If a Non-U.S. Holder that is a foreign corporation falls under the first bullet point in the list immediately above, it will be subject to tax on its net gain in the same manner as if it were a U.S. person as defined under the Code and, in addition, may be subject to the branch profits tax equal to 30% of its effectively connected earnings and profits or at such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty.

Coors believes it is not and does not anticipate Molson Coors becoming a "United States real property holding corporation" for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If Molson Coors or Coors nevertheless constituted a United States real property holding corporation at a relevant time, a Non-U.S. Holder who at no time actually or constructively owned more than 5% of the Molson Coors or Coors common stock generally would not be subject to United States federal income or withholding tax on the relevant gain or the proceeds of sale, provided that the Molson Coors or Coors common stock was regularly traded on an established securities market within the meaning of the applicable regulations.

United States Federal Estate Tax. Molson Coors common stock held by an individual Non-U.S. Holder at the time of death will be included in that Holder's gross estate for U.S. federal estate tax purposes, unless an applicable estate tax treaty provides otherwise.

Dividends Received by Non-U.S. Holders on Exchangeable Shares. Molson Coors Exchangeco does not intend to withhold any amounts in respect of U.S. withholding tax from dividends paid with respect to exchangeable shares. However, no statutory, judicial or administrative authority exists that directly addresses the U.S. federal income tax treatment of dividends on the exchangeable shares. If dividends on the exchangeable shares were determined to constitute income from U.S. sources, Non-U.S. Holders of exchangeable shares likely would be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a rate of 30%, or such lower rate as provided by an applicable income tax treaty. Under the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention, dividends from U.S. sources distributed to persons that are residents of Canada for purposes of the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention are currently subject to a maximum withholding rate of 15%.

Molson Coors Exchangeco will pay additional amounts with respect to any dividends paid to a Canadian resident exchangeable shareholder in the event that any withholding taxes, other than the Canadian federal or provincial taxes withheld at the source, are imposed, directly or indirectly, in respect of such dividends. Subject to specified limitations, these additional amounts will be determined such that, on an after-tax basis, the Canadian resident holder receives the same amount that it would have received if no non-Canadian withholding taxes had been imposed. Molson Coors Exchangeco will not be required to pay additional amounts in respect of withholding taxes imposed at a rate in excess of the withholding tax rate applicable to payments of dividends to individuals under the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention.

Holders of exchangeable shares will be required to provide proper certification to Molson Coors Exchangeco establishing eligibility for the 15% withholding rate applicable to dividends under the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

In general, information reporting requirements may apply to the amount of dividends paid to a Holder on Molson Coors common stock or to the proceeds received by a Holder from the sale or exchange of Molson shares in the merger transaction, Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares in the merger transaction or Molson Coors common stock, unless the Holder is eligible for an exemption. Backup withholding may be imposed (currently at a 28% rate) on the above payments if a Holder (i) fails to provide a taxpayer identification number or certification of exempt status or (ii) fails to report in full dividend and interest income.

Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules will be allowed as a refund or a credit against a Holder's U.S. federal income tax liability provided the required information is furnished to the IRS.

Elections Available to Molson Securityholders

Procedures for Election and Exchange of Share Certificates and Options

You will receive with this circular one or more of the three letters of transmittal and election forms which are being delivered to holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares, Molson options and Molson Class B common shares.

If you hold Molson shares that are registered in the name of a broker, investment dealer, bank, trust company or other nominee, you should contact that nominee for instructions about how to deliver your Molson shares.

Any use of the mails to transmit a share certificate and a letter of transmittal and election form is at your risk. If you mail these documents, we recommend that registered mail, with return receipt requested, properly insured, be used.

Molson Class A Non-Voting Shareholders

If you are a holder of Molson Class A non-voting shares, you should properly complete, sign and return the Molson Class A non-voting letter of transmittal and election form, together with your share certificate or certificates for your Molson Class A non-voting shares and all other documents identified in the letter of transmittal and election form to the depository at an address specified on the last page of the form by no later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on , 2004, to enable you to elect to obtain, in respect of each such share, at your option:

0.360 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and certain ancillary rights) with a whole share being exchangeable at any time on a one-for-one basis for a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors, or

0.360 of a Class B1 preferred share and 0.360 of a Class B2 preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.360 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors. As a result, a Molson shareholder will receive 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock for each Class A non-voting share of Molson, or

an equivalent combination of Class B exchangeable shares and, through the preferred share exchange, shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock, as selected by the holder.

Only holders of Molson shares that are residents of Canada for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) or partnerships any member of which is a resident of Canada for purposes of that law may elect to receive exchangeable shares. A holder may exercise this right with respect to all or any portion of the holder's Molson shares.

If no letter of transmittal is returned prior to the election deadline, an election will be made for the holder based on the address of the record holder of the shares (as shown in the Molson shareholder register). Holders with a record address in Canada will receive only exchangeable shares, and holders with a record address outside of Canada will receive only preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for shares of Molson Coors common stock.

Molson Class B Common Shareholders

If you are a holder of Molson Class B common shares, you should properly complete, sign and return the Molson Class B common shares letter of transmittal and election form, together with your share certificate or certificates for your Molson Class B common shares and all other documents identified in the letter of transmittal and election form to the depository at an address specified on the

last page of the form by , 2004, to enable you to obtain for each Molson Class B common share, at your option:

both:

0.126 of a Class A exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and certain ancillary rights) with a whole share being exchangeable at any time on a one-for-one basis for a share of Molson Coors Class A common stock; and

0.234 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and certain ancillary rights) with a whole share being exchangeable at any time on a one-for-one basis for a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock:

or

both:

0.126 of a Class A preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.126 of a share of Class A common stock of Molson Coors, and

0.234 of a Class B1 preferred share and 0.234 of a Class B2 preferred share of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for 0.234 of a share of Class B common stock of Molson Coors;

or

an equivalent combination of exchangeable shares and, through the preferred share exchange, shares of Molson Coors common stock, as selected by the holder.

Only holders of Molson shares that are residents of Canada for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) or partnerships any member of which is a resident of Canada for purposes of that law may elect to receive exchangeable shares. A holder may exercise this right with respect to all or any portion of the holder's Molson shares.

If no letter of transmittal is returned prior to the election deadline, an election will be made for the holder based on the address of the record holder of the shares (as shown in the Molson shareholder register). Holders with a record address in Canada will receive only exchangeable shares, and holders with a record address outside of Canada will receive only preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco that, as part of the arrangement, will be promptly exchanged for shares of Molson Coors common stock.

Molson Optionholders

If you hold options to purchase Molson Class A non-voting shares, you are entitled under the arrangement to receive in exchange for your options, options to purchase a number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock as described under "Description of the Merger Transaction Treatment of Stock Options" beginning on page 86. If you wish to exercise your Molson options to acquire Molson Class A non-voting shares in order to receive Class B exchangeable shares and/or Class B1 and B2 preferred shares that are exchangeable for shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock under the arrangement, you should deliver to the depository, in the enclosed envelope at one of the addresses indicated in the letter of transmittal and election form for Molson optionholders, by no later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on 2004, a properly completed and signed letter of transmittal and election form for Molson optionholders. You are under no obligation to exercise your Molson options before the effective time. Molson options that have not been exercised prior to the effective time will be exchanged under the arrangement for replacement options to acquire shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock.

Share Certificates

At or promptly after the effective time of the arrangement, Molson Coors Exchangeco will deposit with the depository, for the benefit of holders of Molson shares who will receive exchangeable shares in connection with the arrangement, certificates representing the exchangeable shares issued in the plan of arrangement upon exchange of the shares of Molson. Upon surrender to the depository of a certificate which, immediately prior to the effective time of the arrangement, represented one or more shares of Molson together with other required documents, you will receive a certificate representing that number of the appropriate class of exchangeable shares which you are entitled to receive under the arrangement.

At or promptly after the effective time of the arrangement, Molson Coors Exchangeco will deposit with Molson's transfer agent, for the benefit of holders of Molson shares who have elected or are deemed to have elected to receive preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco, three global certificates representing the Class A, Class B1 and Class B2 preferred shares issued under the plan of arrangement upon exchange of the shares of Molson. The depository will deliver the global certificates on behalf of the holders of preferred shares to Callco and then cancel the global certificates upon the deposit with the depository by Callco of certificates representing that number of shares of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock evidenced by each global certificate. Upon surrender to the depository of a certificate which, immediately prior to the effective time of the arrangement, represented one or more shares of Molson together with other required documents, you will receive a certificate representing that number of the appropriate class of Molson Coors common stock which you are entitled to receive under the arrangement.

No certificates representing preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco (other than the global certificates described above) will be issued to holders of Molson shares.

If your certificate for shares of Molson has been destroyed, lost or mislaid, you should, before closing, contact Molson's transfer agent at

() in the Montréal area, or toll free at , and after closing, contact at , regarding the issuance of a replacement certificate upon your satisfying any requirements imposed by Molson in connection with the issuance of the replacement certificate.

Holding Company Alternative

Under the terms of the combination agreement, if you hold Molson shares directly or indirectly through one or more federal Canadian holding companies incorporated after August 15, 2004, you will have the option of completing a corporate reorganization with Molson prior to the effective time of the arrangement. Under this "holding company alternative", Molson will purchase all of the issued and outstanding shares of your Canadian holding company in exchange for the issuance by Molson of the same number of Molson Class A non-voting shares or Molson Class B common shares, as the case may be, as are held by your holding company at the time of the purchase and sale. If you participate in the holding company alternative, you will receive, directly or indirectly, the same consideration under the arrangement that would otherwise have been received by your holding company. Your holding company will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Molson under the holding company alternative. Molson intends voluntarily to dissolve or liquidate or amalgamate with all those holding companies under the CBCA prior to the effective time of the arrangement.

Choosing the holding company alternative will require you to implement a complex corporate structure through which to hold Molson shares. The holding company alternative may have favorable Canadian federal income tax consequences for you that are not described in this document. If you wish to avail yourself of the holding company alternative, you should consult your own financial, tax and legal advisors.

You will be permitted to participate in the holding company alternative provided that all of the following terms and conditions are satisfied:

you advise Molson c/o Molson's Secretary at 1555 Notre Dame Street East, 4th Floor, Montréal, Québec H2L 2R5, not later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on , 2004, in writing, that you wish to participate in the holding company alternative;

you hold or will hold Molson shares indirectly through a holding company that was incorporated under the CBCA after August 15, 2004 and was used solely in relation to the holding company alternative, has at all times since its incorporation been validly in existence and in good standing under the CBCA, and is a resident of Canada and a "taxable Canadian corporation" for the purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada);

you and your holding company enter into a holding company participation agreement, as described below, with, among others, Molson, substantially in the form of agreement attached as Appendix I to the combination agreement;

you provide Coors and Molson with security satisfactory to Coors and Molson in respect of your obligations under the holding company participation agreement;

your holding company does not declare or pay dividends (except as agreed to by Coors and Molson) or effect other distributions or redemptions, except that in the event that the holding company receives a dividend from Molson, the holding company will declare and pay a dividend and/or redeem shares in the same amount and form immediately following the receipt of the dividend by the holding company and prior to the completion of the holding company alternative;

the holding company participation agreement, together with any accompanying required documentation is completed, executed and returned to Molson's Secretary at 1555 Notre Dame Street East, 4th Floor, Montréal, Québec H2L 2R5 not later than 5:00 p.m. (Montréal time) on , 2004;

if you are not a resident of Canada within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada), you provide to Molson, at the time the holding company alternative is completed, a certificate under section 116 of the Income Tax Act (Canada) and any equivalent provision of provincial legislation, in form and substance satisfactory to Coors and Molson, acting reasonably, or you enter into arrangements satisfactory to Coors and Molson, acting reasonably, if a section 116 certificate (or any equivalent provincial certificate) is not available at that time;

any exemptions requested from any applicable Canadian securities regulatory authority and the court in the interim order are obtained; and

all other terms and conditions of the holding company alternative are satisfactory to Coors and Molson, acting reasonably.

Molson will apply for orders from the applicable Canadian securities regulatory authorities exempting Molson from the issuer bid and any prospectus and dealer registration requirements of the Canadian provincial securities legislation in connection with the holding company alternative.

You must prepare, at your expense, all tax returns of the holding company in respect of all periods ending on or prior to the completion of the holding company alternative, and must not file the returns without the prior approval of Coors and Molson of all the returns as to form and substance.

The form of the holding company participation agreement referred to above contains representations and warranties, covenants and conditions that are customary for transactions of this

nature, including representations and warranties that you must make in respect of your holding company to the effect that:

the holding company is a corporation duly incorporated and validly existing and in good standing under the CBCA;

all of the issued and outstanding shares of the holding company are held directly or indirectly by you;

upon completion of the holding company alternative, Molson will acquire the sole legal and beneficial ownership of all of the issued and outstanding shares of the holding company;

the holding company has no material assets other than the Molson shares and has no liabilities whatsoever except as set out in the holding company participation agreement;

since incorporation, the sole activities of the holding company have been the acquisition and ownership of the Molson shares and other matters expressly contemplated by the holding company participation agreement;

the holding company is not a party to nor bound or affected by any agreements, commitments or undertakings of any nature whatsoever other than the holding company participation agreement and except as agreed to by Molson and Coors;

in respect of tax matters, among other things, concerning the holding company:

has duly and timely paid all taxes which are or have been due and payable by it;

has duly and timely filed with the appropriate taxing or other governmental authority all tax returns required to be filed by it;

is a "taxable Canadian corporation" for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada); and

there are no suits, actions, litigation, or other proceedings in progress, pending or threatened against or relating to the holding company.

The form of holding company participation agreement also provides for:

the payment by you of all costs and expenses incurred in connection with any transaction entered into under the holding company participation agreement;

an indemnity in favor of Coors, Molson, Molson Coors Exchangeco, Callco and the holding company (and their respective directors and officers, employees, advisors and agents) from all actions, claims, demands, processes, proceedings, losses, damages, liabilities, deficiencies, taxes, costs and expenses suffered or incurred by Coors, Molson, Molson Coors Exchangeco and Callco and the holding company (and their respective directors and officers, employees, advisors and agents), in connection with the holding company alternative as a result of:

any breach by you or the vendors of any representation, warranty, obligation or covenant of you or the vendors to Molson;

any liability sustained, incurred, assumed or acquired by the holding company on or before the completion of the holding company alternative; and

any liability that would not have been sustained, suffered or incurred by Coors, Molson, Molson Coors Exchangeco or Callco and the holding company (and their respective directors and officers, employees, advisors and agents) but for the completion of the holding company alternative and the transactions contemplated in the holding company participation agreement; and

a release of Coors, Molson, Molson Coors Exchangeco or Callco (and their respective successors, assigns, parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliated companies, and all of the present and former directors, officers, employees, advisors and agents of these entities) from all liabilities suffered or incurred as a result of certain information provided by any of them to you in connection with the holding company alternative.

Information Concerning Molson

Unless otherwise indicated, all dollar amounts used under this "Information Concerning Molson" are expressed in Canadian dollars.

Business of Molson

Molson is Canada's largest brewer and one of the world's leading brewers of quality beer, ranking fourteenth in the world as measured by volume in fiscal 2004, with operations in Canada, Brazil and the United States. A global brewer with \$3.5 billion in gross annual sales, Molson traces its roots back to 1786, making it North America's oldest beer company. Committed to brewing excellence, Molson combines the finest ingredients with the highest standards of quality to produce an award-winning portfolio of beers including Molson Canadian®, Molson Export®, Molson Dry®, Rickard's , A Marca Bavaria , Kaiser® and Bavaria®. Molson brews, distributes and sells the Coors Light® brand in Canada under agreements with Coors.

Molson Corporate Group

Molson and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Carling O'Keefe Breweries of Canada Limited, collectively have a 100% interest in Molson Canada and a 49.9% interest in Coors Canada both of which are Ontario general partnerships. In addition, Molson indirectly owns an 80% interest in Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A., which is incorporated under the laws of Brazil, and a 50.1% interest in Molson USA, LLC, which is incorporated in Delaware in the United States.

Molson Canada

Molson's brewing operations are carried on in Canada through Molson Canada, an Ontario general partnership that is owned by Molson and Carling O'Keefe Breweries of Canada Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary.

Molson Canada also has an exclusive license to brew Foster's Lager® in Canada for sale in Canada and the United States, and to brew Foster's Special Bitter® in Canada for sale in the United States. Molson Canada has the right to produce Asahi® for the United States market and also brews Molson's trademark products in Canada for sale in the United States.

On April 14, 2004, Molson announced a reorganizational change at Molson Canada, giving priority to strengthening the national core brands and adding emphasis to the development of key markets across the country. The new organization is headed by Kevin Boyce, the newly appointed president and chief operating officer of Molson North America, Les Hine, chief marketing officer, and David Perkins, president market development North America.

Coors Canada

Coors Canada, an Ontario partnership, is owned 50.1% by Molson Coors Exchangeco and 49.9% by Molson. Coors Canada is responsible for the management of the Coors brands in Canada. Under agreements between Molson and Coors, Molson is authorized to brew, distribute and sell Coors brands in Canada and currently brews, distributes and sells the Coors Light® brand. In fiscal 2001, the partnership and licensing agreements between Molson and Coors were extended for an indefinite period and included the addition of Molson performance standards for the Coors brand. These agreements enabled Molson to test and, if successful, to launch light beers in Canada. During fiscal 2004, sales volumes of Coors Light® and Coors Canada earnings achieved strong growth despite an aggressive competitive environment.

Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A.

On December 21, 2000, Molson entered the South American beer market with the purchase of 100% of the shares of Bavaria S.A., a Brazilian company, with assets that included the Bavaria brand and brewing facilities from Companhia de Bebidas das Américas ("AmBev").

On March 18, 2002, Molson purchased 100% of the shares of Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A., the second largest brewer in Brazil, for U.S.\$765 million. The acquisition included the Kaiser brands and eight brewing facilities in Brazil. The acquisition was financed with U.S.\$182 million in cash, including cash acquired, U.S.\$150 million in Molson Class A non voting shares (or 7,785,878 of these shares) and debt of approximately U.S.\$395 million, including cash acquired and before transaction costs. As part of the transaction, Kaiser continues to have access to the Coca-Cola distribution system in Brazil. Responsibility for the distribution of the Bavaria brand, which was assumed by AmBev, was transferred to Kaiser. Following the Kaiser acquisition, Molson combined the Kaiser and Bavaria operations.

On April 17, 2002, Heineken N.V. acquired 20% of Molson's total operations in Brazil, including Bavaria, for a purchase price of U.S.\$218.3 million. As part of the transaction, Molson and Heineken signed a new licensing agreement for the Heineken brands in Brazil and extended the Canadian distribution agreement of Heineken products for 10 years to 2012.

Molson's market share in Brazil increased from approximately 3.1% prior to the acquisition to approximately 14.6% as at March 31, 2003 with the Kaiser acquisition. Following significant investment in marketing and advertising by one of its competitors during fiscal 2004, Molson's market share in Brazil decreased to 12.4% as at March 31, 2004, making it the third largest brewer in Brazil.

At the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2004, following poor volume performance, Kaiser, in conjunction with the related Coca-Cola bottlers, undertook to implement a strategy to establish a beer-dedicated sales force in six regions in Brazil. The main purpose of this strategy was to improve sales execution while taking full advantage of the Coca-Cola distribution system. The six selling regions were established and all sales centers were fully operational at year-end of fiscal 2004, with more than 1,200 sales employees covering approximately 30% of Kaiser's total volume. In addition, as a result of a detailed review of consumer preferences and in response to competitors' activities, the Kaiser brand was re-launched in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004 with a new beer recipe, new advertising and new packaging.

On June 15, 2004, Kaiser announced the appointment of Fernando Tigre as president and chief executive officer effective July 1, 2004. Robert Coallier, who held that position for the two prior years, took on the new position of executive vice president corporate strategy and international operations of Molson. Mr. Tigre has vast experience in turning around, growing and improving the results of companies he has managed. He joins Kaiser at a time when the competitive environment is intense and sales and market share growth are one of the biggest challenges facing the brewer. Kaiser looks to make gains in expanded numeric distribution and continue the revitalization of the key brands.

Molson USA

Molson USA is the dedicated business unit with responsibility for Molson brands in the United States and is established in Golden, Colorado. Molson USA markets and distributes Molson owned brands which include Canadian®, Canadian Light®, Molson Ice® and Golden® in the United States. Under the partnership agreement, Coors provides certain sales, distribution and administrative services required by this organization.

While Molson trademark products are available throughout the United States, including Alaska and Hawaii, the majority of sales are concentrated in the eastern region of the United States. During fiscal 2004, Molson USA's first priority was to increase momentum on the Canadian® trademark while reducing the decline of the Golden® and Molson Ice® brands. Molson USA also introduced Molson

XXX® in fiscal 2004 at super premium pricing in select Northeast and Midwest markets. The Canadian® trademark grew its volume by 26% in fiscal 2004. Molson USA improved the alignment of its distributor network with Coors. It now has 544 distributors of which, as of June 2004, 451 were Coors distributors compared to 422 last year. Approximately 89% of Molson USA's current volume is now covered by its own dedicated sales force.

Trends

A trend toward consolidation has been taking place in the global brewing industry in recent years in the international beer markets. This trend accelerated in fiscal 2004. The top 10 brewers, as of June 2004, have an estimated combined 62% share of global consumption versus 52% in March of 2003 and 43% in 1999. As consolidation continues, the top 10 brewers are likely to capture a greater share of the overall market.

We estimate that Molson currently ranks fourteenth in the global brewing industry (measured by volume) and Molson Coors will rank fifth when the merger transaction is completed, permitting it to compete more effectively in the international beer markets.

In the Canadian beer market, volumes have been gradually migrating from premium brands to super premium brands and value brands since fiscal 2001. In fiscal 2004, Molson also saw a growing price gap between premium brands and the value segment, especially in the provinces of Ontario and Alberta.

Description of the Business

Molson, with five breweries in Canada and nine breweries in Brazil, brews, bottles, packages, markets and distributes over 75 owned or licensed brands of beer in Canada, Brazil and the United States, and exports to the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand.

Canada

The Canadian brewing industry is a mature market. It is characterized by aggressive competition for volume and market share from regional brewers, microbrewers and certain foreign brewers, as well as Molson's main domestic competitor. These competitive pressures require significant annual investment in marketing and selling activities.

There are three major beer segments based on price: super premium, which includes imports and represents 16% of total sales of the industry and 13% of total sales of Molson; premium, which includes the majority of domestic brands and the light subsegment and represents 65% of total sales of the industry and 68% of total sales of Molson; and the discount segment which represents 19% of total sales of the industry and 19% of total sales of Molson.

Total industry volume in Canada is sensitive to factors such as weather, changes in demographics and consumer preferences. Consumption of beer in Canada is also seasonal with approximately 40% of industry sales volume occurring during the four months from May to August. For the year ended March 31, 2004, estimated industry sales volume in Canada, including sales of imported beers, increased by approximately 2% to approximately 21.5 million hectoliters.

Imported beer volume in Canada increased by 42% over the past five years, achieving approximately 9% share of total industry volume during the year ended March 31, 2004. During this same timeframe, domestically produced volume remained fairly stable.

The domestic brewing industry is comprised principally of two major brewers whose combined market share is approximately 86% of beer sold in Canada. In comparison, the top three brewers in the United States represent approximately 79% of that market.

Foreign brands licensed for brewing and sale in Canada play a larger role domestically than direct imports. The three major U.S. brewers are among the foreign producers which license Canadian brewers, including Molson, to brew, market and distribute their brands in Canada.

The Ontario and Québec markets account for approximately 63% of the total beer market in Canada. The top ten brands in Canada account for approximately 56% of the packaged market in Canada in fiscal 2004, including Canadian® which remains a leading brand in English Canada with a market share of approximately 11%.

In order to eliminate excess capacity, Molson has closed a number of breweries since 1989, including the Barrie brewery which closed in September 2000, and the Regina brewery, which closed in July 2002. In Ontario, the distribution and retail system operated by Brewers Retail Inc. (of which Molson is a shareholder) is pursuing opportunities to modernize the retail business to enhance industry sales, while seeking increased efficiencies in the wholesale operation.

As part of Molson's efforts to increase efficiencies, two significant cost savings initiatives have been launched in Canada since fiscal 2000.

The first was announced in September 1999, following a comprehensive benchmarking assessment of Molson's financial and administrative processes against 85 other companies. The objective of this \$100 million cost savings program, increased to \$150 million in March 2002, involved the areas of capacity utilization, procurement, distribution, organization and marketing. This three-year program was completed by the end of fiscal 2003 and exceeded its target by delivering \$152 million in savings.

The second cost savings program, with \$100 million in additional savings expected over the fiscal 2004 to 2006 timeframe, was announced in March 2002 and increased to \$125 million in March, 2003. This further initiative is expected to deliver cost savings benchmarked against major breweries in four areas: production, procurement, distribution and organizational effectiveness.

The production module, with approximately \$38 million in expected savings during the period of fiscal 2004 to fiscal 2006, covers brewing, packaging, shrinkage, warehousing, maintenance practices and utilities. In order to achieve these efficiencies, this module has undertaken a project designated as a "Renaissance in Brewing" to modernize Molson's production equipment and processes. In fiscal 2003, Molson modernized its Vancouver can line which is now operating at its targeted levels. A new packing line in Toronto was also completed and put into operation in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2003. During fiscal 2005, the bottling line in Edmonton is planned to be modernized followed by an additional line in Toronto in fiscal 2006. In Montréal and St. John's, upgrades were completed in brewing and utilities in collaboration with the union.

The procurement module, with approximately \$35 million in expected savings, builds on the strategies and initiatives begun in the original cost savings project and continues to move Molson towards strategic sourcing of materials and services. Molson also expects to capitalize on its growing global profile through synergies between its Canadian and Brazilian operations. Supply agreements with global partners will benefit from Molson's North-American and South-American businesses' affecting high and low seasons by maximizing the total supply chain's capacity utilization.

The distribution module, with approximately \$40 million in expected savings, covers Molson's warehouse and distribution network across Canada. As part of this module, Molson announced, on March 24, 2003, the opening of a new major distribution center in Montréal and the commensurate downsizing of its regional warehouse network in the Province of Québec.

The organizational effectiveness module covers the implementation of the SAP system which will allow Molson to improve its business processes and significantly reduce its costs of business. The SAP system implementation was announced in April 2001 and when fully implemented, will provide immediate integrated data regarding company activities, allowing for more informed decision-making.

Phase 1 of the implementation, completed in April 2002, addressed financial processes and gave employees access to a new Business Data Warehouse. Phase 2 addresses the following functional areas: supply chain, planning module and sales and distribution business processes. Phase 2 was implemented in the Montréal and St. John's plants in fiscal 2004 and will be implemented in the Edmonton, Vancouver and Toronto plants in a sequential roll-out during fiscal 2005.

Additional cost-saving opportunities are generated by a team of senior executives responsible for the identification and development of new savings initiatives.

Molson and the majority of Canadian brewers make use of a common returnable bottle in Canada, which Molson believes is financially advantageous to all brewers, resulting in environmental benefits and significantly lower distribution, warehousing and sorting costs.

Brazil

Brazil with its approximate consumption of 82.2 million hectoliters of beer annually is the world's fourth largest beer market, about four times the size of the Canadian market. The Brazilian beer market is highly concentrated with one major competitor holding over 66% of the market and features a growing young adult market. The per capita consumption of beer in Brazil was approximately 47 liters in 2003. With a volume of approximately 10 million hectoliters of annual beer production in fiscal 2004, Molson is the third largest brewer in Brazil. Approximately 60% of Kaiser's sales are concentrated in Brazil's southern region and in its south-eastern region (São Paulo).

Kaiser and the majority of Brazilian brewers make use of a common returnable bottle in Brazil, which Molson believes is financially advantageous to all brewers, resulting in environmental benefits and significantly lower distribution, warehousing and sorting costs.

United States

In the United States, Molson markets its brands in the import segment which represents over 11% of the total U.S. beer market. The import segment in the United States grew approximately 2% in 2003 and is the largest import market in the world. Distributors play an important role in the growth of the Molson brands in individual regions. As a result, in fiscal 2004, Molson continued to align itself selectively with local market distributors committed to and focused on the growth of the Molson brands.

Brands

Molson markets a wide range of brands in its different markets designed to appeal to a variety of consumer preferences.

Canada

Molson Owned Brands

Molson's major owned brands in Canada are Canadian®, Export®, Molson Dry®, Rickard's , Molson Ultra and Carling Black Label. Molson took a number of initiatives over the last four years with respect to these brands, including advertising campaigns for both Canadian® and Export® and a re-launch of Rickard's Red together with the line extensions, Rickard's Honey Brown and Rickard's India Pale Ale and the launch in March 2003 of A Marca Bavaria , a Brazilian import.

Canadian® is a classic lager which is slowly fermented to produce a clear, crisp and refreshing beer with a genuine taste. It has long been a leading brand in English Canada. In fiscal 2004, the brand continued to be supported by advertising which emphasized the quality of the brand and built on the

Canadian pride theme. Canadian Cold Shots®, a 6.0% alcohol line extension in an innovative 250 milliliter slim can was launched in April 2004 throughout English Canada.

Canadian Light® is the light extension of Canadian®. The brand was launched in the late 80s with little support until fiscal 2003. A Canadian Light® test market was successfully completed in Ottawa and Kingston in fiscal 2004. The brand met the test market hurdles and will be rolled out to Alberta and Ontario in fiscal 2005, as well as in the Maritimes for the first time. The rollout includes new packaging and advertising with a positioning of "light beer with flavour" based on the fact that it is brewed with more flavor, body and color than most light beers. Canadian Light® is also the brand of the Canadian Football League in Alberta and Ontario, and has programming to leverage on the Canadian Football League's Grey Cup in Ottawa in November 2004.

Export®, an ale, has been produced by Molson since 1903. It is a leading brand in Québec and the best selling ale in Canada. In fiscal 2001, it won a gold medal at the Monde Selection Beer Festival. It has benefited from a long association with hockey as well as other sports. Export® is a classic ale with more flavor than many other premium beers. In Québec, where Export® has the highest share of the ale market, the brand has enjoyed a rejuvenation among younger male drinkers as a result of the "YOUNG SINCE 1903" marketing campaign which began over seven years ago. Launched in March 2003 at the time of Export's® 100th anniversary, the new ExLight® has recently won a silver medal at the Brewing Industry International Awards (BIIAs) in fiscal 2004. ExLight® has added to Molson's lead position in the growing light beer segment.

Molson Dry is the largest selling brand in Québec grocery stores and has been the number one Molson brand in Québec for seven years. Molson Dry® is an award-winning lager at 5.5% alcohol and earned the North American Specialty Lager gold medal at the 2002 World Beer Cup and the American Style Lager Gold Medal at the 2004 Canadian Brewing Awards. Molson Dry Cold Shots®, sold in an innovative 250 milliliter slim can with 6.5% alcohol, was launched in April 2004.

Rickard's is a super premium beer for drinkers seeking exceptional flavor. The Rickard's family is composed of Rickard's Red , Rickard's Honey Brown and Rickard's India Pale Ale . During fiscal 2004, Molson continued its efforts in the super premium segment, the fastest growing in the beer category.

Molson Ultra® is Canada's only regular strength beer that is reduced in carbohydrates. Brewed with the finest ingredients, Molson Ultra®, launched in fiscal 2004, features 2.5 grams of carbohydrates and 97 calories and 4.5% alcohol. Molson Ultra® is available in bottles as well as an innovative 250 milliliter slim can format.

A Marca Bavaria is a refreshing lager packaged in a distinctive clear bottle which is produced at Molson's facilities in Brazil. Targeted at consumers seeking a high-quality super premium beer, A Marca Bavaria was launched in Canada in March 2003 with packaging developed specifically for Molson to better participate in the 17% annual growth registered by import beers in the super premium segment. In fiscal 2004, the brand clearly established itself as a leading super premium brand with an integrated advertising sampling.

Molson owns a number of significant regional brands, including Golden®, Pilsner®, O'Keefe®, Laurentide®, Carling Black Label®, Old Vienna®, Black Horse® and the Carling® family of discount price brands. Following the strategic re-launch of Carling Black Label® in Québec in fiscal 2003, Molson has continued to see, in fiscal 2004, a volume growth of 10% for Carling Black Label®, ending the year with a 3.7% market share. Including line extensions, the brand, in total, reached a 5.3% share, up 0.5 share points versus fiscal 2003. Efforts continue to reduce the dependency on non-core brands to improve efficiencies throughout the organization. Molson also owns Tornade®, its line of flavored malt-based beverages, which is among the leaders in the Québec market in that segment.

Molson Licensed Brands

Molson distributes licensed brands such as Coors Light®, Corona®, Heineken®, Miller® and Foster's Lager®.

Coors Light® is brewed by Molson under license from Coors and is the leading light beer and the fourth-largest selling brand in Canada. The light beer segment is growing at a faster rate than the overall Canadian beer market of which it represents approximately 13%.

Corona® Molson distributes Corona Extra® in Ontario, Québec and the Atlantic provinces under a five-year agreement with Cerveceria Modelo S.A. de C.V ending December 31, 2006. It is the number one super premium import in Canada.

Heineken® Molson has agreements with Heineken N.V. (Netherlands) which grant it the right to import and sell Heineken Lager®, Murphy's Irish Stout®, Murphy's Irish Amber® and Amstel Light® throughout Canada. Heineken Lager® is the number two super premium import in Canada. In fiscal 2002, Molson extended its Heineken distribution agreement in Canada for a period of 10 years to 2012.

Miller® Molson amended its license agreement with Miller in December 2000 to brew and sell several Miller brands, including Miller High Life®, Miller Lite®, Miller Genuine Draft®, Miller Genuine Draft Light®, Milwaukee's Best Dry® and Milwaukee's Best®, the largest selling trademark in the discount segment in the Province of Québec. Molson has also been importing Miller Genuine Draft® in a clear bottle since January 2000.

Foster's® In January 2001, Molson amended and restated its license agreement with Carlton and United Breweries Limited, a subsidiary of Foster's Brewing Group Limited, to brew Foster's Lager® in Canada for sale in Canada and the United States, and to brew Foster's Special Bitter® in Canada for sale in the United States.

Brazil

Molson Owned Brands

Molson's main owned brands in Brazil are Kaiser Pilsen® and Bavaria®. Kaiser Pilsen® represents 75% of Kaiser total sales. Kaiser's other brands include Santa Cerva®, Kaiser Summer Draft® and Kaiser Bock®.

Kaiser Pilsen® has been through a repositioning process since October 2001 to renew and upgrade the brand. In fiscal 2004, the new marketing campaign "Kaiser Novo Sabor" "The beer made by Brazilians" has contributed to the new positioning of Kaiser Pilsen® as the beer that promotes camaraderie, as part of the re-launching of the flagship brand in February 2004.

Bavaria® maintained its marketing strategy in fiscal 2004 as being the "friendship beer" by changing its slogan to "Good Like Friendship". Efforts to bring the brand closer to consumers will continue in fiscal 2005.

Molson Licensed Brands

Heineken® Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A. signed a five-year licensing agreement on April 1, 2002 with Heineken Brouwerijen B.V. in which it has been granted the right to brew and distribute Heineken Lager® in Brazil.

Xingu® Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A. also brews and distributes Xingu®, a dark beer, under license.

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Sol® Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A. signed a five-year licensing agreement on December 15, 2003 with Cerveceria Cuauhtémoc Moctezuma, S.A. DE C.V. in which it has been granted the right to brew Sol® in Brazil. It also sells Sol® in the São Paolo area.

United States

Molson Owned Brands

Molson's most significant brand in the United States is Canadian® which remained the fastest-growing import in the grocery channel, among the 25 import brands, as reported by ACNielsen with a volume growth of 25% in fiscal 2004. Molson USA continued to reduce the marketing activities for Molson Ice® and Golden® and introduced Molson XXX® at super premium pricing in select Northeast and Midwest U.S. markets.

International

Molson Licensed Brands

Molson is in the process of launching the A Marca Bravara brand in the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand. A Marca Bravara will be launched in these countries using the same concept as A Marca Bavaria in Canada. This Brazilian lager is brewed at Molson's facilities in Brazil.

Marketing

Competing in the beer market involves a wide range of marketing and sales activities. Molson sustains its competitive leadership by striving to clearly position and promote its core brands in the marketplace.

Canada

A key element of Molson's marketing strategy in Canada is to increase the effectiveness of its marketing initiatives by tailoring them to reach key consumers. Molson looks to empirical research and consumer insight to ensure it allocates spending to those mechanisms that influence brand adoption and drive sales. Rigorous testing of advertisements with consumers is done both qualitatively and quantitatively during the development stage. Molson believes that the long-term success of core brands depends on advertising and promotions that present the brands in ways that are relevant and meaningful to targeted consumers through unique brand positioning.

The marketing team in Canada is responsible for strategic consumer marketing, including overall strategy, creative development and promotions. The team works closely with regional sales personnel to execute the strategy effectively towards leveraging local knowledge and relationships with local licensees, retailers and other marketing channels. Molson's strategic marketing efforts in Canada are focused on a core brand portfolio comprising Canadian®, Canadian Light®, Molson Dry®, Export®, ExLight®, Rickard's , Carling Black Label®, Molson Ultra®, A Marca Bavaria , Coors Light®, Corona®, Miller Genuine Draft®, Heineken® and certain regional brands.

Brazil

Molson's strategic marketing efforts in Brazil are focused on a core brand portfolio comprising the Kaiser Pilsen® and Bavaria® brands. In fiscal 2004, Molson re-launched the flagship brand Kaiser Pilsen® and concentrated on reconfirming the Kaiser Pilsen® leadership position in regions where it is a primary brand and on accelerating its development in the on-premise market. A project has also been launched to focus the Bavaria® brand where Kaiser has a low penetration, such as in the State of Rio de Janeiro.

United States

Marketing activity is generally local in nature and focused on core markets in the Northeast and Midwest. The on-premise trade receives particular attention as it is an important channel for creating consumer trials for Molson's brands. Increased marketing efforts in California and Florida, initiated in two key import markets, continued in fiscal 2004.

Market Share

Canada

Molson has the highest market share in each of Newfoundland, Québec, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta. In fiscal 2004, Molson had an estimated average market share of 43.8% of all beer sold in Canada, including imported beer, compared with an average market share of 44.4% in fiscal 2003. This decrease was due mainly to the continued weakening of the premium segment.

Brazil

In fiscal 2004, Molson lost 2.2 share points of its market share in Brazil from 14.6% to 12.4%, mostly in the on-premise market, which is the most profitable channel, as a result of changes in personnel and transitional issues following the acquisition of Kaiser, execution problems with a number of distributors, a loss in brand equity of the flagship brand, Kaiser Pilsen®, as well as massive investment in marketing and advertising by one of its competitors. Following this poor volume performance, Kaiser, in conjunction with some Coca-Cola bottlers, undertook to establish a dedicated sales force in six regions in Brazil. Kaiser hired more than 1,200 sales employees that it manages in these six regions.

Marketing Assets

Molson's association with highly visible sports and music events is used to leverage its brands.

Sports

Molson's research indicates that hockey is highly important to Canadian consumers, which is why Molson continues to be extensively involved in Canadian hockey, both at the national and grass-roots levels. As the exclusive brewing sponsor of all six Canadian National Hockey League ("NHL") teams, Molson maintains its strong relationship with professional hockey. Molson also remains the title beer sponsor of the French language national broadcasts of NHL games.

In addition to its commitment to professional hockey in Canada, Molson continues to strengthen its relationship with junior hockey, including an alliance with the Canadian Hockey Association, which includes men's, women's and junior national teams. This year, Molson also sponsored the World Cup of Hockey which was held in various Canadian, U.S. and European cities in late summer.

Molson also has exclusive promotional agreements in basketball with league sponsorship of the National Basketball Association ("NBA") in Canada.

Export® continues to enjoy the benefits of a multi-year title sponsorship with the Montréal Alouettes franchise of the Canadian Football League ("CFL") playing in Molson Stadium. This sponsorship in Montréal complements well-established CFL partnerships with the Ottawa Renegades, Calgary Stampeders, Edmonton Eskimos and Saskatchewan Roughriders.

In fiscal 2004, Molson has renewed its commitment to amateur sports in Canada. Molson is a sponsor of the See You In Athens Fund, which provided funding to elite amateur Canadian athletes. In addition, Molson is an official supporter of the Canadian Olympic Team in Athens through its sponsorship agreement with the Canadian Olympic Committee.

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Music

Canada

Molson has made a long-term investment in entertainment properties, including event production and venue ownership. One example is House of Blues Concerts Canada, an equal partnership between Molson Canada and HOB Concerts Canada Ltd., devoted to the staging, production and marketing of live entertainment across Canada. Entertainment marketing teams in each region work closely with House of Blues Concerts Canada to develop national and regional music events that appeal to local fans and draw those fans to local Molson venues. Molson also announced a co-operative marketing relationship with Napster, a legal music downloading service, effective in fiscal 2005.

Brazil

Kaiser sponsors the "Parintins Festival", the biggest folk festival in the world, in an isolated island in the Amazon State, which takes place in the last week of June. This initiative supports the strategy of having a higher penetration in northern Brazil, where this festival is the pride of northern Brazilians.

Furthermore, Kaiser sponsored activities related to the Carnaval of the State of São Paulo, to bring the brand closer to the consumers of the largest beer market in Brazil.

Molson Sports and Entertainment

Molson Sports and Entertainment is an operating division of Molson Canada, whose activities are fully-integrated with the national marketing team. Molson Sports and Entertainment is also involved in the development and production of sports and entertainment programming for television and video-cassettes, as well as production of live promotional events. In fiscal 2002, Molson Sports and Entertainment integration with the brewery grew to add greater value to the Molson brand portfolio. Molson Sports and Entertainment produced over 700 hours of television programming, including approximately 140 NHL games in fiscal 2004.

Molson Sports & Entertainment Inc., a subsidiary of Molson Canada, organizes and runs two major motor sports events in Canada: the Molson Indy Toronto and the Molson Indy Vancouver, and is the rights holder, co-promoter and sponsor of the Molson Indy event in Montréal. The three races, part of the Champ Car World Series, are broadcast in more than 180 countries.

In July 2003, Molson Sports & Entertainment Inc. organized the successful Molson Canadian Rocks for Toronto Concert, featuring the Rolling Stones, in support of health care and hospitality workers affected by the SARs crisis.

This year, Molson Sports & Entertainment Inc. has partnered with Network Entertainment Inc. in the organization and production of a national series of hockey try-out events and an associated television program to be aired nationally in Canada during the fall of 2004.

Suppliers

Molson's goal is to use world class procurement practices, methods and technology to result in strategic procurement of quality materials and services at the lowest prices possible. Molson also consolidates purchases within domestic and international operations and works with the supplier community to select global partner materials and services which best meet this goal.

Molson operates under a commodity hedging policy. The policy allows for the use of low risk hedging instruments to protect Molson from pricing volatility in the commodities market. The policy covers all of Molson's commodity requirements on a global basis and became effective in fiscal 2003, replacing the previous policy.

Canada

In Canada, Molson currently single sources cans, glass bottles, crowns and labels. Availability of these products has not been an issue and Molson does not expect any difficulties in accessing any of these products. However, the risk of glass bottle supply disruptions has increased with the reduction of local supply alternatives due to the consolidation of the glass bottle industry in North America.

Brazil

In Brazil, Molson has both local and global suppliers, driven by market conditions and the competitive environment. It single sources all materials, with the exception of cans and crowns, which are procured through a buying consortium with the Brazilian Coca-Cola bottlers. Molson does not expect any difficulties in accessing materials.

Trademarks

Molson places high value on its trademarks and other intellectual property. Its policy is to pursue registration of its trademarks whenever appropriate and to vigorously oppose any infringement of its intellectual property rights. It has sought formal protection for its various trademarks in over 125 countries around the world.

Government Regulation

General

In Canada, provincial governments regulate the production, marketing, distribution, sale and pricing of beer and impose commodity taxes and license fees in relation to the production and sale of beer. In addition, the federal government regulates the advertising, labeling, quality control, and international trade of beer, and also imposes commodity taxes, consumption taxes, excise taxes and in certain instances, custom duties on imported beer. As well, certain bilateral and multilateral treaties entered into by the federal government, provincial governments and certain foreign governments, especially the government of the United States, affect the Canadian beer industry. While the beer industry in many countries, including the United States, is subject to government regulation, Canadian brewers have historically been subject to comparatively more regulation.

Brazil does not heavily regulate the production and marketing of alcoholic beverages. There are no significant regulations, other than compliance with standards imposed by food and health regulatory agencies. In addition, there are no licensing requirements for points of sale to offer beer. The federal government imposes excise taxes and custom duties on imported beer and state governments regulate taxes on the distribution of goods and services.

Trade Issues

Traditionally, in Canada, provincial regulations generally required Canadian brewers to operate a brewery in a particular province in order to obtain favorable pricing and distribution access in that province and this requirement severely limited the ability of brewers to distribute their products inter-provincially. The Ontario Liquor Control Act was amended in 1992 to authorize Canadian brewers outside Ontario to sell beer in Ontario to the Liquor Control Board for sale through Brewers Retail if the jurisdiction where the beer is brewed contains a similar provision in favor of Ontario. In July of 1994, the federal and provincial governments signed a comprehensive agreement to reduce barriers to the inter-provincial trade of goods and services. This agreement became effective on July 1, 1995 in most provinces with the exception of certain eastern provinces. This agreement removes the requirement for a brewer to brew its beer in the province in order to obtain access to the local distribution network.

International trade affects Canadian brewers in relation to the export of their products into foreign jurisdictions as well as in relation to competition from foreign brewers, especially U.S. brewers, selling beer in Canada. A memorandum of understanding between the Canadian and U.S. federal governments dated August 5, 1993 (the "MOU") provides that beer imported into the Province of Ontario will have access to the Brewers Retail distribution system on the same basis as Canadian brewers. In addition, the MOU provides for a minimum retail price for beer in Ontario based on alcohol levels, exclusive of an environmental levy and the applicable container bottle deposit, which minimum price may be adjusted on an annual basis to the Ontario Consumer Price Index. Amendments to the MOU made in April 1994 defined the terms for access by U.S. brewers to the Québec market.

Distribution

Canada

In Canada, provincial governments have historically had a high degree of involvement in the regulation of the beer industry, particularly the regulation of the pricing, sale and distribution of beer and, in some provinces, its advertising.

In each of the provinces of Canada, other than Newfoundland, Québec and Alberta, brewers primarily distribute their products through government-operated outlets or independent licensed retail outlets. In Newfoundland, Québec and Alberta, brewers must create their own distribution networks.

The distribution systems in each province generally provide the collection network for returnable bottles and cans. The standard container for beer brewed in Canada is the returnable bottle, which represents approximately 67% of domestic sales in Canada in fiscal 2004, with cans accounting for 23% and draught for 10%.

Ontario

Consumers in Ontario can purchase beer only at retail outlets operated by Brewers Retail, at government-owned retail outlets operated by the Liquor Control Board of Ontario, approved agents of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario or at any bar, restaurant or tavern licensed by the Liquor Control Board of Ontario to sell liquor for on premise consumption. All brewers pay a service fee, based on their sales volume, through Brewers Retail. Molson, together with certain other brewers, participates in the ownership of the Brewers Retail in proportion to its market share relative to other brewers. Ontario brewers may deliver directly to Brewers Retail's outlets or may choose to use Brewers Retail's distribution centers to access retail in Ontario, the Liquor Control Board of Ontario system and licensed establishments.

Québec

In Québec, beer is distributed directly by each brewer or through independent agents. Molson Canada is the agent for the licensed brands it distributes. The brewer or agent distributes the products to permit holders for retail sales for on-premise consumption. Québec retail sales for home consumption are made through grocery and convenience stores as well as government operated stores.

British Columbia

In British Columbia, the government's Liquor Distribution Branch currently controls the distribution of all alcohol products in the province. Consumers can purchase beer at any Liquor Distribution Branch retail outlet, at any independently owned and licensed wine or beer retail store or at any licensed establishment for on-premise consumption. Liquor-primary licensed establishments for on-premise consumption may also be licensed for off-premise consumption. Brewers Distributor Ltd., which Molson co-owns with a competitor, manages the distribution of Molson's products throughout

British Columbia. The British Columbia government announced in 2002 that the Liquor Distribution Branch would shift its role from managing distribution and retail operation to regulating these areas. A further announcement postponed this initiative indefinitely.

Alberta

In Alberta, the distribution of beer is managed by independent private warehousing and shipping companies or by a government sponsored system in the case of U.S. sourced products. All sales of liquor in Alberta are made through retail outlets licensed by the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission or licensees, such as bars, hotels and restaurants. Brewers Distributor Ltd. manages the distribution of Molson's products in Alberta.

Other Provinces

Molson's products are distributed in the provinces of Manitoba and Saskatchewan through local liquor boards. Brewers Distributor Ltd. manages the distribution of Molson's products in Manitoba and Saskatchewan. In the Maritime Provinces (other than Newfoundland), local liquor boards distribute and retail Molson's products.

Brazil

As a result of the Kaiser acquisition, Molson's products are distributed by Coca-Cola bottlers which provide joint distribution of soft drink beverages and beer to small and medium sized retailers. Molson tends to distribute directly to the larger retailers. The Brazilian beer market is characterized by diverse regional consumption patterns and a high proportion of on-premise consumption (restaurants and bars) relative to home consumption. The distribution systems in each state generally provide the collection network for returnable cans and bottles. The standard container for beer brewed in Brazil is the 600 milliliter returnable bottle, shipped in returnable plastic crates, which represented approximately 52% of Molson's domestic sales in Brazil in fiscal 2004, with cans accounting for approximately 40%, non-returnable bottles for 5% and draught for 3%.

United States

In the United States, by federal law, beer must be distributed through a three-tiered system consisting of manufacturers, distributors and retailers. In fiscal 2004, Molson continued to align itself more closely to the Coors distribution network in key markets. Currently Molson products in the United States are distributed by 544 distributors of which 451 are Coors distributors.

Advertising

Canada

In Canada, Advertising Standards Canada handles pre-clearance approvals for broadcast advertising of alcoholic beverages at the federal level. The Canadian Radio Television and Telecommunications Commission requires, however, that all broadcast advertising of alcoholic beverages comply with the Advertising Standards Canada's Code for Broadcast Advertising. Without approval numbers, broadcasters will not air an advertisement. Costs incurred by the Advertising Standards Canada for pre-clearance are borne by the brewers.

The provincial regulatory bodies also regulate advertising. It is incumbent upon manufacturers to ensure compliance with provincial regulation in a "self regulatory" environment. Saskatchewan is the only province that still requires formal pre-approval clearance on advertising.

Brazil

In Brazil, the advertising of beer is regulated by Self Regulation Rules, including warnings on the labels, merchandising material and television and radio commercials, about consequences of over consumption. A federal law also prohibits retailers from selling to customers of less than 18 years of age. Several bills proposing to regulate the advertising policies for alcoholic beverages have been presented before the National Congress. None of the bills has been voted on.

Pricing

Canada

In Canada, the pricing of beer is affected by the imposition of provincial and federal taxes. Commodity and sales taxes make up approximately 51% of the average retail price of beer in Canada (based on a case of 24 bottles). In a number of provinces, beer produced by small brewers is subject to a lower rate of provincial commodity tax. Pricing of beer in Canada is usually done by reference to what is known in the trade as "mainstream" or "premium" brands. Domestic super premium brands are usually sold at a level 10% to 20%, and imports at 20% to 30%, higher than premium beers, while discount beers are sold at prices approximately 10% to 30% below premium brands.

Provincial legislation governing the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages provides, directly or indirectly, that provincial authorities may control the pricing of beer. Some government authorities require retail prices to be uniform throughout a province, and the method of determining prices differs among provinces. In a number of provinces, social-reference pricing has been established, setting the minimum price at which beer can be sold.

Small brewers' ability to establish the growing price gap between premium brands and their value brands is partially the result of government tax policies in some markets that favor small brewers, as well as the increasing prices for premium beers. This development is having a significant impact on Molson's share performance.

Brazil

In Brazil, wholesale and retail prices of beer have not been regulated since July 1990, when formal governmental price controls were lifted. Pricing of beer in Brazil is affected by federal and state taxes, market competition and consumers' disposable income.

Employees

Molson had approximately 3,100 full-time employees in Canada, 11 in the United States and approximately 3,200 in Brazil for a total of approximately 6,300 full-time employees on August 31, 2004 and hires seasonal part-time employees as required. Further, in the United States, Coors provides an additional 60 dedicated sales and distribution employees as well as administrative services to Molson USA.

Canada

In Canada, workplace change initiatives are continuing. As a result, joint union and management steering committees established in most breweries are focusing on customer service, quality, continuous improvement, employee training and a growing degree of employee involvement in all areas of brewery operations.

This resulted in continuous improvements in packaging line performance and productivity both in smaller facilities, as well as in larger breweries in Ontario and Québec. The unions are engaged and aligned with the Molson production strategy goals and are working jointly to deliver these targets.

The chart below summarizes the current major collective bargaining agreements and their terms.

Location	Contract	Agreement Expiry
St. John's (Newfoundland)	Six-year agreement	March 31, 2006
Montréal (Québec)	Seven-year agreement	December 21, 2010(1)
Toronto (Ontario)	Four-year agreement	December 31, 2009(2)
Edmonton (Alberta)	Three-year agreement	March 31, 2007
Vancouver (British Columbia)	Five-year agreement	April 20, 2006

- (1) Includes the collective bargaining agreement governing the distribution employees of Molson.
- (2) This collective bargaining agreement, which has already been negotiated, will take effect on January 1, 2006 following the expiry of the current collective bargaining agreement.

Brazil

In Brazil, a collective bargaining agreement is signed between Kaiser and the employees' trade union for one-year periods in each of the plants. Collective agreements in place exceed the requirements established by law.

Properties

Molson's five breweries in Canada and nine breweries in Brazil are strategically located throughout the two countries with total capacities of 13.5 and 23.9 million hectoliters respectively, as detailed in the chart below.

Breweries	Hectoliters (millions)*
Canada	
St. John's (Newfoundland)	0.3
Montréal (Québec)	5.0
Toronto (Ontario)	5.0
Edmonton (Alberta)	1.2
Vancouver (British Columbia)	2.0
Total in Canada	13.5
Brazil	
Pacatuba (Ceará)	1.5
Feira de Santana (Bahia)	2.2
Queimados (Rio de Janeiro)	3.9
Jacarei (São Paulo)	8.0
Araraquara (São Paulo)	2.8
Ponta Grossa (Paraná)	3.1
Gravatai (Rio Grande do Sul)	1.8
Manaus (Amazonas)	0.4
Cuiabá (Mato Grosso)	0.4
Total in Brazil	23.9
Total Molson capacity	37.4

Capacity may vary year on year due to variations in mix and equipment changes.

All these locations are owned and are free of any major encumbrances except for certain breweries in Brazil which are subject to charges in favor of the Brazilian National Development Bank and its agency FINAME to secure loans. Molson also leases certain of its business offices.

Environment

Molson's Canadian brewing operations are subject to provincial environmental regulations and local permit requirements and Molson's Brazilian brewing operations are subject to federal, state and municipal environmental regulations regarding, among other things, air emissions, water discharges and waste handling and disposal. Each of Molson's Canadian breweries other than the St. John's brewery and each of its Brazilian breweries has water treatment facilities.

Molson has comprehensive environmental programs in Canada and Brazil with a number of components including organization, monitoring and verification, regulatory compliance, reporting, education and training, and corrective action.

Molson remains responsible for sites relating to discontinued operations of its chemical specialties business sold in 1996, which require environmental remediation programs and these programs are either under way or are planned. Most of these sites relate to properties associated with previously owned business of chemicals and Molson has established provisions for the costs of these remediation programs.

Amounts anticipated to be expended by Molson in connection with the above are not likely to materially affect the financial results of Molson. Management is unaware of any instance of non-compliance with environmental laws and regulations, which is not being responsibly addressed.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" section contains forward-looking statements reflecting management's current expectations regarding future operating results, economic performance, financial condition and achievements of Molson. Forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties and actual results may differ materially. These risks and uncertainties are detailed in Molson filings with the appropriate securities commissions or similar regulatory authorities in Canada and include risks related to foreign exchange, commodity prices, tax matters, foreign investment and operations as well as contingent liabilities. Molson undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements publicly.

The following comments are intended to provide a review and analysis of Molson's results of operations and financial position for (i) the three months ended June 30, 2004 in comparison with the three months ended June 30, 2003, (ii) the year ended March 31, 2004 in comparison with the year ended March 31, 2003 and (iii) the year ended March 31, 2003 in comparison with the year ended March 31, 2002. The following discussion relates to, and should be read in conjunction with, Molson's audited consolidated financial statements and the unaudited interim financial statements and accompanying notes attached as Annex Q to this document. The financial statements are expressed in Canadian dollars and have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. These financial statements differ in certain respects from financial statements prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles, and are not intended to provide certain disclosures which would typically be found in financial statements prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principles. Unless otherwise indicated, all amounts are expressed in Canadian dollars.

Three Months Ended June 30, 2004 and June 30, 2003

Overview

Three months ended June 30 (unaudited)	200	4 2003	;
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Sales and other revenues	\$ 90	07.3 \$ 89	6.4
Brewing excise and sales taxes	23	32.3 23	34.6
Net sales revenue	\$ 6'	75.0 \$ 66	51.8
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Earnings before interest and income taxes (EBIT)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		1.9
Net interest expense			24.8
Income tax expense	•	45.0 4	2.4
Earnings before minority interest		61.4 4	14.7
Minority interest		6.9 1	0.0
Net earnings	\$	68.3 \$ 5	54.7
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Basic net earnings per share	\$	0.54 \$ 0).43
Diluted net earnings per share	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0.53 \$ 0).42
Dividends per share		0.15 \$ 0).14
Weighted average outstanding shares (millions)			
Basic	12	27.5 12	26.8
Diluted	12	29.2 12	29.0

EBIT is defined as earnings before interest and income taxes. Molson uses EBIT to evaluate the financial and operating performance of its business units and segments. Molson believes that EBIT is a useful indicator of profitability of its business segments. EBIT is not intended as an alternative measure of net earnings as determined in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Because EBIT may not be calculated identically by all companies, the presentation in Molson's financial statements may not be directly comparable to similarly titled measures of other companies. The reconciliation of net earnings as determined in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles to EBIT is provided in the table above.

For the three months ended June 30, 2004, net sales revenue increased 2.0% to \$675.0 million compared to \$661.8 million for the same period last year. The increase reflects a 3.2% revenue increase in Molson's operations in Canada, despite lower volumes, when compared to the same period last year partially offset by lower volumes in Brazil. Consolidated brewing volume decreased by 3.4% to 4.99 million hectoliters versus 5.17 million hectoliters for the same period last year with volume down by 2.8% and 4.2% in Canada and Brazil respectively.

Net earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2004 were \$68.3 million, an increase of 24.9% when compared to the \$54.7 million earned for the three months ended June 30, 2003. Net earnings per share increased 25.6% to \$0.54 per share compared to \$0.43 per share for the same period last year. The prior year's earnings included a charge for the previously announced plant closure in Brazil in the amount of \$43.3 million (R\$92.2 million). In addition, Molson completed the sale, in the prior year's quarter, of a residual property adjacent to the Barrie brewery and a pre-tax gain of \$7.0 million was recorded on the provision for rationalization line in the statement of earnings, which was consistent with the treatment of the original Barrie plant closure provision.

Net earnings for the period were \$68.3 million or a 19.3% decrease from \$84.6 million for the same period last year, excluding the charge for rationalization costs, net of minority interest, and the

after tax gain on the sale of the Barrie property in the prior year's quarter. Net earnings per share decreased 19.4% to \$0.54 per share on the same basis.

EBIT in Canada increased 1.6% to \$154.4 million and reflects higher selling prices and favorable net sales revenue mix despite lower volumes. In addition, EBIT was negatively impacted by higher costs relating primarily to pension expense, product cost mix, marketing and sales investment as well the labor disruption of Molson's distribution network in British Columbia. Brazil's EBIT was negatively impacted by higher investment in both marketing and sales centre costs, as well as lower volumes and adverse mix.

Net interest expense for the quarter was \$20.3 million which was \$4.5 million lower than the prior year reflecting an overall decrease in average debt and related interest expense in Canada for the three-month period partially offset by higher net debt and interest bearing liabilities in Brazil.

The effective tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2004 on net earnings was 42.3% reflecting the mix of earnings and no tax recovery being recorded on the Brazil losses. In addition, for the three months ended June 30, 2003, there was no tax recovery recorded on the prior year's quarter provision for plant closure in Brazil, as Molson has significant tax losses available for carry forward as well as tax deductible goodwill in Brazil, both of which are not tax effected. Any benefit from utilization of these losses on the plant closure or the tax losses will be recorded in the accounts when realization becomes more likely than not. The effective tax rate on net earnings for the three months ended June 30, 2003, excluding the rationalization provision was 32.5%.

Review of Operations

Molson's business operations consist of the ownership of 100% of Molson Canada; 80% of Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil, S.A.; 49.9% of Coors Canada (results proportionately consolidated) and a 50.1% interest in Molson USA, which markets and distributes the Molson brands in the United States (results also proportionately consolidated).

Net Sales Revenue

Net sales revenue increased by 2.0% to \$675.0 million reflecting higher revenues in Canada due mainly to favorable consumer prices and mix partially offset by lower volumes in both Canada and Brazil. In addition, the impact of declining foreign exchange rates (Brazilian real and the U.S. dollar) relative to the Canadian dollar had a negative impact on the consolidated net sales revenue figure when measured in Canadian dollars.

The following table details certain financial information by business unit, as reflected in Note 7 (Segment Disclosures) to Molson's unaudited consolidated financial statements for the three months ended June 30, 2004:

	Sales From Custon		Net S Reve			ЕВІТ
Three months ended June 30	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
			(Dolla	ars in millio	ns)	
Canada	733.8	726.9	580.2	562.4	154.4	152.0
Brazil	149.8	147.5	74.5	80.8	(26.8)	(3.2)
United States	23.7	22.0	20.3	18.6	(0.9)	(0.6)
Totals before the following:	907.3	896.4	675.0	661.8	126.7	148.2
Provisions for rationalization						(36.3)
Consolidated	907.3	896.4	675.0	661.8	126.7	111.9
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Industry Volume and Molson Market Share

The following table sets out industry volume and Molson volume in Canada, Molson volume shipped to the United States as well as Molson's volume in Brazil during the three months ended June 30, 2004 (estimated) and during the three months ended June 30, 2003 (actual):

Volume Three Months Ended June 30	2004	2003
	Estimated	Actual
	(Hectoliters i	n millions)
Industry volume in Canada(i)	5.89	5.89
Molson (Canada)	2.52	2.59
Molson production for shipment to the United States	0.50	0.53
Brazil	1.97	2.05
Total Molson volume	4.99	5.17

(i) Sources: Brewers of Canada, provincial liquor authorities and industry distribution companies.

Total estimated industry sales volume in Canada was unchanged at 5.89 million hectoliters for the three months ended June 30, 2004, compared to the same period last year reflecting poor weather conditions across certain significant regions in Canada. Molson's volume in Canada decreased 2.8% to 2.52 million hectoliters during the same period primarily in the Ontario/West region and despite overall volume growth in the Québec/Atlantic region. Molson's overall production for sale in the United States declined 3.4% despite growth in the Molson brands of approximately 1.7%. Brazil volume declined 4.2% in the quarter and reflected a slowing of the volume declines experienced in fiscal 2004.

Canada

Net sales revenue increased by 3.2% to \$580.2 million in the quarter reflecting higher consumer prices and favorable mix when compared to last year partially offset by lower volumes. EBIT increased 1.6% to \$154.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2004. EBIT in the current quarter was negatively impacted by higher costs relating primarily to pension expense, product cost mix and marketing and sales investment as well as the labor disruption of Molson's distribution network in British Columbia.

Market Share (%) Three months ended June 30	2004	2003
	Estimated	Actual
Including sales of imports:		
Canada	42.8	44.0
Québec/Atlantic	43.5	43.1
Ontario/West	42.4	44.4

Sources: Brewers of Canada, provincial liquor authorities and distribution companies.

Molson continues to concentrate on market share growth of core strategic brands nationally and on key regional markets with strong growth opportunities.

Molson's core brand share continued to perform well with a share increase of 0.9 share points on a national basis during the three months ended June 30, 2004 while average market share for all beer sold in Canada declined 1.2 share points to 42.8% from 44.0% compared to the same period last year due to continued competitive pressure from the discount segment in both Ontario and Alberta, particularly impacting Canadian®, and the effect of the distribution strike in British Columbia.

The Québec/Atlantic region's core brand share increased 1.3 share points and total market share continued strong growth with an increase of 0.4 share points from 43.1% to 43.5% despite intense levels of competitive tactical marketing and trade programs in the Québec super premium and value beer segments. These share results include the launch of Cold Shots®, continued growth of ExLight® and the strong performance of Coors Light®.

In Ontario/West, core brand market share increased 0.7 share points when compared to previous year levels but the overall region's market share declined 2.0 share points from 44.4% to 42.4%. The market continues to experience strong competitor discount activity and Molson is undertaking significant actions to address the softening of the market share due to the growth of the value segment. These activities include the conversion to new enhanced packaging, launching of Cold Shots®, and the release of new advertising into the market. Early returns appear positive as evidenced by share growth in Ontario over the last six consecutive weeks of the first quarter of fiscal 2005.

Brazil

The following table summarizes the operating results of Molson's Brazilian business in Brazilian reais and the equivalent Canadian dollar amounts:

Thre	ee months e	nded June 3	0
Brazilian	Reais	Cdn	.\$
2004	2003	2004	2003
(Currency in	n millions)	
335.8	314.7	149.8	147.5
167.3	172.5	74.5	80.8
(59.8)	(6.9)	(26.8)	(3.2)

(i) Results for the quarter ended June 30, 2003 exclude the rationalization provision of \$43.3 million.

Total sales volume for the quarter was 1.97 million hectoliters compared to 2.05 million hectoliters last year representing a decline of 4.2% and reflected a slowing of the decline experienced in fiscal 2004. In the quarter, more than 50% of the bottlers, representing approximately 43% of the volume, increased volume and showed continued improvement in developing the on-premise market. However, market conditions and softer industry volume due to abnormal weather conditions in Kaiser's key markets continue to impact volume growth.

Total estimated Molson market share in Brazil was 10.9% for the three-month period ended June 30, 2004 compared to 12.9% for the same period last year, according to ACNielsen data.

Net sales revenue decreased 3.0% from R\$172.5 million to R\$167.3 million reflecting the 4.2% volume decline in the quarter, partially offset by marginally higher selling prices in the current period. Tax increases implemented in certain regions in the latter part of Molson's fourth quarter of fiscal 2004 were not passed onto the consumer which also adversely affected net sales revenues. Net sales revenue, as measured in Canadian dollars, decreased 7.8% reflecting the variance in the Brazilian real exchange rate in addition to the above-noted factors. Kaiser's ability to increase prices in the period was hindered by a lack of increases from competitors.

EBIT was adversely affected by the investment in sales centers established in the latter part of fiscal 2004 and reflected a net variance of approximately R\$23 million to the same period last year. In addition, Kaiser incurred higher marketing costs of approximately R\$17 million when compared to the same period last year primarily related to Molson's relaunch investment in the Kaiser brand. General and administrative costs increased marginally reflecting higher depreciation expense while fixed costs were held in line with the same period last year.

In the first quarter of fiscal 2004, Molson announced certain initiatives to achieve its cost reduction targets in Brazil. These initiatives included the closure of the Ribeirão Preto plant as part of the capacity optimization strategy and, as a result, Molson recorded a rationalization provision relating to the closure costs and other reorganization activities of \$43.3 million (R\$92.2 million) which included primarily fixed asset write-downs and employee severance costs.

United States

Molson USA, which is owned 50.1% by Molson and 49.9% by the Coors Brewing Company ("Coors"), is a dedicated business unit in the United States focused on clear operating objectives and a well-defined brand portfolio Canadian®, Canadian Light®, Golden®, Molson Ice® as well as Molson XXX®. Molson USA is responsible for the marketing and selling of these brands with Coors providing the sales, distribution and administrative support.

Overall, Molson's total volume and Canadian® trademark volume in the United States for the three months ended June 30, 2004 were down 3.4% and 4.7% respectively, compared to the same period last year. Challenges in the quarter traced primarily to the state of Michigan and the non-core markets. In Michigan, volume was down 9.4% in part due to the prior year's successful Red Wings five liter keg promotion. In the non-core markets, significant competitive activity led to a 12% decline in volume.

Both total net sales revenue and net sales revenue per hectoliter increased 11.9% and 8.9%, respectively, versus the same period last year as measured in U.S. dollars. This increase in revenue realization is driven by strong front line price increases and improved brand and package mix, driven primarily by the super premium pricing of Molson XXX®. During the quarter, these gains in pricing were offset by increased operational costs arising primarily from unfavorable foreign exchange and higher fuel costs.

Over the coming quarters, restoring growth on the Canadian® trademark, as well as continued focus on slowing the Molson Ice® and Golden® declining volume will remain a priority.

The following table summarizes the operating results of Molson's business in the United States in U.S. dollars and the equivalent Canadian dollar amounts:

		Three months ended June 30				
	U.S	.\$	Cdn	.\$	Molson 50.1% Share Cdn.\$	
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003
		(1	Dollars in	millions)		
Sales from external customers	34.9	31.5	47.3	44.0	23.7	22.0
Net sales revenue	29.8	26.6	40.5	37.1	20.3	18.6
EBIT	(1.3)	(0.9)	(1.7)	(1.3)	(0.9)	(0.6)
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		Jun	e 30,	Mar	ch 31,	Decem	ber 31,	Septem	iber 30,
		2004	2003	2004	2003	2003	2002	2003	2002
				(Dollars i	n millions, exc	cept per share	amounts)		
Net sales revenue		\$ 675.0	\$ 661.8	\$ 524.8	\$ 501.5	\$ 623.3	\$ 641.3	\$ 715.6	\$ 685.6
Net earnings(i)		\$ 68.3	\$ 54.7	\$ 42.2	\$ 59.6	\$ 43.6	\$ 66.1	\$ 96.5	\$ 82.3
Net earnings per share	basic	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.65
Net earnings per share	diluted	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.75	\$ 0.64

⁽i) Restated by \$1.0 million, \$0.9 million and \$1.0 million in each of the quarters ended September 30, 2002, December 31, 2002 and March 31, 2003 respectively reflecting the previously disclosed stock option expense.

Financial Condition and Liquidity

Molson's consolidated balance sheet, together with comparative figures, is summarized as follows:

As at	=	June 30, 2004		une 30, 2003	I	March 31, 2004
			(Dollars in	millions)		_
Current assets	\$	492.8	\$	475.1	\$	430.2
Less current liabilities		(1,020.1)		(764.2)		(1,025.4)
Working capital		(527.3)		(289.1)		(595.2)
Investments and other assets		131.0		129.7		129.7
Property, plant and equipment		995.2		996.0		1,022.4
Intangible assets		2,310.7		2,389.4		2,348.3
	\$	2,909.6	\$	3,226.0	\$	2,905.2
Represented by:						
Long-term debt	\$	786.2	\$	1,207.0	\$	788.4
Deferred liabilities		337.8		395.1		359.1
Future income taxes		413.9		358.4		400.2
Minority interest		125.3		154.3		138.1
		1,663.2		2,114.8		1,685.8
Shareholders' equity		1,246.4	_	1,111.2		1,219.4
	<u> </u>	2,909.6	\$	3,226.0	\$	2,905.2
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In fiscal 2005, working capital requirements, excluding the current portion of long-term debt, will continue to be funded through cash generated from operations and available credit facilities. As of June 30, 2004 long-term debt of \$219.7 million (March 31, 2004 \$259.9 million)

has been included in current liabilities, however Molson intends to refinance this debt with either a new term loan or the floating rate notes. The working capital deficit as at June 30, 2004, excluding the \$219.7 million (March 31, 2004 \$259.9 million) of long-term debt, was \$307.6 million (March 31, 2004 \$335.3 million) which was \$18.5 million below last year.

Shareholders' Equity

For the three-month period ended June 30, 2004 Molson did not repurchase any Class A non-voting or Class B common shares. In the three-month period ended June 30, 2003, Molson

repurchased 690,700 Class A non-voting shares at prices ranging between \$32.15 and \$33.05 per share and no Class B common shares as per the previously announced normal course issuer bid.

The total number of Class A non-voting and Class B common shares outstanding at June 30, 2004 were 127,593,495 (127,003,023 at June 30, 2003) consisting of 105,212,819 (104,555,303 at June 30, 2003) Class A non-voting shares and 22,380,676 (22,447,720 at June 30, 2003) Class B common shares.

Dividends

Dividends declared to shareholders totaled \$19.2 million in the three-month period ended June 30, 2004, compared with \$17.8 million for the same period last year. In fiscal 2005, Molson's quarterly dividend rate was increased by \$0.01 or 7% to \$0.15 per share effective in the first quarter.

The board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.15 per share on the Class A non-voting shares and the Class B common shares. This dividend is payable on October 1, 2004 to shareholders of record at the close of business on September 15, 2004.

The dividends declared are consistent with the previously announced dividend policy, approved by the board of directors in November 2001, which targets a dividend payout range of 25% 30% of trailing net earnings.

Financial Instruments and Long-Term Liabilities

Molson's consolidated long-term debt was as follows:

As at	June 30, 2004	June 30, 2003	March 31, 2004	
	5.04	(Dollars in million	as)	
Molson Inc.				
Term loan	\$ 169.7	\$ 359.2	\$ 59.9	
Debentures		149.7	150.0	
Floating rates notes	250.0)	250.0	
Molson Canada				
Term loan		99.9		
Debentures	576.8	579.8	577.6	
Brazil	130.4	82.8	97.9	
Total consolidated debt	1,126.9	1,271.4	1,135.4	
Less current portion	340.7	64.4	347.0	
Total consolidated long-term debt	\$ 786.2	\$ 1,207.0	\$ 788.4	

Molson had a \$150.0 million debenture that came due on May 3, 2004 and was repaid using Molson's \$625.0 million revolving credit facility which expires on March 17, 2005. As at June 30, 2004, \$169.7 million (2003 \$59.9 million) was drawn on the \$625.0 million facility.

Molson's 18-month bridge facility of \$300.0 million expired on September 17, 2003 and was partially refinanced with \$200.0 million of floating rate medium-term notes maturing September 16, 2005, issued on September 16, 2003 out of a total program of \$500.0 million. Molson's \$625.0 million revolving facility was used to refinance the remaining \$100.0 million balance of the bridge facility. On October 17, 2003, Molson completed a second issuance of \$50.0 million of floating rate medium-term notes maturing October 19, 2004 to repay a portion of indebtedness under the existing credit facility. The floating rate notes are direct, unsecured obligations of Molson Inc. and were offered by way of a private placement in Canada.

Molson Canada had a \$100.0 million credit facility that expired on August 31, 2003 and was repaid from operations and using Molson's \$625.0 million credit facility.

The floating rate note program is an agreement under which Molson and the placement agent may agree to issue debt under terms and conditions that are only determined at the time of placement of the debt. As such, Molson's term loan and the \$50.0 million floating rate note are classified as current liabilities. It is Molson's intention to refinance with either a new term loan or the floating rate note program.

Dominion Bond Rating Service, or DBRS, current credit rating for Molson and Molson Canada's ratings is A (low) and A respectively, both with a stable trend and is unchanged during the quarter. On July 20, 2004, DBRS announced that its long term ratings of Molson and Molson Canada were placed under review with negative implications, pending clarification of the merger transaction. DBRS stated that once the structure of the combined company is final, DBRS would be in a position to assess how the merger would impact Molson's credit ratings.

On December 16, 2003 Standard and Poor's revised the outlook on Molson to stable from negative as a result of significant debt reduction. At the same time the BBB+ long-term debt rating was affirmed.

Molson has a quarterly cancelable interest rate swap for \$100.0 million which converted a portion of the floating rate medium-term note maturing September 16, 2005 to a fixed rate. Molson also has an interest rate swap for \$100.0 million which converted the Molson Canada debenture due June 2, 2008 with a fixed rate of 6.0% to a variable rate.

Changes in Cash Flows

The decrease in net cash of \$6.7 million in the current quarter, together with a comparison for fiscal 2004, is summarized below:

Three months ended June 30	2004	2003
	(Dollars in	millions)
Used for operating activities	\$ (17.9)	\$ (95.4)
Provided from (used for) investing activities	(5.1)	8.5
Provided from financing activities	16.5	82.3
Decrease in cash from continuing operations	(6.5)	(4.6)
Decrease in cash from discontinued operations	(0.3)	(4.7)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	0.1	0.9
Decrease in cash	\$ (6.7)	\$ (8.4)

Cash used for operating activities includes \$90.1 million of cash used for working capital compared to \$161.3 million of cash used for working capital for the same period last year. Excluding cash used for working capital as well as the prior year's rationalization costs of \$4.4 million, cash used for operating activities increased by 2.7% to \$72.2 million for the three months ended June 30, 2004, compared to \$70.3 million for the same period last year. This reflects lower economic value added, or EVA, bonuses of \$13.1 million paid in the first quarter of fiscal 2005 compared to \$45.0 million paid in the first quarter of fiscal 2004 partially offset by lower net earnings in the current year when the non-cash rationalization provisions are excluded. The fiscal 2004 EVA bonus included a significant one-time amount relating to deferred bonuses previously accrued.

Cash used for working capital of \$90.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2004 relates to higher accounts receivable and inventory, primarily in Canada, partially offset by higher accounts payable. The higher use of working capital in fiscal 2004 relates primarily to the utilization, in

prior years, of tax losses from Molson's former business consisting of the Montréal Canadiens of the National Hockey League ("NHL") and the Bell Centre (formerly the Molson Centre) resulting in the balance of estimated taxes owed for the prior taxation year being paid in that year.

Cash used for investing activities of \$5.1 million in the three-month period ended June 30, 2004 reflected primarily additions to property, plant and equipment. In the same quarter of fiscal 2004, cash provided from investing activities of \$8.5 million reflected primarily the proceeds of \$12.0 million on the sale of a residual property adjacent to the Barrie brewery offset in part by \$5.4 million spent on additions to property, plant and equipment.

Cash provided from financing activities in the first quarter of fiscal 2005 included a net reduction in long-term debt of \$2.4 million and \$34.0 million from the securitization of accounts receivable offset by dividends paid of \$17.4 million. In the first quarter of fiscal 2004, cash provided from financing activities included a net increase in long-term debt of \$46.5 million, \$65.0 million from the securitization of accounts receivable offset by \$22.5 million for the repurchase of shares under the normal course issuer bid and dividends paid of \$14.0 million.

Cash used for discontinued operations consisted of \$0.3 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2005 and \$4.7 million in the first quarter of fiscal 2004 for operating activities to fund obligations previously provided for in the accounts.

Outlook

In Canada, industry volume is expected to grow marginally over the next 12 months consistent with historical levels. The value segment will remain at current levels with major brewers now having clear strategies to defend.

Molson is focused on strengthening the Canadian® franchise, maintaining the most recent trends on the brand and growing core brands in order to grow volume and ultimately overall share.

In Brazil, the focus remains on growing volume, increasing distribution and closing the price gap while at the same time aggressively controlling costs. The competitive environment has stiffened with the emergence of a third brewer and continued pressure on market share growth.

Molson is currently engaged in a full strategic review of its Brazilian operations. The completion of this review will result in a new valuation based on past performance and future expectations of management of the Brazilian operations over the next few years. Molson intends to complete this review in conjunction with the release of its second quarter financial statements and reflect any changes, to the extent necessary, in those financial statements.

Years Ended March 31, 2004, March 31, 2003 and March 31, 2002

Financial Highlights

Years ended March 31		2004		2003	2002					
			(r	estated)(i)						
	(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)									
Sales and other revenues(ii)	\$	3,472.8	\$	3,529.2	\$	2,830.8				
Brewing excise and sales taxes		947.3		1,014.0		728.5				
Net sales revenue	\$	2,525.5	\$	2,515.2	\$	2,102.3				
Earnings before interest and income taxes (EBIT)	\$	475.9	\$	512.6	\$	321.8				
Net interest expense		91.5		95.4		65.5				
Income tax expense		166.5		115.0		80.7				
Earnings before minority interest		217.9		302.2		175.6				
Minority interest		19.1		6.5						
Earnings from continuing operations		237.0		308.7		175.6				
Earnings from discontinued operations	<u></u>					2.0				
Net earnings	\$	237.0	\$	308.7	\$	177.6				
Basic net earnings per share	ф	1.07	Ф	2.42	Ф	1.46				
Continuing operations	\$	1.86	\$	2.42	\$	1.46				
Discontinued operations	_					0.02				
Total	\$	1.86	\$	2.42	\$	1.48				
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Diluted net earnings per share	ф	1.04	ф	2.20	ф	1 42				
Continuing operations Discontinued operations	\$	1.84	\$	2.38	\$	1.43 0.02				
Discontinued operations						0.02				
Total	\$	1.84	\$	2.38	\$	1.45				
Dividends per share	\$	0.56	\$	0.42	\$	0.38				
Weighted average outstanding shares (millions)										
Basic		127.1		127.3		120.1				
Diluted		129.0		129.5		122.4				
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⁽i) Restated by \$3.7 million for the year ended March 31, 2003 reflecting the previously disclosed stock option expense.

⁽ii)

Results for the year ended March 31, 2003 include 100% of the results of Molson's Brazilian operations and the minority interest account reflects 20% of the net earnings of the Brazilian operations from April 18, 2002 thereafter.

For the year ended March 31, 2004, net sales revenue increased 0.4% to \$2.5 billion. The increase was comprised primarily of a 3.2% revenue increase in Molson's operations in Canada offset by lower net sales in Brazil of 10.4% due to lower volumes.

For the year ended March 31, 2003, net sales revenue increased 20% to \$2.5 billion compared to \$2.1 billion for the same period last year. The increase is comprised primarily of a 5% revenue increase in Molson's operations in Canada and the consolidation of Kaiser in fiscal 2003. Brewing volume increased by 61% to 23.07 million hectoliters due mainly to the additional volume from Kaiser offset, in part, by lower volumes in Canada.

Net earnings for the year ended March 31, 2004 were \$237.0 million compared to \$308.7 million for the prior year. Molson's fiscal 2004 earnings included a charge for a previously announced plant closure in Brazil in the amount of \$43.3 million partially offset by a pre-tax gain of \$7.0 million, for a net rationalization provision of \$36.3 million. Fiscal 2004 also included a \$16.0 million non-cash increase in income tax expense due to higher income tax rates in Ontario. The prior year's earnings included a gain of \$64.2 million on the sale of 20% of Molson's operations in Brazil and a pre-tax charge for the previously announced plant closures and other costs relating to Bavaria in Brazil in the amount of \$63.5 million.

Net earnings for the year ended March 31, 2004, excluding the non-cash increase in future income tax liabilities of \$16.0 million, the charge for rationalization costs in both periods, net of minority interest, and the gain on sale of \$64.2 million in the prior fiscal year, were \$282.9 million or a 1.8% increase from \$278.0 million for the same period last year. Net earnings per share were \$2.23 compared to \$2.18 per share last year on the same basis.

Net earnings for the year ended March 31, 2003 were \$308.7 million compared to \$177.6 million for the prior year. Molson's fiscal 2003 earnings included a gain of \$64.2 million on the sale of 20% of Molson's operations in Brazil and a pre-tax charge for the previously announced plant closures and other costs relating to Bavaria in Brazil in the amount of \$63.5 million. The prior year included rationalization costs relating to the Regina plant closure of \$50.0 million, a non-cash \$15.0 million reduction of future tax liabilities resulting from the enactment of future tax rate reductions as well as the gain on sale of the Montréal Canadiens of the NHL and the Bell Centre in the amount of \$2.0 million.

As disclosed in the first quarter of fiscal 2004 (ended June 30, 2003), Molson started expensing the cost of stock options effective April 1, 2003 with a restatement of the prior year's results. The impact in the year ended March 31, 2004 was \$5.2 million and the previously disclosed impact of \$3.7 million for the year ended March 31, 2003 was restated in the prior year's figures.

Net interest expense for fiscal 2004 was \$91.5 million which was \$3.9 million lower than fiscal 2003 reflecting the overall decrease in average net debt in Canada partially offset by higher interest bearing liabilities in Brazil. Fiscal 2003 interest expense was \$29.9 million higher than fiscal 2002 interest expense of \$65.5 million reflecting the overall increase in average net debt including other interest bearing liabilities, resulting from the Kaiser acquisition.

Amortization of capital assets for fiscal 2004 decreased to \$63.1 million compared to \$64.9 million last year primarily due to lower depreciation expense in Brazil resulting from recent brewery closures. The increase in amortization of capital assets in fiscal 2003 when compared to fiscal 2002 amortization of \$54.6 million reflected the inclusion of Kaiser's operations in fiscal 2003, partially offset by lower depreciation expense in Canada resulting from recent brewery closures.

There was no tax recovery recorded on the fiscal 2004 first quarter provision for the plant closure or the current year operating losses in Brazil since Molson has significant unrecorded benefits of tax losses available for carry forward as well as tax deductible goodwill in Brazil. Any benefit from utilization of these losses will be recorded in the accounts when realization is more likely than not.

The effective tax rate for the year ended March 31, 2004, excluding the non-cash tax expense of \$16.0 million and the rationalization provision, was 35.2%. The provision for income taxes for the year ended March 31, 2003, excluding the tax recovery of \$21.6 million relating to the provision for rationalization and the gain on sale, was 32.8%. This increase in the tax rate in fiscal 2004 reflected the impact of higher income tax rates in Ontario and the mix of earnings between Canada and Brazil.

The provision for income taxes for the year ended March 31, 2002 included a \$15.0 million reduction of future income tax liabilities resulting from enactment of future tax rate reductions announced in various provincial budgets and a recovery of \$16.5 million relating to the provision for rationalization. Excluding these items, the tax rate was 36.6% in fiscal 2002. The decreased tax rate in

fiscal 2003 was largely attributable to reduced statutory tax rates in Canada and the mix of earnings primarily between Canada and Brazil.

Review of Operations

The following table contains a summary of Molson's financial results for fiscal 2004 with a comparison to fiscal 2003 and fiscal 2002:

Years ended March 31		2004		2003	2002						
			(restated)							
	(Dollars in millions)										
Sales and other revenues	\$	3,472.8	\$	3,529.2	\$	2,830.8					
Brewing excise and sales taxes		947.3		1,014.0		728.5					
Net sales revenue	\$	2,525.5	\$	2,515.2	\$	2,102.3					
EBIT before the under-noted	\$	512.2	\$	511.9	\$	371.8					
Gain on sale of 20% of operations in Brazil				(64.2)							
Provisions for rationalization		36.3		63.5		50.0					
ЕВІТ	\$	475.9	\$	512.6	\$	321.8					

The following table details certain financial information by business unit:

	Sales from External Customers			Net S	EBIT				
Years ended March 31	2004	2003 2002		2004	2003	2002	2004	2003	2002
			(Dollars in millions)						
Canada(i)	2,659.3	2,628.3	2,520.1	2,065.6	2,001.4	1,903.4	537.7	481.7	380.4
Brazil(ii)	737.9	816.0	224.0	396.2	442.1	127.7	(22.3)	36.5	(2.9)
United States	75.6	84.9	86.7	63.7	71.7	71.2	(3.2)	(6.3)	(5.7)
Totals before the following:	3,472.8	3,529.2	2,830.8	2,525.5	2,515.2	2,102.3	512.2	511.9	371.8
Gain on sale of 20% of operations in Brazil								64.2	
Provisions for rationalization							(36.3)	(63.5)	(50.0)
Consolidated	3,472.8	3,529.2	2,830.8	2,525.5	2,515.2	2,102.3	475.9	512.6	321.8

⁽i) EBIT restated by \$3.7 million for the year ended March 31, 2003 reflecting the previously disclosed stock option expense.

⁽ii)

Results for the year ended March 31, 2003 include 100% of the results of Molson's Brazilian operations and the minority interest account reflects 20% of the net earnings of the Brazilian operations from April 18, 2002 thereafter.

The following table sets out industry volume and Molson volume in Canada, Molson volume shipped to the United States as well as Molson volume in Brazil during fiscal 2004, 2003 and 2002:

Volume	2004	2003	2002				
	Estimated		Actual				
	(Hectoli	Actual (Hectoliters in million					
Industry volume in Canada(i)	21.51	21.08	21.07				
Molson (Canada)	9.43	9.36	9.50				
Molson production for shipment to the United States	1.75	1.77	1.90				
Brazil	9.85	11.94	2.96				
Total Molson volume	21.03	23.07	14.36				

(i) Sources: Brewers of Canada, provincial liquor authorities and industry distribution companies.

Total estimated industry sales volume in Canada increased by 2.0% to 21.51 million hectoliters during the year ended March 31, 2004 compared to fiscal 2003. Molson's volume in Canada increased

0.7% to 9.43 million hectoliters in fiscal 2004 with increases primarily in Québec and British Columbia offset by volume declines in Alberta and Ontario.

Volume in Brazil was negatively impacted in fiscal 2004 by an overall softening of industry volume, Molson's elimination of trans-shipping in specific regions, a disappointing performance in the major market of São Paulo, which was down 33% for the year, as well as strong competitive activity. The establishment of six sales centers, including the important São Paulo region, started to address these volume declines.

Molson's production for sale in the United States was broadly flat with growth in Molson USA brands offset by lower partners' sales.

In fiscal 2003, total industry sales volume in Canada increased marginally by 0.2% to 21.08 million hectoliters when compared to fiscal 2002. Molson's volume in Canada decreased 1.4% to 9.36 million hectoliters during the same period with decreases primarily in Ontario and the western provinces. Molson's production for sale in the United States decreased 7.3% from 1.90 million hectoliters to 1.77 million hectoliters.

Canada

In fiscal 2004, net sales revenues increased by 3.2% to \$2.1 billion in the year reflecting marginally higher volumes and increased selling prices when compared to last year. Excluding the \$7.0 million gain on sale of a residual property, EBIT increased 11.6% to \$537.7 million for the year ended March 31, 2004 reflecting improved margins resulting from favorable price increases as well as cost efficiencies in manufacturing operations, procurement and fixed overheads.

Net sales revenues in fiscal 2003 increased by 5% to \$2.0 billion reflecting increased selling prices and favorable mix when compared to fiscal 2002 offset, in part, by lower volumes. EBIT increased 27% to \$481.7 million for the year ended March 31, 2003 when compared to fiscal 2002, excluding the \$50.0 million provision for rationalization, reflecting improved margins.

Market Share (%)	2004	2003	2002
	Estimated	Actual	Actual
Including sales of imports:			
Canada	43.8	44.4	45.1
Québec/Atlantic	43.8	43.0	42.8
Ontario/West	43.8	45.2	46.3

Sources: Brewers of Canada, provincial liquor authorities and industry distribution companies.

Molson continues to concentrate on market share growth of core strategic brands nationally and on key regional markets with strong growth opportunities.

Molson's core brand share performed well with a share increase of 0.9 share points on a national basis during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004 while average estimated market share for all beer sold in Canada declined 0.6 share points to 43.8% from 44.4% compared to the same period last year. This strong core brand share performance included the benefits of the launch of A Marca Bavaria across Canada as well as ExLight® in Québec, which surpassed the two main competitors and is now the second-leading light beer in Québec, and took into account the 0.8 share point decrease of Canadian®.

The Québec/Atlantic region's core brand share increased 1.4 share points in fiscal 2004 and total market share continued strong growth with an increase of 0.8 share points from 43.0% to 43.8% despite intense levels of competitive tactical marketing and trade programs in the Québec super premium and value beer segments. In Québec, core brand share increased 1.7 share points and total market share increased 0.9 share points from 48.8% to 49.7%. These share gains reflected strong trade

programs as well as opportunities created by the labor disruption of a competitor in the second quarter of fiscal 2004.

The Ontario/West region's market share declined from 45.2% to 43.8% in fiscal 2004. However, core brand market share increased 0.6 share points when compared to the prior year's level. The overall market share decline reflected strong competitor discount pricing activity and Molson's slow response to the value segment, primarily in Ontario and Alberta. Molson has undertaken significant activity to address the softening of the Ontario/West share including, but not limited to, a new brand focused organization with increased market focus, a national re-launch of Canadian®, a national roll-out of Canadian Light®, the launch of Molson's lower-carb brand Molson Ultra® and the launch of Cold Shots®.

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2003, Molson's average estimated market share for all beer sold in Canada declined to 44.4% from 45.1% when compared to the same period the previous year, however, core brands continued to perform well with a share increase of 1.0 share points on a national basis.

The Québec/Atlantic region's market share increased 0.2 share points to 43.0% at the end of fiscal 2003 with core brand share increasing 3.0 share points, despite intense levels of competitive tactical marketing and trade programs in the Québec super premium and discount beer segments.

The Ontario/West region's fiscal 2003 market share declined from 46.3% to 45.2%, however, core brand market share was only marginally below fiscal 2002 levels. The overall decrease reflects strong competitor discount pricing activity, primarily in Ontario and Alberta, and Molson's reduced in-case promotions. The decline is also attributable to the softening of the premium segment and the related impact on the Canadian® brand as well as increased pressure from competitive value brands.

Coors Canada

The Coors Canada partnership is responsible for the management of Coors brands in Canada. Molson brews, distributes and sells the Coors Light® brand in Canada.

Coors Canada showed continued strong growth in fiscal 2004 despite an aggressive competitive environment during the year. The Coors Light® brand remained the market leader in the light beer segment and the fourth-largest brand in Canada. In fiscal 2004, Coors Light's® estimated average national market share gained 0.5 share points to 8.4% with strong growth primarily in the Québec market.

In fiscal 2003, the Coors Light® brand remained the market leader in the light beer segment and the fourth-largest brand in Canada with an estimated average national market share of 7.9%.

Brazil

On March 18, 2002, Molson acquired 100% of the outstanding shares of Kaiser, whose assets include the Kaiser brands and eight brewing facilities in Brazil, for \$1,136.3 million which included transaction costs and is net of cash acquired. In a separate transaction that closed on April 17, 2002, Molson sold 20% of its Brazilian operations to Heineken N.V. for proceeds of \$333.9 million. This resulted in a gain of \$64.2 million recorded in the three-month period ended June 30, 2002.

Net sales revenue for the year ended March 31, 2004 declined 5.6% from R\$910.7 million to R\$859.4 million reflecting a volume decline of 17.5% which was partially offset by higher net selling prices of approximately 9%. Net sales revenue, as measured in Canadian dollars, decreased 10.4% reflecting the 5.0% decrease in the average Brazilian real exchange rate in fiscal 2004 in addition to the above-noted factors.

The following table⁽ⁱ⁾ summarizes the operating results of Molson's Brazilian business in Brazilian reais and the equivalent Canadian dollar amounts:

	Braz	ilian Reais		Cdn.\$							
Years ended March 31	2004	2003	2002	2004	2003	2002					
		(Currency in millions)									
Sales from external customers	1,601.1	1,675.4	346.0	737.9	816.0	224.0					
Net sales revenue	859.4	910.7	197.0	396.2	442.1	127.7					
EBIT(ii)	(49.1)	83.2	(5.1)	(22.3)	36.5	(2.9)					

- (i)

 Results for the year ended March 31, 2003 include 100% of the results of Molson's Brazilian operations and the minority interest account reflects 20% of the net earnings of the Brazilian operations from April 18, 2002 thereafter.
- (ii)

 Results for the year ended March 31, 2004 exclude the rationalization provision of \$43.3 million. Results for the year ended March 31, 2003 exclude the gain on sale of 20% of Molson's operations in Brazil of \$64.2 million and the rationalization provision of \$63.5 million.

At the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2004, following a poor volume performance, Kaiser, in conjunction with some Coca-Cola bottlers, undertook to implement a strategy to establish a dedicated sales force in six regions in Brazil. The main purpose of this strategy was to improve sales execution while taking full advantage of the Coca-Cola distribution system synergies. The planned six selling regions were established and all were fully operational at year-end. Kaiser had more than 1,200 sales employees in these six regions covering approximately 30% of Kaiser's total volume at year-end.

In addition, as a result of a detailed review of consumer preferences and in response to competitors' activities, the Kaiser brand was re-launched in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004 with a new liquid, new advertising and new packaging. The volume decline trend improved in the fourth quarter to a decline of 7.2%, reflecting the lowest quarterly decline of the year. However, increased marketing investment from the re-launch and much higher costs relating to the establishment of the sales centers as well as the volume decline resulted in an operating loss of \$22.3 million for the twelve-month period. Total market share in fiscal 2004 was 12.4%, which was 2.2 share points below the same period last year, according to ACNielsen data. During the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004, Kaiser improved its product mix to 56% returnable container sales compared to 50% in the third quarter and will continue to focus on maintaining this trend.

In fiscal 2003, total sales volume for the year was 11.94 million hectoliters compared to 2.96 million hectoliters in fiscal 2002 reflecting the increased volume attributable to the Kaiser acquisition. Total Molson market share in Brazil was 14.6% in fiscal 2003 compared to 17.0% in fiscal 2002 including Kaiser market share, according to ACNielsen data.

In fiscal 2003, Kaiser continued with its pricing strategy to improve the positioning of its brands against its major competitor and increased prices of products in both returnable and non-returnable containers in the second and third quarters. Price increases of 5% and 4% were realized in July and December respectively for returnable products and increases of 10% and 12% were realized for non-returnable containers in July and December respectively.

In fiscal 2004, Molson continued to implement initiatives to offset the currency fluctuation in Brazil including selling price increases, accelerated operating cost reductions as well as efforts to realign product mix to optimize profitability under existing currency conditions. The average exchange rate of the U.S. dollar in the year, including the impact of Molson's hedging transactions, was R\$3.14 compared to R\$2.87 for the same period last year.

The strategy of Molson in Brazil is to continue to work with the Coca-Cola distribution network and find appropriate and tailored solutions to address each individual region.

United States

Molson USA continued to focus on building the Canadian® brand with very positive volume growth of 26% in fiscal 2004 when compared to last year. Furthermore, Canadian®'s volume represented a more significant percentage of the total Molson USA portfolio growing to 44% in fiscal 2004 from 36% in fiscal 2003. Molson USA also introduced Molson XXX® in fiscal 2004 at super premium pricing in select Northeast and Midwest markets. Overall, Molson's total volume in the United States for the year ended March 31, 2004 was up 1.4% compared to last year.

Net sales revenue grew 1.5% when measured in U.S. dollars but declined 11.1% in Canadian dollars reflecting the strengthening Canadian dollar in fiscal 2004 when measured against the U.S. dollar. The fiscal 2004 operating loss of U.S.\$4.7 million improved by U.S.\$3.4 million when compared to the same period last year due to additional volume and tight control of costs.

In fiscal 2003, Molson USA introduced new advertising campaigns and packaging initiatives to reposition its brand with American consumers. Specifically, the focus in fiscal 2003 was in building Canadian® and the results were positive. Canadian® continued to show market share gains with volume growth of 39.4% in fiscal 2003 when compared to fiscal 2002. Furthermore, during fiscal 2003, Canadian®'s volume represented a more significant percentage of the total Molson USA portfolio growing to 36% in fiscal 2003 from 26% in fiscal 2002.

Overall, Molson's total volume in the United States for the year ended March 31, 2003 increased 0.1% compared to fiscal 2002 and represented a significant trend improvement versus the decline of 12.5% for the previous year.

The following table summarizes the operating results of Molson's business in the United States in U.S. dollars and the equivalent Canadian dollar amounts:

		U.S.\$			Cdn.\$		Molson 50.1% Share Cdn.\$			
Years ended March 31	2004	2003	2002	2004	2003	2002	2004	2003	2002	
	(Dollars in millions)									
Sales from external customers	111.2	109.4	109.4	150.9	169.4	173.0	75.6	84.9	86.7	
Net sales revenue	93.8	92.4	90.9	127.2	143.1	142.2	63.7	71.7	71.2	
EBIT	(4.7)	(8.1)	(7.2)	(6.4)	(12.6)	(11.5)	(3.2)	(6.3)	(5.7)	

Other

Provisions for Rationalization

In the first quarter of fiscal 2004, Molson announced additional initiatives to achieve its increased cost reduction targets in Brazil. These initiatives included the closure of the Ribeirão Preto plant as part of the capacity optimization strategy and, as a result, Molson recorded a rationalization provision relating to the closure costs and other reorganization activities of \$43.3 million (R\$92.2 million) which included primarily fixed asset write-downs of \$37.5 million as well as employee severance and other closure costs of \$5.8 million. Molson continues to seek out new cost savings initiatives and has a group responsible for monitoring and delivering identified savings and any new initiatives.

Also in the first quarter of fiscal 2004, Molson completed the sale of a residual property adjacent to the Barrie brewery. A pre-tax gain of \$7.0 million was recorded in the provision for rationalization line in the statement of earnings which is consistent with the original Barrie plant closure provision.

In the first quarter of fiscal 2003, Molson announced certain initiatives to deliver on its commitment to deliver synergies and cost reductions over the next three years in Brazil. These initiatives included the closure of two Bavaria plants and one Kaiser plant for strategic geographic

reasons. As a result, Molson recorded a rationalization provision in the first quarter of fiscal 2003 relating to the Bavaria costs of \$63.5 million which included primarily fixed asset write-downs, employee severance costs and a charge for the termination of the distribution arrangement with AmBev.

Results for fiscal 2002 included a provision for rationalization relating primarily to the closure of Molson's Regina brewery. A pre-tax provision of \$50.0 million was recorded which included primarily the write-down of fixed assets and employee costs.

Discontinued Operations

On July 25, 2001, Molson completed the transaction for the sale of the business consisting of the Montréal Canadiens hockey club of the NHL and the Bell Centre and recorded a gain on disposal of \$2.0 million. Molson received \$190.0 million in cash, less closing adjustments, with the balance of payment in the form of preferred shares as well as a 19.9% interest in an entity owning both the team and the entertainment business. The preferred shares are redeemable on December 31, 2008 for \$86.5 million, subject to certain terms and conditions.

Molson has given certain undertakings to the lenders of the purchaser such that, in the event the purchaser is unable to meet its obligations, Molson would exercise control over the entity that owns the entertainment business and the Montréal Canadiens, at predetermined conditions and subject to NHL approval. The obligations of the purchaser to these lenders at March 31, 2004 were \$92.0 million.

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Molson also has certain other obligations relating to its former businesses: Diversey Chemical Specialties and Beaver Lumber. The remaining provisions for discontinued operations are included in deferred liabilities.

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Years ended March 31		2004		2003		2002			
			(re	estated)(i)					
	(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)								
Net sales revenue	\$	2,525.5	\$	2,515.2	\$	2,102.3			
Earnings from continuing operations before the following items, net of tax: Gain on sale of 20% of operations in Brazil	\$	282.9	\$	278.0 64.2	\$	194.1			
Provisions for rationalization Minority interest impact on Brazil rationalization provision		(38.5) 8.6		(41.9) 8.4		(33.5)			
Tax adjustments related to changes in enacted future income tax rates	_	(16.0)				15.0			
Earnings from continuing operations Earnings from discontinued operations		237.0		308.7		175.6 2.0			
Net earnings	\$	237.0	\$	308.7	\$	177.6			
Total assets	\$	3,930.6	\$	3,904.1	\$	4,506.3			
Total long-term debt	\$	1,135.4	\$	1,220.6	\$	1,746.1			
Less current portion		347.0		40.6		58.9			
	\$	788.4	\$	1,180.0	\$	1,687.2			
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Net earnings per share from continuing operations basic Net earnings per share from continuing operations diluted	\$ \$	1.84	\$ \$	2.42 2.38	\$ \$	1.46 1.43			
Net earnings per share basic	\$	1.86	\$	2.38	\$	1.43			
Net earnings per share diluted	\$	1.84	\$	2.38	\$	1.45			
Dividends per share (Class A and B)	\$	0.56	\$	0.42	\$	0.38			
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(i)

Restated by \$3.7 million reflecting the previously disclosed stock option expense. Fiscal 2002 has not been restated for the effect of stock option expense.

Quarterly Fiscal 2004

	March 31, 2004		Dec. 31, 2003		Sept. 30, 2003			ine 30, 2003
		nounts	(1)					
Net sales revenue	\$	524.8	\$	623.3	\$	715.6	\$	661.8
Earnings before the following items, net of tax: Provisions for rationalization Minority interest impact on Brazil rationalization	\$	42.2	\$	59.6	\$	96.5	\$	84.6 (38.5)
provision Tax adjustments related to changes in enacted future income taxes				(16.0)				8.6
Net earnings	\$	42.2	\$	43.6	\$	96.5	\$	54.7
Net earnings per share basic Net earnings per share diluted	\$ \$	0.33 0.33	\$	0.34 0.34	\$ \$	0.76 0.75	\$ \$	0.43 0.42
Quarterly Fiscal 2003								
		arch 31, 2003	Dec. 31, 2002		Sept. 30, 2002		_	ine 30, 2002
		(Dollars	in mi	illions, exc	ept pe	er share an	nounts	·)
Net sales revenue	\$	501.5	\$	641.3	\$	685.6	\$	686.8
Earnings before the following items, net of tax(i) Gain on sale of 20% of operations in Brazil Provisions for rationalization	\$	59.6	\$	66.1	\$	82.3	\$	70.0 64.2 (41.9)
Minority interest impact on Brazil rationalization provision								8.4
Net earnings	\$	50.6	\$	66.1	\$	82.3	\$	100.7
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(i) Restated by \$0.8 million, \$1.0 million, \$0.9 million and \$1.0 million in each of Q1, Q2, Q3 and Q4 respectively reflecting the previously disclosed stock option expense.

Financial Condition and Liquidity

Molson's consolidated balance sheet as at March 31, 2004, together with comparative fiscal 2003 figures, is summarized as follows:

Years ended March 31	2004	2003
	(Dollars	in millions)
Current assets Less current liabilities	\$ 430.2 (1,025.4	
Working capital Investments and other assets	(595.2 129.3	, , ,

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Years ended March 31	2004		2003
Property, plant and equipment	1,022.4		1,026.9
Intangible assets	2,348.3		2,322.9
	\$ 2,905.2	\$	3,100.6
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Represented by:			
Long-term debt	\$ 788.4	\$	1,180.0
Deferred liabilities	359.1		380.5
Future income taxes	400.2		355.0
Minority interest	138.1		152.1
		_	
	1,685.8		2,067.6
Shareholders' equity	1,219.4		1,033.0
	\$ 2,905.2	\$	3,100.6

In fiscal 2005, working capital requirements, excluding the current portion of long-term debt, will continue to be funded through cash generated from operations and available credit facilities. As of March 31, 2004, long-term debt of \$259.9 million has been included in current liabilities, however,

Molson intends to refinance this debt with the term loan or the floating rate notes. The fiscal 2004 working capital deficit, excluding the \$259.9 million of long-term debt, was \$335.3 million, which was \$44.0 million below last year.

Contractual Obligations

The following table summarizes Molson's obligations to make future payments on long-term debt, lease obligations and other obligations as at March 31, 2004, as well as the expected timing of these payments:

		iscal 2005		Fiscal 2006	Fiscal 2007-2009 Thereafter		Thereafter	Total		
					(D	ollars in millio	ns)			
Long-term debt	\$	347.0	\$	202.8	\$	208.1	\$	377.5	\$	1,135.4
Operating leases		23.7		19.4		33.1		39.0		115.2
Purchase obligations		52.5								52.5
Other long-term obligations		8.7		24.6		26.8		3.1		63.2
	_		_				_		_	
Total contractual obligations	\$	431.9	\$	246.8	\$	268.0	\$	419.6	\$	1,366.3

Capital Spending

Molson's capital spending of \$88.0 million in fiscal 2004 (2003 \$85.9 million) was concentrated primarily in Canada as well as on the facilities in Brazil. Capital spending in Canada in the amount of \$59.7 million supported Molson's strategic requirements to upgrade capacity and efficiency and was incurred primarily in the Toronto and Montréal breweries. Capital spending in fiscal 2005 is expected to be approximately \$100 million, including approximately \$75 million on brewing facilities in Canada.

Molson expects to fund fiscal 2005 capital expenditures from operating cash flow. All capital projects are subject to an EVA analysis to ensure that spending is prioritized to maximize shareholder value.

Shareholders' Equity

In fiscal 2004, as part of Molson's previously announced normal course issuer bid, Molson repurchased 751,000 Class A non-voting shares (2003 1,281,275) and no Class B common shares (2003 100,000) at prices ranging between \$32.15 and \$34.99 (2003 \$31.62 and \$38.16). The share buy-back is consistent with Molson's objective to offset the dilutive impact from the granting of stock options.

The total number of Class A non-voting and Class B common shares outstanding at March 31, 2004 were 105,042,256 (March 31, 2003 104,754,563) and 22,430,676 (March 31, 2003 22,469,018) respectively.

Molson's capital stock increased \$12.9 million to \$732.3 million as at March 31, 2004 reflecting the issuance of stock dividends and the exercise of stock options, partially offset by shares repurchased by Molson during the year.

Shareholders' equity at March 31, 2004 included cumulative unrealized translation adjustments of \$340.3 million compared to \$363.2 million at March 31, 2003 reflecting the net change in foreign currency denominated net assets of self-sustaining foreign operations on their translation into Canadian dollars at year-end. The translation adjustments for the year mainly reflected the relative strengthening during fiscal 2004 of the Brazilian real compared to the Canadian dollar.

Molson's book value per share based on shareholders' equity increased 17.9% to \$9.57 at March 31, 2004 from \$8.12 at March 31, 2003, reflecting net earnings of \$237.0 million in the current fiscal year and the positive impact of the foreign currency translation account adjustments.

Dividends

Dividends declared to shareholders totaled \$71.2 million in fiscal 2004, compared with \$53.5 million in fiscal 2003. In fiscal 2004, Molson's quarterly dividend rate was increased by \$0.03 or 27% to \$0.14 per share effective in the first quarter. In fiscal 2003, the quarterly dividend was also increased by \$0.01 or 10% to \$0.11 per share in the third quarter. For fiscal 2005, the quarterly dividend is being increased by 7% to \$0.15 per share. Dividends paid to shareholders totaled \$53.5 million in fiscal 2003, compared with \$45.4 million in fiscal 2002.

The dividends declared are consistent with the previously announced dividend policy, approved by the board of directors in November 2001, which targets a dividend payout range of 25% 30% of trailing net earnings.

Financial Instruments and Long-Term Liabilities

Molson's consolidated long-term debt at March 31, 2004 and 2003 was as follows:

Years ended March 31	2004	2003		
	(Dollars i	ars in millions)		
Molson Inc.				
Term loan	\$ 59.9	\$ 329.3		
Debentures	150.0	149.7		
Floating rate notes	250.0			
Molson Canada				
Term loan		99.9		
Debentures	577.6	580.5		
Brazil	97.9	61.2		
	1,135.4	1,220.6		
Less current portion	347.0	40.6		
	\$ 788.4	\$ 1,180.0		
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Molson's 18-month bridge facility of \$300.0 million expired on September 17, 2003 and was partially refinanced with \$200.0 million of floating rate medium-term notes maturing September 16, 2005, issued on September 16, 2003 out of a total program of \$500.0 million. Molson's \$625.0 million revolving facility expiring on March 17, 2005 was used to refinance the remaining \$100.0 million balance of the bridge facility. On October 17, 2003, Molson completed a second issuance of \$50.0 million of floating rate medium-term notes maturing October 19, 2004 to repay a portion of indebtedness under the existing credit facility. The floating rate notes are direct, unsecured obligations of Molson and were offered by way of a private placement in Canada.

The Molson Canada \$100.0 million credit facility expired on August 31, 2003 and was repaid from operations and using Molson's \$625.0 million credit facility. As at March 31, 2004, \$59.9 million (2003 \$30.0 million) was drawn on the \$625.0 million facility.

Molson's long-term debt in Brazil represented various facilities denominated in Brazilian reais bearing interest at rates averaging 20.2% during the year (2003 18.5%). Of the amounts drawn, \$87.1 million (2003 \$40.6 million) is due within the next fiscal year and is classified as current. Certain loans are secured by liens on the machinery and equipment and by real estate mortgaged.

The floating rate note program is an agreement under which Molson and the placement agent may agree to issue debt under terms and conditions that are only determined at the time of placement of the debt. As such, Molson's term loan, the 5.5% debentures and the \$50.0 million floating rate note are classified as current liabilities. It is Molson's intention to refinance with either the term loan or the floating rate note program.

On September 30, 2003, Molson entered into an interest rate swap for \$100.0 million which converted a portion of Molson's floating rate note due September 16, 2005 to a fixed rate. This swap is cancelable on a quarterly basis at the option of a third party. Molson also has an interest rate swap for \$100.0 million which converts a portion of the Molson Canada debenture due June 2, 2008, with a fixed rate of 6.0% to a variable rate. The swap expires on June 2, 2008.

Molson's net debt to capital ratio improved to 48:52 compared to 54:46 at March 31, 2003 reflecting both the current year's debt reduction and net earnings. At March 31, 2003, Molson's net debt-to-equity ratio was 54:46 compared to 59:41 in fiscal 2002, reflecting primarily the net repayment of approximately \$483 million of additional debt to acquire Kaiser. Equity decreased as a result of the impact of unrealized translation adjustments which was partially offset by the fiscal 2003 net earnings.

Molson has a securitization arrangement for the sale, with limited recourse, of certain accounts receivable. As of March 31, 2004, Molson received total proceeds of \$87.0 million from the sale of a portion of the outstanding receivables, compared to \$54.0 million received as of March 31, 2003. The program was amended during the year to increase the maximum amount to \$150.0 million.

Interest rates on total long-term debt ranged between 3.0% and 9.1% (2003 3.7% and 9.1%) in Canada and 15.6% and 22.1% (2003 14.3% and 25.8%) in Brazil during fiscal 2004.

Molson utilizes off-balance sheet financial instruments primarily to manage borrowing costs and to hedge cash flow needs in U.S. dollars and certain commodity requirements. The instruments that are used to hedge these risks consist mainly of swaps, zero cost collars and forward contracts. Molson follows a policy of not using financial instruments for speculative purposes and has procedures in place to monitor and control the use of financial instruments.

Changes in Cash Flows

The increase in net cash of \$9.0 million in the current year, together with a comparison for fiscal 2003 and fiscal 2002, is summarized below:

Years ended March 31		2004		2003		2002	
		(Dollars in millions)					
Provided from operating activities	\$	216.4	\$	282.2	\$	321.6	
Provided from (used for) investing activities		(73.1)		249.8		(1,164.5)	
Provided from (used for) financing activities		(125.8)		(578.3)		635.8	
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Increase (decrease) in cash from continuing operations		17.5		(46.3)		(207.1)	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash		(0.3)		(6.3)		, ,	
Increase (decrease) in cash from discontinued operations		(8.2)		(6.2)		201.2	
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Increase (decrease) in cash	\$	9.0	\$	(58.8)	\$	(5.9)	

Cash provided from operating activities includes \$103.8 million of cash used for working capital compared to \$51.5 million of cash used for working capital for fiscal 2003. Excluding cash used for working capital, and excluding cash used for rationalization costs of \$15.2 million in fiscal 2004 and \$36.4 million in fiscal 2003, cash provided from operating activities decreased in fiscal 2004 by 9.4% to \$335.4 million, compared to \$370.1 million for fiscal 2003 reflecting higher funding in fiscal 2004 of prior year's EVA bonuses as well as higher cash taxes payable due to the mix of earnings partially offset by higher net earnings before rationalization costs. Cash used for working capital in fiscal 2004 related primarily to higher funding of both income taxes in Canada and accounts payable.

Cash used for investing activities of \$73.1 million in fiscal 2004 reflected primarily additions to property, plant and equipment. In fiscal 2003, cash provided from investing activities of \$249.8 million reflected primarily the proceeds of \$333.9 million on the sale of 20% of the operations in Brazil offset in part by \$85.9 million spent on additions to property, plant and equipment. In fiscal 2002, cash used for investing activities included \$1,136.3 million to acquire Kaiser, as well as \$72.4 million for property, plant and equipment additions.

Cash used for financing activities in fiscal 2004 included a net reduction in long-term debt of \$84.0 million and \$24.6 million for the repurchase of shares under the normal course issuer bid. In fiscal 2003, cash used for financing activities included a net reduction in long-term debt of \$483.4 million and \$50.2 million for the repurchase of shares under the normal course issuer bid. In fiscal 2002, cash provided from financing activities of \$635.8 million reflected the net increase in long-term debt of \$440.2 million and the issuance of \$238.2 million of Molson Class A non-voting shares for cash to finance the acquisition of Kaiser.

Cash used for discontinued operations consisted of \$8.2 million in fiscal 2004 and \$6.2 million in fiscal 2003 for operating activities to fund obligations previously provided for in the accounts. In fiscal 2002, cash provided from discontinued operations included \$190.0 million received on the sale of the Bell Centre and the Montréal Canadiens.

Risks and Uncertainties

Foreign Exchange Risk

With respect to Molson's operations in Brazil, Molson is exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rate movements as substantially all of its revenues in Brazil are in reais. Also, a significant portion of Molson's operating expenses, in particular those related to hops, malt and aluminum are denominated in, or linked to, U.S. dollars. Molson enters into derivative financial instruments to manage and reduce the impact of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Hedging activities consisted of foreign exchange contracts and foreign currency swaps including marketable securities indexed to U.S. dollars.

Commodity Risk

Molson uses a large volume of agricultural materials to produce its products, including malt and hops. Molson purchases a significant portion of its malt and all of its hops outside Brazil and Canada, as well as substantial quantities of aluminum cans. In Brazil, all the hops purchased in the international markets outside South America are settled in U.S. dollars. In addition, although aluminum cans are purchased in Brazil, the price paid is directly influenced by the fluctuation of the U.S. dollar against the Brazilian real. Molson reduces exposure to the commodity price fluctuations through the negotiation of fixed prices with suppliers for periods generally less than one year. In addition, Molson introduced a commodity hedging program in fiscal 2003 which allows for the use of derivative financial instruments to manage and reduce the impact of changes in commodity prices in future years. Molson's policy is to enter into hedging contracts for specific business requirements and does not permit the use of financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Tax and Other Contingent Liabilities Brazil

Kaiser is a party to a number of claims from the Brazilian tax authorities. Molson has either paid, or alternatively made provisions for, the amounts it believes may be ultimately due pursuant to these claims. These legal tax proceedings include claims for income taxes, Federal excise taxes (IPI), value-added tax (ICMS), revenue taxes (PIS / Federal unemployment insurance contribution) and Federal social security tax (COFINS).

Contingent Liabilities

Molson is subject to certain legal claims arising in the normal course of business and as a result of the disposition of previously held and discontinued businesses for which Molson has made provisions for the amounts it believes may be ultimately paid.

Environment

Molson has a comprehensive program to oversee environmental, crisis management and health and safety matters. Management has concluded, based on existing information and applicable laws and regulations, that the amounts expended or anticipated to be expended by Molson on these matters, other than as specifically provided for, are not likely to be material to Molson's operations or financial condition. Management is also unaware of any instance of non-compliance with environmental laws and regulations that is not already being responsibly addressed.

Related Party Transactions

In the ordinary course of business, Molson enters into transactions with related parties. All related party transactions are recorded at their exchange amounts. In Ontario and the western provinces, Molson Canada distributes its product and incurs distribution costs through sales to its equity-accounted provincial distribution companies. Included in cost of sales, selling and administrative costs in the consolidated statements of earnings are distribution and other costs of \$158.9 million (2003 \$166.5 million) charged by the equity-accounted provincial distribution companies.

Included in accounts receivable as at March 31, 2004 were amounts of \$9.5 million receivable (2003 \$8.2 million payable) from the equity-accounted provincial distribution companies.

Critical Accounting Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts recorded in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Management regularly reviews these estimates and assumptions based on currently available information. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions that Molson may undertake in the future, actual results could differ from the estimates.

Employee Future Benefits

Pension and other employee benefit costs and obligations depend on assumptions used in calculating those amounts. Two critical assumptions, the discount rate and the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets are important elements of cost and/or obligation measurement. Other assumptions include the rate of compensation increase and the health-care cost trend rate, as well as demographic factors such as retirement ages of employees, mortality rates and turnover. Assumptions are reviewed and updated at least annually.

The discount rate allows Molson to reflect estimated future benefit payments at present value on the measurement date. Management has little discretion in selecting the discount rate as it must represent the market rates for high quality fixed income investments available for the period to maturity of the benefits. A lower discount rate increases the benefit obligation and benefit costs. A 25 basis-point change in the weighted-average discount rates would increase or decrease expected benefit cost in fiscal 2005 by approximately \$2.7 million.

The expected long-term rate of return on pension plan assets assumption is determined considering historical returns, future estimates of long-term investment returns and asset allocations. A lower return assumption increases pension costs. A 25 basis-point change in the return assumption would increase or decrease expected pension cost in fiscal 2005 by approximately \$2.0 million.

Impairment of Intangible Assets and Goodwill

Molson measures for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of indefinite life intangible assets or goodwill may be impaired, using a projected discounted cash flow method and corroborates its assessment using other valuation methods.

If the fair value of indefinite life intangible assets, as estimated through discounted cash flow analysis, is less than their carrying value, they are written down to their fair value with a reduction of intangible assets on the balance sheet and an impairment charge in the statement of earnings.

If a business unit's carrying value is more than its fair value, Molson must determine the fair value of all assets and liabilities of the business unit and calculate the residual goodwill. An impairment charge is then recorded on the difference between the recalculated goodwill over the carrying value of goodwill and is shown as a reduction in the amount of goodwill on the balance sheet and an impairment charge in the statement of earnings.

Molson makes a number of significant estimates when calculating fair value using a projected discounted cash flow method. These estimates include among others, the assumed growth rates for future revenue, EBIT and cash flows, the number of years used in the cash flow model and the discount rate for future cash flows.

Molson believes that all of its estimates are reasonable. They are consistent with internal planning and reflect management's best estimates, however, there are inherent uncertainties that exist that management may not be able to control.

Any change in each of the estimates used could have a material impact on the calculation of the fair value and a potential impairment charge. As a result, Molson is unable to reasonably quantify the changes in the overall financial performance if different assumptions were used.

Molson cannot predict whether an event that triggers an impairment will occur, when it will occur or how it will affect the asset values reported.

In the fourth quarter of 2004, Molson completed its annual impairment test for goodwill for all of its reporting units and concluded, based on assumptions noted above, that no impairment charge was warranted.

Contingent Tax Liabilities Brazil

By their nature, contingencies will only be resolved when one or more future events occur or fail to occur. The assessment of these contingent liabilities inherently involves the exercise of significant judgment and estimates of the outcome of future events.

Molson records liabilities for known tax contingencies when, in the judgment of Molson based on a review from both internal and external legal counsel, it is probable that a liability has been incurred. It is reasonably possible that actual amounts payable resulting from assessments by tax authorities could be materially different from the liabilities Molson has recorded due to the complex nature of tax legislation.

Income Taxes

The provision for income taxes is calculated based on the expected tax treatment of transactions recorded in Molson's consolidated financial statements. Income tax assets and liabilities, both current and future, are measured according to the income tax legislation that is expected to apply when the asset is realized or the liability is settled. Molson regularly reviews the recognized and unrecognized future income tax assets to determine whether a valuation allowance is required or needs to be adjusted. In forming a conclusion about whether it is appropriate to recognize a tax asset, Molson must use judgment in assessing the potential for future recoverability while at the same time considering past

experience. All available evidence is considered in determining the amount of a valuation allowance. Currently, Molson has not recorded tax assets on any tax losses. If Molson's interpretations differ from those of tax authorities or judgments with respect to tax losses change, the income tax provision could increase or decrease, potentially significantly, in future periods.

Impact of New Accounting Pronouncements

Effective with the fiscal year commencing on April 1, 2001, Molson adopted the new accounting pronouncements of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants ("CICA") Handbook section 3500 "Earnings per Share", section 1751 "Interim Reporting" and section 3062 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets". Further details are provided in note 1 to the consolidated financial statements.

Effective with the fiscal year commencing on April 1, 2002, Molson adopted the new accounting pronouncements of the CICA Handbook section 3870 "Stock-Based Compensation and Other Stock-Based Payments" and Accounting Guideline 14 "Disclosure of Guarantees". Further details are provided in notes 1, 17 and 18 to the consolidated financial statements.

Effective April 1, 2003, Molson began expensing the cost of stock option grants in its accounts. As a result, Molson has recorded \$5.2 million related to stock option expense in fiscal 2004. Opening retained earnings were restated by \$3.7 million reflecting the full year effect of stock option expense on the fiscal 2003 results.

The CICA issued Accounting Guideline 13 "Hedging Relationships", which establishes certain conditions regarding when hedge accounting may be applied and which is effective for Molson's annual and interim periods beginning on April 1, 2004. Molson has prepared for the implementation of the hedging provisions. The relevant hedging relationships will be subject to an effectiveness test on a regular basis for reasonable assurance that it is and will continue to be effective. Under these rules, any derivative instrument that does not qualify for hedge accounting will be reported on a mark-to-market basis in earnings.

The CICA issued Accounting Guideline 15 "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("AcG 15") effective for annual or interim periods beginning on or after November 1, 2004. AcG 15 is consistent in all significant respects with the comparable U.S. standard, the Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities An Interpretation of ARB51" ("FIN 46"), and requires an assessment of whether an interest held by a corporation in another entity constitutes a variable interest. Once another entity is determined to be a variable interest entity, the party with the controlling interest in that entity, measured by reference to expected losses and expected residual returns, must consolidate that entity. Molson has completed its analysis of variable interests and concluded that under AcG 15, it will have to consolidate Brewers Retail Inc., Coors Canada Partnership and Molson USA.

Legal Proceedings

Molson is subject to certain legal claims arising in the normal course of business, none of which is expected to materially affect the financial results of Molson.

Directors and Officers

Directors

The names, places of residence, principal occupations and ages of Molson's directors in place as of , 2004, the period during which each director has served on the Molson board of directors as well as the number of voting securities they owned as at that date are set forth in the table below. The term of each director runs from the time of his election or appointment to the next succeeding annual meeting of shareholders or until a successor is appointed.

Name and Place of Residence	Age	Principal Occupation	Nature of Activities	Director Since	Voting Securities
Luc Beauregard(4) Québec, Canada	63	Chairman and chief executive officer, NATIONAL Public Relations Inc.	Public Relations	1997	760 Class A
Dr. Francesco Bellini(2)(4)(5) Québec, Canada	57	Chairman and chief executive officer, Neurochem Inc. and chairman, Picchio International Inc.	Biotechnology	1997	12,718 Class A
John.E. Cleghorn(3)(5) Ontario, Canada	63	Chairman of the board SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.	Engineering-Construction	2003	5,225 Class A
Daniel W. Colson(2) London, England	57	Corporate director		1997	836 Class A
Eric H. Molson(3)(4) Québec, Canada	67	Chairman of the board, Molson Inc.	Brewing	1974	224,540 Class A and 10,000,000 Class B(1)
Stephen T. Molson(4) Québec, Canada	64	President and member of the board, The Molson Foundation	Charitable Foundation	1988	3,600 Class A(1)
David P. O'Brien(3)(5) Alberta, Canada	63	Chairman, EnCana Corporation	Oil and Gas	2002	5,000 Class A
Daniel J. O'Neill Québec, Canada	52	President and chief executive officer, Molson Inc.	Brewing	1999	105,797 Class A
H. Sanford Riley(2)(5) Manitoba, Canada	53	President and chief executive officer, Richardson Financial Group Ltd.	Financial Institution	1999	2,000 Class A

⁽¹⁾ See "Special Meeting of Molson Securityholders Voting Securities and Principal Holders of Securities" beginning on page 49.

⁽²⁾ Member of the Audit and Finance Committee

- (3) Member of the Corporate Governance Committee
- (4) Member of the Environment, Health and Safety Committee
- (5) Member of the Human Resources and Pension Fund Committee

Non-Director Senior Officers

The names, places of residence and ages of the non-director senior officers of Molson as at , 2004, and the position and principal occupation of each non-director senior officer as at that date are as follows:

Name and Place of Residence	Age	Principal Occupation
Peter L. Amirault, Ontario, Canada	44	Senior vice president, business development and innovation
Kevin T. Boyce, Ontario, Canada	49	President and chief operating officer, Molson North America
Brian Burden, Québec, Canada	49	Executive vice president and chief financial officer
Robert Coallier, Québec, Canada	44	Executive vice president, corporate strategy and international operations
Raynald H. Doin, Québec, Canada	56	Senior vice president, strategy & integration
Marie Giguère, Québec, Canada	53	Senior vice president, chief legal officer and secretary
Les Hine, Ontario, Canada	47	Chief marketing officer, Molson Canada
Sylvia Morin, Québec, Canada	50	Senior vice president, corporate affairs
Cathy Noonan, Ontario, Canada	48	Senior vice president, global costs
David Perkins, Colorado, United States	50	President, market development, Molson North America
Fernando Tigre, São Paulo, Brazil	61	President and chief executive officer, Cervejarias Kaiser Brasil S.A.
Gregory L. Wade, Québec, Canada	56	Senior vice president, quality brewing

During the past five years, all the directors and senior officers have been engaged or employed in the above capacities or other capacities by Molson or the organizations indicated under "Principal Occupation" except:

- F. Bellini who, prior to May 2001, was chairman and chief executive officer as well as co-founder of BioChem Pharma Inc.;
- J. E. Cleghorn who, prior to July 2001, was chairman and chief executive officer of Royal Bank of Canada;
- D. W. Colson who, until March 2004, was vice chairman of Hollinger International Inc., as well as deputy chairman and chief executive office of Telegraph Group Limited in London, England;

D. P. O'Brien who, from October 2001 to April 2002, was chairman and chief executive officer, PanCanadian Energy Corporation and prior to October 2001, was president and chief executive officer of Canadian Pacific Limited;

- H.S. Riley who, prior to May 2001, was president and chief executive officer of Investors Group Inc.;
- P. Amirault who, prior to January 1, 2003, was managing director of Sleeman Brewing & Malting Co. Ltd.;
- K. Boyce who, prior to March 31, 2004, was chief executive officer of Unilever Cosmetics International and, from May 2000 to October 2003, was president and chief executive officer of Unilever Canada. Prior thereto, he was president of Good Humor Breyer's ice cream division of Unilever;
- B. Burden who, prior to September 3, 2002, was senior vice president, Seagram corporate venture transition of Diageo PLC;
- R. Coallier who, prior to May 29, 2000, was chief financial officer of C-MAC Industries;
- L. Hine who, prior to August 18, 2003, was a partner at Futurus Management Consulting Inc. and, prior to July 1, 2000, was a vice president at the Northeast Asia Division of Procter & Gamble;
- S. Morin who, prior to June 24, 2002, was vice president corporate communications at BCE Emergis and, from May 1999 to June 2000, director of communications at Bell Nexxia;
- F. Tigre who, prior to July 1, 2004, was a director of Camargo Correa, parent company of São Paulo Alpargatas, where he was president from 1997 to 2003. Prior to 1997, he was president of Jari Cellulose, a pulp and paper company in Brazil, and also held positions with Alcoa, Westinghouse and GE in Brazil; and
- G. Wade who, prior to March 26, 2001, was corporate vice president and vice president R&D/QA/engineering/safety and purchasing with Vlasic Foods International.

As of , 2004, the directors and senior officers of Molson, as a group, owned, directly or indirectly, or exercised control or direction over % of the outstanding Class B common shares of Molson. See "Special Meeting of Molson Securityholders Voting Securities and Principal Holders of Securities" beginning on page 49. This does not include the Class A non-voting shares underlying options which these directors and officers held as of , 2004.

Director and Executive Compensation

Human Resources and Pension Fund Committee

In 2004, the human resources committee and the pension fund committee were combined to form the human resources and pension fund committee. The human resources and pension fund committee of the Molson board of directors develops, reviews and recommends to the board of directors appropriate executive and management compensation policies, programs and levels. The human resources and pension fund committee reviews Molson's management compensation strategy and programs to ensure that they are aligned with shareholders' interests and corporate performance. The human resources and pension fund committee develops performance objectives in conjunction with the chief executive officer and assesses the performance of the chief executive officer annually in relation to these objectives. In addition, the human resources and pension fund committee is responsible for reviewing short-term and long-term succession plans for senior officers of Molson.

The human resources and pension fund committee met six times during fiscal 2004. In fiscal 2004, the human resources and pension fund committee was composed of five non-management directors, all of whom were considered unrelated and independent.

Directors' Compensation

In May 2004, the board of directors approved modifications to the directors' compensation for fiscal 2005 following a benchmark analysis and review completed in 2004.

Annual board of directors retainer:	\$28,000, at least 50% of which is paid in Molson
	deferred share units, to be increased to \$40,000 on
	January 1, 2005
Board of directors meeting fee:	\$1,500 per meeting related expenses are also covered
Committee meeting fee:	\$1,500 per meeting related expenses are also covered
Travel fee:	\$1,000 per meeting
Committee chair retainer:	\$6,000 annually (\$4,000 prior to June 1, 2004)
Committee member retainer:	\$3,000 annually

In fiscal 2004, the chairman of the board of directors and the deputy chairman received annual fees of \$300,000 and \$150,000, respectively, in lieu of other compensation paid to the directors. They also received annual grants under the deferred share unit plan equivalent to \$100,000 and \$50,000 respectively. In addition, the chairman received a pension from Molson and retiree benefits similar to those accorded to other senior executives on retirement. The deputy chairman also received a fee of \$200,000 for consulting services.

A deferred share unit is a unit equivalent in value to one Molson Class A non-voting share but is not paid out until such time as the director leaves the board of directors, thereby providing an ongoing equity stake in Molson throughout the director's period of service on the board of directors.

Notional dividends are paid on the accumulated deferred share units in the form of additional deferred share units.

Molson directors are required within four years of becoming directors to hold either Class B common shares, Class A non-voting shares or deferred share units having a value of not less than four times their annual retainer.

The board of directors, on advice from the corporate governance committee, reviews directors' compensation regularly to ensure that compensation reflects the responsibilities and risks involved in serving as a director.

Directors' Stock Option Plan

In fiscal 2004, non-employee directors were granted options on Molson Class A non-voting shares as follows:

5,000 options in each of their first two years of service on the board of directors granted at market value and fully vested after five years; and

3,400 options, annually thereafter, granted at market value and fully vested after two years.

As of fiscal 2005, directors will receive deferred share units instead of options.

Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance

Molson maintains a combined directors and officers' liability reimbursement insurance policy with a limit of liability of \$115,000,000 per policy year to cover the directors and officers individually and collectively as a group, and to cover Molson for its liability to indemnify the directors and officers pursuant to Molson's by-laws. The entire premium cost in the aggregate amount of \$482,000 for the 2004 fiscal year was borne by Molson. The premium for this policy was not allocated between directors

and officers as separate groups. In respect of reimbursement coverage, Molson bears the first \$750,000 of any loss.

Report on Executive Compensation

The human resources committee sets the compensation of senior executives of Molson, other than the president and chief executive officer whose compensation, upon the recommendation of the human resources committee, is set by the board of directors. As at March 31, 2004, there were 12 senior executives of Molson who were at senior vice president level, and above.

As was the case in the previous fiscal years, the focus in fiscal 2004 was to continue to manage the total remuneration strategy for Molson. As part of this strategy, base salaries for senior executives are positioned at the median percentile of the pay practices of the selected comparator group of Canadian public companies with revenues ranging from \$1 to \$5 billion while total direct cash is targeted at the third quartile of the comparator group. A substantial portion of each executive's annual cash compensation is variable and tied to the attainment of corporate and individual performance objectives. In addition, the Molson stock option plan is intended to align executive and shareholder interests on a long term basis. A blend of Canadian and U.S. public companies is used as a comparison group for some senior executives.

The incentive plan design has two separate components to reward employees for overall business results and individual contributions, as measured against individual performance objectives and improvement of EVA. EVA is a measure of corporate performance that includes a charge against profit for the cost of capital employed and is intended to focus employees on working more efficiently. Short term incentive target bonuses are based on a percentage of base salary with the percentage increasing with increasing levels of responsibility. A bonus is declared, based on the improvements in EVA and individual performance objectives. A bonus payment is made equal to the target bonus plus one-third of the excess declared bonus above target bonus. The remaining two-thirds of this amount are banked (held in reserve), subject to adjustment for future business results. There is neither a minimum nor a maximum bonus declaration. In fact, a negative bonus can be applied against the banked amount.

The bonus for the president of Molson USA was determined partially on the basis of the EVA program described above and partially on the basis of a bonus plan specific to Molson USA. The bonus provided under the latter is determined in accordance with the financial results and the volume growth achieved by Molson USA over the fiscal year.

Molson generally grants stock options once a year. The options are priced at 100% of the average market value of Molson's stock for the five trading days preceding the effective date of the grant. Grants are generally for a period of 10 years. The number of stock options granted to senior executives annually is targeted to reflect individual performance and designed to deliver a long term incentive plan that is competitive with plans of companies in the comparator group at various levels of responsibility. For executives at senior vice president level and above, options generally vest at the rate of one-third after three years, another third after four years and the balance after five years.

Compensation of the Chief Executive Officer

The president and chief executive officer's base salary was increased to \$1,000,000 in June 2003. This salary falls between the median and the 75th percentile of the selected comparator group of Canadian public companies and a selected group of U.S. consumer products companies with revenues ranging from \$1 to \$5 billion (compensation data is size adjusted to Molson's revenue size). On the recommendation of the human resources committee, the Molson board of directors approved a grant of 400,000 stock options and 50,000 share units to the president and chief executive officer on March 9, 2004. Share units represent one Molson Class A non-voting share but are not earned until the end of a three-year vesting period and until specific performance objectives are also attained with respect to two-thirds of the units. Estimated future payouts will be based upon Molson's total shareholders'

compounded annual return and the total shareholders' compounded annual return relative to a group of international brewers. The threshold payout under this grant is 25,000 units, the target is 50,000 units and the maximum is 150,000 units.

The president and chief executive officer was eligible in fiscal 2004 to receive a target bonus equal to 100% of his salary. On the recommendation of the human resources committee, the Molson board of directors approved a bonus for the president and chief executive officer of \$1,008,167. The amount of the bonus was based upon EVA improvement and individual objectives set in conjunction with the human resources committee and endorsed by the Molson board of directors at the start of the fiscal year.

Performance Graphs

The following graph compares the annual change over Molson's last five fiscal years in the cumulative total return of \$100 invested in Molson's Class A non-voting shares, Class B common shares and the S&P/TSX Composite Index. The S&P/TSX Index consists of approximately 71% of the total market capitalization of Canadian-based companies listed on the TSX, including Molson, among many others. The S&P/TSX total return data is from Bloomberg L.P.

Cumulative Return of \$100 Invested in Molson Class A non-voting and Class B common shares

	M	(ar. '99	Ma	r. '00	Mar	·. '01	N	Iar. '02	N	Лаг. '03	N	Iar. '04	Percentage of Change from 1999 to 2004
Molson Class A (/*/)	\$	100.00	\$	113.58	\$ 2	218.76	\$	351.96	\$	343.73	\$	335.45	235%
Molson Class B ())	\$	100.00	\$	111.70	\$ 2	213.24	\$	347.31	\$	333.70	\$	328.35	228%
S&P/TSX Total Return Index (/*\)	\$	100.00	\$	145.47	\$ 1	118.40	\$	124.19	\$	102.38	\$	140.98	41%

Comparison of Five-Year Cumulative Total Return

Summary Compensation Table

The following table sets out, for Molson's last three fiscal years, total compensation of the chief executive officer, chief financial officer and Molson's three other executive officers who had the highest total annual compensation (based on total annual salary and bonus) during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004 and who were serving as executive officers at the end of the fiscal year. We refer to them as Named Executive Officers.

	An	nnual Compens	sation	Long Term Compensation		All Other Compensation		
Name and Principal Position	Fiscal Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus(1)	Other Annual Compensation	Securities Under Options(2) Granted (#)	Restricted Shares(3) (\$)	LTIP Payouts (\$)	(\$)
Daniel J. O'Neill President and Chief Executive Officer, Molson Inc.	2004 2003 2002	983,333 900,000 875,000	1,008,167 3,991,250 2,361,250	15,944(4) 20,455(5) 92,809(6)	400,000 400,000	13,111 12,000 11,667		
Brian Burden Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer, Molson Inc.	2004 2003 2002	408,333 233,333(7)	154,202 136,111	17,187(5) 10,969(5)	35,000 125,000	5,444 2,222		22,458(8) 137,833(9)
Robert Coallier(15) President and Chief Executive Officer Cervejarias Kaiser and Executive Vice-President Molson Inc.	2004 2003 2002	459,375 425,000 370,833	675,040 502,865	455,200(10) 266,634(11) 8,902(4)	45,000 50,000 74,000	6,089 5,583 4,944		25,967(8) 23,375(8) 41,854(8)
David Perkins President, Market Development Molson North America	2004 2003 2002	363,713(12) 410,750(13) 356,550(14)	124,947(12) 522,386(13) 370,528(14)	6,295(5) 9,718(5) 9,788(5)	25,000 18,000 36,000	4,528 4,352 4,581	158,054	
Raynald H. Doin Senior Vice-President, Strategy & Integration Molson Inc.	2004 2003 2002	311,583 300,417 275,833	128,807 648,663 296,292	5,052(4) 5,822(4) 11,824(5)	21,000 23,000 50,000	4,154 4,006 3,677	152,789	17,137(8) 16,533(8) 26,689(8)

- Short term incentives earned for a fiscal year are paid in May of the following year. Amounts shown in the table reflect incentive compensation to be paid in respect of the fiscal year. The bonus includes a portion earned during the fiscal year as well as a portion of bonus amount banked in the previous fiscal year. A description of the plan is found in the paragraph entitled "Report on Executive Compensation". A portion of the annual incentive amount accrued is maintained in a "bonus bank" to be used in the calculation of future bonuses. There is no guarantee that these amounts will be paid as they are subject to future economic results. Amounts banked for Named Executive Officers are as follows: (i) D. J. O'Neill: \$16,333; (ii) B. Burden: \$0; (iii) R. Coallier: (\$322,228); (iv) D. Perkins: \$3,511; (v) R. H. Doin: \$7,213.
- (2) This table takes into account the stock subdivision (two-for-one) effective on September 6, 2001.
- (3) Represents Molson's payments made to the Molson Employee Share Ownership Plan.
- (4) Represents income tax gross-up on benefits allowance. The value of perquisites and other benefits for the Named Executive Officer is not greater than the lesser of \$50,000 and 10% of total annual salary and bonus.
- (5)

 Represents imputed interest on share purchase loan and income tax gross-up on benefits allowance. The value of perquisites and other benefits for the Named Executive Officer is not greater than the lesser of \$50,000 and 10% of total annual salary and bonus.

(6)

This amount includes imputed interest for share purchase loan (\$16,674), income tax gross-up on benefits allowance (\$21,005), along with perquisites and other benefits. Of the perquisites and other benefits, the following items represent more than 25% of the total: perquisite car (\$23,155) and executive long-term disability premium (\$19,940).

(7) Hired on September 1, 2002, and accordingly represents compensation for the period September 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003.

- (8)

 Represents contributions to the Named Executive Officer's defined contribution pension plan and notional supplemental pension plan.
- (9)

 Represents hiring incentive under employment agreement of which the value was invested in Molson's Class A non-voting shares and contributions to the Named Executive Officer's defined contribution pension plan and notional supplemental pension plan.
- (10)

 This amount includes income tax gross-up on benefits and other foreign services allowances (\$128,838), along with perquisites and other benefits.
- (11)

 This amount includes income tax gross-up on benefits and other foreign services allowances (\$80,155), along with perquisites and other benefits.
- (12)
 U.S. earnings were converted to Canadian dollars using an exchange rate of U.S\$1 = Cdn.\$1.35.
- (13)
 U.S. earnings were converted to Canadian dollars using an exchange rate of U.S\$1 = Cdn.\$1.55.
- (14)
 U.S. earnings were converted to Canadian dollars using an exchange rate of U.S\$1 = Cdn.\$1.57.
- (15)

 Fernando Tigre became president and chief executive officer of Kaiser in July 2004 and Robert Coallier assumed the position of executive vice president, corporate strategy and international operations of Molson.

Equity Compensation Plans

The following table provides information as of , 2004 about the Molson Class A non-voting shares that may be issued upon the exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights under Molson's equity compensation plan:

Number of securities

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in first column)
Equity compensation plan approved by securityholders			
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders Stock Options	None	None	None

Molson established a stock option plan in 1988 (the "Plan") providing for the issuance of options to purchase Class A non-voting shares of Molson which expires December 31, 2004, unless extended or replaced by the Molson board of directors. The number of authorized and unissued shares that may be issued under the Plan may not at any time exceed 11,106,000 shares. As at , 2004, a total of shares had been issued since the beginning of the Plan and there were options outstanding. The following table sets out grants made to the Named Executive Officers in fiscal 2004.

Option Grants during Fiscal 2004

Name	Securities Under Option Granted (#)	Percentage of Total Options Granted to Employees (%)	Exercise or Base Price (\$/Share)	Market Value of Shares Underlying Options at Date of Grant (\$/Share)	Expiration Date
Daniel J. O'Neill	400,000	29.20	30.63	30.63	March 16, 2014
Brian Burden	35,000	2.56	32.31	32.31	May 2, 2013

Name	Securities Under Option Granted (#)	Percentage of Total Options Granted to Employees (%)	Exercise or Base Price (\$/Share)	Market Value of Shares Underlying Options at Date of Grant (\$/Share)	Expiration Date
Robert Coallier	45,000	3.29	32.31	32.31	May 2, 2013
David Perkins	25,000	1.83	32.31	32.31	May 2, 2013
Raynald H. Doin	21,000	1.53	32.31	32.31	May 2, 2013
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The following table sets out for the Named Executive Officers, information concerning the exercise of stock options during the fiscal year and the number and value of unexercised options held by each of the Named Executive Officers as at March 31, 2004.

Aggregated Option Exercises during Fiscal 2004 and Option Value as at March 31, 2004

	Shares Acquired on	Aggregate Value	March	ed Options at 31, 2004 (#)	in-the- Mor	Unexercised ney Options(1) (\$)
Name	Exercise (#)	Realized (\$)	Exercisable	Unexercisable	Exercisable	Unexercisable
Daniel J. O'Neill	Nil	Nil	1,500,000	800,000(2)	32,602,500	1,348,000(2)
Brian Burden	Nil	Nil	Nil	160,000	Nil	363,200
Robert Coallier	83,333	1,838,393	Nil	335,667	Nil	4,086,660
David Perkins	38,667	881,205	Nil	123,000	Nil	1,251,252
Raynald H. Doin	38,667	892,602	Nil	138,000	Nil	1,388,792

Closing Market Price: \$32.33 as at March 31, 2004.

The trading price of the Class A non-voting shares must be at least twice the grant price of \$30.66 on March 12, 2007 for the 400,000 options granted in fiscal 2002 to become exercisable, and there are performance measures tied to the vesting of 266,667 of the 400,000 options granted in fiscal 2004. These options will vest upon completion of the merger transaction.

Retirement Plans

Retirement benefits for Named Executive Officers are provided by a combination of a registered pension plan and an unregistered supplementary retirement income agreement.

Named Executive Officers' retirement benefits will normally start at age 65 but benefits can commence as early as age 55. At normal retirement age, total benefits can be estimated from the following tables. These amounts are not integrated with government benefit plans.

Daniel J. O'Neill

		1	ears of Pensionable Ser	vice	
Final Average Remuneration (\$)	5	10	15	20	25
1,000,000	125,000	250,000	375,000	500,000	550,000
1,250,000	156,250	312,500	468,750	625,000	687,500
1,500,000	187,500	375,000	562,500	750,000	825,000
1,750,000	218,750	437,500	656,250	875,000	962,500
2,000,000	250,000	500,000	750,000	1,000,000	1,100,000
2,250,000	281,250	562,500	843,750	1,125,000	1,237,500
2,500,000	312,500	625,000	937,500	1,250,000	1,375,000
2,750,000	343,750	687,500	1,031,250	1,375,000	1,512,500
3,000,000	375,000	750,000	1,125,000	1,500,000	1,650,000
3,250,000	406,250	812,500	1,218,750	1,625,000	1,787,500
3,500,000	437,500	875,000	1,312,500	1,750,000	1,925,000
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Brian Burden, Robert Coallier, David Perkins and Raynald H. Doin

Years of Pensionable Service*

Final Average Remuneration (\$)	5	10	15	20	25
300,000	30,000	60,000	90,000	120,000	150,000
400,000	40,000	80,000	120,000	160,000	200,000
500,000	50,000	100,000	150,000	200,000	250,000
600,000	60,000	120,000	180,000	240,000	300,000
700,000	70,000	140,000	210,000	280,000	350,000
800,000	80,000	160,000	240,000	320,000	400,000
900,000	90,000	180,000	270,000	360,000	450,000
1,000,000	100,000	200,000	300,000	400,000	500,000

*

Service since June 1, 1999.

Final average remuneration for the Named Executive Officers is the greater of the average of the executive's three consecutive fiscal years of highest earnings or the final 36 months of earnings (base salary and bonus). For Mr. Burden, the bonus recognized each year for pension purposes is the lesser of the target bonus and the paid bonus. The approximate pensionable years of service to March 31, 2004 under this program are the following: five years for Messrs. O'Neill, Perkins and Doin, four years for Mr. Coallier and two years for Mr. Burden.

For Daniel J. O'Neill, retirement benefits are paid for the lifetime of the Named Executive Officer and for a minimum of five years. If he has a spouse at retirement and he dies before that spouse, 55% of his retirement income in respect of service prior to April 1, 2000 continues to be paid to the spouse for the remainder of her lifetime, but in any event for a minimum of five years. Consistent with the terms of the registered pension plan arrangements, if Mr. O'Neill has a spouse at retirement and he dies before that spouse, 66.67% of his retirement income in respect of service after March 31, 2000 continues to be paid to the spouse for the remainder of her lifetime.

For B. Burden, R. Coallier, D. Perkins and R.H. Doin, retirement benefits are normally paid for the lifetime of the senior executive and for a minimum of 15 years. If the Named Executive Officer has a spouse at retirement and dies before that spouse, 66.7% of the Named Executive Officer's retirement income continues to be paid to the spouse for the remainder of the spouse's lifetime.

For service prior to June 1999, R.H. Doin was participating in a defined contribution arrangement and David Perkins was participating in defined benefit arrangement, both provided under a combination of registered pension plans and supplementary retirement income agreements.

Indebtedness of Executive Officers

The required details with regard to share purchase loans given to executive officers are shown in the following table. The aggregate indebtedness of all executive officers and employees of Molson and its subsidiaries (including the Named Executive Officers) to Molson in respect of share purchase loans at August 31, 2004, was \$2,845,509.

The Molson board of directors has approved a policy whereby the president and chief executive officer of Molson is required, within four years of joining Molson, to own shares with a value equal to at least three times his salary, while other members of senior management are required to own shares with a value equal to twice their salary. Current information concerning share ownership by these individuals is also shown on the table below.

On March 9, 2004, the Molson board of directors decided not to provide loans to senior executives hired after that date.

Table of Indebtedness of Executive Officers

It is intended that these loans will be reimbursed as of the effective date of the merger transaction.

Name and position	Involvement of Molson	Amount Outstanding as at March 31, 2004(5) (\$)	Financially Assisted Share Purchase During Fiscal 2004(1) (#)	Security for Indebtedness(3)	Number of Shares Owned as at March 31, 2004(4)
Peter L. Amirault					
Senior vice president, business					
development and innovation,		455.006	44,000	(2)	4.4.000
Molson Inc.	Lender	475,806	14,000	(3)	14,808
Brian Burden					
Executive vice president and chief financial officer, Molson Inc.	Lender	736,684		(2)	26,390
Robert Coallier	Lender	/30,064		(3)	20,390
Executive vice president,					
Molson Inc.					31,041
Raynald H. Doin					51,611
Senior vice president, strategy and					
integration, Molson Inc.					9,679
Marie Giguère					
Senior vice president, chief legal					
officer and secretary, Molson Inc.	Lender	199,899		(3)	17,035
Les Hine					
Chief marketing officer, Molson					
Canada					77
Sylvia Morin					
Senior vice president, corporate	T d	207.650	11,000	(2)	11.062
affairs, Molson Inc. Cathy Noonan	Lender	397,650	11,000	(3)	11,862
Senior vice president, global costs,					
Molson Inc.	Lender	406,250		(3)	14,127
Daniel J. O'Neill	Lender	100,230		(3)	11,127
President and chief executive					
officer, Molson Inc.					105,797
David Perkins					
President, market development,					
Molson North America	Lender	359,930(2)		(3)	23,656
Gregory L. Wade					
Senior vice president, quality					
brewing, Molson Inc.	Lender	269,290		(3)	14,059

(1)

The loans are made for 10 years. The interest, payable quarterly, is equivalent to the dividend on the shares purchased with the loan. No principal repayment is required before the sixth anniversary of the loan, at which time it is to be repaid in five annual equal installments. If the officer leaves Molson, the loan must be repaid in full no later than 60 days following termination of the employment.

(2) The loans were made in fiscals 2000 and 2002.

(3)

Security for the indebtedness is provided for by the deposit of the certificates representing the relevant shares with CIBC Mellon Trust Company as a trustee.

(4) Executive officers only own Class A non-voting shares.

(5)

The amounts indicated in this column for each executive officer constitute also the largest amount of indebtedness outstanding at anytime during the most recently completed financial year.

Termination of Employment and Employment Contracts

In the event of involuntary termination by Molson of the employment of Daniel J. O'Neill, other than for just cause, Molson is obligated to pay him 24 months of salary. Pension accrual, benefits and perquisites will continue until the earlier of the end of the 24 month period and the period until

re-employment or self-employment. In the event of involuntary termination within 24 months following a change of control, the notice period will be extended by 12 months. For a description of payments to which Mr. O'Neill is entitled as a result of the merger transaction, see "Description of the Merger Transaction Interests of Molson's Directors and Management in the Merger Transaction Change of Control Payments."

In the event of involuntary termination by Molson of the employment of Brian Burden, other than for cause, Molson is obligated to pay him Molson's normal severance calculation.

In the event of involuntary termination by Molson of the employment of Robert Coallier, other than for just cause, disability or voluntary retirement and in the event of a change of control of Molson, Molson is obligated to pay him 18 months of salary, annual bonus, benefits and pension accrual. In the event of an involuntary termination described in the preceding sentence, insured benefits, pension and perquisites will continue for the lesser of the severance period and the period until re-employment.

In the event of involuntary termination of the employment of Raynald H. Doin, other than for cause, voluntary early retirement, normal retirement or death, Molson is obligated to give him a minimum of 18 months' notice or pay him 18 months' salary in lieu of notice.

In the event of involuntary termination by Molson of the employment of David Perkins, other than for just cause, Molson is obliged to pay him 24 months of salary.

Beneficial Ownership of Molson Shares

The table below sets forth, as of August 31, 2004, information relating to the beneficial ownership of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares. For purposes of this table, beneficial ownership is determined by reference to Rule 13d-3 under the United States Securities and Exchange Act of 1934. The table sets forth beneficial ownership by:

each person known by Molson to be the beneficial owner of more than 10% of the outstanding shares of Molson common stock;

each director;

each of the executive officers named in the Molson summary compensation table on page 203; and

all directors and executive officers as a group.

Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership

Name of Beneficial Owner(1)	Number of Shares of Molson Class A Non-Voting Shares(2)	Percent of Class	Number of Shares of Molson Class B Common Shares(2)	Percent of Class
			,	
AIM Funds Management Inc.(3)	15,225,750	14.52%		
Nantel Investments Ltd. (4)			2,300,000	10.28%
Estate of the Late T.H.P. Molson ⁽⁵⁾			2,407,200	10.76%
Luc Beauregard	35,427(6)	*		
Francesco Bellini	43,135(7)	*		
Brian Burden	26,989(8)	*		
John E. Cleghorn	6,225(9)	*		
Robert Coallier	139,652(10)	*		
Daniel W. Colson	35,503(11)	*		

Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership

Raynald H. Doin	65,42	22(12) *		
Eric H. Molson	224,54	* * *	10,000,000(14)	44.69%
Stephen T. Molson	53,26	\$7 ₍₁₅₎ *		
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David P. O'Brien	8,000(16)	*		
Daniel J. O'Neill	1,607,137 ₍₁₇₎	1.50%		
David Perkins	74,788 ₍₁₈₎	*		
H. Sanford Riley	28,667 ₍₁₉₎	*		
All directors and executive officers as a group, including all				
13 individuals named above	2,499,883(20)	2.37%	10,000,002	44.69%

- Less than 1%.
- (1)
 The business address of AIM Funds Management Inc. is 5140 Yonge Street, Suite 900, Toronto, Ontario M2N 6X7. The business address of Nantel Investments Ltd. is 421 7th Avenue S.W., Suite 330, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2P 4K9. The business address of the Estate of the Late T.H.P. Molson is 421 7th Avenue S.W., Suite 330, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2P 4K9. The business address for all other persons listed above is Molson Inc., 1555 Notre-Dame Street East, 4th Floor, Montréal, Québec, Canada, H2L 2R5.
- (2) Unless otherwise noted, the indicated owner has sole voting power and sole investment power.
- (3) As of July 31, 2004.
- (4)

 R. Ian Molson controls Nantel Investments Ltd. which beneficially owns, through the Swiftsure Trust, 2,300,000 Molson Class B common shares.
- (5)

 The Estate of the Late T.H.P. Molson is a family estate trust of which Eric H. Molson and Stephen T. Molson are, together with a corporate trustee, trustees. Each of Eric H. Molson and Stephen T. Molson disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares held by the Estate of the Late T.H.P. Molson.
- (6) 34,667 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Beauregard are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Beauregard holds 1,133 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (7)
 30,417 of the shares beneficially owned by Dr. Bellini are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Dr. Bellini holds 1,133 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (8) Mr. Burden holds 180,000 options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (9)
 1,000 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Cleghorn are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Cleghorn holds 4,000 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (10)
 108,000 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Coallier are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Coallier holds 262,667 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (11)
 34,667 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Colson are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Colson holds 1,133 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.

- (12) 55,333 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Doin are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Doin holds 82,667 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (13)
 These shares are held through Lincolnshire Holdings Inc., which is controlled by Eric H. Molson.
- (14)
 These shares are held through Pentland Securities (1981) Inc., which is owned by Lincolnshire Holdings Inc. and Nooya Investments Inc., which are respectively owned by Eric H. Molson and Stephen T. Molson.
- 49,667 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Molson are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Molson holds 1,133 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (16)
 3,000 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. O'Brien are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. O'Brien holds 7,000 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (17)
 1,500,000 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. O'Neill are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. O'Neill holds 800,000 additional options to purchase shares which are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (18) 50,667 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Perkins are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Perkins holds 112,333 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (19)
 26,667 of the shares beneficially owned by Mr. Riley are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. Mr. Riley holds 3,133 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.
- (20)
 1,971,667 of the shares beneficially owned by all directors and executive officers as a group are options to purchase shares that are exercisable within 60 days after August 31, 2004. All directors and executive officers as a group hold 2,047,917 additional options to purchase shares that are exercisable on a date that is more than 60 days after August 31, 2004.

Information Concerning Coors

Unless otherwise indicated, all dollar amounts under this "Information Concerning Coors" are expressed in U.S. dollars.

Business of Coors

General Development of Business

Global Expansion

Since Coors' founding in 1873, it has been committed to producing the highest quality beers. Coors' portfolio of brands is designed to appeal to a wide range of consumer tastes, styles and price preferences. Until Coors' acquisition of Coors Brewers Limited ("CBL") in February 2002, Coors operated and sold its beverages predominately in North America and in select international markets. The Coors Brewers Limited acquisition expanded Coors' international presence to include significant operations and sales in the United Kingdom.

Joint Ventures and Other Arrangements

To sharpen focus on Coors' core competencies in manufacturing, marketing and selling malt beverage products, it has entered into various arrangements with third parties over the past decade to leverage its strengths in areas like can and bottle manufacturing, transportation, packaging, engineering, energy production and information technology.

Coors Products

Coors owns or licenses all of its trademarks for all of its brands. Brands sold primarily in the Americas include: Coors Light®, Coors Original®, Aspen Edge , Coors® Edge, Coors® Non-Alcoholic, Extra Gold®, Zima XXX , George Killian's® Irish Red Lager, Keystone®, Keystone Light®, Keystone Ice®, Blue Moon Belgian White® Ale, and Mexicali®. Coors also sells the Molson family of brands in the United States through a joint venture, as described below under "Sales and Distributions Canada". Brands sold primarily through CBL include: Carling®, Worthington®, Caffrey's®, Reef®, Screamers and Stones®. Coors also sells Grolsch® in the United Kingdom through a joint venture.

In the United Kingdom in 2003, Coors achieved considerable success with the continued roll-out of Carling Extra Cold®, which is dispensed at on-trade locations (pubs, clubs, restaurants and hotels) at two degrees centigrade, four degrees cooler than traditional English draft lagers. Additionally, in the last quarter of the year, Coors introduced Coors Fine Light Beer® to the on-trade channel. In January 2004, Coors launched this beer into the off-trade channel (retail and wholesale) and commenced television advertising for the product. In the United States in 2004, Coors introduced a low-carbohydrate beer called Aspen Edge, and a variety of new flavored Zima products, collectively called Zima XXX , in select U.S. markets.

In the United Kingdom, in addition to supplying Coors' own brands, Coors sells other beverage companies' brands to its customers so as to be able to provide them with a full range of products for their retail outlets. These "factored brand" sales are included in its financial results, increasing net sales and cost of goods sold, but the related volume is not included in reported sales volumes.

Financial Information About Segments

Prior to the acquisition of CBL, Coors reported results of operations in one segment. Coors now categorizes its operations into two operating segments: the Americas and Europe. These segments are

managed by separate operating teams, even though both segments consist of the manufacture, marketing and sale of beer and other beverage products.

Narrative Description of Business

Some of the following statements may describe Coors' expectations of future products and business plans, financial results, performance and events. Actual results may differ materially from these forward-looking statements. Please see "Risk Factors" beginning on page 39 of this document and also Coors' annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q incorporated by reference into this document, for factors that may negatively impact Coors' performance. The following statements are expressly made, subject to those and other risk factors.

Coors sold approximately 68% of its 2003 reported volume in the Americas segment and 32% in the Europe segment. In 2003, Coors Light accounted for about 51% of reported volume and Carling for approximately 22%.

Coors' sales volume totaled 32.7 million barrels in 2003, compared to 31.8 million barrels in 2002 and 22.7 million barrels in 2001. The barrel sales figures for each year do not include barrel sales of Coors products sold in Canada by the non-consolidated Coors Canada partnership with Molson (Coors Canada) or volume from Coors' joint venture with Molson (Molson USA) sold in the United States. An additional 1.5 million, 1.4 million and 1.3 million barrels of beer were sold by Coors Canada in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Coors' Molson venture sold 0.9, 0.9 and 0.8 million barrels in 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. Coors' sales volumes also do not include the CBL factored brands business. See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" beginning on page 219, for a discussion of volume changes.

No single customer accounted for more than 10% of Coors' consolidated or segmented sales in 2003, 2002 or 2001.

Americas Segment

The Americas business segment is focused on the production, marketing and sales of the Coors portfolio of brands in the United States and its territories. This segment also includes the Coors Light business in Canada that is conducted through a partnership investment with Molson and the sale of Molson products in the United States that is conducted through a joint venture investment (Molson USA) with Molson. The Americas segment also includes a small amount of volume that is sold outside of the United States and its territories. During the second quarter of 2004, Cerveceria Cuauhtemoc Moctezuma, S.A. de CV, a subsidiary of FEMSA Cerveza, was appointed the sole and exclusive importer, marketer, seller and distributor of Coors Light in Mexico.

Sales and Distribution

United States

In the United States, beer is generally distributed through a three-tier system consisting of manufacturers, distributors and retailers. A national network of 472 independent distributors (537 including branch locations) purchases Coors products and distributes them to retail accounts. Coors also owns three distributorships that handled less than 3% of its total domestic volume in 2003, and Coors sells Molson branded beers through its Molson USA joint venture, which utilizes additional independent distributors.

Canada

Coors Canada is Coors' partnership with Molson that manages all marketing activities for Coors products in Canada. Coors owns 50.1% of this partnership, and Molson owns 49.9%. The partnership

contracts with Molson for the brewing, distribution and sale of Coors products. Coors Light has an 8.7% market share, and is the largest-selling light beer and the 4th-best selling beer brand overall in Canada.

Puerto Rico and the Caribbean

In Puerto Rico, Coors markets and sells Coors Light through an independent distributor. A team of Coors employees manages the marketing and promotional efforts in this market, where Coors Light is the number-one beer brand. Coors also sells its products in a number of other Caribbean markets, including the U.S. Virgin Islands, through local distributors.

Asia

Coors has small development markets in Japan, China and Taiwan. The Japanese business is currently focused on Zima and Coors Original, and Coors sells Coors Light in Taiwan. Coors sells Coors Light and Coors Original in China and has contracted with Lion Nathan for the production of finished goods for the Japanese and Chinese markets.

Manufacturing, Production and Packaging in the United States

Brewing Raw Materials

Coors uses the highest quality water, barley and hops to brew its products. The majority of the water it uses is naturally filtered from underground aquifers. Coors has acquired water rights to provide for long-term strategic growth and to sustain brewing operations in case of a prolonged drought. Coors buys barley under long-term contracts from a network of independent farmers located in five western U.S. states.

Brewing and Packaging Facilities

Coors has three U.S. production facilities and one small brewery located in Mexico. It owns and operates the world's largest single-site brewery, located in Golden, Colorado. In addition, Coors owns and operates a packaging and brewing facility in Memphis, Tennessee, and a packaging facility located in the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia. It brews Coors Light, Coors Original, Extra Gold, Killian's and the Keystone brands in Golden, and packages about 60% of the beer brewed in Golden. The remainder is shipped in bulk from the Golden brewery to either its Memphis or Shenandoah facility for packaging. In the third quarter of 2004, Coors announced plans to add brewing capacity to its Shenandoah facility by 2007.

Packaging Materials

Aluminum Cans

Approximately 59% of Coors' domestic products were packaged in aluminum cans in 2003. A substantial portion of those cans were purchased from a joint venture with Ball Corporation (Ball), Rocky Mountain Metal Container, LLC (RMMC). In addition to Coors' supply agreement with RMMC, it also has commercial supply agreements with Ball and other third-party can manufacturers to purchase cans and ends in excess of what is supplied through RMMC. In 2003, Coors purchased the significant majority of the cans and ends produced by the RMMC facilities.

Glass Bottles

Coors used glass bottles for approximately 29% of its products in 2003. It operates a joint venture with Owens-Brockway Glass Container, Inc. (Owens), the Rocky Mountain Bottle Company (RMBC), to produce glass bottles at its glass manufacturing facility. On July 29, 2003, Coors signed a new

agreement, effective for 12 years beginning August 1, 2003, with Owens extending this joint venture, as well as a supply agreement with Owens for the glass bottles they require in excess of joint venture production.

Other Packaging

Most of the remaining 12% of volume Coors sold in 2003 was packaged in quarter and half-barrel stainless steel kegs.

Coors purchases most of its paperboard and label packaging from Graphic Packaging Corporation (GPC), a related party. These products include paperboard, multi-can pack wrappers, bottle labels and other secondary packaging supplies.

Seasonality of the Business

Coors' U.S. sales volumes are normally lowest in the first and fourth quarters and highest in the second and third quarters.

Competitive Conditions

Known Trends and Competitive Conditions

Industry and competitive information in this section and elsewhere in this report was compiled from various industry sources, including beverage analyst reports (Beer Marketer's Insights, Impact Databank and The Beer Institute). While Coors management believes that these sources are reliable, they cannot guarantee the accuracy of these numbers and estimates.

2003 Americas Beer Industry Overview

The beer industry in the United States is extremely competitive, with three major brewers controlling about 80% of the market. Therefore, growing or even maintaining market share requires substantial and perhaps increasing investments in marketing and sales efforts. U.S. beer industry shipments had an annual growth rate during the past 10 years of less than 1%. The industry's pricing environment continued to be positive in 2003, with modest price increases on specific brands and packages in select markets.

Two major trends impacted the U.S. beer market in 2003. First, overall U.S. beer shipments declined for the first time since 1995, driven by a weak national economy, unusually cool weather in many regions of the country, and the war in Iraq. The net effect of all these factors was a decline in the U.S. beer industry sales of about 1% during 2003 from the year before. The second industry trend was the growth in beers with low-carbohydrate positioning. Because none of Coors' brands was positioned as low-carbohydrate last year, both of these industry trends negatively impacted beer volume in 2003.

The U.S. brewing industry has experienced significant consolidation in the past several years, which has removed excess production capacity. In 2003, beer industry consolidation at the wholesaler level continued. This consolidation generally improves business economics for these combined wholesalers.

Over the past several years, the Canadian beer industry volume has been effectively flat with growth of less than 1% in 2003. The industry's pricing environment continued to be positive in 2003, with price increases in several markets across the country.

The beer market in Puerto Rico had extraordinary growth in the 1970s and 1980s. Since then, the market has experienced periodic growth and decline cycles. This market has traditionally been split between local brewers, U.S. imports, and other imports. In mid 2002, Puerto Rico implemented a 50% excise tax increase. This tax increase contributed to a 10% contraction in total beer consumption and

disproportionately affected imports, since the most significant local brand was exempt from the tax increase. Coors Light is the market leader in Puerto Rico, with an approximate 50% market share.

Coors' Competitive Position

Coors' malt beverages compete with numerous above-premium, premium, low-calorie, popular-priced, non-alcoholic and imported brands. These competing brands are produced by national, regional, local and international brewers. Coors competes most directly with Anheuser Busch and SABMiller, the dominant beer companies in the U.S. industry. According to Beer Marketer's Insights estimates, Coors is the nation's third-largest brewer, selling approximately 11% of the total 2003 U.S. brewing industry shipments (including exports and U.S. shipments of imports). This compares to Anheuser-Busch's 50% share and SABMiller's 18% share.

Europe Segment

The Europe segment consists of Coors' production and sale of the CBL brands principally in the United Kingdom, Coors' joint venture arrangement relating to the production and distribution of Grolsch in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland, and Coors' joint venture arrangement with Tradeteam for the physical distribution of products throughout Great Britain.

CBL has headquarters in Burton-on-Trent, England, and is the United Kingdom's second-largest beer company with unit volume sales of approximately 10.3 million U.S. barrels in 2003. CBL holds approximately 20% of the UK beer market, Western Europe's second-largest market. The CBL sales are primarily in England and Wales, with the Carling brand (a mainstream lager) representing approximately two-thirds of CBL's total beer volume.

Sales and Distribution

Over the past three decades, volumes have begun to shift from the on-trade channel, where products are consumed "on-premise," to the off-trade channel, also referred to as the "take-home" market. Revenue per barrel in the on-trade channel tends to be higher, but the off-trade channel can offer similar returns to brewers because selling, servicing and distribution costs are generally lower. Unlike the United States, where manufacturers are generally not permitted to distribute beer directly to retail, the large majority of Coors beer in the United Kingdom is sold directly to retailers.

Distribution activities for CBL are conducted by Tradeteam, which operates a system of satellite warehouses and a transportation fleet. Tradeteam also manages the transportation of certain raw materials such as malt to the CBL breweries.

On-trade

The on-trade channel accounted for approximately 64% of Coors' UK sales volumes in 2003. The installation and maintenance of draught beer dispense equipment in the on-trade channel is generally the responsibility of the brewer in the United Kingdom. CBL retains ownership of equipment required to dispense beer from kegs to consumers. This includes beer lines, line cooling, taps and countermounts. CBL reached an agreement with Service Dispense Equipment (SDE) to outsource the management and servicing of CBL's on-trade dispense equipment in the third quarter of 2004. CBL, Scottish Courage and Carlsberg UK will each own an equal voting interest in SDE, which will own and service the dispense equipment of all three brewers. The agreement is subject to the approval of the Office of Fair Trading (OFT) in the United Kingdom.

Similar to other UK brewers, CBL has traditionally used loans to secure supply relationships with customers in the on-trade market. Loans have been granted at below-market rates of interest, with the outlet purchasing beer at lower-than-average discount levels to compensate for the cost of the loan.

Those loans are typically secured by a proprietary interest in the borrower's property. Coors reclassifies a portion of sales revenue to interest income to reflect the economic substance of these loans.

Off-trade

The off-trade channel accounted for approximately 36% of Coors' UK sales volume in 2003, up 2% from 2002. The off-trade market includes sales to supermarket chains, convenience stores, liquor store chains, distributors and wholesalers.

Manufacturing, Production and Packaging

Brewing Raw Materials

Water for Coors' three UK breweries comes from dedicated supplies, filtered through the local underground aquifers. Barley for CBL brewing operations is high quality two-row seed grown exclusively in England to strict standards. Coors believes it has sufficient access to raw materials to meet its quality and production requirements.

Brewing and Packaging Facilities

Coors operates three breweries in the United Kingdom. The Burton-on-Trent brewery, located in the Midlands, is the largest brewery in the United Kingdom. Other smaller breweries are located in Tadcaster and Alton.

Packaging Materials

Kegs

Coors used kegs and casks for approximately 61% of its UK product in 2003. The high level of volume packaged in kegs and casks contrasts with the Americas business, and reflects a higher percentage of product sold on-premise. CBL outsourced the ownership, procurement and tracking of its approximately 1.2 million kegs and casks with TrenStar, Inc. in the second quarter of 2004. TrenStar acquired CBL's keg and cask inventory and will provide ongoing container management services for Coors in the United Kingdom.

Cans

Approximately 31% of CBL products were packaged in cans in 2003. Virtually all of these cans were purchased through supply contracts with Ball.

Other Packaging

The remaining 8% of CBL products were primarily packaged in glass bottles purchased through supply contracts with third-party suppliers.

Seasonality of Business

In Great Britain, the beer industry is subject to seasonal sales fluctuation primarily influenced by holiday periods, weather and by certain major televised sporting events. There is a peak during the summer and during the Christmas and New Year period. The holiday peak is most pronounced in the off-trade channel. Consequently, Coors' highest volume quarters are the third and fourth quarters, and the lowest are the first and second.

Competitive Conditions

2003 UK Beer Industry Overview

Beer consumption in the United Kingdom has been in long-term decline since 1980, falling by an average of 0.8% per annum. This decline has been mainly attributable to the on-trade channel, where volumes are now 40% lower than in 1980. Over the same period, off-trade volume has increased by 278%. This trend is expected to continue and has been influenced by a number of factors, including the increasing price difference between beer in the on- and off-trade channels and changes in consumers' lifestyles. 2003 represented a continuation of these trends with off-trade market growth of 7.4% and a decline in the on-trade market of 2.7%, with the off-trade now representing one third of the market. The total UK beer market grew 1.1% in 2003, which represented the third consecutive year of growth, a contributing factor to this growth in 2003 being unusually hot summer weather.

As well as the on- to off-trade mix shift, there has been a steady trend toward lager beer at the expense of ales, driven predominantly by the leading mainstream and premium lager brands. In 1980, lagers accounted for 31% of beer sales, and in 2003 lagers accounted for nearly 70%, up from 67% in 2002. While lager volume has been growing at an average compound annual growth rate of 2.3% over the last five years, ales, including stouts, have declined by over 10% per year during this period. This trend has accelerated in the last two years. The leading beer brands are generally growing at a faster rate than the market. The top 10 brands now represent approximately 60% of the total market, compared to only 34% in 1994.

Coors' Competitive Position

CBL beers and flavored alcohol beverages compete not only with similar products from competitors, but also with other alcohol beverages, including wines and spirits. With the exception of stout, where Coors does not have its own brand, Coors' brand portfolio gives it strong representation in all major beer categories. Coors believes that CBL's strength in the growing lager sector with Carling and Grolsch makes it well positioned to take advantage of the continuing trend away from ales to lagers.

Coors' principal competitors in the UK market are Scottish Courage Ltd., Interbrew UK Ltd. and Carlsberg UK. Coors is the United Kingdom's second-largest brewer, with an approximate 20% market share, based on AC Nielsen information. This compares to Scottish Courage Ltd.'s share of 25%, Interbrew UK Ltd.'s 19% share (excluding Heineken brands, which are no longer part of Interbrew's brand portfolio) and Carlsberg UK's 13% share. Coors' core brands Carling, Grolsch, Worthington's and Reef all increased their product sector share in 2003.

Intellectual Property

Coors owns trademarks on the majority of the brands it produces and it has licenses for the remainder. Coors also holds several patents on innovative processes related to product formula, can making, can decorating and other technical operations. These patents have expiration dates ranging through 2021. These expirations are not expected to have a significant impact on Coors' business.

Regulation

Americas

Coors' business in the United States and its territories is highly regulated by federal, state and local governments. These regulations govern many parts of Coors' operations, including brewing, marketing and advertising, transportation, distributor relationships, sales and environmental issues. To operate its facilities, Coors must obtain and maintain numerous permits, licenses and approvals from various governmental agencies, including the U.S. Treasury Department; Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and

Trade Bureau; the U.S. Department of Agriculture; the U.S. Food and Drug Administration; state alcohol regulatory agencies as well as state and federal environmental agencies. Internationally, Coors' business is also subject to regulations and restrictions imposed by the laws of the foreign jurisdictions where it sells Coors' products.

Governmental entities also levy taxes and may require bonds to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations. U.S. federal excise taxes on malt beverages are currently \$18 per barrel (31 U.S. gallons each). State excise taxes also are levied at rates that ranged in 2003 from a high of \$28.52 per barrel in Hawaii to a low of \$0.62 per barrel in Wyoming. In 2003, Coors incurred approximately \$404 million in federal and state excise taxes in the Americas segment on gross revenues of approximately \$2.8 billion, or approximately \$18 per barrel.

Europe

In the United Kingdom, regulations apply to many parts of Coors' operations and products, including brewing; food safety; labeling and packaging; marketing and advertising; environmental; health and safety; employment; and data protection regulations. To operate its breweries and carry on business in the United Kingdom, Coors must obtain and maintain numerous permits and licenses from local Licensing Justices and governmental bodies; including HM Customs & Excise, the Office of Fair Trading, the Data Protection Commissioner and the Environment Agency.

The UK government levies excise taxes on all alcohol beverages at varying rates depending on the type of product and its alcohol by volume. In 2003, Coors incurred approximately \$983 million in excise taxes on gross revenues of approximately \$2.6 billion, or approximately \$94 per barrel.

Environmental Matters

Americas

Coors is one of a number of entities named by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a potentially responsible party (PRP) at the Lowry Superfund site. This landfill is owned by the City and County of Denver (Denver), and is managed by Waste Management of Colorado, Inc. (Waste Management). In 1990, Coors recorded a pretax charge of \$30 million, a portion of which was put into a trust in 1993 as part of a settlement with Denver and Waste Management regarding the then outstanding litigation. Coors' settlement was based on an assumed cost of \$120 million (in 1992 adjusted dollars). It requires Coors to pay a portion of future costs, if any, in excess of that amount.

Considering uncertainties at the site, including what additional remedial actions may be required by the EPA, new technologies, and what costs are included in the determination of when the \$120 million threshold is reached, the estimate of Coors' liability may change as facts further develop. Coors cannot predict the amount of any potential change, but additional accruals could be required in the future.

Coors is aware of groundwater contamination at some of its properties in Colorado resulting from historical, ongoing or nearby activities. There may also be other contamination of which it is unaware.

From time to time, Coors has been notified that it is or may be a PRP under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act or similar state laws for the cleanup of other sites where hazardous substances have allegedly been released into the environment. While Coors cannot predict its eventual aggregate cost for the environmental and related matters in which it may be or is currently involved, it believes that any payments, if required, for these matters would be made over a period of time in amounts that would not be material in any one year to Coors' operating results, cash flows or its financial or competitive position. Coors believes adequate reserves have been provided for losses that are probable and estimable.

Europe

Coors is subject to the requirements of government and local environmental and occupational health and safety laws and regulations. Compliance with these laws and regulations did not materially affect its 2003 capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position, and Coors does not anticipate that it will do so in 2004.

Employees and Employee Relations

Americas

Coors has approximately 5,400 employees in its Americas business. Memphis hourly employees, who constitute about 5% of Coors' Americas work force, are represented by the Teamsters union; and a small number of other employees are represented by other unions. The Memphis union contract expires in 2005. Coors believes that relations with its Americas employees are good.

Europe

Coors has approximately 3,100 employees in its Europe business. Approximately 31% of this total workforce is represented by trade unions, primarily at Coors' Burton-on-Trent and Tadcaster breweries. Separate negotiated agreements are in place with the Transport and General Workers Union at the Tadcaster Brewery and the Burton-on-Trent Brewery. The agreements do not have expiration dates, and negotiations are conducted annually. Coors believes that relations with its European employees are good.

Recent Developments

On April 9, 2004, Coors Brewing Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Coors, issued written communications to its distributors and employees concerning the candidacy of Peter H. Coors, chairman of Coors, for the United States Senate.

On May 21, 2004, Coors issued a press release announcing that CBL reached an agreement with the U.K. division of TrenStar, Inc. to outsource the ownership, procurement and tracking of kegs and casks in the U.K.

On June 9, 2004, Coors issued a press release announcing the sale of property related to the former Cape Hill brewery in Birmingham, England.

On August 10, 2004, Coors issued a press release announcing the addition of brewing capacity at its Elkton, Virginia packaging facility.

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Executive Summary

This discussion summarizes the significant factors affecting Coors' consolidated results of operations, liquidity, and capital resources for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, and June 29, 2003, and the years ended December 28, 2003 and December 29, 2002. You should read the following in conjunction with the related financial statements and notes included elsewhere in this document, as well as Coors' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 28, 2003. Coors' results in the first half of 2004 are affected by the adoption of FIN 46, which required consolidation of some of Coors' joint ventures. (See Note 2 in the accompanying financial statements of Coors attached to this document as Annex R.)

2nd Quarter 2004. Coors' second quarter 2004 results showed improving trends in several key areas of the business, but a few, largely temporary, factors negatively impacted its overall results.

Improved pricing in Coors' major markets, solid margin and profit growth in the United Kingdom, continued strong performance of its Coors Light business in Canada, and favorable foreign exchange rates drove higher operating income in the quarter. These positive factors were partially offset by the negative impacts of U.S. distributor inventory dynamics and higher logistics-related costs in Coors' Americas business.

In Coors' Americas segment, while sales to retail declined slightly in the first half of 2004, sales to wholesalers declined 5.2% in the second quarter and 3.0% in the first half of the year, due to a significant year-over-year shift in distributor inventory patterns. U.S. retail volume declines were focused in select markets particularly in Pennsylvania and Texas where Coors faces unique local issues. Sales to retail grew during the quarter in five of Coors' seven largest states, including California and New Jersey, where trends rebounded from declines early in the year.

In Coors' Europe segment, volume growth in the second quarter of 2004 was challenged by the lapping of heavy off-trade price discounting last year, along with a retailer inventory load-in during the first quarter of 2004 ahead of a U.K. excise tax increase. Nevertheless, Coors grew volume during the quarter, led by high-single-digit growth of Carling, the number-one selling UK beer brand.

In addition, Coors' consolidated earnings per share were negatively impacted by a higher tax rate this year versus a one-time reduction in its effective tax rate last year, as well as higher diluted shares outstanding this year.

2003. Overall, 2003 was a difficult year for Coors, especially in the U.S. Coors faced extremely soft industry demand throughout the year in the U.S., and, although Coors made significant progress in key areas of Coors' business, Coors' Americas segment profits came in only slightly above Coors' prior year results.

The U.S. beer industry faced many challenges in 2003, including:

Continued weakness in the U.S. economy during 2003 and, specifically, high unemployment levels among the key 21-24-year-old male consumer population,

Unfavorable weather, particularly in the Northeast, for a significant part of the peak summer selling season,

The popularity of low-carbohydrate diets that softened demand for beer,

The rise in popularity of distilled spirits and other alternative beverages, particularly among 21-29-year olds, and

A protracted grocery store strike in California that likely impacted sales in the largest beer state.

Two additional issues were unique to Coors' U.S. business during 2003. First, Coors did not offer a product with "low-carbohydrate" positioning. Second, late in the year, when most of the industry was showing signs of recovery, Coors experienced significant product-supply problems that left Coors unable to meet all the needs of Coors' wholesale and retail customers.

Coors' 2003 performance in the Europe segment, specifically in the UK, reflected strong volume and market share growth. Results were negatively impacted by the lack of benefits in 2003 from revenue-producing transitional activities, which occurred in 2002 following Coors' acquisition of the UK business, as well as high levels of discounting in the off-trade channel during the first two-thirds of the year. Later in the year, however, Coors' performance in the UK showed the positive profit impact of Coors' strong volume growth, reduced off-trade discounting levels, and productivity improvements from supply chain initiatives.

One critical area of accomplishment in 2003 was Coors' cash generation and debt reduction. Full-year debt repayments totaled \$272 million, more than 30% greater than the \$208 million Coors

repaid in 2002. Cash flow during the year benefited from higher operating cash flow, a temporary reduction in cash taxes, improvements in working capital, and improving capital spending disciplines in the U.S.

Looking Forward. In addition to the merger transaction, Coors has four major strategies that it is focused on to succeed in the global beer industry:

First, Coors is striving to capture an increasing share of each new generation of legal-drinking-age beer drinkers in order to gain their brand loyalty for the long-term. Coors intends to accomplish this by building Coors' big brands in big markets Coors Light in the Americas, Carling and Grolsch in the UK which are the young-adult beer drinker's point of entry into Coors' portfolio. To achieve this goal, Coors continued during 2003 to refine Coors' sales and marketing initiatives supporting Coors' flagship brands. As a result, volume momentum in the UK behind Carling and Grolsch has been positive. In Canada, Coors Light has continued to grow volume and market share. Despite a poor volume year in the U.S., Coors has made progress among key demographics and retail channels, and Coors is taking steps to further enhance the effectiveness of these initiatives.

Second, Coors intends to capture more than Coors' fair share of the product news opportunities in the category each year through both new products and brands, or product developments with existing brands, such as Coors Light and Carling. In March 2004, Coors launched Aspen Edge Coors' entry in the low-carb segment in the U.S. Coors is also repositioning Zima in the U.S., continuing to expand Carling Extra Cold in the UK, and launching Coors Fine Light beer in the UK.

Third, Coors needs to strengthen its access to retail by building the capabilities that are key to partnering and being successful with its wholesalers and retailers. Coors' biggest investment to strengthen Coors' access to retail in 2003 was the initiative to improve Coors' Americas supply-chain systems and processes. Making these investments was a necessity for the long-term success of Coors' business. Coors' start-up problems were greater than expected, but in early 2004, product supply improved as wholesale and retail stock-outs were reduced to a fraction of what they were in Coors' most difficult period early in the fourth quarter of 2003. When the capabilities of Coors' new supply-chain systems and processes are more fully optimized later this year, Coors' distributors will have more control over their orders, better visibility throughout the shipping process, and better service, which Coors anticipates will result in efficiencies and cost savings for Coors and for Coors' distributors.

Fourth, Coors needs to lower its cost structure so that it can grow profits and afford the investments needed to grow and succeed. In 2003, Coors made significant progress in both the Americas and Europe. Productivity from operations in the U.S. was solid in 2003, despite soft volume. In the UK, Coors right-sized its production assets in 2003, and it expects to see the benefits in 2004.

Results of Operations

Coors' consolidated results are driven by the results of Coors' two operating segments, Americas and Europe, and Coors' unallocated corporate expenses. When comparing 2003 to 2002, note that Coors has only included CBL results since February 2, 2002, the date of acquisition, thus excluding CBL's January 2002 results.

The Americas Segment

The Americas segment is focused on the production, marketing, and sales of the Coors portfolio of brands in the United States and its territories, including the results of the RMMC and RMBC joint

ventures consolidated in 2004 under FIN 46. This segment also includes the Coors Light® business in Canada that is conducted through the Coors Canada partnership with Molson, Coors Canada, and the sale of Molson products in the United States that is conducted through Molson USA. The Americas segment also includes the small amount of Coors brand volume that is sold outside of the United States and its territories and Europe. During the second quarter of 2004, Cerveceria Cuauhtemoc Moctezuma, S.A. de C.V., a subsidiary of FEMSA Cerveza, was appointed the sole and exclusive importer, marketer, seller and distributor of Coors Light in Mexico.

	Thirteen Weeks Ended					Twenty-six Weeks Ended					
		June 27, 2004		June 29, 2003	% Change		June 27, 2004		June 29, 2003	% Change	
				(1)	in thousands, ex (Unau	_					
Barrels of beer and other beverages sold		6,085		6,419	(5.2)%		10,981		11,324	(3.0)%	
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Net sales	\$	679,385	\$	692,033	(1.8)%	\$	1,219,178	\$	1,218,789	%	
Cost of goods sold		(389,937)		(401,512)	(2.9)%		(724,422)		(739,102)	(2.0)%	
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Gross profit		289,448		290,521	(0.4)%		494,756		479,687	3.1%	
Marketing, general and											
administrative expenses		(199,791)		(201,106)	(0.7)%		(374,820)		(366,245)	2.3%	
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Operating income		89,657		89,415	0.3%		119,936		113,442	5.7%	
Other income, net(1)		1,093		795	37.5%		2,337		3,457	(32.4)%	
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Income before income taxes(2)	\$	90,750	\$	90,210	0.6%	\$	122,273	\$	116,899	4.6%	

⁽¹⁾Other income, net, consists primarily of Coors' equity share of Molson USA losses and royalties earned on mineral leases in 2004. In 2003, other income, net, also includes a gain from the sale of a warehouse.

⁽²⁾ Income before income taxes in 2004 includes \$4,276 and \$6,677 for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, respectively, and represents the minority owners' share of income attributable to the RMMC and RMBC joint ventures.

Fiscal Year Ended

	D	ecember 28, 2003	Percent Change	December 29, 2002	Percent Change	December 30, 2001	
			(In thous	sands, except percenta	nges)		
Volume in barrels		22,374	(1.4)%	22,688	N/M	22,667	
Net sales	\$	2,409,595	0.4	2,400,849	(0.9)%	2,422,282	
Cost of goods sold		(1,474,250)	(0.5)	(1,481,630)	(3.3)%	(1,532,471)	
Gross profit		935,345	1.8%	919,219	3.3%	889,811	
Marketing, general and administrative expenses		(717,622)	2.3%	(701,454)	2.3%	(685,568)	
Special charges, net(1)			N/M	(3,625)	(84.4)%	(23,174)	
Operating income		217,723	1.7%	214,140	18.3%	181,069	
Gain on sale of distributorships(2)					N/M	27,667	
Other income, net(3)		3,485	(28.4)%	4,864	N/M	1,319	
Income before income taxes	\$	221,208	1.0% \$	219,004	4.3% \$	210,055	

- The 2002 net charge consists of expenses related to restructuring and the dissolution of Coors' former can and end joint venture, offset by a cash payment on a debt from Coors' former partner in a brewing business in South Korea. The net 2001 charge consists of the restructuring of Coors' purchasing and production organizations, impairment charges on certain fixed assets, charges to dissolve Coors' former can and end joint venture and incremental consulting, legal and other costs incurred in preparation to restructure and outsource its information technology infrastructure.
- (2) Gain from the sale of Coors-owned distributorships
- (3)

 Consists primarily of equity share of Molson USA losses and gains from sales of water rights and warehouses.

N/M = Not Meaningful

Foreign Currency impact on 2004 results. In the first half of 2004, Coors' Americas segment benefited from a 6.8% year-over-year increase in the value of the Canadian dollar (Cdn.) against the U.S. dollar. In the second quarter of 2004, the increase was 2.6%. As a result of this exchange-rate fluctuation, income before income taxes deriving from the Coors Canada partnership is higher by approximately \$1.8 million year-to-date and approximately \$0.3 million for the quarter.

Foreign Currency impact on 2003 results. In 2003, Coors' Americas segment benefited from a 10.8% year-over-year increase in the value of the Canadian dollar against the U.S. dollar. As a result of this exchange rate fluctuation, net sales, operating income, and income before taxes are higher than in the prior year by approximately \$5.5 million.

Net sales and volume. For the thirteen weeks ended June 27, 2004, net sales in the Americas totaled \$679 million, 1.8% lower than the same period in 2003. For the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, net sales in the Americas were flat against the comparable period in the prior year. Barrel sales were 5.2% and 3.0% lower quarter-over-quarter and year-over-year, respectively. For the first half of 2004, sales to retail have declined less than 1%. The 5.2% decline in sales to wholesalers during the second quarter of 2004, compared to the second quarter of 2003, was due primarily to a 300,000-barrel swing in distributor inventory patterns. Coors' distributors started the second quarter of 2004 approximately 150,000 barrels higher than a year earlier, and they ended the quarter approximately 150,000 barrels lower than a year ago. This year-over-year inventory shift impacted second quarter Americas results by approximately \$15 million through lower sales and fixed-cost inefficiency. Volume has been the primary challenge to sales revenue and profit growth in 2004. Coors

has introduced new products to meet the demand for low-carbohydrate beers. Coors' net sales per barrel have increased 3.6% in the second quarter of 2004 and 3.1% for the year-to-date due to successful price increases and lower price promotion activity, positive brand mix, and strong results from the Coors Canada business.

Net sales for the Americas segment increased slightly from 2002 to 2003. On a per barrel basis, net sales increased 1.8% while volume decreased 1.4% year-over-year. Net sales were impacted positively by continued favorable pricing in the United States, as well as significant growth in Coors' Canada business. Likewise, net sales were impacted positively by a one-time \$4.2 million increase in revenue during the first quarter that resulted from the settlement of a contract interpretation dispute between Coors Brewing Company and one of Coors' wholesalers. However, Coors experienced challenges in Coors' Americas segment as Coors' volume was impacted negatively by a weak industry demand throughout the year caused by a very wet summer in the Northeast and a sluggish economy. In addition, Coors was negatively impacted by a mix shift toward lower revenue-per-barrel brands such as Keystone Light, which experienced a volume growth of 10.9%. Growing consumer interest in low-carbohydrate food and beverage products hurt sales for Coors Light and other premium light beers that did not have low-carbohydrate positioning. As a result of this change in consumer tastes and the mix shift away from premium products, Coors Light sales volume declined in 2003.

Coors also experienced significant challenges in the fourth quarter of 2003 when it implemented new supply chain systems and processes. Due to a difficult start-up early in the fourth quarter, Coors was unable to ship sufficient quantities of beer in some brand and package configurations. While Coors' supply chain improved by the end of the year, the supply disruptions caused by this implementation had a meaningful negative impact on 2003 volume and earnings.

Coors' 2002 net sales decreased 0.9% from 2001, while volume for the Americas segment remained relatively flat. Net revenue per barrel declined 1% from 2001. The declines were mostly due to the sale of company-owned distributorships in 2001 (whose volumes were included in 2001 results until the date of sale), a decline in volume in Puerto Rico as a result of a 50% increase in a beer excise tax that took effect during the summer of 2002, and a negative sales mix in the United States where consumer preferences moved toward Coors' lower revenue-per-barrel brands, geographies, and packages. Partially offsetting these declines in sales and volume were improved domestic pricing and reduced price promotions.

From a brand perspective, growth in domestic Coors Light and Keystone Light brands in 2002 versus 2001 was partially offset by declines in Zima, Killian's and exported Coors Light. Zima was impacted disproportionately by the influx of new flavored alcohol beverages (FABs) in the United States during much of 2002.

Cost of goods sold and gross profit. Cost of goods sold decreased 2.9% to \$390 million in the second quarter of 2004 from \$401 million in the second quarter of 2003. Year-to-date in 2004, cost of goods sold has decreased 2% compared to the first half of 2003. However, on a per-barrel basis, cost of goods sold increased 2.4% quarter-over-quarter and 1.1% year-over-year. The increase per barrel in 2004 is driven by the de-leveraging of fixed costs from lower volumes, higher outbound freight costs and costs related to the retrieval and disposal of finished goods inventory, which were about \$7 million higher in the second quarter of 2004 than the same quarter in 2003. These costs were, in part, the result of Coors' focus on improving customer service through the first half of 2004 following its supply chain disruptions late last year. To ensure high order-fill rates, Coors deployed unusually high levels of inventory particularly of its new products throughout its distribution system earlier in the year. In the first half of 2004, Coors continued to realize cost savings from its operations costs initiatives, offset by higher freight, pension, healthcare and other overhead costs in 2004.

Gross profit decreased less than 1% in the second quarter of 2004 compared to the same quarter in 2003, primarily due to factors discussed above, but was 3.0% higher than prior year-to-date, due to lower relative costs on a year-to-year basis.

The cost of goods sold for the Americas segment increased approximately 0.9% per barrel in 2003 versus 2002. The overall increase in cost of goods sold per barrel in 2003 was the result of higher depreciation costs stemming from recent additions to fixed assets, higher pension and other labor-related costs, increased fuel costs, and the de-leveraging of fixed costs resulting from the decline in volume. Coors' higher pension costs were the result of the unfavorable impacts of lower returns on pension assets in recent years and lower discount rates. In addition to these more pervasive factors, Coors incurred approximately \$8 million of increased costs in the fourth quarter of 2003, primarily related to extra freight, direct labor and finished goods loss associated with Coors' new supply chain processes and systems implementation. These costs were in addition to the impacts from decreased volume. However, Coors' controllable operations costs, which made up about 95% of Coors' Americas cost of goods sold in 2003, declined slightly per barrel during the year as a result of operations efficiency initiatives and improved packaging costs.

Compared to 2002, Coors' 2003 gross profit increased 1.8%, or 3.2% on a per-barrel basis. As a percentage of net sales, gross profit increased by nearly 1%. Increases were driven primarily by price increases and improved operations efficiencies and lower packaging costs.

In 2002, Coors experienced a 3.3% decrease in cost of goods sold. On a per-barrel basis, the decline was 3.4%. As a percentage of net sales, cost of goods sold was approximately 61.7% in 2002 compared to 63.3% in 2001. These decreases were attributable primarily to the sale of company-owned distributorships in 2001, lower transportation and packaging costs and continued operations efficiency initiatives in Coors' breweries. Offsetting these decreases were higher costs associated with adding capacity to Coors' Golden and Memphis manufacturing facilities and bottle packaging capacity in Shenandoah, Virginia. Coors also incurred higher pension and other labor-related costs.

Coors' gross profit increased 3.3% in 2002 over 2001. As a percentage of net sales, gross profit increased nearly 2%. Increases were driven by the decline in cost of goods sold.

Marketing, general and administrative expenses. Marketing, general and administrative expenses decreased 0.7% to \$200 million in the second quarter of 2004 from \$201 million in 2003. Coors accounts for advertising spending according to the sales curve method, under which expense is spread throughout the year in relation to expected annual sales volume. The decline in marketing, general and administrative expenses in the quarter is the result of the significant U.S. volume decline which, in turn, was the result of changes in inventory patterns. Through the second quarter of 2004, marketing, general and administrative expenses have increased 2.3%, compared to 2003. The overall increase is mainly due to additional marketing investments in Coors Light and Aspen Edge, in addition to higher pension, healthcare and information systems depreciation.

Marketing, general and administrative expenses increased 2.3%, or 3.8% on a per barrel basis, in 2003 compared to 2002. This increase was driven by higher costs for employee benefits, primarily pension costs, and higher spending levels related to information technology. Selling and marketing expense was also slightly higher year-over-year.

In 2002, marketing, general and administrative expenses increased 2.3% over the previous year, driven by higher marketing expense as Coors invested more behind its brands in advertising and sales promotion, higher systems investments and labor-related costs. Partially offset by this increase in selling and marketing expense was a decline in general and administrative expense due to the sale of company-owned distributorships in 2001.

The Europe Segment

The Europe segment consists of Coors' production and sale of the CBL brands (principally in the United Kingdom but also in other parts of the world), Coors' joint venture arrangement relating to the distribution of Grolsch in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (consolidated under FIN 46 in 2004), and Coors' joint venture arrangement for the physical distribution of products throughout Great Britain (Tradeteam). It also includes the sale of Coors Fine Light Beer in the United Kingdom and Coors Light in the Republic of Ireland.

	Thirteen Weeks Ended				Twenty-six Weeks Ended				
	June 27, 2004		June 29, 2003	% Change	June 27, 2004	June 29, 2003	% Change		
			(In th	ousands, except (Unaudite					
Barrels of beer and other beverages sold		2,735	2,713	0.8%	4,879	4,726	3.2%		
Net sales Cost of goods sold	\$	471,309 (313,087)	408,343 (281,575)	15.4% 11.2%	855,027 (590,346)	709,728 (503,459)	20.5% 17.3%		
Gross profit	-	158,222	126,768	24.8%	264,681	206,269	28.3%		
Marketing, general and administrative expenses		(111,325)	(91,472)	21.7%	(213,344)	(175,417)	21.6%		
Operating income Interest income(1)		46,897 3,843	35,296 4,388	32.9% (12.4)%	51,337 8,071	30,852 8,753	66.4% (7.8)%		
Other income (expense), net		466	2,203	(78.8)%	(2,048)	3,008	N/M		
Income before income taxes and minority interest(2)	\$	51,206	41,887	22.2%	57,360	42,613	34.6%		

⁽¹⁾Interest income is earned on trade loans to UK on-trade customers, and is typically driven by debt balances from period-to-period.

⁽²⁾ Income before income taxes in 2004 includes \$1,477 and \$2,022 for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, respectively, that represents the minority owners' share of income attributable to the Grolsch joint venture.

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	 December 28, 2003	Percent Change	December 29, 2002(1)		December 30, 2001(1)
	_		_		
Volume in barrels	10,361	13.2%	9,153		46
Net sales	\$ 1,590,518	15.6% \$	1,375,473	\$	7,180
Cost of goods sold	(1,112,533)	19.3%	(932,900)		(5,152)
Gross profit	477,985	8.0%	442,573		2,028
Marketing, general and administrative expenses	(361,553)	9.0%	(331,656)		(10,188)
Operating income (loss)	116,432	5.0%	110,917		(8,160)
Interest income	17,156	4.7%	16,390		, ,
Other income, net(2)	4,114	133.0%	1,766		
Income (loss) before income taxes	\$ 137,702	6.7% \$	129,073	\$	(8,160)

- (1)
 Since Coors did not own CBL prior to February 2002, Coors does not report historical financial results for this business. Accordingly, the historical Europe segment results include only Coors' pre-acquisition Europe operation, which generated very small volume and revenue. Coors' discussion on the comparative results of the Europe segment from 2001 to 2002 has been excluded, as comparative results are not meaningful.
- (2)
 2003 other income, net, was composed primarily of Tradeteam income (included in cost of goods sold in 2002), offset by leasehold expenses and losses on asset sales (See Note 2 to Coors' historical annual financial statements attached as Annex R to this document). In 2002, other income, net primarily related to income from a small investment in an Internet marketing venture in the UK.

N/M = Not Meaningful

Foreign currency impact on 2004 results. In the second quarter of 2004, Coors' Europe segment benefited from an 11.6% year-over-year increase in the value of the British pound sterling (GBP) against the U.S. dollar. In the first half of 2004, Coors' Europe segment benefited from a 13.1% increase in the GBP. Partially as a result of this exchange rate fluctuation, all results from its Europe segment in 2004 are significantly higher than in the prior year. The following table summarizes the approximate effect this change in exchange rate had on the Europe segment pre-tax results in 2004.

	Increase Due to Currency Effects					
	nirteen Weeks Ended une 27, 2004	Twenty-six Weeks Ended June 27, 2004				
	(In thousands) (Unaudited)					
Net sales	\$ 48,270	\$ 97,958				
Cost of goods sold	 (32,101)	(67,901)				
Gross profit	16,169	30,057				
Marketing, general & administrative expenses	 (11,515)	(24,603)				

Increase Due to Currency Effects

	4,654	5,454
	400	941
	53	(244)
\$	5,107	\$ 6,151
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	\$	\$ 5,107

Foreign currency impact on 2003 results. In 2003, Coors' Europe segment benefited from an 8.4% year-over-year increase in the value of the British pound sterling (GBP) against the U.S. dollar. Partially as a result of this exchange rate fluctuation, all results from Coors' Europe segment in 2003 are significantly higher than in the prior year. The following table summarizes the approximate effect this change in exchange rate had on the Europe results in 2003:

		ease Due to ency Effects
	(In	thousands)
Net sales	\$	126,071
Cost of goods sold		(88,950)
Gross profit		37,121
Marketing, general & administrative		(29,115)
Operating income		8,006
Interest income		1,398
Other income, net		397
Income before income taxes	\$	9,801

Net sales from the Europe segment totaled \$471 million in the second quarter of 2004, 15.4% higher than the same period last year. Net sales year-to-date are higher by 20.5%, compared to 2003. Per barrel net sales increased 14.5% in the quarter and 16.7% for the year. Volume grew 0.8% quarter-over-quarter and 3.2% year-to-date. Second quarter volume was relatively flat against 2003 as a result of the load-in of retail inventories in advance of an excise tax increase late in the first quarter of 2004 and the comparison to a high-growth quarter in 2003, driven in part by aggressive off-trade discounting in the first half of last year. Revenues per barrel increased as a result of currency appreciation, increases in pricing in both the on- and the off-trade, and an increase in the level of factored brand sales, which are included within Coors' net sales and cost of goods sold figures, but not recorded within its reported volumes. While the factored brand volume increase had a positive impact on net sales, there was a small negative impact on margin as a result of a mix shift to lower margin customers.

Net sales for the Europe segment increased 15.6% in 2003, while volume increased 13.2% from the previous year. The significant increase in net sales and volume was partly due to Coors' owning the CBL business for the full year in 2003 versus forty-seven weeks in 2002. 9% of the sales increase represents the effect of currency exchange rates. On a full year comparative basis, Coors' sales volumes increased 6.7%. This growth was driven by the Carling and Grolsch brands, both of which grew volume by more than 10% during the year.

Coors' on-trade business, which represents approximately two-thirds of Coors' Europe volume and an even greater portion of margin, grew volume by approximately 5% compared to the full year 2002 as a result of strong sales execution, particularly with Carling and Carling Extra Cold, and unusually hot summer weather in the United Kingdom. In a declining on-trade market, this yielded a market share gain of approximately 1.5 percentage points. Coors' off-trade volume for 2003 increased approximately 13% over the comparable period in 2002, led by Carling and Grolsch.

Contributing factors to this volume growth were the favorable summer weather and aggressive discounting, primarily in the first half of the year. Coors' off-trade market share growth for the year was approximately 1%.

Coors' positive volume in both the on- and off-trade and positive pricing in the on-trade market were partially offset by a decline in Coors' on-trade factored brand sales and, in the off-trade, heavy price discounting and mix shift toward lower revenue-per-barrel sales. The decline in sales of factored

brands in the on-trade market was driven by some of Coors' large on-trade chain customers changing to purchase non-Coors products directly from the brand owners.

Cost of goods sold and gross profit. Cost of goods sold was \$313 million in the second quarter of 2004, 11.2% higher than last year's second quarter. Cost of good sold for the first half of 2004 was 17.3% higher than last year. On a per-barrel basis, cost of goods sold increased 10.3% in the quarter and 13.6% year-to-date. Increases in cost of goods sold were due to currency appreciation, the increased factored brand volume, and the implementation of FIN 46 in 2004 (See Note 2 in the Coors' historical annual financial statements attached as Annex R).

Gross profit in the second quarter of 2004 increased 24.8% to \$158.2 million compared to the second quarter last year and 28.3% in the first half of 2004, as a result of the factors noted above.

Cost of goods sold increased 19.3% in 2003 versus 2002. On a per-barrel basis, cost of goods sold increased 5.4%. The aggregate increase in cost of goods sold was driven by increased volume and higher foreign exchange rates, coupled with Coors' owning the business for the full year versus only a partial period in 2002. Also driving this increase, and the increase in the per barrel cost, was the reclassification of Tradeteam earnings from cost of goods sold to other income beginning in 2003 and the loss of income from contract brewing arrangements that substantially ceased near the end of 2002. Additionally, during the first three quarters of 2003, Coors incurred higher production costs as Coors contracted with regional brewers to package some of Coors' off-trade volume while Coors was commissioning the new and upgraded packing lines in Coors' Burton brewery.

Coors was able to realize some benefit from right-sizing and improving Coors' UK production infrastructure towards the latter half of 2004, which partially offset the increases noted above. The increases in cost of goods sold were also reduced by the decrease in factored brand volume where the purchase cost is included in Coors' cost of goods sold, but the related volume is not included in reported volumes.

Gross profit in the Europe segment increased 8.0%; however, excluding the impact of foreign exchange, gross profit was essentially flat despite the inclusion of a full year of sales in 2003. Gross profit per barrel decreased 4.6% and gross profit as a percentage of net sales decreased 2% during 2003 as a result of the reclassification of Tradeteam earnings and Coors' contract packaging costs incurred as Coors commissioned the packaging lines in Burton-on-Trent.

Marketing, general and administrative expenses. Second quarter 2004 marketing, general and administrative expenses were \$111.3 million, an increase of approximately 21.7% over second quarter 2003. Year-over-year, marketing, general and administrative expenses increased 21.6%. This increase was as a result of currency appreciation, the implementation of FIN 46 in 2004 and spending related to restructuring Coors' sales organization.

Europe marketing, general and administrative expenses increased 9.0% during 2003 almost entirely due to exchange rates and the impact of the full year of ownership. On a per-barrel basis, marketing, general and administrative expenses decreased 3.7% year-over-year. Various factors impacted marketing, general and administrative expense during 2003, which effectively off-set each other: (a) Coors had higher investments in sales staff and increased depreciation charges from investments in information systems and dispense equipment, the latter supporting the sales growth in the on-trade; (b) Coors was impacted by the loss of reimbursements from the transitional services arrangements with Interbrew S.A. that were set up following the CBL acquisition in February 2002 and largely concluded by the end of that year. These reimbursements were recorded as a reduction to marketing, general and administrative expenses in 2002; (c) Coors realized savings in employee bonus costs and directors' costs; and (d) the one-time gain of \$3.5 million before tax on the sale of the rights to Coors' Hooper's Hooch FAB brand in Russia during the third quarter.

Interest income. Interest income is earned on trade loans to UK on-trade customers. Interest income increased 4.7% in 2003 as a result of favorable foreign exchange rates, the inclusion of an additional five weeks of results in 2003 and a lower debt balance in 2003.

Other income (expense), net. Second quarter other income decreased \$1.7 million, largely as a result of non-recurring gains on the sale of assets last year. During the first half of 2004, Coors experienced losses from its Tradeteam venture related to the write-off of equipment in the first quarter of 2004, as compared to income reflected in 2003.

Corporate

Corporate includes interest and certain other general and administrative costs that are not allocated to either the Americas or Europe operating segments. Corporate contains no sales or cost of goods sold, although certain royalty income and intangible administrative costs are absorbed by Corporate. The majority of these corporate costs relates to worldwide finance and administrative functions, such as corporate affairs, legal, human resources, insurance and risk management.

		Thirt	teen Weeks Ende	d	Twenty-six Weeks Ended					
	June 27, 2004				June 27, 2004	June 29, 2003	% Change			
			(In thousands, except percentages) (Unaudited)							
Net sales	\$		\$		\$	\$				
Cost of goods sold										
Gross profit										
Marketing, general and administrative										
expenses		(10,946)	(7,234)	51.3%	(17,675)	(12,460)	41.9%			
Operating loss		(10,946)	(7,234)	51.3%	(17,675)	(12,460)	41.9%			
Interest income		662	815	(18.8)%		1,109	0.9%			
Interest expense		(17,530)	(22,694)	(22.8)%	6 (37,753)	(43,834)	(13.9)%			
Other expense		(206)	(90)	128.9%	(309)	(173)	78.6%			
Loss before income taxes(1)	\$	(28,020)	\$ (29,203)	(4.1)%	6 \$ (54,618)	\$ (55,358)	(1.3)%			

(1)

Loss before income taxes in 2004 includes \$348 and \$788 for the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004 and represents the minority owner's share of interest expense attributable to debt obligations of the RMMC joint venture.

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	D	ecember 28, 2003	Percent Change	December 29, 2002	Percent Change	December 30, 2001
			(In thou	sands, except percenta	ages)	
Net sales	\$		\$		\$	3
Cost of goods sold						
Gross profit						
Marketing, general and administrative						
expenses		(26,784)	11.0%	(24,130)	13.3%	(21,304)
Special charges(1)			N/M	(2,642)	N/M	
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Operating loss		(26,784)	N/M	(26,772)	25.7%	(21,304)
Interest income		2,089	(56.5)%	4,797	(70.8)%	16,409
Interest expense		(81,195)	14.5%	(70,919)	N/M	(2,006)
Other income, net(2)		798	(43.7)%	1,417	(53.1)%	3,019
Loss before income taxes	\$	(105,092)	14.9% \$	(91,477)	N/M \$	(3,882)
Loss before income taxes	\$	(105,092)	14.9% \$	(91,477)	N/M \$	(3.

- (1) Relate primarily to acquisition costs for CBL, including accounting, appraisal and legal fees not eligible for capitalization.
- (2) Consists of foreign currency exchange gains (losses), bank fees and gains on sales of investments.

N/M = Not Meaningful

Marketing, general and administrative expenses. Marketing, general and administrative expenses increased 51.3% to \$10.9 million in the second quarter of 2004, compared to the second quarter of 2003. Through the second quarter of 2004, marketing, general and administrative expenses increased 41.9%. Increases are primarily due to higher pension, healthcare, incentive compensation and other labor costs in 2004.

Marketing, general and administrative expenses for Corporate increased 11.0% in 2003 compared to 2002 due to increased pension and benefit costs and management of a larger global business. 2002 marketing, general and administrative expenses increased significantly from 2001 for the same reasons.

Interest income. Interest income for 2003 decreased \$2.7 million because of lower interest rates and lower cash balances in 2003 over 2002. Interest income decreased \$11.6 million from 2001 to 2002 due to higher cash and interest-bearing securities balances in 2001. Coors sold all of its interest-bearing securities in January 2002 to help fund the acquisition of CBL.

Interest expense. Interest expense decreased \$5.1 million in the second quarter of 2004 versus the comparable 2003 period. Through the second quarter of 2004, interest expense decreased \$6.0 million or 13.9%. The decrease is largely due to lower debt balances, partially offset by the negative impact of the British pound exchange rate and the effect of FIN 46 discussed above.

Interest expense increased \$10.3 million in 2003. This increase was driven by having Coors' fixed-rate debt structure in place for the full year in 2003 versus only eight months in 2002 and the currency appreciation on Coors' GBP-denominated term debt prior to its payoff in August 2003. Prior to finalizing the long-term structure in second quarter of 2002, Coors had exclusively short-term borrowings at lower interest rates that supported Coors' acquisition of CBL in February 2002. The increase is also due to Coors' cross-currency swap structure and Coors' GBP-denominated interest expense. Partially offsetting these factors was the implementation of Coors' lower interest rate commercial paper program in June 2003, the initial proceeds of which Coors used to pay down approximately \$300 million of higher-rate GBP-denominated term debt. Coors' new debt structure has lower interest costs on outstanding balances.

2002 interest expense increased \$68.9 million versus 2001 due to the significant increase in debt incurred to purchase CBL early that year.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity. Coors' primary sources of liquidity are cash provided by operating activities and external borrowings. As of June 27, 2004, primarily because of the seasonality of its major businesses, Coors had negative working capital of \$47.4 million compared to negative working capital of \$54.9 million at December 28, 2003. Coors had total cash of \$36.2 million at June 27, 2004, compared to \$19.4 million at December 28, 2003, mainly due to cash acquired when its joint ventures were consolidated in the first quarter of 2004. As of December 28, 2002, including cash and short-term borrowings, Coors had negative working capital of \$94.0 million. Coors is able to operate with a negative working capital investment because of relatively short terms on receivables in Coors' Americas segment and Coors' ability to carry low levels of finished goods inventories as a result of the structure of Coors' distribution system. These factors are offset by higher investments in working capital in Europe, primarily with regard to accounts receivable. The increase in Coors' working capital is the net result of changes in Coors' short-term borrowings, accrued expenses and other liabilities, accounts and notes receivable and raw materials. Coors had total cash of \$36.2 million at June 27, 2004, compared to \$19.4 million at December 28, 2003, and \$59.2 million at December 29, 2002. Coors' cash and short-term marketable securities balances increased from year-end 2003 to mid-year 2004 due to cash acquired when its joint ventures were consolidated in the first quarter of 2004. The balances decreased from year-end 2002 to year-end 2003 primarily due to early payments of principal and interest on Coors' long-term debt made late in Coors' fiscal year 2003.

Coors believes that cash flows from operations and cash provided by short-term borrowings, when necessary, will be sufficient to meet its ongoing operating requirements, scheduled principal and interest payments on debt, dividend payments and anticipated capital expenditures. However, Coors' liquidity could be impacted significantly by a decrease in demand for its products, which could arise from competitive circumstances, a decline in the acceptability of alcohol beverages, or any of the other factors described under "Risk Factors" beginning on page 39 of this document and also Coors' annual report on Form 10-K and quarterly reports on Form 10-Q as incorporated by reference into this document.

Coors continues to evaluate opportunities to supplement its operating cash flow through potential monetizations of assets. During the second quarter of 2004, CBL outsourced the ownership, procurement and tracking of its approximately 1.2 million kegs and casks with TrenStar, Inc. As a result, Coors received a cash payment of approximately £28 million (\$50 million at then-current exchange rates). Coors is evaluating other efforts, both in the United States and in the United Kingdom, involving either an outsourcing of services which combines a superior long-run business model for a given activity with an asset monetization, or simply sales of idle assets, such as real estate. Success in accomplishing these types of efforts results in faster reduction of outstanding debt. Coors also has credit facilities that contain financial and operating covenants, and provide for scheduled repayments, that could impact its liquidity on an ongoing basis. During the six months ended June 27, 2004, Coors made debt repayments of approximately \$168 million. During the fiscal year ended December 28, 2003, Coors made debt repayments of approximately \$272.0 million.

Operating activities. Net cash provided by operating activities of \$154.6 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, decreased \$7.0 million from the comparable period last year. The decrease was primarily attributable to higher current taxes paid in 2004 versus the prior year due to the finalization of various tax audits to Coors' favor in 2003.

Net cash provided by operating activities increased \$285.6 million in 2003 compared to 2002. The increase was attributable primarily to cash provided by trade receivables and payables in 2003 the

result of continued emphasis on working capital management by improving receivable collection in the UK and managing the purchasing cycle throughout Coors.

Investing activities. During the thirteen weeks ended June 27, 2004, net cash used in investing activities was \$9.2 million compared to \$98.7 million net cash used in the same period last year. This improvement was attributable to reduced capital spending in 2004 and the sale of the kegging assets in the United Kingdom. Also, Coors presented as an investing activity the inclusion of the opening cash balances of the joint ventures it began consolidating during the first quarter of 2004 as a result of implementing FIN 46.

During the fiscal year ended December 28, 2003, Coors used net cash of \$229.9 million in investing activities, compared to \$1.6 billion used in 2002. The decrease in net cash used is due to the \$1.6 billion payment, net of cash acquired, made to purchase CBL in 2002. However, excluding Coors' 2002 \$1.6 billion payment to acquire CBL, total cash used in investing activities increased approximately \$232.9 million compared to the same period last year, mainly due to the absence of sales and maturities of investments in 2003 versus 2002. A significant amount of investments was sold in 2002 to help fund the acquisition of CBL.

Net cash used in investing activities increased \$1.4 billion from 2001 to 2002. The increase was due to the cash used in the acquisition of CBL. Also, in 2001, Coors made a payment of \$65.0 million for Coors' 49.9% interest in Molson USA. However, excluding these payments, total cash provided by investing activities increased approximately \$134.7 million year-over-year mostly due to a substantial decrease in purchases of securities. As a result of Coors' debt burden associated with the CBL acquisition, Coors did not purchase any marketable securities in 2002 compared to purchases of \$228.2 million during 2001.

Financing activities. Net cash used in financing activities was \$130.3 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, compared to \$109.4 million net cash used for the same period last year. The change is mainly the result of increased repayments of debt in 2004, offset by increased stock option exercises in the first half of 2004. Coors has also included a new item, "Dividends paid to minority interest holders", in the financing activities section of its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows. This item represents distributions from Coors' joint ventures consolidated as a result of FIN 46 to the minority interest holders in those joint ventures. There is no net impact to cash flows as a result of the adoption of FIN 46. However, from a year-over-year comparison standpoint, cash flows from operating activities have been increased and cash flows from financing activities have been decreased as a result of classifying dividends paid to minority interest holders in financing activities.

Net cash used in financing activities was \$357.4 million in 2003, representing a \$1.6 billion decrease from cash provided by financing activities in 2002. This decrease is primarily attributable to the \$2.4 billion proceeds from issuance of debt in 2002, partially offset by larger payments on debt and capital lease obligations in 2002. Debt-related activity in 2003 reflected net payments of long- and short-term debt totaling \$297.1 million, whereas in 2002 debt-related activity reflected a net increase in long- and short-term debt of \$1.3 billion, due primarily to borrowings related to Coors' acquisition of CBL. Repayments of long-term debt during 2003 totaled \$272.0 million; the remaining change in financing activities relates to temporary changes in short-term borrowings.

In 2002, net cash provided by financing activities increased \$1.3 billion from the previous year as a result of debt proceeds and payments associated with Coors' acquisition of CBL. Excluding these items, change in financing activities was driven by changes in overdraft balances and the absence of treasury stock purchases in 2002 versus purchases of \$72.3 million in 2001.

Effective Tax Rate Volatility

Coors does not provide deferred taxes on all outside basis differences in its acquired UK subsidiaries stock in accordance with SFAS 109 paragraph 31(a). Outside basis differences arise from differences in the U.S. GAAP accounting ("Book") and U.S. tax accounting ("Tax") for investments in foreign subsidiaries. Some examples of significant Book/Tax differences at Coors' acquired UK subsidiaries include pension expense, goodwill amortization, depreciation and gain or loss on sale of assets. Fluctuations in these Book/Tax differences cause Coors' tax rate to be volatile. For example, a UK asset sale in which the Tax gain is \$10 million more than the Book gain would cause Coors' full year tax rate for 2004 to increase by 1.3%, assuming earnings before interest and taxes ("EBIT") and UK taxes remain unchanged. The impact on the quarterly tax rate from a sale would be significantly greater in the quarter in which it occurred.

Other factors that can significantly impact Coors' tax rate include permanent reinvestment of earnings, changes in the levels of foreign deferred taxes, unutilized foreign tax credits, and a lack of tax benefits for losses at foreign subsidiaries. In computing Coors' tax rate, it uses its best estimate of annual EBIT, but does not include an estimate of future discrete events that may or may not occur during the year.

Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments

Contractual cash obligations as of June 27, 2004:

Payments Due by Period

	Total	Less Than 1 year		1-3 years		4-5 years		After 5 years	
			(In thousands) (Unaudited)						
Long term debt, including current									
maturities(1)	\$ 1,142,139		210,515	\$	52,212	\$	8,404	\$	871,008
Retirement plan expenditures(2)	191,554		97,800		19,874		21,167		52,713
Operating leases	116,718		25,136		58,141		30,856		2,585
Capital leases(3)	8,426		2,396		6,030				
Other long-term obligations(4)	3,207,694		450,367		1,363,402		716,161		677,764
Total obligations	\$ 4,666,531	\$	786,214	\$	1,499,659	\$	776,588	\$	1,604,070

- Coors had several significant changes to its debt obligations in the second quarter of 2004: (a) Due to the implementation of FIN46, Coors consolidated the RMMC accounts, including approximately \$45 million of notes payable. The debt proceeds have been used by RMMC to finance capital improvements. RMMC's debt is secured by its various supply and access agreements with no recourse to Coors Brewing Company or to Ball, (b) at December 28, 2003, Coors had \$86.0 million outstanding in an unsecured senior credit facility consisting of a U.S. dollar-denominated amortizing term loan. Coors paid the outstanding balance off in full during the first quarter of 2004, and (c) in June 2003, Coors issued approximately \$300 million in commercial paper. At June 27, 2004, Coors had \$206 million outstanding. All of Coors commercial paper is classified as short-term, as its intent is to repay that portion in the next 12 months.
- (2)
 Represents expected contributions under Coors' defined benefit pension plans in the 12 months following June 27, 2004, and its benefits payments under retiree medical plans for all periods presented.
- Includes a UK sale-leaseback included in a global information services agreement signed with Electronic Data Systems ("EDS") late in 2003, effective January 2004, and totaling \$7.9 million at June 27, 2004. The EDS contract includes services to Coors' Americas and Europe operations and its corporate offices and, unless extended, will expire in 2010.

(4)

Approximately \$1.6 billion of the total other long-term obligations relate to long-term supply contracts with third parties to purchase raw material and energy used in production, including Coors' contract with Graphic Packaging Corporation, a related party, dated March 25, 2003. Commitments for aluminum cans and glass bottles to be purchased from RMMC and RMBC have been excluded from this table since those entities are consolidated as a result of the adoption of FIN46. Approximately \$1.1 billion relates to commitments associated with Tradeteam in the United Kingdom. The remaining amounts relate to sales and marketing, information technology services, open purchase orders and other commitments.

Advertising and Promotions. As of June 27, 2004, Coors' aggregate commitments for advertising and promotions, including marketing at sports arenas, stadiums and other venues and events, totaled approximately \$165.8 million over the next five years.

Capital Expenditures. In 2003, Coors spent approximately \$240 million on capital improvement projects worldwide. Of this, approximately 62% was in support of the Europe business and the remainder was for the Americas. Coors currently plans capital expenditures in the same range, or slightly lower, for 2004.

Pension Plans. Although pension investment returns were strong in 2003, the impact of the three previous years' returns and a continued decline in interest rates resulted in a slightly lower consolidated funded position at year-end 2003 compared to year-end 2002. At year-end 2003, the accumulated pension benefit obligations exceeded the fair value of the plan assets on a consolidated U.S. dollar basis by approximately \$411 million, compared to \$394 million at the end of 2002. Accordingly, Coors has taken a charge to equity of \$15.0 million, net of tax (See Note 12 to Coors historical annual financial statements attached as Annex R to this document). At year-end 2003, the projected benefit obligations were \$2,624.9 million and the accumulated benefit obligations were \$2,412.5 million.

The amounts reflected in Coors historical annual financial statements attached as Annex R to this document for accrued pension liability, accumulated other comprehensive loss, prepaid benefit cost and intangible asset in 2003 are \$452.3 million, \$385.6 million (\$236.0 million, net of tax), \$41.5 million and \$40.8 million, respectively. In 2003, an additional minimum pension liability of \$9.7 million was recorded and is included in the accrued pension liability amount. It is Coors' practice to fund amounts for pensions at least sufficient to meet the minimum requirements set forth in applicable employee benefits laws and local tax laws. For further information regarding pension plan assets, refer to Note 7, "Employee Retirement Plans," and Note 13, "Other Comprehensive Income," in Coors historical annual financial statements attached as Annex R to this document.

In 2003, Coors' actuarially assumed long-term rates of return on plan asset investments were 9% for the U.S. Retirement Plan and 7.5% for the UK Plan. In selecting those assumptions, Coors considered investment returns by asset class as represented by Coors' independent pension investment consultants, and applied the relevant asset allocation percentages. The discount rates of 6.25% and 5.63% were based on prevailing yields of high-quality corporate fixed income investments in the United States and the United Kingdom, respectively.

In 2003, consolidated pension expense was \$38.7 million, which represented approximately 1% of consolidated cost of goods sold and other operating expenses. Pension contributions on a consolidated basis were \$51.0 million during 2003. On a consolidated basis Coors anticipates making voluntary pension contributions of approximately \$69 million in 2004.

On a consolidated basis, Coors had unrecognized net actuarial losses of \$598.0 million and \$547.0 million at December 28, 2003 and December 29, 2002, respectively. Actuarial losses are primarily comprised of cumulative investment returns that are lower than actuarially assumed investment returns and liability losses due to increased pension liabilities and falling interest rates. Pension expense includes amortization of these actuarial losses after they exceed certain thresholds. As

a result of losses in excess of the thresholds, Coors recorded actuarial loss amortization of \$9.1 million in 2003 and \$1.0 million in 2002. It is expected that actuarial loss amortization in 2004 will increase to approximately \$14 million. Coors anticipates consolidated pension expense will increase from the \$38.7 million in 2003 to approximately \$49 million in 2004. The expected increase in consolidated pension cost is primarily due to the combined impacts of higher actuarial loss amortization and foreign exchange.

Debt Structure. As of June 27, 2004, Coors' total borrowings were composed of the following (In thousands):

As of								
Ju	ne 27, 2004	De	ecember 28, 2003	December 29, 2002				
(U	Jnaudited)							
\$		\$	21,309	\$	101,654			
\$	20,000	\$	20,000	\$	20,000			
	850,766		854,043		855,289			
			86,000		168,000			
					365,689			
	206,313		249,645					
	65,058		20,006		16,809			
	1,142,137		1,229,694		1,425,787			
	(210,515)		(69,856)		(42,395)			
\$	931,622	\$	1,159,838	\$	1,383,392			
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In June 2003, Coors issued approximately \$300 million of commercial paper. At June 27, 2004 and December 28, 2003, Coors had \$206 million and \$250 million outstanding, respectively. At December 28, 2003 \$200 million of Coors' commercial paper balance was classified as long-term, reflecting Coors' intent to keep this amount outstanding for longer than 360 days and Coors' ability to refinance these borrowings on a long-term basis through Coors' revolving line of credit. The remaining \$50 million was classified as short term, as Coors' intent was to repay that portion in the next 12 months.

All of Coors' commercial paper balance was classified as current at June 27, 2004, as its intent is to repay the entire balance in the next 12 months.

In May 2003, Coors increased its unsecured committed credit arrangement from \$300 million to \$500 million in order to support Coors' commercial paper program. As of June 29, 2004 and December 28, 2003, \$206 and \$250 million, respectively, of the total \$500 million line of credit was being used as a backstop for Coors' commercial paper program while the remainder was available for general corporate purposes.

Concurrent with Coors' issuance of commercial paper, Coors made a payment against the then-outstanding principal and interest on Coors' GBP-denominated amortizing term loan of approximately 181.1 million GBP (\$300.3 million at then-prevailing foreign currency exchange rates) using proceeds from Coors' issuance of commercial paper. Coors repaid the balance of Coors' GBP term loan in the third quarter of 2003 using cash generated from operations. Coors also repaid \$55 million of Coors' U.S. dollar (USD)-denominated term loan in the fourth quarter of 2003. In conjunction with these payments, Coors accelerated its amortization of loan fees, resulting in a charge of \$3.7 million to interest expense during the year. Coors paid the

outstanding balance off in full in the first quarter of 2004. In connection with these repayments, Coors accelerated the amortization of fees associated with the loan, resulting in a \$0.4 million charge to interest expense during the first quarter of 2004.

- At June 27, 2004, Coors Brewing Company has two USD-denominated uncommitted lines of credit totaling \$50.0 million in aggregate. The lines of credit are with two different lenders. Coors had \$7.0 million outstanding under these lines of credit as of December 28, 2003. CBL has two 10 million GBP uncommitted lines of credit and a 10 million GBP overdraft facility. The lines of credit had balances totaling \$11.9 million at December 28, 2003. In addition, Coors has two uncommitted lines of credit totaling 900 million Japanese yen or approximately \$8.4 million at June 27, 2004. At December 28, 2003, interest rates were below 1% and balances outstanding totaled \$2.4 million. At June 27, 2004, Coors had no borrowings outstanding under any of its uncommitted lines of credit.
- Coors' other notes payable consist of a CBL note payable totaling approximately \$20 million and denominated in Euros that existed at the time of the CBL acquisition; and a note payable totaling approximately \$45 million issued by Coors' RMMC joint venture (See Note 2 to Coors historical annual financial statements attached as Annex R to this document). The CBL note bears interest at 5.39% and matures in October 2005. The RMMC note bears interest at 7.20% and matures in December 2013.

The aggregate principal debt maturities of long-term debt for the next five fiscal years are as follows:

	Amount
	(In thousands)
2004	\$ 69,856
2005	24,951
2006	80,133
2007	199,338
2008	
Thereafter	855,416
Total	\$ 1,229,694

Coors incurred significant debt in 2002 to finance the purchase of CBL. Since the acquisition, Coors has used cash from operating activities and from asset monetizations, net of capital expenditures and other cash used in investing activities, to make payments on Coors' debt obligations.

Some of Coors' debt instruments require it to meet covenant restrictions, including financial tests and other limitations. As of June 27, 2004, Coors was in compliance with all of these covenants.

Critical Accounting Estimates

Management's discussion and analysis of Coors' financial condition and results of operations are based upon Coors' consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or GAAP. Coors reviews its accounting policies on an on-going basis. The preparation of Coors' consolidated financial statements requires Coors to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Coors bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions Coors believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. By their nature, estimates are subject to an inherent degree of uncertainty. Actual results may differ materially from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

Coors has identified the accounting estimates below as critical to Coors' financial condition and results of operations:

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts. In the Americas segment, Coors' allowance for doubtful accounts and credit risk is insignificant as the majority of the Americas accounts receivable balance is generated from sales to independent distributors with whom Coors has a predetermined collection date arranged through electronic funds transfer. Also, in the Americas, Coors secures substantially all of its credit risk with purchase money security interests in inventory and proceeds, personal guarantees and other letters of credit.

Because the majority of CBL sales are directly to retail customers and, because of the industry practice of making trade loans to customers, Coors' ability to manage credit risk in this business is critical. At CBL, Coors provides allowances for trade receivables and trade loans associated with the ability to collect outstanding receivables from Coors' customers. Generally, provisions are recorded to cover the full exposure to a specific customer (the total amount of all trade accounts and loans from a specific customer less the amount of security and insurance coverage) at the point the account is considered uncollectible. Coors records the provision as a bad debt in general and administrative expenses. Provisions are reversed upon recoverability of the account or relieved at the point an account is written off.

Coors is not able to predict changes in financial condition of Coors' customers and, if circumstances related to Coors' customers deteriorate, Coors' estimates of the recoverability of Coors' trade receivables could be materially affected, and Coors may be required to record additional allowances.

Pension and Postretirement Benefits. Coors has defined benefit plans that cover the majority of Coors' employees. As a result of the acquisition of CBL, Coors has assumed responsibility for a portion of the assets and liabilities of what was the Bass Brewers Pension Plan, renamed the Coors Brewers Pension Plan. Coors Brewing Company also has postretirement welfare plans that provide medical benefits for retirees and eligible dependents and life insurance for certain retirees. The accounting for these plans is subject to the guidance provided in Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 87, "Employers Accounting for Pensions" (SFAS No. 87) and Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other than Pensions" (SFAS No. 106). Both of these statements require that management make assumptions relating to the long-term rate of return on plan assets, discount rates used to measure future obligations and expenses, salary increases, inflation, health care cost trend rates and other assumptions. Coors believes that the accounting estimates related to Coors' pension and postretirement plans is a critical accounting estimate because it is highly susceptible to change from period to period based on market conditions.

Coors performed an analysis of high yield bonds at the end of 2003 to support the discount rates used in determining Coors' pension liabilities in the United States and in the United Kingdom for the year ended December 28, 2003. Discount rates and expected rates of return on plan assets are selected

at the end of a given fiscal year and impact actual expense in the subsequent year. A fifty basis point change in certain assumptions would have the following effects:

> Impact to 2003 Pension Costs-50 basis nointe

		points	,	
Description of Pension Sensitivity Item		deduction afavorable)	Increase (Favorable)	
	(In thousands)			
Expected return on U.S. plan assets, 9.0% in 2003	\$	(2,692)	\$	2,692
Expected return on UK plan assets, 7.5% in 2003	\$	(6,640)		6,640
Discount rate on U.S. projected benefit obligation, 6.75% in				
2003	\$	(3,629)	\$	3,629
Discount rate on UK projected benefit obligation, 5.7% in 2003	\$	(10,532)	\$	2,895

Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the retiree health care plan. A one-percentage-point change in assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effects:

	One-Percentage- point decrease		e-percentage- int increase	
	(In thousands)			
Effect on total of service and interest cost components	\$ (309)	\$	327	
Effect on postretirement benefit obligation	\$ (3,143)	\$	3,305	

Both U.S. and UK plan assets consist primarily of equity securities with smaller holdings of bonds and real estate. Equity assets are well diversified between U.S. and other international investments, with additional diversification in the domestic category through allocations to large-cap, small-cap, and growth and value investments. Relative allocations reflect the demographics of the respective plan participants. For example, Coors' UK participants are more heavily weighted toward pensioners than Coors' U.S. participants. Therefore, Coors has elected a smaller equity percentage in Coors' UK plan. The following compares target asset allocation percentages as of February 27, 2004 with actual asset allocations at December 28, 2003:

	U.S. Plan	U.S. Plan Assets		Assets
	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
Equities	80%	82%	65%	59%
Fixed Income	11%	10%	28%	34%
Real Estate	9%	8%	7%	6%
Other				1%

Contingencies, Environmental and Litigation Reserves. Coors estimates the range of liability related to environmental matters or other legal actions where the amount and range of loss can be estimated. Coors records its best estimate of a loss when the loss is considered probable. As additional information becomes available, Coors assesses the potential liability related to its pending matter and revise Coors' estimates. Costs that extend the life, increase the capacity or improve the safety or efficiency of company-owned assets or are incurred to mitigate or prevent future environmental contamination may be capitalized. Other environmental costs are expensed when incurred. Coors also expenses legal costs as incurred. The most significant estimates that could impact Coors' financial statements relate to the Lowry Superfund site as discussed in the historical financial statements included as Annex R to this document.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Asset Valuation. Coors adopted the provisions of Statements of Financial Standards No. 141, "Business Combinations" (SFAS No. 141) on July 1, 2001, and No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" (SFAS No. 142) on December 31, 2001. Coors evaluates the carrying value of Coors' goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets annually, and Coors evaluates its other intangible assets when there is evidence that certain events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of these assets may not be recoverable. Significant judgments and assumptions are required in the evaluation of intangible assets for impairment, most significantly the estimated future cash flows to be generated by these assets and the rate used to discount those cash flows. For brewing business goodwill and intangibles, Coors used a rate of 7.6% to discount its cash flows during Coors' annual valuation in 2003, which is a rate Coors believes to be representative of the weighted average cost of capital for similar assets in 2003. Coors used a rate of 11% for its distribution rights associated with Coors' distribution subsidiary, and 8% in the valuation of its investment in Molson USA. Changes in these estimates could have a material adverse effect on the assessment of Coors' goodwill and other intangible assets, thereby requiring Coors to write down the assets. As an example, Coors' valuation model for the goodwill associated with Coors' Molson USA joint venture assumes certain volume growth and pricing assumptions and only small changes in those assumptions could result in significant impairment charges.

Derivatives. Coors uses derivatives in the normal course of business to manage Coors' exposure to fluctuations in production and packaging material prices, interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates. By policy, Coors does not enter into these contracts for trading purposes or for the purpose of speculation. All derivatives held by Coors are designated as hedges with the expectation that they will be highly effective in offsetting underlying exposures. Coors accounts for Coors' derivatives its consolidated balance sheet as assets or liabilities at fair value in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" (SFAS No. 133), which Coors early adopted on December 28, 1998. This accounting is complex, as evidenced by significant interpretations of the primary accounting standard, which continues to evolve, as well as the significant judgments and estimates involved in the estimation of fair value in the absence of quoted market values. These estimates are based upon valuation methodologies deemed appropriate in the circumstances; however, the use of different assumptions could have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts.

Income Taxes. Coors accounts for income taxes in accordance with SFAS No. 109, Accounting for Income Taxes. Judgment is required in determining Coors' worldwide provision for income taxes. In the ordinary course of Coors' global business, there are many transactions for which the ultimate tax outcome is uncertain. Additionally, Coors' income tax provision is based on calculations and assumptions that are subject to examination by many different tax authorities. Coors adjusts its income tax provision in the period it is probable that actual results will differ from Coors' estimates. Tax law and rate changes are reflected in the income tax provision in the period in which the changes are enacted.

Coors records a net deferred tax asset or tax liability based on the un-remitted earnings of Coors' UK subsidiary that are not permanently reinvested in accordance with APB 23. In conjunction with this calculation, Coors estimates associated earnings and profit adjustments, potential foreign tax credits and cumulative translation adjustments relating to the foreign exchange rates.

Coors does not provide deferred taxes on certain outside basis differences in CBL. This outside basis difference is permanent in duration under SFAS 109 because Coors does not intend to take any action that would result in recognizing the gain inherent in certain book-over-tax basis differences. As a result, differences between book and tax treatment of income statement items in Coors' UK business are treated as permanent. This treatment increases the volatility in Coors' effective tax rate.

Coors records a valuation allowance to reduce Coors' deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. While Coors considers future taxable income and ongoing prudent and feasible tax planning strategies in assessing the need for the valuation allowance, in the event Coors were to determine that it would be able to realize its deferred tax assets in the future in excess of its net recorded amount, an adjustment to the deferred tax asset would increase income in the period the determination was made. Likewise, should Coors determine that it would not be able to realize all or part of Coors' net deferred tax asset in the future, an adjustment to the deferred tax asset would be charged to income in the period the determination was made. Reductions to the valuation allowance related to the acquisition of CBL that relate to deferred taxes arising from that acquisition would reduce goodwill, unless the reduction was caused by a change in law, in which case the adjustment would impact earnings.

New Accounting Pronouncements

Variable Interest Entities

The FASB finalized FASB Interpretation No. 46, Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities An Interpretation of ARB51 (FIN 46) in December 2003, making the new guidance applicable to Coors in the first quarter of 2004. FIN 46 expands the scope of ARB51 and can require consolidation of legal structures, called "variable interest entities (VIEs)." Once an entity is determined to be a VIE, the party with the controlling financial interest, the primary beneficiary, is required to consolidate it. Coors has investments in VIEs, of which Coors is the primary beneficiary. Accordingly, Coors has consolidated three joint ventures in its 2004 results, effective December 29, 2003, and financial position as of June 27, 2004. These include Rocky Mountain Metal Container (RMMC), Rocky Mountain Bottle Company (RMBC) and Grolsch UK Limited (Grolsch). The impacts to Coors' balance sheet as of June 27, 2004 included the addition of net fixed assets of RMMC and RMBC totaling approximately \$69 million, and RMMC debt of approximately \$45 million. The most significant impact to Coors' cash flow statement for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, was to increase depreciation expense by approximately \$5.8 million. The impact to Coors' income statement was to reduce Americas segment cost of goods sold, reclassify Europe segment costs out of cost of goods sold into marketing, general and administrative expense and to increase corporate interest expense in the quarter. Coors' partners' share of the operating results of the ventures is eliminated in the minority interest in net income of consolidated joint ventures line of the accompanying statement of income. Results of operations and financial position from prior periods were not restated as a result of the adoption of FIN 46.

Rocky Mountain Bottle Company. RMBC is a joint venture with Owens-Brockway Glass Container, Inc. (Owens) in which Coors holds a 50% interest. RMBC produces glass bottles at Coors' glass manufacturing facility for use at Coors' Golden brewery. Under this agreement, RMBC supplies Coors' bottle requirements, and Owens has a contract to supply the majority of Coors' bottle requirements not met by RMBC. In 2003, Coors' share of pre-tax joint venture profits for this venture, totaling \$3.6 million and \$6.3 million in the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 29, 2003, respectively, was included in cost of goods sold in Coors' Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. RMBC is a non-taxable entity. Accordingly, income tax expense on the accompanying statements of income only includes taxes related to Coors' share of the joint venture income.

Rocky Mountain Metal Container. RMMC, a Colorado limited liability company, is a joint venture with Ball Corporation (Ball) in which Coors holds a 50% interest. Coors has a can and end supply agreement with RMMC. Under this agreement, RMMC supplies Coors with substantially all of the can and end requirements for Coors' Golden brewery. RMMC manufactures these cans and ends at Coors' manufacturing facilities, which RMMC is operating under a use and license agreement. In 2003, Coors' share of pre-tax joint venture profits, totaling \$0.40 million and \$0.04 million in the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 29, 2003, respectively, was included in cost of goods sold in Coors' Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. RMMC is a non-taxable entity. Accordingly, income

tax expense on the accompanying statements of income only includes taxes related to Coors' share of the joint venture income. Upon consolidation of RMMC, debt of approximately \$45 million was added to Coors' balance sheet. As of June 27, 2004, this debt was non-recourse to Coors.

Grolsch. Grolsch is a joint venture between CBL and Royal Grolsch NV in which Coors holds a 49% interest. The Grolsch joint venture markets Grolsch® branded beer in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland. The majority of the Grolsch branded beer is produced by CBL under a contract brewing arrangement with the joint venture. CBL and Grolsch NV sell beer to the joint venture, which sells the beer back to CBL (for onward sale to customers) for a price equal to what it paid, plus a marketing and overhead charge and a profit margin. In 2003, Coors' share of after-tax profits for this venture, totaling \$1.0 million and \$1.6 million in the thirteen and twenty-six weeks ended June 29, 2003, respectively, was included in cost of goods sold in Coors' Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. Grolsch is a taxable entity in the United Kingdom. Accordingly, income tax expense on Coors' historical annual financial statements attached to this document as Annex R include taxes related to the entire income of the venture. Upon consolidation, net fixed assets of approximately \$4 million and net intangibles of approximately \$21 million were added to Coors' balance sheet.

Equity Investments

Molson USA, LLC. In January 2001, Coors entered into a joint venture partnership agreement with Molson Inc. (Molson), and paid \$65.0 million for a 49.9% interest in the joint venture. The joint venture, Molson USA, LLC, was formed to import, market, sell and distribute Molson's brands of beer in the United States. Coors accounts for this joint venture by using the equity method of accounting. Coors recognizes its share of the joint venture results in the other income (expense), net, line in its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, given the immateriality of its results. Coors believes its maximum exposure to loss over the required ownership period to be \$41 million. Coors has determined that, while Molson USA is a variable interest entity as defined by FIN 46, it is not the primary beneficiary of the entity.

Tradeteam. Tradeteam was formed in 1995 by CBL (then Bass Brewers Limited) and Exel Logistics. CBL has a 49.9% interest in this joint venture. The joint venture operates a system of satellite warehouses and a transportation fleet for deliveries between CBL breweries and customers. Tradeteam also delivers products for other UK brewers. Coors' share of pre-tax joint venture results has been included in the other income (expense), net, line of Coors' Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income given the immateriality of its results. Coors does not believe there is a significant exposure to loss in its current relationship over Coors' expected ownership period. Coors has determined that Tradeteam is not a variable interest entity as defined in FIN 46.

Majority-Owned, Non-Consolidated Equity Investment

Coors formed a partnership, Coors Canada, with Molson to market and sell Coors' products in Canada beginning in 1998. Coors and Molson have a 50.1% and 49.9% interest, respectively, in Coors Canada. Under the partnership agreement, Coors Canada is responsible for marketing Coors' products in Canada, while the partnership contracts with Molson for brewing, distribution and sales of these brands. In December 2000, the partnership and licensing agreements between Molson and Coors were extended for an indefinite period. Coors Canada receives an amount from Molson generally equal to net sales revenue generated from Coors' brands less production, distribution, sales and overhead costs related to these sales. Coors' share of pre-tax income from this partnership is included in net sales in its Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income. Coors does not believe that there is a significant exposure to loss in its current relationship over the expected ownership period. Although Coors believes Coors Canada is a variable interest entity, Coors has determined that it is not the primary beneficiary of the entity.

FASB Statement No. 132 Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits (Revised 2003)

This standard revision was effective on January 1, 2004 and is reflected in Coors' financial statements included elsewhere in this document. While the standard does not change the accounting and measurement for pensions and other postretirement benefits, it does add new disclosures for the footnotes to the financial statements, including comparative information for prior periods presented. The disclosures are applicable to both pension and other postretirement plans. Key additional disclosures include:

Plan assets by category.

A narrative description of investment policies and strategies, including target allocation percentages.

A narrative description of the basis used to determine the overall expected long-term rate-of-return on assets.

Benefits expected to be paid in each of the next five years and the total for the five years thereafter.

The employer's best estimate of the contributions expected to be made during the next fiscal year.

Interim disclosures (in Form 10-Q) of net periodic benefit expense and significant revisions to employer contributions paid or expected to be paid.

SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 104 (SAB 104), Revenue Recognition

SAB 104 was released in December 2003. SAB 104 updates interpretative guidance in the codification of staff accounting bulletins to provide consistent accounting guidance on revenue recognition. Coors adopted SAB 104 in December 2003 with no impact to Coors' financial statements or Coors' financial reporting.

Related Party Transactions

Transactions with Management and Others. From time-to-time, Coors employs members of the Coors family, which collectively owns 100% of the Coors' Class A common stock. Hiring and placement decisions are made based upon merit, and compensation packages offered are commensurate with policies in place for all employees of the company.

Certain Business Relationships. Coors purchases a large portion of Coors' paperboard packaging requirements from GPC, a related party. Various Coors family trusts collectively own all of Coors' Class A common stock, approximately 30% of Coors' Class B common stock, and approximately 30% of GPC's common stock.

Coors' purchases under the GPC packaging agreement in 2003 totaled \$106.4 million. Related accounts payable balances included in Affiliates Accounts Payable on the Consolidated Balance Sheets were \$5.0 million and \$0.8 million at December 28, 2003 and December 29, 2002, respectively.

Coors is also a limited partner in a real estate development partnership in which a subsidiary of GPC is the general partner. The partnership owns, develops, operates and sells certain real estate previously owned directly by Coors. Coors received no distributions from this partnership in 2003.

Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

In the normal course of business, Coors is exposed to fluctuations in interest rates, foreign currencies and the prices of production and packaging materials. Coors has established policies and procedures to govern the strategic management of these exposures through a variety of financial instruments. By policy, Coors does not enter into any contracts for the purpose of trading or speculation.

Coors' objective in managing its exposure to fluctuations in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates and production and packaging materials prices is to decrease the volatility of its earnings and cash flows affected by potential changes in underlying rates and prices. To achieve this objective, Coors enters into foreign currency forward contracts, commodity swaps, interest rate swaps and cross currency swaps, the values of which change in the opposite direction of the anticipated cash flows. Coors' primary foreign currency exposures are British pound sterling (GBP), Canadian dollar (CAD) and Japanese yen (YEN).

Derivatives are either exchange-traded instruments, or over-the-counter agreements entered into with highly rated financial institutions. No losses on over-the-counter agreements due to counterparty credit issues are anticipated. All over-the-counter agreements are entered into with counterparties rated no lower than A (S&P) or A2 (Moody's). In some instances, Coors and its counterparties have reciprocal collateralization agreements regarding fair value positions in excess of specified thresholds. These agreements call for the posting of collateral in the form of cash, treasury securities or letters of credit if a fair value loss position to Coors' counterparties or Coors exceeds a certain amount. At June 27, 2004, no collateral was posted by Coors' counterparties or Coors.

At June 27, 2004, Coors was a party to certain cross currency swaps totaling 530 million GBP (approximately \$774 million at original prevailing foreign currency exchange rates). The swaps included an initial exchange of principal on May 7, 2002, and will require final principal exchange 10 years later. The swaps also call for an exchange of fixed GBP interest payments for fixed U.S. dollar interest receipts. At the initial principal exchange, Coors paid U.S. dollars to a counterparty and received GBP. Upon final exchange, Coors will provide GBP to the counterparty and receive U.S. dollars. The cross currency swaps have been designated as cash flow hedges of the changes in value of the future GBP interest and principal receipts that results from changes in the U.S. dollar to GBP exchange rates on an intercompany loan between two of Coors' subsidiaries.

At June 27, 2004, Coors was a party to an interest rate swap agreement related to Coors' 63/8% fixed rate debt. The interest rate swap converted \$76.2 million notional amount from fixed rates to floating rates and matures in 2012. Coors will receive fixed U.S. dollar interest payments semi-annually at a rate of 63/8% per annum and pay a rate to its counterparty based on a credit spread of 0.789% plus the three-month LIBOR rate, thereby exchanging a fixed interest obligation for a floating rate obligation. There was no exchange of principal at the inception of the swap. Coors designated the interest rate swap as a fair value hedge of the changes in the fair value of \$76.2 million fixed-rate debt attributable to changes in the LIBOR swap rates. On July 1, 2004, Coors entered into another interest rate swap agreement related to its 63/8% senior notes due 2012. Coors designated the interest rate swap as a fair value hedge of the changes in the fair value of \$125 million of its 63/8% senior notes due 2012 attributable to changes in the LIBOR swap rates.

Coors monitors foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and related derivatives using two techniques: sensitivity analysis and Value-at-Risk. Coors' market-sensitive derivative and other financial instruments, as defined by the SEC, are foreign currency forward contracts, commodity swaps, interest rate swaps, and cross currency swaps.

Coors uses value-at-risk to monitor the foreign exchange and interest rate risk of its cross-currency swaps. The value-at-risk provides an estimate of the level of a one-day loss that may be equaled or

exceeded due to changes in the fair value of these foreign exchange rate and interest rate-sensitive financial instruments. The type of value-at-risk model used to estimate the maximum potential one-day loss in the fair value is a variance/covariance method. The value-at-risk model assumes normal market conditions and a 95% confidence level. There are various modeling techniques that can be used to compute value at risk. The computations used to derive Coors' values take into account various correlations between currency rates and interest rates. The correlations have been determined by observing foreign exchange currency market changes and interest rate changes over the most recent one-year period. Coors has excluded anticipated transactions, firm commitments, cash balances, and accounts receivable and payable denominated in foreign currencies from the value-at-risk calculation, some of which these instruments are intended to hedge.

The value-at-risk calculation is a statistical measure of risk exposure based on probabilities and is not intended to represent actual losses in fair value that Coors may incur. The calculated value-at-risk result does not represent the full extent of the possible loss that may occur. It attempts to represent the most likely measure of potential loss that may be experienced 95 times out of 100 due to adverse market events that may occur. Actual future gains and losses will differ from those estimated by value-at-risk because of changes or differences in market rates and interrelationships, hedging instruments, hedge percentages, timing and other factors.

The estimated maximum one-day loss in fair value on Coors' cross-currency swaps, derived using the value-at-risk model, was \$5.4 million and \$5.9 million at June 27, 2004, and December 28, 2003, respectively. This hypothetical loss in fair value is a combination of the foreign exchange and interest rate components of the cross currency swap. Value changes due to the foreign exchange component would be offset completely by increases in the value of Coors' inter-company loan, the underlying transaction being hedged. The hypothetical loss in fair value attributable to the interest rate component would be deferred until termination or maturity.

Details of Coors' other market-sensitive derivative and other financial instruments, including their fair values, are included in the table below. These instruments include foreign currencies, commodity swaps, interest rate swaps and cross-currency swaps.

	p	Notional principal amounts		Fair Value Positive Negative)	Maturity
			(In	thousands)	_
June 27, 2004 (Unaudited)					
Foreign currency management					
Forwards	\$	37,164	\$	316	4/04-12/05
Cross currency swap		773,800		(170,887)	5/12
Commodity pricing management					
Swaps		77,463		13,321	8/04-2/06
Interest rate pricing management					
Interest rate swap		76,200		3,456	5/12
				_	
Total			\$	(153,794)	
December 28, 2003					
Foreign currency management					
Forwards	\$	44,048	\$	(1,382)	1/04-12/05
Cross currency swap		773,800		(138,684)	5/12
Commodity pricing management					
Swaps		92,468		9,638	2/04-2/06
Interest rate pricing management					
Interest rate swap		76,200		6,904	5/12
Total			\$	(123,524)	

Maturities of derivative financial instruments held on June 27, 2004, are as follows (in thousands):

2004		2005	2006 and thereafter	_	Total
\$	5.326	\$ 7.514	\$ (166,634)	\$	(153,794)

A sensitivity analysis has been prepared to estimate Coors' exposure to market risk of interest rates, foreign exchange rates and commodity prices. The sensitivity analysis reflects the impact of a hypothetical 10% adverse change in the applicable market interest rates, foreign exchange rates and commodity prices. The volatility of the applicable rates and prices are dependent on many factors that cannot be forecast with reliable accuracy. Therefore, actual changes in fair values could differ significantly from the results presented in the table below.

The following table presents the results of the sensitivity analysis of Coors' derivative and debt portfolio (In millions):

	_		As o	of	
	_	June 27, 2004		December 28, 2003	
Estimated Fair Value Volatility		(Unaudited)			
Foreign currency risk:					
Forwards, swaps	\$	S	(4.1)	\$	(5.0)
Interest rate risk:					

		As of			
Debt, swaps		\$	(31.9)	\$	(32.4)
Commodity price risk:					
Swaps		\$	(9.1)	\$	(10.2)
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Properties

Coors' major properties are:

Facility	Location	Character
Americas		
Brewery/packing plants	Golden, CO Memphis, TN Tecate, Mexico	Malt beverages/packaged malt beverages
Packaging plant	Elkton, VA (Shenandoah Valley)	Packaged malt beverages
Can and end plant	Golden, CO	Aluminium cans and ends
Bottle plant	Wheat Ridge, CO	Glass bottles
Distributor locations	Meridian, ID Glenwood Springs, CO Denver, CO	Wholesale beer distribution
Nine satellite warehouses	Throughout the United States	Distribution centers
Europe		
Brewery/packaging plants	Burton-on-Trent Staffordshire Tadcaster Brewery, Yorkshire Alton Brewery, Hampshire	Malt and spirit-based beverages/packaged malt beverages
Distribution warehouse	Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire	Distribution Center
Coors believes its facilities are well ma	aintained and suitable for their respective operation	ons. Coors' operating facilities are not constrained
by capacity issues. Coors' satellite warehous		

Legal Proceedings

Coors is involved in certain disputes and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of its business. While it is not feasible to predict or determine the outcome of these proceedings, in Coors' opinion, based on a review with legal counsel, none of these disputes and legal actions is expected to have a material impact on Coors' consolidated financial or other position, results of operations or cash flows. However, litigation is subject to inherent uncertainties, and an adverse result in these matters, including the advertising practices case described below, could arise that may harm Coors' business.

Coors and many other brewers and distilled spirits manufacturers have been sued in several courts regarding advertising practices and underage consumption. The suits have all been brought by the same law firm and allege that each defendant intentionally marketed its products to "children and other underage consumers." In essence, each suit seeks, on behalf of an undefined class of parents and guardians, an injunction and unspecified money damages. Coors will vigorously defend this litigation, and it is not possible at this time to estimate the possible loss or range of loss, if any, in these lawsuits.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table summarizes information about the 1990 Adolph Coors Equity Incentive Plan (the "EI Plan"), the Coors 1995 Supplemental Compensation Plan, and the Equity Compensation Plan

for Non-Employee Directors as of December 28, 2003. All outstanding awards shown in the table below relate to Coors Class B common stock.

Plan Category	A Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights		B Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column A)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders	6,586,779(1)	\$	54.75(1)	2,679,019(1)
Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders	None		None	None

(1)

Coors may issue securities under its equity compensation plan in forms other than options, warrants or rights. Under the EI Plan, Coors may issue Restricted Stock Awards, as that term is defined in the EI Plan.

As of December 28, 2003, there were 26,750 restricted shares outstanding. These include shares with respect to which restrictions on ownership (i.e., vesting periods) will lapse within one to three years from the date of issue.

On May 31, 2003, Coors granted options for a total of 10,000 shares of its non-voting Class B common stock to its five non-employee members of the board of directors, under the Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. These options were issued as a component of the directors' annual compensation. See "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners, Directors and Management". The options were issued at an exercise price of \$54.68 per share, and are exercisable for a period of ten years commencing on the earlier of the one year anniversary of the date of grant or the next annual shareholders meeting following the date of grant, provided that the director is still serving as a Coors director on the date.

Directors and Officers

Coors' directors and executive officers and their ages as of Brewing Company unless otherwise noted: , 2004 are as follows. All officers hold equivalent titles in Coors and Coors

Name	Age	Position
Peter H. Coors	57	Chairman
W. Leo Kiely III	57	Director, President and Chief Executive Officer
Charles M. Herington	44	Director
Franklin W. Hobbs	57	Director
Randall Oliphant	45	Director
Pamela Patsley	47	Director
Wayne Sanders	57	Director
Dr. Albert C. Yates	62	Director
David G. Barnes	42	Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer, Coors U.S., (Coors
		Brewing Company)
Michael J. Gannon	39	Vice President, Treasurer
Peter M.R. Kendall	57	Chief Executive Officer, Coors Brewers Limited
Robert D. Klugman	56	Vice President Worldwide and Chief Strategy Officer, Global
Robert M. Reese	54	Vice President and Chief Legal Officer, Global
Mara Swan	44	Vice President and Chief People Officer, Global
Peter Swinburn	51	President of Coors Brewing Worldwide
Ronald A. Tryggestad	48	Vice President and Controller
Timothy V. Wolf	51	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Coors, Global

Audit Committee

The audit committee of the Coors board of directors is composed of a minimum of three directors who are independent as required by the listings standards of the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE"). For 2003, the audit committee consisted of Pamela H. Patsley, Wayne R. Sanders and Franklin Hobbs. The board of directors determined in 2003 that Ms. Patsley, Mr. Hobbs and Mr. Sanders each are "audit committee financial experts" as defined by the SEC regulations implementing Section 407 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. The board of directors has determined that each are "independent" as defined by current listing standards of the NYSE.

Executive Compensation

Options to Purchase Securities

The following table sets out certain information with respect to options to purchase securities of Coors which are outstanding as of the record date.

Holder of Option	Number of Optionees	Number of Securities Under Option	Purchase Price of Securities Under Option (U.S.\$)	Expiration Date of Option	Market Value of Securities Under Option on Date of Grant	Current Market Value of Securities Under Option (1)
Directors and Executive Officers of						
Coors			\$		\$	\$
Other Employees			\$		\$	\$

⁽¹⁾Based upon the closing price of shares of Coors Class B common stock on the New York Stock Exchange as of the record date.

Executive Officer Compensation

The following table shows, as to the chief executive officer and each of the four other most highly compensated executive officers during 2003, information concerning compensation for services to Coors in all capacities during the past three fiscal years.

Annual Compensation

Long-Term Compensation

					Awards	Payou	ts	
Name & Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Other Annual Comp (\$)	Restricted Stock (\$)	Securities Underlying Options (#)(2)	LTIP Payouts (\$)	All Other Comp. (\$)(3)
W. Leo Kiely III,	2003	800,000	281,250	0	0	150.000	0	129,353
President & CEO of Adolph Coors Company,	2002	755,194	678,085	0	0	120,000	0	136,734
President & CEO of Coors Brewing Company	2001	686,456	407,423	0	0	120,000	0	57,139
Peter H. Coors, Chairman of Adolph Coors Company & Coors Brewing Company Timothy V. Wolf, VP and CFO of Adolph Coors Company, CFO (global) of Coors Brewing Company Peter M. R. Kendall, CEO of Coors Brewers Limited	2003 2002 2001 2003 2002 2001 2003 2002 2001	771,000 760,500 760,500 419,500 395,167 371,000 396,840 374,713 358,280	222,750 546,242 452,272 163,522 236,138 163,899 123,727 218,548 133,647	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 182,000 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	125,000 125,000 125,000 40,000 30,000 20,000 40,000 40,000 25,000	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	58,171 83,173 78,699 27,410 37,755 11,835 230,277 217,915 30,171
Robert M. Reese, VP and Chief Legal Officer of Adolph Coors Company, Chief Legal Officer (global) of Coors Brewing Company	2003 2002 2001	357,700 341,349 0	121,925 160,888 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	20,000 40,000 0	0 0 0	41,056 154,639 0

(1) Amounts awarded under the Coors Brewing Company Incentive Plan.

(2) See discussion under Item 11, Part II, for options issued in 2003.

(3)

The amounts shown in this column are primarily attributable to the officer life insurance other than group life and bonus amounts unrelated to the annual Coors Brewing Company Incentive Plan shown in the Bonus column.

Coors provides term officer life insurance for all the named active executives. The officer's life insurance provides six times the executive base salary until retirement when the benefit terminates. The 2003 annual premium benefit for each executive was: W. Leo Kiely III, \$65,390; Peter H. Coors, \$17,534; Timothy V. Wolf, \$5,993; Peter M. R. Kendall, \$19,091 and Robert M. Reese, \$6,669.

Peter M. R. Kendall received \$371,605 as part of a benefits package Coors gave him due to his international assignment in 2003. Robert M. Reese received a \$100,000 signing bonus upon starting with the company in 2002. These dollar amounts are included in "other compensation" above in those years.

In response to Code Section 162 of the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1993, Coors appointed a special compensation committee of the board to approve and monitor performance criteria in certain performance-based executive compensation plans for 2002.

Stock Option Grants and Exercises

The following tables set forth, for the executive officers named in the Coors summary compensation table, the stock options granted under Coors' stock option plans and the options exercised by those executive officers during fiscal 2003.

Option Grants in Last Fiscal Year

		Individua	Potential Realizable Value at assumed rates of stock price appreciation for option term			
Name	Number of Securities Underlying Options Granted (#)(1)	% of total options granted to employees in fiscal year	Exercise or base price (\$/Share)	Expiration date	5%	10%
W. Leo Kiely III	150,000	7.84%	\$ 49.015	02/13/2013	\$ 4,623,791	\$ 11,717,593
Peter H. Coors	125,000	6.53%	\$ 49.015	02/13/2013	\$ 3,853,159	\$ 9,764,661
Timothy V. Wolf	40,000	2.09%	\$ 49.015	02/13/2013	\$ 1,233,011	\$ 3,124,691
Peter M. R. Kendall	40,000	2.09%	\$ 49.015	02/13/2013	\$ 1,233,011	\$ 3,124,691
Robert M. Reese	20,000	1.04%	\$ 49.015	02/13/2013	\$ 616,505	\$ 1,562,346

(1) Grants vest one-third in each of the three successive years after the date of grant. As of December 30, 2003, no 2003 grants were vested because of the one-year vesting requirement; however, they will vest 33¹/₃% on the one-year anniversary of the grant dates.

Aggregated Option/SAR Exercises in Last Fiscal Year and Fiscal Year End (FY-End) Option/SAR Value

	Individual Grants			rities Underlying tions of FY-End	Value of Unexercisable in-the-money options at FY-End		
Name	Shares Acquired on Exercise (#)	Value Realized(1)	Exercisable	Unexercisable	Exercisable	Unexercisable	
W. Leo Kiely III	15,251	\$ 486,841	397,005	270,000	\$ 2,961,845	\$ 1,073,050	
Peter H. Coors			430,128	250,002	\$ 3,301,420	\$ 896,042	
Timothy V. Wolf			91,664	75,003	\$ 209,280	\$ 286,733	
Peter M. R. Kendall			104,226	66,669	\$ 604,096	\$ 286,000	
Robert M. Reese			13,332	46,668	\$ 23,964	\$ 189,836	

(1) Values stated are the bargain element realized in 2003, which is the difference between the option price and the market price at the time of exercise.

Pension Plan Table

The following table sets forth annual retirement benefits for representative years of service and average annual earnings.

Average Annual Compensation		Years of Service							
	10		20		30		40		
\$125,000	\$	25,000	\$	50,000	\$	75,000	\$	100,000	
150,000		30,000		60,000		90,000		120,000	
175,000		35,000		70,000		105,000		140,000	
200,000(1)		40,000		80,000		120,000		160,000	
225,000(1)		45,000		90,000		135,000		180,000(1)	
250,000(1)		50,000		100,000		150,000		200,000(1)	
275,000(1)		55,000		110,000		165,000(1)	220,000(1)	
300,000(1)		60,000		120,000		180,000(1)	240,000(1)	
325,000(1)		65,000		130,000		195,000(1)	260,000(1)	
350,000(1)		70,000		140,000		210,000(1)	280,000(1)	
375,000(1)		75,000		150,000		225,000(1)	300,000(1)	
400,000(1)		80,000		160,000		240,000(1)	320,000(1)	
425,000(1)		85,000		170,000(1	.)	255,000(1)	340,000(1)	
450,000(1)		90,000		180,000(1	.)	270,000(1)	360,000(1)	
475,000(1)		95,000		190,000(1	.)	285,000(1)	380,000(1)	
500,000(1)		100,000		200,000(1	.)	300,000(1)	400,000(1)	
525,000(1)		105,000		210,000(1)	315,000(1)	420,000(1)	
550,000(1)		110,000		220,000(1	.)	330,000(1)	440,000(1)	
575,000(1)		115,000		230,000(1	.)	345,000(1)	460,000(1)	
600,000(1)		120,000		240,000(1	.)	360,000(1)	480,000(1)	

Maximum permissible benefit under ERISA from the qualified retirement income plan for 2003 was \$160,000. Annual compensation exceeding \$200,000 is not considered in computing the maximum permissible benefit under the qualified plan. Coors has a non-qualified supplemental retirement plan to provide full accrued benefits to all employees in excess of Internal Revenue Service maximums.

Annual compensation covered by the qualified and non-qualified retirement plans and credited years of service for the named executive officers in fiscal year 2003 are as follows: W. Leo Kiely III, \$782,000 and 10 years; Peter H. Coors, \$753,000 and 32 years; Timothy V. Wolf, \$419,500 and 9 years; Peter M. R. Kendall, \$396,840 and 6 years; and Robert M. Reese, \$357,700 and 2 years.

Coors' principal retirement income plan is a defined benefit plan. The amount of contribution for officers is not included in the above table since total plan contributions cannot be readily allocated to individual employees. Covered compensation is defined as the total base salary (average of three highest consecutive years out of the last 10) of employees participating in the plan, including commissions but excluding bonuses and overtime pay. Compensation also includes amounts deferred by the individual under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) and any amounts deferred into a plan under Internal Revenue Code Section 125. Normal retirement age under the plan is 65. An employee with at least 5 years of vesting service may retire as early as age 55. Benefits are reduced for early retirement based on an employee's age and years of service at retirement; however, benefits are not reduced if (1) the employee is at least age 62 when payments commence; or (2) the employee's age plus years of service equal at least 85 and the employee has worked for Coors at least 25 years and has reached the age of 55. The amount of pension actuarially accrued under the pension formula is based on a single life annuity.

In addition to the annual benefit from the qualified retirement plan, Peter H. Coors is covered by a salary continuation agreement. This agreement provides for a lump sum cash payment to the officer upon normal retirement in an amount actuarially equivalent in value to 30% of the officer's last annual base salary, payable for the remainder of the officer's life, but not less than 10 years. The interest rate used in calculating the lump sum is determined using 80% of the annual average yield of the 10-year Treasury constant maturities for the month preceding the month of retirement. Using 2003 eligible salary amounts as representative of the last annual base salary, the estimated lump sum amount for Peter H. Coors would be based upon an annual benefit of \$225,900, paid upon normal retirement.

Executive Compensation Report of the Compensation and Human Resources Committee

The report reproduced below was provided to the Coors board of directors for inclusion in the Coors Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed March 12, 2004. For purposes of this section entitled "Executive Compensation Report of the Compensation and Human Resources Committee" only, the terms "our" and "the Company" refer to Coors and the term "we" refers to the compensation and human resources committee.

The Compensation and Human Resources Committee has the responsibility of making recommendations and providing assistance to the Board of Directors on compensation and benefit programs for the Company's employee and non-employee directors, officers and employees.

Compensation Philosophy

The Committee adheres to several guiding principles in carrying out its responsibilities:

Total compensation should reward individual, team and corporate performance and provide incentive for enhancement of shareholder value. Variable pay awards (short- and long-term) will correlate closely (up and down) with business and individual performance.

Our total reward package encompasses base and variable pay, equity programs, benefits and personal growth. The Company provides a base salary that will maintain its competitive market position. The Company offers an annual incentive opportunity that aligns corporate growth objectives and performance with individual achievements. Performance measurement reflects calculated achievement levels and fact-based judgment. The relative emphasis of each are set by local management.

At more senior levels of leadership, focus is on a combination of short and long-term performance. Over time, top performers should receive above average compensation and above median variable pay commensurate with Company results.

Along with our culture and other management systems, equity rewards will help us drive value-added performance for the Company, business units, and individuals. Equity will be used to align employees and our shareholders and will be focused on those individuals with the greatest ability to impact results.

The Committee considers several factors when determining compensation for executive officers:

Overall Company Performance

In addition to its current knowledge of Company operations through participation at regular Board meetings, the Committee reviews the Company score card, which includes such items as annual sales, cost of goods sold, earnings, cash flow per share growth, debt reduction goals, market share gains, progress toward long-term objectives, and various qualitative factors relating to Company performance. There is no set weighting of these variables as applied to individual executive positions. Each year, management sets specific performance targets for the Company and certain business units for each of

the categories set forth above. In addition, certain business units have specific targets in addition to overall Company performance that are a factor in rating the performance of the executive officers and other management personnel responsible for those units. These targets generally provide ranges below which no bonus compensation will be paid, and ranges for which incentive compensation will be paid, but which will vary depending on the level of performance within those ranges. The committee reviews the performance targets annually, makes recommendations, and determines whether to approve management's targets and recommended salary and bonus levels.

Individual Performance

The Committee considers, in addition to business results, the executive's achievement of various other managerial objectives and personal development goals.

Competitive Compensation

Management benchmarks executives against companies with similar revenues, as well as against companies in similar industries.

Salary

The Company does not have an employment agreement with Mr. Peter Coors, Mr. Leo Kiely or any of its other executive officers, except for certain arrangements in the event of a change of control of the Company. In setting base salaries the Committee generally considers the overall financial performance of the Company as well as external and internal pay equity. Actual salary determination is subjective. We believe Mr. Kiely's compensation is conservative relative to the market for CEOs in the comparable group of companies.

Salaries for other executive officers were targeted at market level in line with our overall compensation philosophy.

Bonus

The Company pays incentive (bonus) compensation to all of its officers and most employees, except certain employees under collective bargaining agreements, in accordance with prescribed plans. The plans are reviewed and approved by the Committee annually. These Plans authorize payment of cash bonuses to participants based on a pre-established range of Company or business unit performance goals for designated performance periods. The incentive amount is calculated based on a percentage of the participant's salary, depending on grade level and position, and is divided into individual and company-based components. Mr. Kiely's bonus is based 75% on Company performance and 25% on achivement of debt paydown targets. Bonuses for higher ranked employees are weighted more in favor of Company performance and less individual performance. In addition, performance in some cases may include targets not totally within the control of the participant in order to incorporate cross-functional goals.

In February 2004, the Committee certified the 2003 results against established performance goals and approved individual bonuses for all executive officers and employees who participate in the incentive plans. However, no bonus was paid for the Company performance portion of the formula because the Company did not meet its performance targets. This resulted in lower total bonus payments.

Long-Term Incentives

Stock option and restricted share awards are the Company's current long-term incentives. Stock option awards are made to approximately 573 middle and upper level managers, including Mr. Kiely

and the other executive officers. The number of options granted is a fixed number based on job level and market total compensation. Options normally vest over three years, one-third on each anniversary date of the grant.

In 2003, the Committee granted Mr. Kiely options for 150,000 shares under the 1990 Equity Incentive Stock Plan.

Policy on Deductibility of Compensation Expenses

The Company is not allowed a deduction for certain compensation paid to certain executive officers in excess of \$1 million, except to the extent such excess constitutes performance-based compensation. The Committee considers its primary goal to be the design of compensation strategies that further the best interests of the Company and its shareholders. To the extent they are not inconsistent with that goal, the Committee will attempt where practical to use compensation policies and programs that preserve the deductibility of compensation expenses.

Submitted by the Compensation And Human Resources Committee:

Albert C. Yates, Chairman Charles M. Herington Franklin W. Hobbs

Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners, Directors and Management

As of August 24, 2004, descendants of the late Adolph Coors, and trusts established for their benefit, beneficially owned directly or indirectly a total of 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock, which constituted all of the outstanding Coors Class A common stock and a total of 12,232,994 shares of Class B common stock, which constituted approximately 33.8% of the outstanding Coors Class B common stock. Peter H. Coors is the only descendant of the late Adolph Coors who holds options to acquire an additional 555,128 shares of Coors Class B common stock that are exercisable on or within 60 days of the record date. The following table sets forth as of August 24, 2004, information relating to the beneficial ownership of Coors common stock by:

each person known by Coors to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent (5%) of the outstanding shares of Coors common stock;
each director;
each of the executive officers named in the Coors summary compensation table; and
all directors and executive officers as a group.

Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership

Name of Beneficial Owner(1)	Number of Shares of Coors Class A Common Stock(3)	Percent of Class(2)	Number of Shares of Coors Class B Common Stock(3)	Percent of Class(2)
Adolph Coors, Jr. Trust, William K. Coors, Jeffrey H. Coors,				
Peter H. Coors, J. Bradford Coors and Melissa E. Coors, trustees	1,260,000(3)	100%	1,470,000(4)	4.07%
Keystone Financing LLC	1,200,000(3)	0%	9,252,994(5)	25.61%
Peter H. Coors	0	0%	694,302(6)	1.9%
W. Leo Kiely III	0	0%	529,392(7)	1.5%
Charles M. Herington	0	0%	3,245(8)(12)	*
Franklin W. Hobbs	0	0%	3,278(12)(13)	*
Randall Oliphant	0	0%	2,000(12)(14)	
Pamela H. Patsley	0	0%	5,372(12)(13)	
Wayne R. Sanders	0	0%	9,106(12)(13)	*
Albert C. Yates	0	0%	4,345(12)(13)	*
Peter M.R. Kendall	0	0%	126,707(9)	*
Robert M. Reese	0	0%	37,333(10)	*
Timothy V. Wolf	0	0%	130,669(11)	*
Southeastern Asset Management, Inc.(15)	0	0%	3,952,700	10.94%
All directors and executive officers as a group, including				
persons named above (17 persons)	0	0%	1,820,043	5%

Less than 1%.

- Except as otherwise noted, the business address for the persons listed in this table is Adolph Coors Company, 311 10th Street, Golden, Colorado 80401, except for the Adolph Coors, Jr., Trust and Keystone Financing LLC. Adolph Coors, Jr., Trust's address is 311 10th Street, VR 900, Golden, CO 80401. Keystone Financing LLC's address is 311 10th Street, VR 900, Golden, CO 80401.
- Except as set forth above and based solely upon reports of beneficial ownership required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under Rule 13d-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Coors does not believe that any other person beneficially owned, as of August 24, 2004, greater than 5% of the outstanding Colorado Class A Stock or Colorado Class B Stock.
- (3) Unless otherwise noted, the indicated owner has sole voting power and sole investment power.
- (4) Peter H. Coors disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the Adolph Coors, Jr. Trust.
- (5)

 Keystone is a Delaware limited liability company whose members consist of various Coors family trusts and family members, including the Adolph Coors, Jr. Trust. Keystone is a manager-managed company, of which William Coors and Jeffrey Coors are the sole managers.
- This number does not include 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock or 1,470,000 shares of Coors Class B common stock owned by the Adolph Coors, Jr. Trust, as to all of which Peter H. Coors disclaims beneficial ownership. This number does include 532 shares held in the name of Peter H. Coors' wife, as to which he disclaims beneficial ownership. This number includes options to purchase 555,128 shares of Coors Class B common stock. If Peter H. Coors were to be attributed beneficial ownership of the shares held by these trusts, he would beneficially own 100% of Coors Class A common stock and 2,651,402 shares of Coors Class B common stock, or 7.3%.

- (7)
 This number included options currently exercisable or exercisable within 60 days to purchase 517,005 shares of Coors Class B common stock.
- (8)

 This number includes options to purchase 2,250 shares of Coors Class B common stock. These options were issued under Coors' 1991 Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee directors. Vesting in the options occurs at the end of the one-year term for outside directors.
- (9)

 This number includes currently exercisable options to purchase 126,667 shares of Coors Class B common stock.
- (10)

 This number includes currently exercisable options to purchase 33,333 shares of Coors Class B common stock.
- (11)
 This number includes options to purchase 128,227 shares of Coors Class B common stock currently exercisable.
- (12)

 This number does not include an additional 2,000 options not currently exerciseable within the next 60 days. These options were issued under Coors' 1991 Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee directors. Vesting in the options occurs one year from the date of issuance at the end of the one-year term for outside directors.
- (13)

 This number includes options to purchase 3,000 shares of Coors Class B common stock. These options were issued under Coors' 1991 Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee directors. Vesting in the options occurs at the end of the one-year term for outside directors.
- (14)
 This number includes options to purchase 1,000 shares of Coors Class B common stock. These options were issued under Coors' 1991 Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee directors. Vesting in the options occurs at the end of the one-year term for outside directors.
- Southeastern Asset Management, Inc. is a registered investment advisor, unaffiliated with Coors or the Coors family. It does not own directly or indirectly any of the shares, all of which are owned by its investment advisory clients. Its address is 6410 Poplar Ave., Suite 900, Memphis, TN 38119.

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Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock

General

As of the date of this document, Coors is authorized to issue 1,260,000 shares of Class A common stock, 200,000,000 shares of Class B common stock and 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock. At the completion of the merger transaction, Coors' certificate of incorporation will be amended, among other things, to change the name of the company to "Molson Coors Brewing Company" and to provide for an increase in the number of authorized shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock from 1,260,000 to 500,000,000 and an increase in the number of authorized shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock from 200,000,000 to 500,000,000. Coors' certificate of incorporation will also be amended to provide for the authorization of two new classes of stock, special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock, through which holders of Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares, respectively, issued under the arrangement, will exercise their voting rights with respect to Molson Coors as further described in this document.

As of , 2004, there were 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A common stock, shares of Coors Class B common stock, and no shares of Coors preferred stock outstanding.

The following summary description of the capital stock of Molson Coors following the completion of the merger transaction does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors to be in effect as of the completion of the merger transaction and Delaware law. If you would like more information on the common stock, preferred stock or special voting stock of Molson Coors, you should review the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of Molson Coors to be in effect as of the completion of the merger transaction, which are attached to this document as Annexes G and H, respectively.

Molson Coors Class A Common Stock

Subject to the rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock, holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock will be entitled to receive, from legally available funds, dividends when and as declared by the board of directors of Molson Coors, except that so long as any shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock are outstanding, no dividend will be declared or paid on the Molson Coors Class A common stock unless at the same time a dividend in an amount per share (or number per share, in the case of a dividend paid in the form of shares) equal to the dividend declared or paid on the Molson Coors Class B common stock.

Except in the limited circumstances provided in the certificate of incorporation, including the right of the holders of the Molson Coors Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock, voting together as a single class, to elect three directors to the Molson Coors board of directors, the right to vote for all purposes will be vested exclusively in the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class. The holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock will be entitled to one vote for each share held, without the right to cumulate votes for the election of directors.

The Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will require an affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class, prior to the taking of certain actions, including:

the issuance of any shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or securities convertible into Class A common stock (other than upon the conversion of Molson Coors Class B common stock under circumstances provided in the certificate of incorporation or the exchange or redemption of Class A exchangeable shares in accordance with the terms of those exchangeable shares) or

securities (other than Molson Coors Class B common stock) convertible into or exercisable for Molson Coors Class A common stock;

the issuance of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock (other than upon the conversion of Molson Coors Class A common stock under circumstances provided in the certificate of incorporation or the exchange or redemption of Class B exchangeable shares in accordance with the terms of those exchangeable shares) or securities (other than Molson Coors Class A common stock) that are convertible into or exercisable for Molson Coors Class B common stock, if the number of shares to be issued is equal to or greater than 20% of the number of outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock;

the issuance of any preferred stock having voting rights other than those expressly required by Delaware law;

the sale, transfer or other disposition of any capital stock (or securities convertible into or exchangeable for capital stock) of Molson or Coors Brewing Company or any of their respective successors to third parties;

the sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of Molson or Coors Brewing Company or any of their respective successors; and

any decrease in the number of members of the Molson Coors board of directors to a number below 15.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will also provide that any director may be removed (i) with cause by a vote of the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all classes of stock of Molson Coors entitled to vote at an election of directors, voting together as a single class and (ii) without cause by a vote of the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the class or classes of stock which elected that director.

The Class A common stock will be convertible as described under " Common Stock Conversion Rights" beginning on page 261.

If Molson Coors liquidates, dissolves or winds up its affairs, the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock, together with the holders of the Molson Coors Class B common stock, will be entitled to receive, after Molson Coors' creditors have been paid and the holders of any then outstanding series of preferred stock have received their liquidation preferences, all of the remaining assets of Molson Coors in proportion to their share holdings. Holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock will not have pre-emptive rights to acquire any securities of Molson Coors. The outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock will be fully paid and non-assessable. Application will be made to list the outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock on the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Molson Coors Class B Common Stock

Subject to the rights of the holders of any series of preferred stock, holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock will be entitled to receive, from legally available funds, dividends when and as declared by the board of directors of Molson Coors, except that so long as any shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock are outstanding, no dividend will be declared or paid on the Molson Coors Class A common stock unless at the same time a dividend in an amount per share (or number per share, in the case of a dividend paid in the form of shares) equal to the dividend declared or paid on the Molson Coors Class A common stock is declared or paid on the Molson Coors Class B common stock.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will provide the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock, voting together as a single class, the right to elect three

directors to the Molson Coors board of directors. In addition, the holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock, voting together as a single class, will have the right to vote on specified transactional actions as described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Governance Matters Stockholder Voting Rights" beginning on page 115. Except in the limited circumstances provided in the certificate of incorporation, the right to vote for all other purposes will be vested exclusively in the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class. The holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock will be entitled to one vote for each share held with respect to each matter on which holders of the Molson Coors Class B common stock are entitled to vote, without the right to cumulate votes for the election of directors.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will also provide that any director may be removed (i) with cause by a vote of the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by the holders of all classes of stock of Molson Coors entitled to vote at an election of directors, voting together as a single class and (ii) without cause by a vote of the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the class or classes of stock which elected that director.

The Class B common stock will be convertible as described under " Common Stock Conversion Rights" on page 261.

If Molson Coors liquidates, dissolves or winds up its affairs, the holders of the Molson Coors Class B common stock, together with the holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock, will be entitled to receive, after Molson Coors' creditors have been paid and the holders of any then outstanding series of preferred stock have received their liquidation preferences, all of the remaining assets of Molson Coors in proportion to their share holdings. Holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock will not have pre-emptive rights to acquire any securities of Molson Coors. The outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock will be fully paid and non-assessable. Application will be made to list the outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock on the New York Stock Exchange and the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Special Class A Voting Stock and Special Class B Voting Stock

No dividends will be paid on the special Class A voting stock or special Class B voting stock, although the holders of the corresponding exchangeable shares will have the right to receive dividends equivalent to the dividends received by the holders of corresponding classes of Molson Coors common stock as described under "Information Concerning Molson Coors Exchangeco". Description of Exchangeable Shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco". The trustee holder of the special Class A voting stock and the special Class B voting stock will not be entitled to receive any dividends or other distributions or to receive or participate in any distribution of assets upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding up of Molson Coors.

The trustee holder of the special Class A voting stock and the special Class B voting stock will have the right to cast a number of votes equal to the number of then outstanding Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares, respectively, but will only cast a number of votes equal to the number of Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares, respectively (other than Molson Coors and its affiliates) as to which it has received voting instructions from the owners of record of those Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares, respectively (other than Molson Coors and its affiliates), on the relevant record date. The trustee holder of the special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock will vote with holders of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and the Class B common stock, respectively, in each case as a single class.

The trustee holder of the special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock will not have pre-emptive rights to acquire any securities of Molson Coors. The outstanding shares of special

Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock will be fully paid and non-assessable and will not be listed on any stock exchange.

Common Stock Conversion Rights

Conversion from Class A to Class B

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will provide for the right of holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock to convert their stock into Molson Coors Class B common stock on a one-for-one basis at any time.

"Coattail" Conversion Rights

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will also include a "coattail" provision to provide protection to holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and Class B exchangeable shares in the case of a proposed tender offer or take-over bid for the Molson Coors Class A common stock.

Subject to conditions described below, if an "exclusionary offer" is made for shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock, each outstanding share of Molson Coors Class B common stock will be convertible into one share of Molson Coors Class A common stock at the option of the holder during the period of time commencing on the eighth day after the date on which an exclusionary offer is made and ending on the last date upon which holders of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock may accept the exclusionary offer.

Exclusionary Offer. An "exclusionary offer" is an offer to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock that:

(A) must, by reason of applicable securities laws or the requirements of a stock exchange on which shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock are listed, be open to all or substantially all holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock or (B) would, if the offer were made in Canada or a province of Canada, be required to be made to all or substantially all holders of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock resident in Canada or a province of Canada by reason of applicable securities laws of Canada or a province of Canada, the requirements of a stock exchange on which shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock are listed or the requirements of the CBCA; and

is not made concurrently with an offer that is made to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock that is identical to the offer to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock in terms of price per share and percentage of outstanding shares to be purchased (exclusive of shares owned immediately prior to the offer by the offeror) and in all other respects (except with respect to the conditions that may be attached to the offer to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock), and having no conditions other than the right not to purchase and pay for shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock tendered if no shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock are purchased in the offer for shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock.

Notice of Exclusionary Offer. A holder of Molson Coors Class B common stock is entitled to receive from Molson Coors a notice that the conversion right of holders of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock has come into effect. This notice must include a description of the conversion procedure including the election procedures described below, a copy of the exclusionary offer and any other materials received by Molson Coors in respect of the offer, and the form of conversion notice.

If a Majority of Class A Holders Do Not Participate in the Exclusionary Offer. The Class B conversion right will not come into effect if holders of over 50% of the outstanding shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or Class A exchangeable shares provide Molson Coors with adequate

assurances that they are not making or acting with another to make the exclusionary offer and will not participate in the exclusionary offer.

Conversion of Molson Coors Class B Common Stock and Participation in the Exclusionary Offer. A Molson Coors Class B common stockholder can exercise its conversion right by providing:

notice in writing to the transfer agent specifying the number of, and accompanied by the share certificate or certificates representing, the shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock that the holder desires to convert, and

irrevocable elections (A) to tender the Molson Coors Class A common stock issued upon a conversion into the exclusionary offer subject to the holder's right to withdraw the tendered shares from the offer in accordance with the terms of the offer and applicable law, (B) to exercise the right to convert all shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock that the holder withdraws from the offer or that are not purchased under the exclusionary offer into Molson Coors Class B common shares under Molson Coors' restated certificate of incorporation, and (C) to appoint Molson Coors' transfer agent, as agent of the holder for the purpose of holding and tendering certificates representing the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock. The election in (B) above must state that the conversion of Molson Coors Class A common stock into Molson Coors Class B common stock becomes effective at the time the right of withdrawal is exercised. If the right of withdrawal is not exercised, any conversion into Molson Coors Class B common stock becomes effective immediately following the time by which the person making the exclusionary offer is required to pay for the shares under the exclusionary offer, or if the exclusionary offer is abandoned or withdrawn, at the time at which the offer is abandoned or withdrawn.

The Molson Coors Class B stockholder must pay any governmental or other tax imposed on or in respect of the conversion into shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock.

Upon receipt by the transfer agent of notice and share certificates representing the shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock, Molson Coors must issue or cause to be issued a stock certificate representing fully-paid shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock as described above and in accordance with other specified conditions. If less than all the Molson Coors Class B common stock represented by any stock certificate are to be converted, the holder will be entitled to receive a new stock certificate representing in the aggregate the number of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock represented by the original stock certificate that are not to be converted. The stock certificates representing Molson Coors Class A common stock must be tendered by the transfer agent into the exclusionary offer in accordance with the elections referred to above.

Upon the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock that were tendered or deposited under an exclusionary offer being purchased, the transfer agent must deliver to the former holders of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock all consideration paid by the offeror in respect of the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock.

See "Information Concerning Molson Coors Exchangeco Description of Exchangeable Shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco Conversion of Class B Exchangeable Shares" for additional information regarding the conversion rights for Class B exchangeable shares.

Preferred Stock

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will authorize the Molson Coors board of directors to issue up to 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock from time to time in one or more series, generally without any vote or action by the holders of the Molson Coors common stock, except that the issuance of any shares of preferred stock having any voting rights other than those expressly required by Delaware law will be subject to approval by a majority of the voting power of the holders of the

Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock, voting together as a single class. Subject to this right, Molson Coors' board of directors will be authorized to determine the number of shares and designation of any series of preferred stock and the dividend rate, dividend rights, liquidation preferences, conversion rights and terms, voting rights, redemption rights and terms and sinking fund terms of any series of preferred stock. Depending on the terms of any issued preferred stock, any or all series of issued preferred stock could have a preference over Molson Coors common stock with respect to dividends and other distributions and upon liquidation or dissolution of Molson Coors. Issuance of any preferred shares with voting powers, or issuance of additional shares of Molson Coors common stock, would dilute the voting power of outstanding Molson Coors common stock.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

Equiserve Limited Partnership will be the transfer agent and registrar for Molson Coors common stock. Equiserve's address is 250 Royall Street, Canton, MA 02021.

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Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements

Molson and Coors have entered into a business combination agreement, dated July 21, 2004, including a plan of arrangement under Section 192 of the Canada Business Corporations Act, under which the businesses of the two companies will be combined. The merger transaction will form the world's fifth largest brewing company by volume.

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements and notes are presented to give effect to the merger transaction between Molson and Coors and represent the combined company's unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of June 27, 2004 and unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements for the year ended December 28, 2003 and the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004.

The following unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet gives effect to the merger transaction between Molson and Coors as if it occurred on June 27, 2004. The accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements give effect to the merger transaction between Molson and Coors as if it occurred on December 30, 2002, the first day of Coors' fiscal year ended December 28, 2003. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements include adjustments directly attributable to the merger transaction. The pro forma adjustments are described in the accompanying notes. The pro forma adjustments are based upon available information and assumptions that are factually supportable, including the completion of the merger transaction. These unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved had the transaction actually taken place at the dates indicated and do not purport to be indicative of future financial position or operating results.

Molson's historical consolidated financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars and were prepared in accordance with Canadian GAAP, which differs in certain respects from U.S. GAAP. Coors' consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and are presented in U.S. dollars. As described in Notes 3 and 4 to these unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements, Molson's historical consolidated financial statements were reconciled to U.S. GAAP and were translated from Cdn.\$ to U.S.\$. As presented in Notes 3 and 4 to the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements, pro forma adjustments have been made to the financial statements of Molson to conform with Coors' presentation under U.S. GAAP.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial information was prepared using the purchase method of accounting, with Coors treated as the "acquiror" for accounting purposes. Although the current Molson shareholders will receive more shares in the combined company than Coors shareholders, a voting trust will provide equal contractual voting control of Molson Coors by the Coors and Molson families. Coors was determined to be the "acquiror" for accounting purposes since it is the entity issuing shares in the combination, and based on an evaluation of other qualitative factors, including senior management positions and the relative sizes of the companies. Under purchase accounting, the purchase price, including directly related transaction costs, is allocated to the tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based upon their respective fair values at the effective date of the merger transaction. A preliminary allocation of the purchase price has been made based upon preliminary estimates of fair value by management. Management has begun an evaluation of integration actions that include potential reorganization and restructuring. Costs related to potential reorganization and restructuring are not reflected in this initial purchase price allocation since decisions have not been made. In addition, management is reviewing the existence, characteristics and useful lives of Molson's tangible and intangible assets, which could result in significantly different depreciation and amortization expense when the review is finalized. Furthermore, obligations for pension and other post-retirement benefits have been determined based upon preliminary actuarial valuations. Molson is currently engaged in a full strategic review of its Brazilian operations. The completion of this review could result in a new valuation based on past performance and future expectations of management for

the Brazilian operations. Molson intends to complete this review in the next several weeks and the results will be reflected in the final purchase price allocation. Accordingly, the final purchase price allocation, which will be determined subsequent to the closing of the merger, and its effect on results of operations may differ significantly from the pro forma amounts included in this section, although these amounts represent management's best estimates as of the date of this document.

The unaudited pro forma financial information is based on historical financial statements. Molson's fiscal year ends on March 31, while Coors' fiscal year ends on the last Sunday of each December. As described in Note 1 to the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements, the period covered by Molson's historical financial information has been adjusted to more closely correspond to Coors' fiscal year-end in the accompanying pro forma condensed combined financial statements. Molson's historical financial statements included elsewhere in this document represent Molson's historical fiscal year ends. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements do not purport to represent the combined company's financial position or results of operations or financial condition had the merger transaction between Molson and Coors actually occurred as of these dates or the results that the combined company would have achieved after the merger transaction. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements should be read in conjunction with the historical consolidated financial statements (and notes) of Molson and Coors in Annexes Q & R, respectively, and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of Molson and Coors, respectively, beginning on pages 171 and 219.

Unless otherwise stated, all amounts shown in this section are in U.S.\$ and in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED INCOME STATEMENT

For the Twenty-six Weeks Ended June 27, 2004 (in U.S.\$ millions, except share and per share data)

	Coors Twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004 U.S. GAAP		Molson Six months ended June 30, 2004 U.S. GAAP		Pro Forma Adjustments		Molson Coors Pro Forma	
			((Note 3)		(Note 7)		
Sales	\$	2,785.0	\$	1,226.4	\$	(15.2) E		
Excise taxes		(710.8)		(327.4)		(2.3) J (3.6) E	\$	3,993.9 (1,041.8)
Net sales		2,074.2		899.0		(21.1)		2,952.1
Cost of goods sold		(1,314.8)		(488.3)		2.7 D (8.0) G 21.5 E		(1,786.9)
Gross profit		759.4		410.7		(4.9)		1,165.2
Marketing, general and administrative expenses		(605.8)		(240.0)		1.4 D 1.1 K (31.1) G		(000.0)
	_					(18.4) E		(892.8)
Operating income		153.6		170.7		(51.9)		272.4
Interest expense, net Other income (expense), net		(28.6)		(32.7) 2.7		1.7 H 1.1 E		(59.6) 3.8
Income before income taxes Income tax expense		125.0 (40.2)		140.7 (54.0)		(49.1) 9.1 F		216.6 (85.1)
Income before minority interests Minority interests		84.8 (7.9)		86.7 (3.1)		(40.0) 14.6 E		131.5 3.6
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	76.9	\$	83.6	\$	(25.4)	\$	135.1
Income per share (Note 8)								
Net income per share basic	\$	2.08					\$	1.63
Net income per share diluted	\$	2.05					\$	1.57
Weighted average number of shares								
Basic		36.9						82.9
Diluted		37.6						85.8

See accompanying notes to unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED INCOME STATEMENT For the Year Ended December 28, 2003

(in U.S.\$ millions, except share and per share data)

	Coors Year ended December 28, 2003 U.S. GAAP	Molson Year ended December 31, 2003 U.S. GAAP	Pro Forma Adjustments	Molson Coors Pro Forma
		(Note 3)	(Note 7)	
Sales	\$ 5,387.2	\$ 2,437.0	\$ 5.5 E	
			(4.6) J S	
Excise taxes	(1,387.1)	(666.7)	(16.9) E	(2,070.7)
Net sales	4,000.1	1,770.3	(16.0)	5,754.4
Cost of goods sold	(2,586.8)	(1,043.0)		
			2.1 D (16.1) G 89.7 E	(3,554.1)
Gross profit	1,413.3	727.3	59.7	2,200.3
Marketing, general and administrative				
expenses	(1,105.9)	(343.4)	1.1 D	(1.501.2)
			3.6 K (63.0) G (83.7) E	(1,591.3)
Special charges		(25.9)		(25.9)
Operating income	307.4	358.0	(82.3)	583.1
Interest expense, net	(62.0)	(67.0)	3.4 H	(125.6)
Other income, net	8.4	(1.7)	5.4 E	12.1
Income before income taxes	253.8	289.3	(73.5)	469.6
Income tax expense	(79.1)	(113.0)	8.7 F	(183.4)
Income before minority interest	174.7	176.3	(64.8)	286.2
Minority interests		7.4		7.4
Net income available to common shareholders	\$ 174.7	\$ 183.7	\$ (64.8)	5 293.6
Income per share (Note 8)				
Net income per share basic	\$ 4.81		S	3.57
Net income per share diluted	\$ 4.77		9	3.46
Weighted average number of shares Basic	36.3			82.3
Diluted	36.6		•	84.8

See accompanying notes to unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

UNAUDITED PRO FORMA CONDENSED COMBINED BALANCE SHEET

at June 27, 2004 (in millions) (U.S. \$)

	June	oors at e 27, 2004 S. GAAP	004 June 30, 2004			Pro Forma Adjustments		Molson Coors Pro Forma
				(Note 4)		(Note 7)		
ASSETS								
Current assets								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	36.2	\$	53.9	\$		\$	90.1
Receivables, net		753.6		197.3				950.9
Inventories		224.7		133.0		17.8 A		375.5
Other current assets		114.0		70.2				184.2
Total current assets		1,128.5		454.4		17.8		1,600.7
Properties, net		1,411.0		892.8		158.4 A		2,462.2
Goodwill		821.0		572.6		449.0 A,L		1,842.6
Other intangible assets, net		576.5		1,161.1		2,242.3 A	•	3,979.9
Investments in joint ventures		145.0		1,101.1		$(9.1)\mathbf{E}$		3,919.9
investments in joint ventures		143.0		19.9		10.3 A		
								104.2
Other non-current assets		449.9		94.5		(61.8) L 675.6 F		104.3 1,220.0
			_				_	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,531.9	\$	3,195.3	\$	3,482.5	\$	11,209.7
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY								
Current liabilities								
Accounts payable	\$	304.8	\$	103.2	\$		\$	408.0
Other current liabilities		660.6		456.3		24.5 C		1,141.4
Short-term debt		210.5		255.6				466.1
Total current liabilities		1,175.9		815.1		24.5		2,015.5
Long-term debt		931.6		739.9		29.6 A		1,701.1
Post retirement benefits		530.5		172.2		145.8 A		848.5
Other long-term liabilities		438.7		505.4		720.7 F		040.3
Other long-term natimities		436.7		303.4		1.0 I		
			_					1,665.8
Total liabilities		3,076.7		2,232.6		921.6		6,230.9
Minority interests		29.8		114.5		(9.1)E		135.2
Shareholders' equity								
Common stock, par		0.4		551.4		(551.0) B		0.8
Other shareholders' equity		1,425.0		296.8		3,121.0 B		4,842.8
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Total shareholders' equity		1,425.4		848.2		2,570.0		4,843.6
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS'							4	
EQUITY	\$	4,531.9	\$	3,195.3	\$	3,482.5	\$	11,209.7

Coors at June 27, 2004 U.S. GAAP Molson at June 30, 2004 U.S. GAAP

Pro Forma Adjustments Molson Coors Pro Forma

See accompanying notes to unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements.

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Notes to Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements

1. Basis of Presentation

These unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements have been prepared based upon historical financial information of Molson and Coors giving effect to the merger transaction and other related adjustments described in these footnotes. Certain footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP have been condensed or omitted as permitted by SEC rules and regulations. These unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements are not necessarily indicative of the results of operations that would have been achieved had the merger transaction actually taken place at the dates indicated and do not purport to be indicative of future financial position or operating results. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements should be read in conjunction with the historical financial statements described below which are included in this document.

The merger transaction will be accounted for using the purchase method of accounting, in accordance with U.S. GAAP, with Coors treated as the "acquiror" and Molson as the acquired company.

Molson's most recent fiscal year ended on March 31, 2004 and Coors' most recent fiscal year ended on December 28, 2003. Because these fiscal year ends differ by more than 93 days, SEC rules require that the reporting periods be more closely aligned for the purposes of pro forma financial information. For these purposes, the consolidated results of Molson have been more closely aligned with Coors, as follows. The consolidated results of Molson for the six months ended June 30, 2004 have been prepared by adding the consolidated results of Molson for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004 to the consolidated results of Molson for the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005. Similarly, the consolidated results of Molson for the year ended December 31, 2003 have been prepared by adding the consolidated results of Molson for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2003 to the consolidated results of Molson for the year ended March 31, 2004 and subtracting the consolidated results of Molson for the fourth quarter of that year.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet was prepared by combining the historical consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2004 and June 27, 2004 of Molson and Coors, respectively, assuming the merger transaction had occurred on June 27, 2004. The pro forma condensed combined income statement for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, and the year ended December 28, 2003, have been prepared by combining the Coors consolidated income statements for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004, and the year ended December 28, 2003, with Molson's corresponding financial information for the six months ended June 30, 2004, and year ended December 31, 2003, respectively, assuming the merger transaction had occurred on December 30, 2002, the first day of Coors' fiscal year ended December 28, 2003.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements do not reflect significant operational and administrative cost savings ("synergies") that management of the combined company estimates may be achieved as a result of the merger transaction, or non-recurring one-time costs that may be incurred as a direct result of the merger transaction. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet includes approximately \$24.5 million of non-recurring, direct merger transaction costs that have been accrued. The \$24.5 million includes \$20.9 million of direct costs that will be capitalized in conjunction with the merger transaction and a \$3.6 million liability that will be assumed as a result of Molson's change-of-control payments. As a result of change of control provisions in the employment contracts of certain Coors officers and employees (described elsewhere in this document), the combined company may incur additional costs that will be expensed in periods subsequent to the merger transaction. However, these provisions include both voluntary and involuntary

components, which have not yet been determined. Accordingly, management is unable to provide a reasonable estimate of these possible additional costs at this time.

2. Pro Forma Transaction

On July 21, 2004, Molson and Coors entered into a combination agreement, whereby all of Molson's shares will, through a series of exchanges, be exchanged for shares of Molson Coors common stock and/or exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco, a subsidiary of Molson Coors. As described in Note 7B, the exchange will occur according to exchange ratios as follows:

Exchange of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock (or 0.360 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights), which share is substantially the economic equivalent of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock) for every Molson Class A non-voting share (approximately 38,000,000 shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock exchanged for approximately 105,000,000 Molson Class A non-voting shares).

Exchange of 0.126 of a share of Molson Coors Class A common stock (or 0.126 of a Class A exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights), which share is substantially the economic equivalent of a share of Molson Coors Class A common stock) and 0.234 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock (or 0.234 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights)) for every Molson Class B common share (approximately 3,000,000 shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and approximately 5,000,000 shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock exchanged for approximately 22,000,000 Molson Class B common shares).

Exchange of a Molson Coors replacement option for every outstanding Molson option. The number of shares issuable upon the exercise of the replacement options, and their applicable exercise prices, will be adjusted to take into account the 0.360 exchange ratio (Molson options to purchase approximately 5,900,000 Molson Class A non-voting shares will be exchanged for replacement options to purchase approximately 2,200,000 shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock).

For accounting purposes, the purchase price of Molson is based upon the estimated fair value of Molson Coors common stock exchanged (plus the equivalent value of exchangeable shares) plus estimated costs directly related to the merger transaction to be incurred of approximately \$20.9 million (comprised of Coors' financial advisory, legal and accounting fees and excluding all of Molson's merger-related expenses). The estimated fair value of Molson Coors common stock of \$74.13 per share used in the calculation of the purchase price is based upon the average of the closing price for the Coors common stock on the New York Stock Exchange for the 5 trading days beginning on July 19, 2004 and ending on July 23, 2004. Molson Coors Exchangeco Class C preferred shares will be issued to a third party service provider upon closing of the merger transaction, and are reflected at redemption value, which approximates fair value. The estimated fair value of Molson Coors replacement options exchanged in the merger is calculated using the Black Scholes model, using the following assumptions:

Volatility 27.6%
Dividend Yield 1.9%
Risk-free Interest Rate 1.9%
Expected Term 6 months

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The following table summarizes the components of the total purchase price (in millions and as of June 27, 2004):

	Molson Coors Shares Issued in the Merger		Value
Shares of common stock(1)	46.0	\$	3,410.0
Shares of preferred stock			1.0
Stock options at a weighted average fair value per share of			
\$3.72	2.2		8.2
Estimated direct acquisition costs to be incurred			
by Coors			20.9
		_	
Estimated total purchase price, excluding			
assumed debt		\$	3,440.1

(1) Includes both Molson Coors common stock and exchangeable shares.

The purchase consideration was allocated to assets and liabilities based on the preliminary estimate of fair value of Molson's tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed. A preliminary allocation of the purchase price has been made to major categories of assets and liabilities in the accompanying unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements based on management's best estimates which are predominately derived using discounted cash flow methods. Management continues to review the existence, characteristics and useful lives of Molson's tangible and intangible assets, which could result in significantly different depreciation and amortization expense and could affect the allocation between goodwill and other tangible and intangible assets. Furthermore, obligations for pension and other post-retirement benefits have been determined based upon preliminary actuarial valuations. Molson is currently engaged in a full strategic review of its Brazilian operations. The completion of this review could result in a new valuation based on past performance and future expectations of management for the Brazilian operations. Molson intends to complete this review in the next several weeks and the results will be reflected in the final purchase price allocation. Therefore, the actual purchase price allocation and its effect on results of operations may differ significantly from the pro forma amounts included in these pro forma condensed combined financial statements. The excess of the purchase price over the estimated fair value of net tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed has been allocated to goodwill.

The preliminary allocation of the purchase consideration, which is subject to change based on a final valuation of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the closing date, will be finalized

following the completion of the merger transaction. The final valuation may be significantly different from the preliminary allocation presented below:

	,	(in U.S.\$ millions)
Net assets acquired/liabilities assumed (exclusive of inventory, properties, intangible assets, goodwill, investments, pension and other post-retirement		
liabilities)	\$	(1,875.6)
Properties		1,051.2
Inventories		150.8
Brand assets and distribution agreements with finite lives		467.6
Brand assets and distribution agreements with indefinite lives		2,935.8
Pension and other post-retirement liabilities		(318.0)
Investments in non-consolidated entities		68.5
Goodwill		959.8
Estimated total purchase price	\$	3,440.1

3. Income statement information relating to Molson

Molson Inc. Six Months Ended June 30, 2004(b) (In millions)

	Canadian GAAP	Presentation Adjustments	U.S. GAAP Adjustments	U.S. GAAP	U.S. GAAP
	(Cdn.\$)	(Cdn.\$)(c)	(Cdn.\$) (Note 5)	(Cdn.\$)	(U.S.\$)(a)
Sales	1,636.9		4.2	1,641.1	1,226.4
Excise taxes	(437.1)		(1.0)	(438.1)	(327.4)
Net sales	1,199.8		3.2	1,203.0	899.0
Cost of goods sold		(693.0)	39.6	(653.4)	(488.3)
Gross profit	1,199.8	(693.0)	42.8	549.6	410.7
Marketing, general and administrative expenses	(957.3)	660.9	(24.7)	(321.1)	(240.0)
Depreciation and amortization	(32.1)	32.1	(21.7)	(321.1)	(210.0)
Operating income	210.4		18.1	228.5	170.7
Interest expense, net	(41.8)		(2.0)	(43.8)	(32.7)
Other income (expense)			3.6	3.6	2.7
Income before income taxes	168.6		19.7	188.3	140.7
Income tax expense	(72.4)		0.2	(72.2)	(54.0)
Income before minority interest	96.2		19.9	116.1	86.7
Minority interest	14.3		(18.5)	(4.2)	(3.1)

Molson Inc. Six Months Ended June 30, 2004(b) (In millions)

Net income	110.5	1.4	111.9	83.6

(a) The results of Molson have been translated into U.S. dollars at the average daily closing exchange rate of Cdn.\$1.34 to U.S.\$1.00 for the six months ended June 30, 2004.

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- (b)
 The consolidated results of Molson for the six months ended June 30, 2004 have been prepared by adding the consolidated results of Molson for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004 to the consolidated results of Molson for the first quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2005.
- (c)

 The adjustments reclassify Molson's financial information to conform to Coors' presentation.

Molson Inc. Year Ended December 31, 2003(b) (In millions)

	Canadian GAAP	Presentation Adjustments	U.S. GAAP Adjustments	U.S. GAAP	U.S. GAAP	
	(Cdn.\$)	(Cdn.\$)(c)	(Cdn.\$) (Note 5)	(Cdn.\$)	(U.S.\$)(a)	
Sales	3,447.5		(37.4)	3,410.1	2,437.0	
Excise taxes	(945.3)		12.4	(932.9)	(666.7)	
Net sales	2,502.2		(25.0)	2,477.2	1,770.3	
Cost of goods sold		(1,470.7)	11.2	(1,459.5)	(1,043.0)	
Gross profit	2,502.2	(1,470.7)	(13.8)	1,017.7	727.3	
Marketing, general and administrative	·		, ,	·		
expenses	(1,896.7)	1,408.4	7.8	(480.5)	(343.4)	
Depreciation and amortization	(62.3)	62.3				
Special charges	(36.3)			(36.3)	(25.9)	
Operating income	506.9		(6.0)	500.9	358.0	
Interest expense, net	(95.8)		2.1	(93.7)	(67.0)	
Other income (expense)			(2.4)	(2.4)	(1.7)	
Income before income taxes	411.1		(6.3)	404.8	289.3	
Income tax expense	(168.3)		10.2	(158.1)	(113.0)	
Income before minority interest	242.8		3.9	246.7	176.3	
Minority interest	11.6		(1.2)	10.4	7.4	
Net income	254.4		2.7	257.1	183.7	

⁽a) The results of Molson have been translated into U.S. dollars at the average daily closing exchange rate of Cdn.\$1.40 to U.S.\$1.00 for the year ended December 31, 2003.

⁽b)

The consolidated results of Molson for the year ended December 31, 2003 have been prepared by adding the consolidated results of Molson for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2003 to the consolidated results of Molson for the year ended March 31, 2004 and subtracting the results for the fourth quarter of that year.

⁽c)
The adjustments reclassify Molson's financial information to conform to Coors' presentation.

4. Balance sheet information relating to Molson

Molson Inc. at June 30, 2004 (In millions)

	Canadian GAAP	Presentation Adjustments	U.S. GAAP Adjustments	U.S. GAAP	U.S. GAAP
	(Cdn.\$)	(Cdn.\$)(b)	(Cdn.\$) (Note 5)	(Cdn.\$)	(U.S.\$)(a)
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	14.5		57.3	71.8	53.9
Receivables, net	228.8		34.2	263.0	197.3
Inventories	185.2		(7.9)	177.3	133.0
Other current assets	64.3		29.2	93.5	70.2
Total Current assets	492.8		112.8	605.6	454.4
Properties, net	995.2		194.7	1,189.9	892.8
Goodwill	763.2			763.2	572.6
Other intangible assets, net	1,547.5			1,547.5	1,161.1
Investments in joint ventures		26.5		26.5	19.9
Other non-current assets	131.0	(26.5)	21.4	125.9	94.5
TOTAL ASSETS	3,929.7		328.9	4,258.6	3,195.3
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY Current liabilities					
Accounts payable	458.1	(370.1)	49.6	137.6	103.2
Other current liabilities	221.3	370.1	16.7	608.1	456.3
Short-term debt	340.7	370.1	10.7	340.7	255.6
Total current liabilities	1,020.1		66.3	1,086.4	815.1
Long-term debt	786.2		200.0	986.2	739.9
Post retirement benefits	700.2	9.9	219.5	229.4	172.2
Other long-term liabilities	751.7	(9.9)	(68.2)	673.6	505.4
Total liabilities	2,558.0		417.6	2,975.6	2,232.6
Minority interest	125.3		27.3	152.6	114.5
Shareholders' equity					
Capital stock	734.9			734.9	551.4
Other shareholders' equity	511.5		(116.0)	395.5	296.8
other shareholders equity	311.3		(110.0)	393.3	290.8
Total shareholders' equity	1,246.4		(116.0)	1,130.4	848.2
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND					
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	3,929.7		328.9	4,258.6	3,195.3

The balance sheet of Molson has been translated into U.S. dollars at the closing exchange rate of Cdn.\$1.33 to U.S.\$1.00 on June 30, 2004.

(b) The adjustments reclassify Molson's financial information to conform with Coors' presentation.

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5. Molson U.S. GAAP Adjustments by Caption Heading

The U.S. GAAP adjustments made to the Molson income statements and balance sheet, which are described in Note 6, are summarized, by caption, as follows:

Income Statement	Note 6	Six Months Ended June 30, 2004 Credit/(Debit)
		(In millions Cdn.\$)
Sales		
Molson USA	g	4.2
Excise taxes		
Molson USA	g	(1.0)
Cost of goods sold		
Depreciation of capitalized interest	С	(0.1)
Coors Canada	f	37.1
Molson USA	g	(1.1)
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	3.5
Post retirement benefits	i	0.2
		39.6
Marketing, general and administrative expenses		
Stock options	a	2.8
Stock appreciation rights	b	(1.4)
Research tax credits	e	(2.4)
Coors Canada	f	(16.7)
Molson USA	g	(2.7)
Deferred costs	k	(4.4)
Post retirement benefits	i	0.1
		(24.7)
Interest expense, net		
Capitalized interest	c	1.5
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	(3.5)
		(2.0)
Other income (expense)		
Molson USA	g	(0.2)
Derivative instruments	g j	3.8
		3.6
Income tax expense		
Tax effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments	1	(2.2)
Research tax credits	e	2.4

Income Statement		Note 6	Six Months Ended June 30, 2004 Credit/(Debit)	
			0.2	
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Minority interest Coors Canada Molson USA Derivative instruments Deferred costs Sales Molson USA Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	f g j k	(20.4) 0.8 0.2 0.9 (18.5) Year Ended December 31, 2003 Credit/(Debit) (In millions Cdn.\$)
Deferred costs Sales Molson USA Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	j k •	0.2 0.9 (18.5) Year Ended December 31, 2003 Credit/(Debit)
Sales Molson USA Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	k •	(18.5) Year Ended December 31, 2003 Credit/(Debit)
Sales Molson USA Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights		Year Ended December 31, 2003 Credit/(Debit)
Molson USA Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	g •	Year Ended December 31, 2003 Credit/(Debit)
Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	g •	December 31, 2003 Credit/(Debit)
Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	g	(In millions Cdn.\$)
Excise taxes Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	g •	
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Molson USA Cost of goods sold Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights		
Depreciation of capitalized interest Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	g	12.4
Molson USA Post retirement benefits Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights		
Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	c	(0.1)
Marketing, general and administrative expenses Stock options Stock appreciation rights	g	11.5
Stock options Stock appreciation rights	i -	(0.2)
Stock options Stock appreciation rights		11.2
Stock appreciation rights	_	_
	a	4.8
	b	(4.9)
Research tax credits	e	(9.2)
Molson USA	g i	17.2
Post retirement benefits	i •	(0.1)
	_	7.8
interest expense, net	_	
Capitalized interest	c	2.1
Other income / (expense)		
Molson USA	g	(3.7)
Derivative instruments	g j	1.3
		(2.4)
Income tax expense		
Research tax credits	e	9.2
Tax effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments		1.0
	1	
	1 •	10.2

	Note 6	Year Ended December 31, 2003 Credit/(Debit)	
	_	(In millions Cdn.\$)	
Minority interest			
Derivative instruments	j	(1.2)	
	•		
Balance Sheet		at June 30, 2004 Increase/(Decrease)	
		(In millions Cdn.\$)	
Cash			
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	52.3	
Coors Canada	f	5.0	
		57.3	
Receivables, net			
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	33.1	
Molson USA	g	1.1	
	C		
		34.2	
Inventories			
Maintenance and other supplies reclass	d	(10.0)	
Molson USA	g	2.1	
		(7.9)	
Other current assets			
Maintenance and other supplies reclass	d	10.0	
Coors Canada	f	2.5	
Molson USA	g j	0.2	
Derivative instruments	j	16.5	
		29.2	
Properties, net			
Capitalized interest	c	7.7	
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	221.9	
Coors Canada	f	0.2	
Molson USA	g	0.3	
Deferred gain	k	(4.4)	
Deferred gain	m	(31.0)	
		194.7	
Other non-current assets			
Brewers Retail Inc.	h :	1.7	
Derivative instruments	j	19.7	

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Balance Sheet		at June 30, 2004 Increase/(Decrease)	
Accounts payable		·	
Coors Canada		f	(5.7)
Brewers Retail Inc.		h	50.3
Molson USA		g	5.0
			49.6
		ı	
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Balance Sheet	Note 6	at June 30, 2004 Increase/(Decrease)
		(In millions Cdn.\$)
Other current liabilities		
Derivative instruments	j	15.1
Tax effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments	1	1.6
		16.7
Long term debt		
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	200.0
Post retirement benefits		_
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	41.6
Additional minimum pension liability and post retirement benefit expense	i	177.9
		219.5
Other long term liabilities		
Derivative instruments	j	19.1
Tax effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments	l	(56.3)
Deferred gain	m	(31.0)
		(68.2)
Minority Interest		
Coors Canada	f	13.4
Brewers Retail Inc.	h	17.1
Molson USA	g	(1.3)
Derivative instruments	j	(1.0)
Deferred costs	k	(0.9)
		27.3
Shareholders' equity		
Capitalized interest	c	7.7
Tax effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments	1	54.7
Deferred costs	k	(3.5)
Additional minimum pension liability and post retirement benefit expense	i	(177.9)
Derivative instruments	j	3.0
		(116.0)

6. Descriptions for Molson U.S. GAAP Adjustments

For details of the adjustments and the balances affected, refer to Note 5.

(a) Stock options

Under Canadian GAAP, Molson accounts for stock options using the fair value method whereby it records as compensation expense the fair value of all stock options granted. Under U.S. GAAP, Molson follows Accounting Principles Board ("APB") Statement No. 25, which does not require the recognition of compensation expense when the option price at the date of grant is equal to the market price of Molson's shares. This adjustment reverses Molson's compensation expense related to stock options.

(b) Stock appreciation rights

U.S. GAAP requires that the change in fair value of stock appreciation rights attached to stock options outstanding be expensed over the vesting period. There were no stock appreciation rights attached to options granted subsequent to April 1, 2002. On June 30, 2002, Molson cancelled the stock appreciation rights attached to the stock options outstanding at this date, resulting in a new measurement date under U.S. GAAP, with the remaining value of the stock appreciation rights at that date to be expensed over the remaining vesting period of the underlying options. This adjustment records the additional compensation expense related to the stock appreciation rights.

(c) Capitalized interest

Molson does not capitalize interest as part of the historical cost of constructing fixed assets. This is a requirement under U.S. GAAP. The capitalized interest adjustment capitalizes interest on qualifying project costs and records the incremental depreciation expense related to the capitalized interest.

(d) Maintenance and other supplies

Molson records capitalized maintenance and other supplies as part of inventory. Under U.S. GAAP, maintenance and other supplies are stated separately from inventory as other assets. This adjustment reclassifies maintenance and other supplies from inventory to other current assets.

(e) Research tax credits

Molson records its research tax credits as an offset to the expenses which gave rise to the credit. Under U.S. GAAP, research tax credits must be recorded as an offset to tax expense. This adjustment reclassifies the research tax credits into the tax expense line item.

(f) Coors Canada

Coors Canada is a partnership owned 50.1% by Coors and 49.9% by Molson. Molson records its investment in Coors Canada using a proportional consolidation method. Under U.S. GAAP, Molson would have been required to adopt FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("FIN 46"), beginning the three-month period ended June 30, 2004 and would have fully consolidated Coors Canada under this guidance as Molson would be considered the primary beneficiary. This adjustment consolidates Coors Canada's income statement for the three months ending June 30, 2004 and fully consolidates the balance sheet as of June 30, 2004. For the year ended December 31, 2003 and the three months ended March 31, 2004, no U.S. GAAP adjustment to sales is required as Coors Canada receives an amount from Molson generally equal to net sales revenue generated from the sales of Coors brands by Molson, less production, distribution, sales and overhead costs related to these sales. Gross revenues generated from those sales are recorded by, and reflected in the historical income statements of Molson.

(g) Molson USA

Molson USA is a joint venture owned 50.1% by Molson and 49.9% by Coors. Molson records its investment in Molson USA using a proportional consolidation method. Under U.S. GAAP, Molson would have been required to adopt FIN 46 beginning the three-month period ended June 30, 2004 and would have fully consolidated Molson USA under this guidance as Molson would be considered the primary beneficiary. This adjustment reverses Molson's proportional consolidation in the income statement for the year ended December 31, 2003 and the three months ended March 31, 2004, and records the results using the equity method. For the three-months ended June 30, 2004, this adjustment fully consolidates Molson USA's income statement and balance sheet as of June 30, 2004.

(h)
Brewers Retail Inc.

Molson records its investment in Brewers Retail Inc. (Brewers Retail) as an equity investment. Under U.S. GAAP, Molson would have been required to adopt FIN 46 beginning the 13 week period ended June 30, 2004, and would have fully consolidated Brewers Retail under this guidance, as Molson would be considered the primary beneficiary. As of and for the three months ended June 30, 2004, this adjustment fully consolidates Brewers Retail's income statement and balance sheet as of June 30, 2004.

(i) Post retirement benefits

While U.S. GAAP and Canadian GAAP for post retirement benefits are essentially the same, the implementation dates of this guidance differed. As a result, differences arise related to the amortization of past service costs and net actuarial gains and losses. In addition, there is no requirement to record a minimum pension liability and no concept of other comprehensive income under Canadian GAAP. These adjustments record Molson's post retirement obligations in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

(j) Derivative instruments and hedging activities

Under U.S. GAAP, Molson must follow Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities", as amended by SFAS No. 149. Under this guidance, all derivative instruments, whether designated in hedging relationships or not, must be recorded on the balance sheet at fair value. Unrealized gains and losses on derivative instruments qualifying for hedge accounting are included in Other Comprehensive Income. The change in fair value of derivative contracts not qualifying for hedge accounting is reported in net income. This adjustment records the fair value of the derivatives on the balance sheet and recognizes the related gains and losses.

(k) Deferred costs

Under Canadian GAAP, certain expenses can be deferred and amortized if they meet certain criteria. Under U.S. GAAP, these costs are expensed as incurred.

(l) Tax effect of U.S. GAAP adjustments

The tax effect of all taxable U.S. GAAP adjustments was calculated using the Canadian tax rate of 33%. U.S. GAAP adjustments related to Brazil were tax effected at a 0% rate due to significant tax loss carryforwards. U.S. GAAP adjustments to Molson's historical income statement that are permanent in nature (e.g., reversing stock option expense) are not tax effected.

(m) Deferred gain

Molson has a deferred gain that arose from the non-cash consideration it received on the exchange of brewing assets at the time of the formation of the Molson Canada partnership. U.S. GAAP requires the deferred gain to be presented as a reduction to the value of related property, plant and equipment. This adjustment reclassifies deferred gain from other liabilities to fixed assets.

7. Pro Forma Adjustments

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements give effect to the merger transaction described in Note 2, as if it had occurred on June 27, 2004, for purposes of the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet and December 30, 2002, for purposes of the unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements. The unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements do not include any non-recurring charges that will arise as a result of the transaction

described in Note 2. Adjustments to the unaudited pro forma condensed combined financial statements are as follows (in U.S.\$ millions):

A To reflect preliminary purchase accounting, as discussed in Note 2. Specifically, the following adjustments have been made to reflect the preliminary purchase accounting to record:

Inventory at fair value less costs to sell	\$ 17.8
Properties at fair value	158.4
Intangible assets at fair value related to the acquisition	2,242.3
Pension and other retirement liabilities at fair value	145.8
Investments in joint ventures at fair value	10.3
Debt at fair value	29.6
Recognize goodwill related to the acquisition, net of historical goodwill	
reversed	387.2

The non-cash inventory purchase accounting adjustment of \$17.8 million will impact cost of goods sold during the approximate one-month period after the closing of the acquisition, during which time the inventory on hand on the date of the merger is sold.

B To reflect the new equity structure of the combined company, including the following:

	Common Stock, par	Paid Cap	l-in- oital	Restricted Stock	d C	Other Comprehensive Income	Retained Earnings	Total Shareholders Equity
				(iı	n millions	s and U.S.\$)		
Coors balances at June 27, 2004	\$ 0.4	\$	80.5	\$ (0.5) \$	51.5	\$ 1,293.5	\$ 1,425.4
Molson balances at June 30, 2004	551.4		7.9	·	·	(357.3)	646.2	848.2
Eliminate Molson historical equity balances	(551.4)	(7.9)			357.3	(646.2)	(848.2)
Molson Class A and B shares exchanged(1)(2)	0.4	3	3,409.6					3,410.0
Coors Restricted Stock Vests(3)					0.5		(0.5)	
Issue Molson Coors stock options			8.2					8.2
Molson Coors balances at June 27, 2004	\$ 0.8	\$ 3	3,498.3	\$	\$	51.5	\$ 1,293.0	\$ 4,843.6

- (1) Exchange of 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock (or 0.360 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights)) for every Molson Class A non-voting share.
- (2)
 Exchange of 0.126 of a share of Molson Coors Class A common stock (or 0.126 of a Class A exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights)) and 0.234 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock (or 0.234 of a Class B exchangeable share of Molson Coors Exchangeco (and ancillary rights)) for every Molson Class B common share.
- (3) Coors restricted stock will vest upon the merger, in accordance with the plan's change-of-control provisions.

In addition an exchange of Molson Coors options to purchase 0.360 of a share of Molson Coors Class B common stock for every Molson option outstanding will occur at the date of the merger transaction, and each Molson option will become fully vested upon the change-of-control. Upon completion of the merger, approximately 93,000,000 fully diluted shares of Molson Coors common stock and approximately 1,000 preferred shares of Molson Coors

Exchangeco would have been outstanding as of June 27, 2004, including the shares of Molson Coors common stock issuable on exchange of exchangeable shares.

- C Coors will incur approximately \$20.9 million of direct merger transaction costs and assume liabilities of approximately \$3.6 million related to Molson employee change-of-control payments, which are recognized as liabilities. Certain Coors executives have change-of-control agreements for which liabilities may be incurred as a result of the merger with Molson and in the event executives exercise their options under the change-of-control agreements. No executives have, as yet, expressed interest in exercising their options and, therefore, no liability has been accrued.
- **D** To reflect retirement plan amortization expense that would not have been incurred by Molson as a result of purchase accounting, which requires recording the interest expense of the projected benefit obligation over the fair value of the plan assets as a liability, thus eliminating amortization of previously unamortized balances. Expense reduction has been allocated 65% to cost of goods sold and 35% to marketing, general and administrative expenses.
- E As described in Notes 6 "f" and "g," Coors owns two joint ventures with Molson Coors Canada and Molson USA that have been accounted for using the equity method of accounting by Coors. Coors was required to adopt FIN 46 beginning the twenty-six week period ended June 27, 2004 and determined that consolidation of its investments in Coors Canada and Molson USA was not required. Adjustment E reflects the consolidation of the Molson USA and Coors Canada joint ventures for all periods, as these would be wholly-owned subsidiaries of Molson Coors as a result of the merger transaction.
- F Pro forma adjustments to the unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements are tax effected at the combined U.S. federal and state statutory rate of 39%, and include an adjustment to reflect the tax expense related to Molson earnings at the U.S. statutory rate totaling \$8.4 million and \$17.4 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004 and the year ended December 28, 2003, respectively. The application of the U.S. federal and state statutory rate to the Molson earnings reflects the expectation that Molson Coors will not elect to permanently reinvest earnings. Coors expects to elect for U.S. tax purposes to step up the U.S. tax basis in the Molson assets. The effect of this election to provide U.S. deferred tax on Molson earnings is reflected in the pro forma adjustments to the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet. The pro forma adjustment on the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet reflects the establishment of a deferred tax liability and, as a result of the step up election, a deferred tax asset for the tax effect of the difference between the Canadian tax basis and the estimated fair market value of the acquired net assets. In connection with this adjustment, we have recorded a \$45 million valuation allowance to reduce the amount of the deferred tax asset to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized.
- G The amortization of Molson's identifiable intangible assets (brand assets and distribution agreements) having finite lives is reflected as a pro forma adjustment to the unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements. The combined company expects to amortize the estimated fair value of the identified intangibles with finite lives of approximately \$467.6 million on a straight-line basis over an estimated, average useful life of 7.5 years for brand assets and Canadian distribution arrangements and over 17 years for the Brazilian distribution arrangement. In addition, Molson Coors expects to amortize the estimated \$1,051.2 million fair value of Molson's tangible assets on a straight-line basis over an estimated, average useful life of 25 years for real property and 11 years for machinery and equipment. Upon finalization of all asset valuations, specific useful

lives will be assigned to the acquired assets, and depreciation and amortization will be adjusted accordingly. The net effect of this increased amortization and depreciation of \$39.1 million and \$79.1 million for the twenty-six weeks ended June 27, 2004 and the year ended December 28, 2003, respectively, is reflected in the unaudited pro forma condensed combined income statements as follows (in millions):

	ended	y-six weeks I June 27, 2004	Year ended December 28, 2003
Cost of goods sold depreciation	\$	8.0	\$ 16.1
Marketing, general and administrative expenses			
Depreciation		1.4	2.8
Amortization		29.7	60.2
Total additional amortization and depreciation of			
finite lived intangible assets and properties	\$	39.1	\$ 79.1

The following represents Molson's preliminary identifiable intangible assets at their estimated fair values at June 27, 2004 (in millions):

Intangible Assets Finite Lived	
Brand Assets	\$ 137.4
Distribution Arrangements	330.2
	467.6
Intangible Assets Indefinite Lived	
Brand Assets	2,406.3
Distribution Arrangements	529.5
	2,935.8
Total Intangible Assets	\$ 3,403.4

For every \$10 million of goodwill or indefinite lived intangibles that could be reclassified to amortizable assets, as a result of the final valuations and completion of the purchase price allocations, the annual effect on amortization would be approximately \$1.3 million based on a weighted average amortization period of 7.8 years.

- **H** Represents amortization of debt premium of \$29.6 million resulting from recording assumed Molson debt at its estimated fair value based on public market quotes on June 27, 2004. (See Note 7A)
- I Issuance of 1,000 Molson Coors Exchangeco Class C preferred shares with a redemption value of U.S.\$1,000 per share for investment banking services provided to Coors and rendered in connection with the merger transaction. These preferred shares are classified as a long-term liability due to mandatory redemption features.
- **J** Molson amortizes a deferred gain to revenues related to a previous merger's purchase accounting. This adjustment reverses the amortization benefit recognized in Molson's historical financial statements for pro forma purposes, as it is assumed that the amortization would no longer be recognized after the merger with Coors.

K Molson's U.S. GAAP income statement includes expense related to the amortization of stock appreciation rights. (See Note 6b) This adjustment reverses the amortization for pro forma purposes, as all remaining amortization would be accelerated upon a merger and will not have an impact on the combined company.

L Pro forma adjustments to goodwill include the following:

	(in	millions)
Reversal of Molson's historical goodwill	\$	(572.6)
Reclassification of Coors' historical goodwill related to its Molson		
USA investment		61.8
Decided and decillary and in somehous accounting		050.0
Residual goodwill recognized in purchase accounting		959.8
	\$	449.0

Coors accounts for its investment in Molson USA as an equity investment following APB 18. In accordance with APB 18, Coors includes residual goodwill related to Molson USA in its investment balance. After the completion of the merger transaction, Molson USA will be a wholly-owned subsidiary and accounted for on a consolidated basis and, as such, its historical goodwill will be reclassified from investment in joint ventures to goodwill.

8. Unaudited Pro Forma Income Per Share

The following table sets forth the computation of unaudited pro forma basic and diluted income per share (in millions, except per share information):

	•	ix Weeks Ended e 27, 2004	Year Ended December 28, 2003		
	Shares	Income per Share	Shares	Income per Share	
Historical Coors basic weighted average shares	36.9		36.3		
Incremental shares issued in the merger	46.0		46.0		
Pro forma combined basic weighted average shares	82.9 \$	1.63	82.3	\$ 3.57	
Historical Coors diluted weighted average shares	37.6		36.6		
Other pro forma dilutive securities (stock options)	2.2		2.2		
Incremental shares issued in the merger	46.0		46.0		
Pro forma combined diluted weighted average shares	85.8 \$	1.57	84.8	\$ 3.46	

Other potentially dilutive securities, in millions, totaling 2.7 and 3.7 outstanding in the six months ended June 27, 2004 and the year ended December 28, 2003 were excluded from the per share calculations above, because of their anti-dilutive effect. The additional securities consist of stock options.

Information Concerning Molson Coors Exchangeco

Molson Coors Exchangeco

Coors Canada Inc., a subsidiary of Coors through which Coors has conducted its Canadian operations will change its name to "Molson Coors Canada Inc." and is referred to in this document as "Molson Coors Exchangeco" or "Exchangeco". Molson Coors Exchangeco is a company incorporated under the CBCA and, as of the completion of the merger transaction, will have its registered offices located at 33 Carlingview, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M9W 5E4.

Directors and Officers

The directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco, as of the completion of the merger transaction, will be Kevin Boyce, Kelly Brown and Robert Reese. The officers of Molson Coors Exchangeco, as of the completion of the merger transaction, will be Robert Reese (President) and Kelly Brown (Secretary).

Description of Exchangeable Shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco

The Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares will be issued by Molson Coors Exchangeco. The exchangeable shares will be substantially the economic equivalent of the corresponding shares of Molson Coors Class A and Class B common stock that a Molson shareholder would have received if the holder had elected to receive shares of Molson Coors common stock. Holders of exchangeable shares will also receive, through a voting trust, the benefit of Molson Coors voting rights, entitling the holder to one vote on the same basis and in the same circumstances as one corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock.

The exchangeable shares will be exchangeable at any time, at the option of the holder on a one-for-one basis for corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock. As part of the arrangement, Molson Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco and a trustee will enter into the voting and exchange trust agreement under which the trustee will be granted specified rights and will agree to specified obligations for the benefit of the holders of exchangeable shares. In addition, Molson Coors, Callco and Molson Coors Exchangeco will enter into the exchangeable share support agreement attached to this document as Annex E, under which, among other things, Molson Coors will agree to support the obligations of Molson Coors Exchangeco and Callco with respect to the exchangeable shares. The tax consequences of receiving or holding exchangeable shares may differ significantly from the tax consequences of receiving or holding shares of Molson Coors common stock depending upon your particular circumstances. If you are a Canadian resident for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada) or a partnership any member of which is a Canadian resident, you should consider carefully the tax consequences to you in determining whether to elect to receive exchangeable shares or preferred shares that will be exchanged promptly for shares of Molson Coors common stock (or a combination of exchangeable shares and preferred shares that will promptly be exchanged for shares of Molson Coors Common Stock). See "Income Tax Considerations Canadian Federal Income Tax Considerations to Molson Shareholders" beginning on page 126.

Based on the 0.360 exchange ratio, the former holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares will hold approximately % of the Class B exchangeable shares and shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock in the aggregate, and the former holders of Molson Class B common shares will hold approximately % of the Class A exchangeable shares and shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock in the aggregate and % of the Class B exchangeable shares and shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock in the aggregate. Based upon the number of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares outstanding as of the record date, existing holders of Molson shares will ultimately (directly or indirectly) hold approximately % of combined voting power of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares) and % of the combined voting power of the

Molson Coors Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class B exchangeable shares), representing in the aggregate approximately 55% of the equity of Molson Coors. See "Elections Available to Molson Securityholders Procedures for Election and Exchange of Share Certificates" beginning on page 151, for procedures to be followed in order to obtain certificates representing the exchangeable shares and the shares of Molson Coors common stock issuable under the arrangement.

Fractional Shares

No certificates representing fractional exchangeable shares or preferred shares will be delivered in exchange for Molson shares under the arrangement. Fractional interests in Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares will be exchanged promptly under the arrangement for fractional interests in Molson Coors common stock. Each person entitled to a fractional interest in an exchangeable share or in a share of Molson Coors common stock will receive a cash payment from the depositary equal to a pro rata portion of the net proceeds after expenses received by the depositary upon the sale of whole shares representing an accumulation of all fractional interests in exchangeable shares, or shares of Molson Coors common stock, to which that person would otherwise be entitled.

Optional Retraction, Redemption and Call Rights; Purchase for Cancellation

Optional Retraction of Exchangeable Shares. If you become a holder of exchangeable shares, you will be entitled at any time to require Molson Coors Exchangeab to redeem, subject to Callco's overriding call right, any or all of your exchangeable shares for a price per exchangeable share of one corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock and an amount in cash equal to the declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on that exchangeable share.

In order to exercise this right, you must deliver to Molson Coors Exchangeco at its registered office or at an office of Molson Coors Exchangeco's transfer agent, among other things, a written retraction request and the certificates representing the exchangeable shares to be redeemed. You must state in your request the business day on which you desire Molson Coors Exchangeco to redeem your exchangeable shares, which business day must be 10 to 15 business days after your request is received by Molson Coors Exchangeco. If you fail to specify a business day in your request, the retraction date will be the 15th business day after your request is received by Molson Coors Exchangeco.

If you exercise this retraction right to require that Molson Coors Exchangeco redeem any of your exchangeable shares, Callco will have an overriding retraction call right, which is Callco's right to purchase all but not less than all of those exchangeable shares for a price per exchangeable share of one share of corresponding Molson Coors common stock and an amount in cash equal to the declared and unpaid dividends, if any, by Molson Coors Exchangeco on that exchangeable share. Upon receipt of your retraction request, Molson Coors Exchangeco will immediately notify Callco, which must then advise Molson Coors Exchangeco within five business days as to whether it will exercise its retraction call right. If Callco does not so advise, Molson Coors Exchangeco will notify you as soon as possible thereafter that Callco will not exercise its retraction call right. If Callco advises Molson Coors Exchangeco that Callco will exercise its retraction call right within the five business day period, then, the retraction request will be considered only to be an offer by you to sell the shares identified in your retraction request to Callco in accordance with Callco's retraction call right.

You may revoke your retraction request, in writing, at any time prior to the close of business one business day before the contemplated date of retraction, in which case the exchangeable shares identified in the retraction request will not be purchased by Callco or redeemed by Molson Coors Exchangeco. If you do not revoke your retraction request, the shares identified in the retraction request will be purchased by Callco or redeemed by Molson Coors Exchangeco, as the case may be, and Molson Coors Exchangeco or Callco, as the case may be, will send you (i) a certificate representing the

aggregate number of shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock and (ii) a check in an amount equal to the amount of the declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on the retracted or purchased shares, less any amounts withheld on account of tax.

If, as a result of solvency requirements or applicable law, Molson Coors Exchangeco is not permitted to redeem all exchangeable shares identified in a retraction request, and Callco has not exercised its retraction call right, Molson Coors Exchangeco will redeem only those exchangeable shares tendered by you (rounded down to a whole number of shares) as would be permissible. In addition, the trustee, on your behalf, will require Molson Coors to purchase the exchangeable shares on the retraction date set forth in the retraction request under the exchange right under the voting and exchange trust agreement.

Redemption of Exchangeable Shares. On the redemption date for a class of exchangeable shares, Molson Coors Exchangeco will, subject to Callco's call right, redeem all of the then outstanding exchangeable shares of the class for a price per exchangeable share of one corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock and an amount in cash equal to the declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on that exchangeable share. Molson Coors Exchangeco will provide the registered holders of exchangeable shares with at least 60 days prior written notice of the proposed redemption of the exchangeable shares by Molson Coors Exchangeco or the purchase of the exchangeable shares by Callco under the redemption call right described below.

Callco will have an overriding right to purchase on the redemption date all the outstanding exchangeable shares of the class of exchangeable shares being redeemed (other than those held by Molson Coors and its affiliates) for a price per exchangeable share of corresponding Molson Coors common stock and an amount in cash equal to the declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on that exchangeable share.

To exercise this redemption call right, Callco must notify the transfer agent and Molson Coors Exchangeco of Callco's intention to exercise this right at least 60 days before the redemption date. The transfer agent will notify the exchangeable shareholders of the affected class as to whether or not Callco has exercised its redemption call right after the expiry of the period during which Callco can exercise its redemption call right. If Callco exercises its redemption call right, it will purchase on the redemption date all of the exchangeable shares of the affected class then outstanding (other than those held by Molson Coors and its affiliates).

The "redemption date" is, for either class of exchangeable shares, a date, if any, fixed by the Molson Coors Exchangeco board of directors after , 2044. If fewer than 5% of the number of Class A exchangeable shares or Class B exchangeable shares (other than exchangeable shares held by Molson Coors or its affiliates) issued as a result of the arrangement are outstanding, the board of directors may elect to have Molson Coors Exchangeco redeem the applicable class of exchangeable shares.

On or after the redemption date, upon your delivery of the certificates representing the exchangeable shares and the other documents as may be required at an office of the transfer agent or the registered office of Molson Coors Exchangeco, Molson Coors Exchangeco or Callco will deliver consideration per exchangeable share consisting of (i) one corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock and (ii) an amount equal to the amount of the declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on one exchangeable share of the relevant class, by mailing certificates representing the aggregate number of shares of Molson Coors common stock so redeemed or purchased and a check for the amount of these declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on the shares so redeemed, less any amounts withheld on account of tax.

Purchase for Cancellation. Subject to applicable law, Molson Coors Exchangeco may at any time and from time to time purchase for cancellation all or any part of the outstanding exchangeable shares.

Voting, Dividend and Liquidation Rights of Holders Exchangeable Shares; Withholding Rights

As part of the arrangement, Molson Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco and the trustee will enter into the voting and exchange trust agreement. This summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to that agreement, which is attached to this document as Annex F.

Voting Rights with Respect to Molson Coors Exchangeco. Except as required by law and under the exchangeable share provisions, the holders of exchangeable shares are not entitled as such to receive notice of, attend or vote at any meeting of shareholders of Molson Coors Exchangeco. See "Amendment and Approval" beginning on page 291.

Voting Rights with Respect to Molson Coors. Under the voting and exchange trust agreement, Molson Coors will issue one share each of special Class A voting stock and special Class B voting stock to the trustee for the benefit of the holders (other than Molson Coors and its affiliates) of corresponding exchangeable shares. Each share of Molson Coors special voting stock will have the number of votes, which may be cast at any meeting at which the corresponding class of Molson Coors stockholders are entitled to vote, equal to the then outstanding number of exchangeable shares of the relevant class (other than exchangeable shares held by Molson Coors and its subsidiaries).

Each exchangeable shareholder (other than Molson Coors and its subsidiaries) on the record date for any meeting at which corresponding Molson Coors stockholders are entitled to vote will be entitled to instruct the trustee to exercise one of the votes attached to the share of corresponding Molson Coors special voting stock for each exchangeable share held by the exchangeable shareholder. The trustee will exercise (either by proxy or in person) each vote attached to the share of corresponding Molson Coors special voting stock only as directed by the relevant exchangeable shareholder and, in the absence of instructions from an exchangeable shareholder as to voting, will not exercise those votes. An exchangeable shareholder may, upon instructing the trustee, obtain a proxy from the trustee entitling the exchangeable shareholder to vote directly at the relevant meeting the votes attached to the share of corresponding Molson Coors special voting stock to which the exchangeable shareholder is entitled.

The trustee will use reasonable efforts to forward to the holders of exchangeable shares of the relevant class the notice of each meeting at which the holders of shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock are entitled to vote, together with the related meeting materials and a statement as to the manner in which the holder may instruct the trustee to exercise the votes attaching to the share of corresponding Molson Coors special voting stock, on the same day as Molson Coors mails or otherwise sends the notice and materials to the holders of shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock. The trustee will also send to the holders of exchangeable shares of the relevant class copies of all information statements, interim and annual financial statements, reports and other materials sent by Molson Coors to the holders of shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock at the same time as the materials are sent to the Molson Coors stockholders. The trustee will also send to the holders of exchangeable shares of the relevant class all materials sent by third parties to the holders of shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock (if received or known to have been received by Molson Coors), including dissident proxy circulars and tender and exchange offer circulars, as soon as reasonably practicable after the materials are delivered to the trustee.

Dividend Rights. If you become a holder of exchangeable shares, then you will be entitled to receive, subject to applicable law, dividends as follows:

in the case of a cash dividend declared on a corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock, in an amount in cash for each exchangeable share corresponding to the cash dividend declared on each corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock in U.S. dollars or in an equivalent amount in Canadian dollars;

in the case of a stock dividend declared on a corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock to be paid in shares of Molson Coors common stock, in the number of exchangeable shares of the relevant class for each exchangeable share that is equal to the number of shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock to be paid on each corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock; or

in the case of a dividend declared on shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock in any other type of property, in the type and amount of property as is economically equivalent as determined by Molson Coors Exchangeco's board of directors to the type and amount of property to be paid on each corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock.

The declaration date, record date and payment date for dividends on the exchangeable shares will be the same as the relevant date for the dividends on the shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock. Molson Coors Exchangeco will pay additional amounts with respect to any dividends paid to a Canadian resident exchangeable shareholder in the event that any withholding taxes, other than Canadian federal or provincial taxes withheld at source, are imposed, directly or indirectly, in respect of the dividends. Subject to specified limitations, these additional amounts will be determined so that, on an after-tax basis, the Canadian resident holder receives the same amount that it would have received if no non-Canadian withholding taxes had been imposed. Exchangeco will not be required to pay additional amounts in respect of withholding taxes imposed at a rate in excess of the withholding tax rate applicable to payments of dividends to individuals under the Canada-U.S. Income Tax Convention.

Withholding Rights. Each of Molson Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco, Callco and the trustee under the voting and exchange trust agreement will be entitled to deduct and withhold from any dividends or consideration otherwise payable to you, as a holder of exchangeable shares, any amount: (i) required to be deducted or withheld under the Income Tax Act (Canada), the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any provision of provincial, state, local or foreign tax law; or (ii) permitted to be withheld under Section 116 of the Income Tax Act (Canada) or any analogous provision of provincial law. Any amounts so withheld and paid to a taxing authority will be treated for all purposes as having been paid to you. To the extent that the amount so required or permitted to be deducted or withheld from any payment to you exceeds the cash portion of the amount otherwise payable to you, Molson Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco, Callco and the trustee may sell or otherwise dispose of a portion of the consideration as is necessary to provide sufficient funds to Molson Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco, Callco or the trustee, as the case may be, to enable it to comply with the deduction or withholding requirement or entitlement. Molson Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco, Callco or the trustee must notify you of the sale and remit to you any unapplied balance of the net proceeds of that sale. The withholding rights of Molson Coors Exchangeco described in this paragraph do not reduce Molson Coors Exchangeco's obligation to pay additional amounts with respect to dividends to Canadian resident holders of exchangeable shares in the event non-Canadian withholding taxes are imposed as described under "Dividend Rights" beginning on page 288.

Liquidation Rights with Respect to Molson Coors Exchangeco. In the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco or other distribution of the assets of Molson Coors Exchangeco for the purpose of liquidating its affairs, you will have, subject to applicable law and Callco's overriding liquidation call right, preferential rights to receive from Molson Coors Exchangeco for each exchangeable share of a class you hold, a corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock, plus the amount of all declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on that exchangeable share, less any amount withheld on account of tax. Upon the occurrence of a liquidation, dissolution or winding-up, Callco will have an overriding liquidation call right to purchase all of the outstanding exchangeable shares (other than exchangeable shares held by Molson Coors and its affiliates) from you on the liquidation date for same consideration per share.

Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an "insolvency event" (as defined in the following paragraph), you will be entitled to instruct the trustee under the voting and exchange trust agreement to exercise the exchange right with respect to any or all of the exchangeable shares you hold, and require Molson Coors to purchase these shares. As soon as practicable following the occurrence of an insolvency event or any event which may, with the passage of time and/or the giving of notice, become an insolvency event, Molson Coors Exchangeco and Molson Coors must, under the voting and exchange trust agreement, give written notice to the trustee. As soon as practicable after receiving notice, the trustee will notify you of the insolvency event and will advise you of your rights with respect to the exchange right. The purchase price payable by Molson Coors for each exchangeable share purchased under the exchange right will be equal to one corresponding share of Molson Coors common stock plus the amount of all declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on that exchangeable share, less any amount withheld on account of tax.

An "insolvency event" means:

the institution by Molson Coors Exchangeco of any proceeding to be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent or to be wound up, or the consent of Molson Coors Exchangeco to the institution of bankruptcy, insolvency or winding-up proceedings against it;

the filing of a petition, answer or consent seeking dissolution or winding-up under any bankruptcy, insolvency or analogous laws, including the Companies Creditors' Arrangement Act (Canada) and the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada), and Molson Coors Exchangeco's failure to contest in good faith the proceedings commenced in respect of Molson Coors Exchangeco within 30 days of becoming aware of the proceedings, or the consent by Molson Coors Exchangeco to the filing of the petition or to the appointment of a receiver;

the making by Molson Coors Exchangeco of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission in writing by Molson Coors Exchangeco of its inability to pay its debts generally as they come due; or

Molson Coors Exchangeco not being permitted, under solvency requirements of applicable law, to redeem any retracted exchangeable shares under the exchangeable share conditions.

Liquidation Rights with Respect to Molson Coors. In order for the holders of exchangeable shares to participate on a pro rata basis with the holders of shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock, on the fifth business day prior to the effective date of a Molson Coors liquidation event (a specified event relating to the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution, winding-up or other distribution of the assets of Molson Coors among its shareholders for the purpose of winding up its affairs), each exchangeable share (other than those held by Molson Coors and its affiliates) will automatically be exchanged for a share of the corresponding class of Molson Coors common stock plus cash in the amount of all declared and unpaid dividends, if any, on that exchangeable share. Upon your request and surrender of exchangeable share certificates, duly endorsed in blank and accompanied by those instruments of transfer that Molson Coors may reasonably require, Molson Coors will deliver to you certificates representing an equivalent number of corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock, plus a check for the amount of those dividends, if any, for the exchangeable shares of the class exchanged by you under the automatic exchange right, less any amount withheld on account of tax.

Ranking

The Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares will rank *pari passu* and will be entitled, subject to the prior rights of the holders of any preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco which by their terms rank senior to the Class A exchangeable shares or Class B exchangeable shares, to a preference over Molson Coors Exchangeco Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares and Class C restricted voting shares and any other shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco ranking

junior to the exchangeable shares with respect to the distribution of assets in the event of the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, whether voluntary or involuntary, or any other distribution of the assets of Molson Coors Exchangeco, among its shareholders for the purpose of winding up its affairs.

The Molson Coors Exchangeco Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares and Class C restricted voting shares will be entitled, subject to the prior right of any Molson Coors Exchangeco preferred shares which by their terms rank senior to the Molson Coors Exchangeco Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares and Class C restricted voting shares, to a preference over the Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares and any other share ranking junior to the Molson Coors Exchangeco Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares and Class C restricted voting shares with respect to the payment of dividends; provided, however, that no class of Molson Coors Exchangeco shares other than the Class D preferred shares will rank prior to the Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares with respect to the entitlement to the payment of dividends when dividends are declared and paid on corresponding Molson Coors common stock as described below under "Restrictions on Molson Coors Exchangeco".

Restrictions on Molson Coors Exchangeco

Molson Coors Exchangeco may not take the following actions without the approval of the holders of exchangeable shares:

pay any dividends on the Molson Coors Exchangeco Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares, preferred shares or any other shares ranking junior to the exchangeable shares, other than stock dividends payable in Molson Coors Exchangeco Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares, preferred shares or any other shares ranking junior to the exchangeable shares, as the case may be;

redeem, purchase or make any capital distribution in respect of Molson Coors Exchangeco Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares, preferred shares or any other shares ranking junior to the exchangeable shares;

redeem or purchase any other Molson Coors Exchangeco shares ranking equally with the exchangeable shares with respect to the payment of dividends or on any liquidation distribution; or

issue any exchangeable shares or any other shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco ranking equally with, or superior to, the exchangeable shares other than by way of stock dividends to the holders of the exchangeable shares.

These restrictions will not apply at any time when the dividends on the outstanding exchangeable shares corresponding to dividends declared and paid on the shares of corresponding Molson Coors common stock have been declared and paid in full.

Amendment and Approval

The rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions attaching to the exchangeable shares may be added to, changed or removed only with the approval of the holders of the affected class of exchangeable shares. Any approval or consent to be given by the holders of a class of exchangeable shares will be deemed to have been sufficiently given if given in accordance with applicable law subject to a minimum requirement that the approval be evidenced by a resolution passed by not less than $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast on that resolution at a meeting of the holders of exchangeable shares of the class duly called and held at which a quorum of holders of at least 25% of the then outstanding exchangeable shares of the class are present or represented by proxy. In the event that no quorum is

present at that meeting within one-half hour after the time appointed for the meeting, then the meeting will be adjourned to the place and time (not less than five days later) as may be designated by the chairman of the meeting. At that adjourned meeting, the holders of exchangeable shares of the class present or represented by proxy may transact the business for which the meeting was originally called and a resolution passed at the meeting by the affirmative vote of not less than $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast on the resolution will constitute the approval or consent of the holders of exchangeable shares of the class.

Conversion of Class A Exchangeable Shares

Class A exchangeable shareholders may, at any time and from time to time at their election convert any or all outstanding Class A exchangeable shares they hold into Class B exchangeable shares on a one-for-one basis, equitably adjusted in the event of any recapitalization of outstanding Class A exchangeable shares or Class B exchangeable shares, or in the event of any merger, consolidation or other reorganization of Molson Coors Exchangeco with another corporation.

To effect the conversion, a Class A exchangeable shareholder must deliver at an office of the transfer agent (i) a written notice to convert Class A exchangeable shares, specifying the number of shares to be converted, and (ii) the certificate or certificates representing those shares. The notice of conversion, once delivered to the transfer agent, will be irrevocable. As promptly as practicable after receipt by the transfer agent of the notice of conversion and the certificate or certificates, the transfer agent will, on behalf of Molson Coors Exchangeco, issue and deliver to the holder a certificate or certificates for the number of Class B exchangeable shares issuable upon the conversion. In the event of a conversion of a certificate or certificates in part, the transfer agent will also issue, on behalf of Molson Coors Exchangeco, to the holder a certificate or certificates for the number of Class A exchangeable shares not being so converted. A conversion will be deemed to have been consummated immediately prior to the close of business on the date the transfer agent receives the notice of conversion, or if the date of the transfer agent's receipt is not a business day, then the next business day. Upon the conversion of any Class A exchangeable shares into Class B exchangeable shares, those Class A exchangeable shares will be canceled.

Conversion of Class B Exchangeable Shares

Conversion Right of Class B Exchangeable Shareholders. Subject to the conditions explained below, if an "exclusionary offer" is made, each outstanding Class B exchangeable share will be convertible into one Class A exchangeable share at the option of the holder during the period a holder of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock has the right to convert its shares into shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock under the provisions of Molson Coors' restated certificate of incorporation as described under "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights" beginning on page 261. These conversion rights are exercisable for purposes of depositing the resulting Class A exchangeable share to the exclusionary offer and intended to provide protections to holders of Class B exchangeable shares and Molson Coors Class B common stock in the event of an exclusionary offer.

Exclusionary Offer. An "exclusionary offer" under the exchangeable provisions and the Molson Coors restated certificate of incorporation is an offer to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or an offer to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and/or Class A exchangeable shares that:

(A) must, by reason of applicable securities laws or the requirements of a stock exchange on which shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock are listed, be open to all or substantially all holders of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or (B) would, if the offer were made in Canada or a province of Canada, be required to be made to all or substantially all

holders of shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock resident in Canada or a province of Canada by reason of applicable securities laws of Canada or a province of Canada, the requirements of a stock exchange on which shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock are listed or the requirements of the CBCA; and

is not made concurrently with an offer to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock and Class B exchangeable shares that is identical to a concurrent offer to purchase shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares in terms of price per share and percentage of outstanding shares to be purchased (exclusive of shares owned immediately prior to the offer by the offeror) and in all other respects (except with respect to the conditions that may be attached to the offer), and having no conditions other than the right not to purchase and pay for shares of Molson Class B common stock or shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock and Molson Coors Class B exchangeable shares tendered if no shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares are purchased under the offer for shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares.

Notice of Exclusionary Offer. A holder of Class B exchangeable shares is entitled to receive from the trustee under the voting and exchange trust agreement, a notice advising it that the conversion right of Class B exchangeable shareholders has come into effect as soon as reasonably practicable after the trustee's receipt from Molson Coors of a notice advising that the equivalent conversion right of holders of shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock has come into effect. The trustee's notice to Class B exchangeable shareholders will include:

a description of the conversion procedure including the election procedures described below;

a copy of the exclusionary offer and any other materials received by Molson Coors in respect of the offer;

the form of conversion notice; and

the arrangements and procedures, if any, put in place by Molson Coors or its transfer agent to ensure that the Class B exchangeable shareholders may participate in the exclusionary offer without being required to retract exchangeable shares (or if so required, to ensure that any retraction is conditional upon and is only effective if the corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock tendered or deposited under the offer are taken up). Molson Coors will agree under the exchangeable share support agreement to use its commercially reasonable efforts to expeditiously and in good faith put in place these procedures or to cause its transfer agent to put in place these procedures.

The Class B conversion right will not come into effect if holders of over 50% in the aggregate of the outstanding Class A exchangeable shareholders and shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock provide Molson Coors and its transfer agent with a certificate, which we refer to as a blocking certificate, which is not subsequently withdrawn, as provided under the Molson Coors restated certificate of incorporation, that they are not making or acting jointly or in concert with another person to make the exclusionary offer and will not accept the exclusionary offer. See "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights" beginning on page 261. In the voting trust agreements, the Coors Trust and Pentland, which will hold more than 50%, in the aggregate, of the Molson Coors Class A common stock and Class A exchangeable shares, have agreed to deliver a certificate blocking any conversion rights in the event of an exclusionary offer and to not take any action contrary to that blocking certificate.

Conversion of Class B Exchangeable Shares and Molson Coors Class B Common Stock and Participation in the Exclusionary Offer. If the conversion right has come into effect, a Class B exchangeable shareholder can exercise its Class B conversion right by providing:

notice in writing given to the transfer agent accompanied by the share certificate or certificates representing the Class B exchangeable shares which the holder desires to convert and specifying the number of Class B exchangeable shares which the holder desires to have converted,

in the case of an exclusionary offer for shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock only, sending with the conversion notice a retraction request under the exchangeable share provisions requesting Molson Coors Exchangeco to redeem the holder's newly converted Class A exchangeable shares which retraction will be conditional and effective only upon purchase by the offeror of the corresponding shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock (for more information see "Optional Retraction, Redemption and Call Rights; Purchase for Cancellation Redemption of Exchangeable Shares" beginning on page 287), and

irrevocable elections (A) to tender the resulting shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or the Class A exchangeable shares into the exclusionary offer subject to the holder's right to subsequently withdraw the tendered shares from the offer in accordance with the terms of the offer and applicable law, (B) to exercise the right to convert all Class A exchangeable shares and shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock that the holder withdraws from the offer or that are not purchased under the exclusionary offer into Class B exchangeable shares or shares of Molson Coors Class B common shares, respectively, under the terms of the exchangeable share provisions or Article Fifth of Molson Coors' restated certificate of incorporation, respectively, and (C) to appoint the Molson Coors Exchangeco or Molson Coors' transfer agent, as the case may be, as agent of the holder for the purpose of holding and tendering certificates representing the corresponding Class A exchangeable shares or shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock. Any elections (as set forth in (B)) must state that the conversion of Molson Coors Class A common stock into Molson Coors Class B common stock and the conversion of Class A exchangeable shares into Class B exchangeable shares becomes effective at the time the right of withdrawal is exercised.

Any conversion into Molson Coors Class B common stock or Class B exchangeable shares under the election in clause (B) above becomes effective, if the right of withdrawal is not exercised, immediately following the time by which the person making the exclusionary offer is required but fails to pay for the shares under the exclusionary offer or, if the exclusionary offer is abandoned or withdrawn, at the time at which the offer is abandoned or withdrawn.

Molson Coors Exchangeco must use its commercially reasonable efforts to expeditiously and in good faith put in place procedures to ensure that any retraction of exchangeable shares required to participate in an exclusionary offer is conditional upon and is only effective if the corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock tendered or deposited under the offer are taken up or to cause its transfer agent to put in place these procedures. However, those procedures may not be available without the cooperation of the party making the exclusionary offer.

If the exclusionary offer is for Molson Coors Class A common stock only, the Class B exchangeable shareholder must send a copy of the above notice and elections to the Molson Coors transfer agent.

The Class B exchangeable shareholder will pay any governmental or other tax imposed on or in respect of the conversion into Class A exchangeable shares.

Upon receipt by the Molson Coors Exchangeco transfer agent of the notice and share certificate or certificates, Molson Coors Exchangeco will issue or cause to be issued a share certificate representing fully-paid Class A exchangeable shares as prescribed above and in accordance with certain other

specified conditions. If less than all the Class B exchangeable shares represented by any stock certificate are to be converted, the holder will be entitled to receive a new stock certificated representing in the aggregate the number of Class B exchangeable shares represented by the original stock certificate that are not to be converted. However, the share certificates representing Class A exchangeable shares will be tendered, by the transfer agent into an exclusionary offer in accordance with the instructions referred to in subparagraph (C) above.

Upon the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or Class A exchangeable shares tendered or deposited under an exclusionary offer being taken up, the transfer agent will deliver to the former holders of Class B exchangeable shares all consideration paid by the offeror under the exclusionary offer in respect of the shares of Molson Coors Class A common stock or Class A exchangeable shares, less any amounts withheld on account of tax.

Exchangeable Share Support Agreement

This section of the document describes the material provisions of the exchangeable share support agreement but does not purport to describe all of the terms of this agreement. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the complete text of the exchangeable share support agreement, which is attached as Annex E to this document and is incorporated into this document by reference. We urge you to read the full text of the exchangeable share support agreement. The exchangeable share support agreement will provide that for so long as any exchangeable shares (other than exchangeable shares owned by Molson Coors or its affiliates) remain outstanding:

Molson Coors will not declare or pay dividends on the corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock unless Molson Coors ensures that Molson Coors Exchangeco is able to declare and pay and simultaneously declares or pays, as the case may be, an equivalent dividend on the corresponding exchangeable shares, or if the dividend is a stock dividend, Molson Coors Exchangeco effects, in lieu of that dividend, an economically equivalent subdivision of the corresponding exchangeable shares;

Molson Coors will advise Molson Coors Exchangeco sufficiently in advance of the declaration of any dividend on the corresponding Molson Coors common stock and take all action reasonably necessary, in cooperation with Molson Coors Exchangeco, to ensure that the respective declaration date, record date and payment date for dividends on the corresponding exchangeable shares are the same as that for the dividend on the corresponding Molson Coors common stock;

Molson Coors will ensure that the record date for any dividend declared on the Molson Coors common stock is not less than 10 business days after the declaration date of that dividend;

Molson Coors will take all actions and do all things reasonably necessary or desirable to enable and permit Molson Coors Exchangeco, in accordance with applicable law, to:

pay any additional amounts to cover withholding taxes other than Canadian federal or provincial taxes as set forth in the exchangeable share provisions, and

perform its obligations arising upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up or any other distribution of the assets of Molson Coors Exchangeco among its shareholders for the purpose of winding-up its affairs or in the event of a retraction demand by a holder of exchangeable shares or a redemption of exchangeable shares on the redemption date, as the case may be, including all actions and things that are reasonably necessary or desirable to enable and permit Molson Coors Exchangeco to deliver corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock to the holders of exchangeable shares and cash in respect of declared and unpaid dividends where obligated to do so;

Molson Coors will take all actions and do all things reasonably necessary or desirable to enable and permit Callco, in accordance with applicable law, to perform its obligations arising upon the exercise by it of its overriding call rights, including all actions and things as are necessary or desirable to enable Callco to deliver corresponding Molson Coors common stock to the holders of exchangeable shares and cash in respect of declared and unpaid dividends where obligated to do so; and

Molson Coors will not, and will ensure that Callco and its affiliates will not, exercise its vote as a shareholder to initiate the voluntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco or any other distribution of the assets of Molson Coors Exchangeco among its shareholders for the purpose of winding up its affairs nor take any action or omit to take any action that is designed to result in the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco or any other distribution of the assets of Molson Coors Exchangeco among its shareholders for the purpose of winding up its affairs.

The exchangeable share support agreement will provide that Molson Coors will take all necessary or desirable actions to ensure that the corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock delivered for exchangeable shares will be freely tradable, including, if necessary, registering the corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock under applicable securities laws and maintaining the listing or quotation of the corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock for trading on all stock exchanges and quotation systems where the outstanding corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock are then listed and quoted.

The exchangeable share support agreement will also provide that, so long as any exchangeable shares (other than those held by Molson Coors or its affiliates) are outstanding, Molson Coors will not, without the prior approval of Molson Coors Exchangeco and the holders of the affected class of exchangeable shares:

issue or distribute to all or substantially all the holders of corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock:

corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock (or securities exchangeable for or convertible into or carrying rights to acquire corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock by) by way of stock dividend or other distribution (other than to holders of corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock who exercise an option to receive those securities in lieu of receiving a cash dividend);

rights, options or warrants to subscribe for or purchase any corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock (or securities exchangeable for or convertible into or carrying rights to acquire corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock);

other securities of Molson Coors;

evidences of indebtedness or other assets of Molson Coors; or

assets of Molson Coors;

subdivide, redivide, reduce, consolidate, combine or otherwise change the then outstanding corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock into a different number of corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock; or

reclassify or otherwise change the corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock or effect an amalgamation, merger, reorganization or other transaction affecting corresponding shares of Molson Coors common stock,

unless the same or an economically equivalent distribution on or change to, or in the rights of the holders of, the relevant class of exchangeable shares is made simultaneously. Molson Coors will ensure

that the record date for any of the foregoing events (or the effective date if there is no record date) is not less than five business days after the date that Molson Coors announces the event. The board of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco will determine, in good faith and in its sole discretion, "economic equivalence" for these purposes, and its determination, based upon the factors specified in the exchangeable share support agreement, will be conclusive and binding.

Under the exchangeable share support agreement, so long as any exchangeable shares (other than those held by Molson Coors or its affiliates) are outstanding, Molson Coors and its board of directors will be prohibited from proposing or recommending or otherwise effecting with the consent or approval of its board of directors any tender or share exchange offer, issuer bid, take-over bid or similar transaction with respect to Molson Coors Class A or Class B common stock, unless the holders of exchangeable shares (other than Molson Coors and its affiliates) participate in the transaction to the same extent on an economically equivalent basis as the holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock and Molson Coors Class B common stock, without discrimination. In addition, except in order to permit the board of directors of Molson Coors to fulfill its fiduciary duties under applicable law, Molson Coors and its board of directors will not approve or recommend any offer or transaction unless the holders of the affected class of exchangeable shares may participate without being required to retract their exchangeable shares.

In addition, subject to limited exceptions, Molson Coors will not consummate any transaction (whether by way of reconstruction, reorganization, consolidation, merger, transfer, sale, lease or otherwise) whereby all or substantially all of its undertaking, property and assets would become the property of any other person or, in the case of a merger, of the continuing corporation unless the rights of the holders of exchangeable shares are substantially preserved and not impaired in any material respect.

Molson Coors will agree to give due regard to taking the necessary action within its control (including taking into account the interest of holders of exchangeable shares) to ensure at all times that so long as any exchangeable shares are owned by any person other than Molson Coors or its affiliates, Molson Coors Exchangeco meets the solvency tests under the CBCA prescribed for the declaration of payment of dividends and the redemption of its shares so long as Molson Coors meets any comparable tests at that time.

Molson Coors will also agree that without the prior approval of Molson Coors Exchangeco and the holders of the affected class of exchangeable shares so long as any exchangeable shares are owned by any person other than Molson Coors or its affiliates, Molson Coors will remain the direct or indirect owner of at least $66^2/3$ of the outstanding voting shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco and Callco.

Molson Coors will agree under the exchangeable share support agreement not to exercise any voting rights attached to the exchangeable shares owned by it or any of its affiliates on any matter considered at meetings of holders of a class of exchangeable shares. Molson Coors will also agree to use its commercially reasonable best efforts:

to maintain Molson Coors Exchangeco's status as a reporting issuer in good standing in all provinces and territories of Canada; and

to maintain Molson Coors Exchangeco's qualifications to file a prospectus in the form of a short form prospectus in every province and territory of Canada, provided that the qualification can be maintained through the provision of the continuous disclosure and financial reporting information of Molson Coors filed with the SEC.

Molson Coors will agree to use its reasonable best efforts to ensure that Molson Coors Exchangeco:

continues to be a "taxable Canadian corporation" and a public corporation, in each case for purposes of the Income Tax Act (Canada);

maintains a "substantial Canadian presence" within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada) if required for "foreign property" purposes; and

maintains a listing for the exchangeable shares on a Canadian stock exchange.

Molson Coors will also agree to take all steps within its control that are necessary to ensure that:

it will not become a "specified financial institution" within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada), as it is proposed to be amended, subject to certain exceptions, so long as more than 10% of any class of exchangeable shares are owned by an original significant exchangeable shareholder (generally a holder who received more than 10% of the shares of any class of exchangeable shares under the arrangement) and the aggregate fair market value of all exchangeable shares owned by such original significant exchangeable shareholder, persons not dealing at arm's length with such shareholder and any trust of which such shareholder is a beneficiary, is at least \$25 million;

it will not become a "foreign investment entity" within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada), as it is proposed to be amended, subject to certain exceptions, so long as more than 10% of the shares of any class of exchangeable shares or any class of Molson Coors common stock are held by an original significant Canadian shareholder (generally a holder who received more than 10% of the shares of any class of exchangeable shares or Molson Coors common stock, including those shares held by persons not dealing at arm's length with such shareholder) or any shares of any class of exchangeable shares or Molson Coors common stock in which there are fewer than 150 holders each holding Cdn.\$500 worth of shares, and

it will not become a "United States real property holding corporation" within the meaning of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Molson Coors will also agree for so long as any exchangeable shares are owned by a person other than Molson Coors and its affiliates not to take any action relating to a liquidation or winding up of Molson Coors Exchangeco or merger or material reorganization of Molson Coors Exchangeco which would result, prior to the redemption date, in (i) the recognition under the Income Tax Act (Canada) of any accrued gain on a holder's exchangeable shares which was deferred as result of the consummation of the transactions under the combination agreement, (ii) dividends on the exchangeable shares being ineligible for the dividend gross-up and tax credit for individuals resident in Canada under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and inter-corporate dividend deduction for Canadian resident corporations under the Income Tax Act (Canada) or (iii) dividends on the exchangeable shares being subject to withholding tax, other than under Canadian or U.S. laws.

Molson Coors will agree to consider good faith requests relating to the future crystallizations of "safe income" attaching to exchangeable shares held by Canadian residents, at their cost, with a view toward accommodating reasonable requests. Molson Coors will also instruct its auditors to provide requesting shareholders (at each requesting shareholder's expense) with a calculation of "safe income" reasonably arrived at.

Molson Coors Exchangeco is required to notify Molson Coors and Callco of the occurrence of certain events, such as the liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, and Molson Coors Exchangeco's receipt of a retraction request from a holder of Exchangeable Shares.

With the exception of administrative changes for the purpose of adding covenants that are not prejudicial to the rights and interests of the holders of exchangeable shares, making certain necessary amendments or curing ambiguities or clerical errors (in each case provided that the board of directors of each of Molson Coors, Molson Coors Exchangeco and Callco are of the opinion that the amendments are not prejudicial to the rights or interests of the holders of Exchangeable Shares), the exchangeable share support agreement may not be amended without the approval of the holders of exchangeable shares as set forth under "Information Concerning Molson Coors Exchangeco Description of Exchangeable Shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco Amendment and Approval" beginning on page 291.

Description of Other Classes of Molson Coors Exchangeco Share Capital

The following is a summary of all material provisions of Molson Coors Exchangeco's share capital other than the exchangeable share provisions described above.

Class A Non-Voting Shares

The Class A non-voting shares will be issued only upon a conversion of Class A preferred shares or Class B1 preferred shares by a holder. Holders of Class A non-voting shares will not be entitled to receive notice of, attend, or vote at, meetings of shareholders of Molson Coors Exchangeco except as provided by applicable law. Subject to the prior rights of holders of any shares ranking senior to the Class A non-voting shares in respect of dividends, holders of Class A non-voting shares will be entitled to receive such dividends as may be declared by the board of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco out of legally available funds, provided, however, that no class of Molson Coors Exchangeco shares other than the Class D preferred shares will rank prior to the Molson Coors Exchangeable shares with respect to the entitlement to the payment of dividends when dividends are declared and paid on corresponding Molson Coors common stock as described above under "Restrictions on Molson Coors Exchangeco" beginning on page 291. Holders of Class A non-voting shares will be entitled upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, subject to the prior rights of the holders of all classes of exchangeable shares and preferred shares, to receive the remaining property and assets of Molson Coors Exchangeco (pari passu with the holders of Class B subordinate voting shares and Class C restricted voting shares).

Class B Subordinate Voting Shares

The Class B subordinate voting shares will be issued only upon a conversion of Class B2 preferred shares by a holder. Holders of Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares and Class B2 preferred shares will vote together as a single class on all matters requiring shareholder approval (with each holder of Class B subordinate voting shares and Class B2 preferred shares entitled to one vote per share and each holder of Class C restricted voting shares entitled to votes per share) except (a) holders of Class B subordinate voting shares and Class B2 preferred shares will have, voting together as a single class, 25% of the total votes entitled to be cast for the election of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco, and (b) where voting as a separate class is required by applicable law. The terms and conditions attaching to the Class B subordinate voting shares will otherwise be identical to those which attach to the Class A non-voting shares.

Class C Restricted Voting Shares

The Articles of Incorporation of Molson Coors Exchangeco will be amended prior to the effective time of the arrangement in order to change the name of the current ordinary common shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco to "Class C restricted voting shares" and to otherwise revise the terms and conditions of the common shares to conform to the description in this paragraph. Holders of Class C restricted voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares and Class B2 preferred shares will vote

together as a single class on all matters requiring shareholder approval (with each holder of Class C restricted voting shares entitled to per share and each holder of Class B subordinate voting shares and Class B2 preferred shares entitled to one vote per share; upon the completion of the merger transaction, holders of Class C restricted voting shares will control % of the voting rights in respect of these matters, assuming that all holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares receive only preferred shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco) except (a) holders of Class B subordinate voting shares and Class B2 preferred shares will have, voting together as a single class, 25% of the total votes entitled to be cast for the election of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco, and (b) where voting as a separate class is required by applicable law. The terms and conditions attaching to the Class C restricted voting shares will otherwise be identical to those which attach to the Class A non-voting shares.

At the effective time of the arrangement, all of the Class C restricted voting shares will be indirectly held by Molson Coors through two holding companies incorporated under the laws of Colorado.

Class A Preferred Shares

A holder of Class A preferred shares will not be entitled to receive notice of, attend, or vote at, meetings of shareholders of Molson Coors Exchangeco except as provided by applicable law.

A holder of Class A preferred shares will be entitled to receive, if and when declared by the board of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco, an annual dividend equal to the sum of (a) a fixed amount equal to 0.01% of the liquidation value of the shares, plus (b) an additional amount equal to (i) the per share amount of any dividends declared on the Class C restricted voting shares during the relevant period, multiplied by (ii) the number of Class A non-voting shares that the holder would have received had the holder converted its Class A preferred shares into Class A non-voting shares immediately after the effective time of the arrangement. Subject to any future reduction of capital by Molson Coors Exchangeco, the liquidation value of each Class A preferred share will be fixed at an amount equal to the fair market value of a share of Coors Class A common stock determined immediately prior to the effective time of the arrangement. Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, a holder of Class A preferred shares will be entitled to receive the liquidation value of the shares plus the fixed portion of any accrued but unpaid dividends.

Each Class A preferred share will be convertible at any time by a holder into a number of Class A non-voting shares determined by dividing (A) the sum of the liquidation value of the Class A preferred share at that time plus the fixed portion of any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon by (B) the fair market value of a Class A non-voting share at that time. Subject to applicable law, each Class A preferred share will be redeemable by Molson Coors Exchangeco at any time for a redemption price equal to its liquidation value at that time plus the fixed portion of any accrued and unpaid dividend, provided that Molson Coors Exchangeco may not redeem Class A preferred shares at a time when it is in default of any term, condition or obligation attaching to the exchangeable shares or if the redemption would cause Molson Coors Exchangeco to be in default of any term, condition or obligation attaching to the exchangeable shares.

The Class A preferred shares will rank:

in respect of dividends, before the Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares, Class C preferred shares and all classes of Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares, and *pari passu* with the Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares and Class D preferred shares, provided, however, that no class of Molson Coors Exchangeco shares other than the Class D preferred shares will rank in priority to the Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares with respect to the entitlement to the payment of

dividends when dividends are declared and paid on corresponding Molson Coors common stock as described above under "Restrictions on Molson Coors Exchangeco"; and

on any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, before the Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares and Class C restricted voting shares, *pari passu* with the Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares and Class D preferred shares, and after all classes of exchangeable shares and the Class C preferred shares.

Class B1 Preferred Shares

With the exception of liquidation value (which, in the case of the Class B1 preferred shares will be equal to Cdn.\$10 (subject to any future reduction of capital by Molson Coors Exchangeco) and any entitlement of a holder that is calculated by reference to the liquidation value, the terms and conditions of the Class B1 preferred shares will be identical to the terms and conditions of the Class A preferred shares.

Class B2 Preferred Shares

The terms and conditions of the Class B2 preferred shares will be identical to the terms and conditions of Class A and Class B1 preferred shares, with the following exceptions:

holders of Class B2 preferred shares, Class B subordinate voting shares and Class C restricted voting shares will vote together as a single class on all matters requiring shareholder approval (with each holder of Class B2 preferred shares and Class B subordinate voting shares entitled to one vote per share and each holder of Class C restricted voting shares entitled to votes per share) except (a) holders of Class B2 preferred shares and Class B subordinate voting shares will have, voting together as a single class, 25% of the total votes entitled to be cast for the election of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco, and (b) where voting as a separate class is required by applicable law;

a holder of Class B2 preferred shares will be entitled to receive, if and when declared by the board of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco, an annual dividend equal to the sum of (a) a fixed amount equal to 0.01% of the liquidation value of such shares, plus (b) an additional amount equal to (i) the per share amount of any dividends declared on the Class C restricted voting shares during the relevant period, multiplied by (ii) the number of Class B subordinate voting shares that the holder would have received had the holder converted its Class B2 preferred shares into Class B subordinate voting shares immediately after the effective time of the arrangement;

subject to any future reduction of capital by Molson Coors Exchangeco, the liquidation value of each Class B2 preferred share will be fixed at an amount equal to the fair market value of a share of Coors Class B common stock determined immediately before the effective time of the arrangement, less Cdn.\$10 (being the liquidation value of a Class B1 preferred share); and

each Class B2 preferred share will be convertible at any time by a holder into a number of Class B subordinate voting shares determined by dividing (A) the sum of the liquidation value of the Class B2 preferred share at that time plus the fixed amount portion of any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon, by (B) the fair market value of a Class B subordinate voting share at that time.

Class C Preferred Shares

The holders of Class C preferred shares will not be entitled to receive notice of, attend, or vote at, meetings of shareholders of Molson Coors Exchangeco except as provided by applicable law. A holder of Class C preferred shares will be entitled to receive, if and when declared by the board of directors

of Molson Coors Exchangeco, a fixed cumulative dividend in an amount equal to 6% of the liquidation value of those shares per annum, payable quarterly. The aggregate liquidation value of the Class C preferred shares will be fixed at U.S.\$1,000,000. Upon any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, a holder of Class C preferred shares will be entitled to receive the total liquidation value of such shares plus the amount of any accrued and unpaid dividends.

The Class C preferred shares will be mandatorily redeemable by Molson Coors Exchangeco on the date which is five years following issuance (subject to the requirements that at the time of redemption Molson Coors Exchangeco not be in default of any term, condition or obligation attaching to the exchangeable shares, and that such redemption not cause Molson Coors Exchangeco to be in default of any term, condition or obligation attaching to the exchangeable shares).

The Class C preferred shares will rank:

in respect of dividends, before the Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares and all classes of Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares, and after the Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares and Class D preferred shares, provided, however, that no class of Molson Coors Exchangeco shares other than the Class D preferred shares will rank prior to the Molson Coors Exchangeco exchangeable shares with respect to the entitlement to the payment of dividends when dividends are declared and paid on corresponding Molson Coors common stock as described above under "Restrictions on Molson Coors Exchangeco" beginning on page 291; and

on any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, before the Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares, Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares, Class B2 preferred shares, Class D preferred shares, and after the Class A exchangeable shares and Class B exchangeable shares.

Class D Preferred Shares

The Class D preferred shares will be issuable from time to time in one or more series. Subject to Molson Coors Exchangeco's articles of incorporation, the board of directors of Molson Coors Exchangeco may, prior to issue, determine the designation, rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions attaching to the shares of each series as well as the number of shares of each series. With the exception of any matters with respect to which they are entitled to vote as a class by law, holders of Class D preferred shares are not entitled to vote at any Molson Coors Exchangeco shareholders' meetings.

The Class D preferred shares will rank:

in respect of dividends, before the Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares, Class C preferred shares and all classes of exchangeable shares, and *pari passu* with the Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares and Class B2 preferred shares; and

on any liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of Molson Coors Exchangeco, before the Class A non-voting shares, Class B subordinate voting shares, Class C restricted voting shares, Class C preferred shares and all classes of common shares, *pari passu* with the Class A preferred shares, Class B1 preferred shares, and Class B2 preferred shares, and after the Class C preferred shares and all classes of exchangeable shares.

Transfer Agent

The transfer agent and registrar for the exchangeable shares will be CIBC Mellon Trust Company at its offices in Halifax, Montréal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Vancouver.

Listing

Coors and Molson have agreed to apply to the Toronto Stock Exchange for listing of the exchangeable shares and Class A, Class B1 and Class B2 preferred shares. The preferred shares will be delisted after the merger transaction since the only holder of these shares will be Callco.

Information Concerning Callco

Molson Coors Callco ULC, or Callco, is a company incorporated under the Companies Act (Nova Scotia) on September 9, 2004 for the purpose of implementing the merger transaction. Callco will hold certain call rights related to the exchangeable shares. To date, Callco has not carried on and, following the effective date of the merger transaction will not carry on, any business except in connection with its role as a party to the merger transaction. Callco is a wholly owned subsidiary of Coors and its registered office address is 800-1959 Upper Water Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada B3J 2X2.

Comparison of Shareholders' Rights

Upon completion of the merger transaction, Molson shareholders will no longer be shareholders of Molson and instead will hold shares of Class A common stock and/or Class B common stock of Molson Coors or corresponding classes of exchangeable shares of Molson Coors Exchangeco that are substantially economically equivalent to the Molson Coors common stock.

Canadian law and Molson's articles of amalgamation and bylaws govern Molson and its relations with its shareholders. Delaware law and Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws will govern Molson Coors and its relations with its stockholders.

Although the rights and privileges of stockholders of a Delaware corporation are, in many instances, comparable to those of shareholders of a corporation organized under the CBCA, there are several differences. The following is a summary of the material differences in the rights of holders of Molson shares and Molson Coors common stock. These differences arise from the differences between Delaware law and the CBCA and between the Molson articles of amalgamation and bylaws and Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws. This summary is not intended to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to Delaware law, the CBCA and the governing corporate instruments of Molson Coors.

	Molson Shareholder Rights	Molson Coors Stockholder Rights
Authorized Capital Stock	An unlimited number of Class A non-voting shares.	500,000,000 shares of Class A common stock, par value of U.S.\$0.01.
	An unlimited number of Class B common shares.	500,000,000 shares of Class B common stock, par value of
	An unlimited number of preference shares.	U.S.\$0.01.
		One share of special Class A voting stock, par value of U.S.\$0.01.
		One share of special Class B voting stock, par value of U.S.\$0.01.
		25,000,000 preferred shares, par value of U.S.\$0.01, of which none are issued and outstanding as of the date of this document.
Dividends	Molson's articles of amalgamation provide that holders of Class A non-voting shares are entitled to receive a dividend of Cdn.\$0.033 per share before any dividends may be declared or paid on Class B common shares. Any further dividends declared in the same fiscal year must be declared and paid in equal amounts per share to the holders of Class A non-voting shares and Class B common shares. Molson has historically paid quarterly dividends to holders of both outstanding classes of its shares in excess of Cdn.\$0.033 per share.	Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will provide that holders of common stock will be entitled to receive dividends (whether payable in cash or otherwise), if any, declared from time to time by the board of directors. Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will provide that so long as any shares of Class B common stock are outstanding, no dividends may be declared or paid on any Class A common stock or Class B common stock unless at the same time a dividend of equal amount (or number in the case of a dividend paid in shares) per share is paid on both classes. The board of directors may declare dividends in the form of shares of common stock. Dividends payable in common stock to the holders of Class A common stock may be made in shares of Class A common stock or shares of Class B common stock. Dividends payable in common stock to the holders of Class B common stock may only be made in
	20.1	shares of Class B common stock.
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Sources of Dividends

Under the CBCA, dividends may be declared at the discretion of the board of directors. Molson may pay dividends unless there are reasonable grounds for believing that (1) Molson is, or would after the payment be, unable to pay its liabilities as they become due, or (2) the realizable value of Molson's assets would, as a result of the dividend, be less than the aggregate of its liabilities and stated capital of all classes of shares.

Vote Required for Certain Transactions

Under the CBCA, certain extraordinary corporate actions, such as amalgamations (other than with certain affiliated corporations), continuances and sales, leases or exchanges of all, or substantially all, of the property of a corporation other than in the ordinary course of business, and other extraordinary corporate actions such as liquidations, dissolutions and (if ordered by a court) arrangements, are required to be approved by "special resolution."

A "special resolution" is a resolution passed by not less than two-thirds of the votes cast by the shareholders who voted in respect of the resolution or signed by all shareholders entitled to vote on the resolution.

In specified cases, a special resolution to approve an extraordinary corporate action is also required to be approved separately by the holders of a class or series of shares, including in certain cases a class or series of shares not otherwise carrying voting rights.

In specified extraordinary corporate actions, all shares have a vote, whether or not they generally vote and, in certain cases, have separate class votes. Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that a two-thirds vote of the full board (including vacancies) will be required to declare any dividend, except that any regular quarterly dividend payable on a date consistent with past practice and in an amount no greater than the amount paid in the immediately preceeding fiscal quarters shall only require a majority vote of the board of directors.

Delaware law provides that dividends may be paid by a Delaware corporation either out of (1) surplus or (2) in case there is no surplus, out of its net profits for the fiscal year in which the dividend is declared and/or the preceding fiscal year, except when the capital is diminished to an amount less than the aggregate amount of capital represented by issued and outstanding stock having a preference on the distribution of assets.

Under Delaware law, the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding stock entitled to vote is required for:

mergers;

consolidations:

dissolutions and revocations of dissolutions; and

sales of all or substantially all of the assets of the corporation.

However, unless the certificate of incorporation requires otherwise, no vote will be required in connection with a merger where either:

the corporation's certificate of incorporation is not amended, the shares of stock of the corporation remain outstanding and the common stock of the corporation issued in the merger does not exceed 20% of the previously outstanding common stock; or

the merger is with a wholly owned subsidiary of the corporation for the purpose of forming a holding company and, among other things, the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of the holding company immediately following the merger will be identical to the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of the corporation prior to the merger.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will provide that the affirmative vote of (1) the holders of a majority of the total voting power of the Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares), voting as a single class, and (2) the holders of a majority of the total voting power of the Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class B exchangeable shares), voting as a single class, will be required for:

any agreement of merger that requires stockholder approval under Delaware law or a statutory share exchange (but only to the extent that Delaware law is amended to provide for such a statutory share exchange);

any sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the property and assets of Molson Coors (other than to or with any entity that is directly or indirectly wholly owned by Molson Coors) or any sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the property and assets of any entity (A) of which Molson Coors, directly or indirectly, has the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of the entity, whether through ownership of voting shares or interests, by contract or otherwise and (B) whose shares or other interests held by Molson Coors constitute all or substantially all of the property and assets of Molson Coors:

any proposal to dissolve Molson Coors or any proposal to revoke the dissolution of Molson Coors; or

amendments to the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation described under

Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation" below.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will also provide that an affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by the holders the Class A common stock and the special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares), voting together as a single class, is required for certain transactions as described under "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Other Governance Matters Voting Trust Agreements Among Principal Shareholders" beginning on page 116.

Amendment of Certificate of Incorporation

Under the CBCA, an amendment to the articles of incorporation generally requires approval by special resolution of the voting shares. Specified amendments may also require the approval of other classes of shares. If the amendment is of a nature affecting a particular class or series in a manner requiring a separate class or series vote, that class or series is entitled to vote on the amendment whether or not it otherwise carries the right to vote.

Generally, Delaware law provides that a corporation may amend its certificate of incorporation if (1) its board of directors has adopted a resolution setting forth the amendment proposed and declared its advisability, and (2) the amendment is adopted by the affirmative votes of a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote on the amendment and a majority of the outstanding stock of each class entitled to vote on the amendment as a class.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will provide that the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the total voting power of both (1) the Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares), voting as a single class, and (2) the Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class B exchangeable shares), voting as a single class, is required for any amendment of the certificate of incorporation that requires stockholder approval under Delaware law and that would:

increase or decrease the aggregate number of the authorized shares of Class B common stock;

change the designations, preferences, limitations, or relative rights of any shares of Class B common stock;

change the shares of all or part of Class B common stock into a different number of shares of the same class;

increase the rights, preferences or number of authorized shares of any other class, or create any new class, that is equal or superior to Class B common stock with respect to distribution or dissolution rights;

other than in accordance with the provisions of the Molson Coors certificate of incorporation described under "Conversion Rights and Coattails" exchange or reclassify any shares of Class B common stock into shares of another class, or exchange, reclassify or create the right of exchange of any shares of another class into shares of Class B common stock; or

limit or deny existing preemptive rights of, or cancel or otherwise affect rights to distributions or dividends that have accumulated but have not yet been declared on, any shares of Class B common stock.

Amendment of Bylaws

The Molson board of directors may, by resolution, make, amend or repeal any bylaw that regulates the business or affairs of the corporation. Where the directors make, amend or repeal a bylaw, they are required under the CBCA to submit that action to the shareholders at the next meeting of shareholders, and the shareholders may confirm, reject or amend that action by simple majority, or ordinary resolution. If the action is rejected by shareholders, or the directors of a corporation do not submit the action to the shareholders at the next meeting of shareholders, the action will cease to be effective, and no subsequent resolution of the directors to make, amend or repeal a bylaw having substantially the same purpose or effect will be effective until it is confirmed.

Delaware law provides that the stockholders entitled to vote have the power to adopt, amend or repeal bylaws. A corporation may also confer, in its certificate of incorporation, that power upon the board of directors.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will confer upon the board of directors the power to adopt, amend or repeal the bylaws. However, the power of the board of directors may be limited by provisions of the bylaws in effect as of the date of the certificate of incorporation of Molson Coors or by an amendment to the bylaws adopted by the holders of Class A common stock that provides that a particular bylaw or bylaws may only be amended by the holders of Class A common stock

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that the board of directors is authorized to adopt, amend or repeal bylaws by a two-thirds vote of the full board (including vacancies), except that the following bylaw provisions may only be amended or repealed by the affirmative vote of holders representing at least a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by all holders of Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of Class A exchangeable shares), voting together as a single class:

provisions specifying matters requiring a supermajority vote of the board:

provisions governing the appointment and removal of the chairman; and

provisions governing the adoption, amendment or repeal of the bylaws.

The holders of Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares), voting as a single class, may adopt, amend or repeal bylaws by the affirmative vote of holders representing at least a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by all holders of Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares), and may limit the power of the board of directors to adopt, amend or repeal a particular bylaw or bylaws.

Conversion Rights and Coattails

The Molson certificate of incorporation contains "coattail" provisions intended to provide protections to holders of Molson Class A non-voting shares in the case of a proposed take-over bid or other specified offer for the Molson Class B common shares, which provisions are similar to those proposed for the shares of Molson Coors Class B common stock.

The Molson certificate of incorporation also currently provides for the right of holders of Molson Class B common shares to convert their shares into Molson Class A non-voting shares on a one-for-one basis at any time.

Dissent or Dissenters' Appraisal Rights

The CBCA provides that shareholders of a corporation are entitled to exercise dissent rights and to be paid the fair value of their shares in connection with specified matters, including:

any amalgamation with another corporation (other than with certain affiliated corporations);

an amendment to the corporation's articles to add, change or remove any provisions restricting or constraining the issue, transfer or ownership of shares of the class in respect of which a shareholder is dissenting;

an amendment to the corporation's articles to add, change or remove any restriction upon the business or businesses that the corporation may carry on;

a continuance under the laws of another jurisdiction;

a sale, lease or exchange of all, or substantially all, the property of the corporation other than in the ordinary course of business:

a court order permitting a shareholder to dissent in connection with an application to the court for an order approving an arrangement proposed by the corporation;

the carrying out of a going-private transaction; and

certain amendments to the articles of a corporation which require a separate class or series vote by a holder of shares of any class or series.

However, a shareholder is not entitled to dissent if an amendment to the articles is effected by a court order approving a reorganization or by a court order made in connection with an action for an oppression remedy.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will provide for the addition of "coattail" provisions intended to provide protections to holders of Molson Coors Class B common stock and Class B exchangeable shares in the case of a proposed take-over bid, tender offer or other specified offer for the Molson Coors Class A common stock as described in "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights" beginning on page 261.

The Molson Coors certificate of incorporation will also provide for the right of holders of Molson Coors Class A common stock to convert their stock into Molson Coors Class B common stock on a one-for-one basis at any time, as described in "Description of the Molson Coors Capital Stock Common Stock Conversion Rights" beginning on page 261.

Delaware law provides that a holder of shares of any class or series has the right, in specified circumstances, to dissent from a merger or consolidation by demanding payment in cash for the stockholder's shares equal to the fair value of those shares, as determined by the Delaware Chancery Court in an action timely brought by the corporation or a dissenting stockholder. Delaware law grants these appraisal rights only in the case of mergers or consolidations and not in the case of a sale or transfer of assets or a purchase of assets for stock. Further, no appraisal rights are available for shares of any class or series that is listed on a national securities exchange or designated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation system by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. or held of record by more than 2,000 stockholders, unless the agreement of merger or consolidation requires the holders to accept for their shares anything other than:

shares of stock of the surviving corporation;

shares of stock of another corporation that are either listed on a national securities exchange or designated as a national market system security on an interdealer quotation system by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. or held of record by more than 2,000 stockholders;

cash in lieu of fractional shares of the stock described in the two preceding clauses; or

any combination of the above.

In addition, appraisal rights are not available to holders of shares of the surviving corporation in specified mergers that do not require the vote of the stockholders of the surviving corporation.

Oppression Remedy

The CBCA provides an oppression remedy that enables a court to make any order, whether interim or final, to rectify matters that are oppressive or unfairly prejudicial to or that unfairly disregard the interests of any securityholder, creditor, director or officer of the corporation if an application is made to a court by a "complainant."

A "complainant" with respect to a corporation means any of the following:

a present or former registered holder or beneficial owner of securities of the corporation or any of its affiliates;

a present or former officer or director of the corporation or any of its affiliates;

the director appointed under the CBCA; and

any other person who in the discretion of the court is a proper person to make the application.

The oppression remedy provides the court with very broad and flexible powers to intervene in corporate affairs to protect shareholders and other complainants. While conduct that is in breach of fiduciary duties of directors or that is contrary to the legal right of a complainant will normally trigger the court's jurisdiction under the oppression remedy, the exercise of that jurisdiction does not depend on a finding of a breach of those legal and equitable rights. Furthermore, the court may order a corporation to pay the interim expenses of a complainant seeking an oppression remedy, but the complainant may be held accountable for interim costs on final disposition of the complaint (as in the case of a derivative action as described in "Shareholder Derivative Actions" below).

Delaware law does not provide for a similar remedy.

Molson Shareholder Rights

Molson Coors Stockholder Rights

Shareholder Derivative Actions

A Molson shareholder may apply to a Canadian court for leave to bring an action in the name of, and on behalf of, Molson or any subsidiary, or to intervene in an existing action to which Molson or any of its subsidiaries is a party, for the purpose of prosecuting, defending or discontinuing an action on behalf of Molson or its subsidiary. Under the CBCA, no action may be brought and no intervention in an action may be made unless a court is satisfied that:

the shareholder has given required notice to the directors of Molson or the subsidiary of the shareholder's intention to apply to the court if the directors do not bring, diligently prosecute or defend or discontinue the action;

the shareholder is acting in good faith; and

it appears to be in the interests of Molson or the relevant subsidiary that the action be brought, prosecuted, defended or discontinued.

Under the CBCA, the court in a derivative action may make any order it thinks fit. In addition, under the CBCA, a court may order Molson or its relevant subsidiary to pay the shareholder's interim costs, including reasonable legal fees and disbursements. Although the shareholder may be held accountable for the interim costs on final disposition of the complaint, the shareholder is not required to give security for costs in a derivative action.

Director Qualifications

Generally, at least 25% of the directors of a CBCA corporation must be resident Canadians. The CBCA requires that a corporation whose securities are publicly traded have not fewer than three directors, at least two of whom are not officers or employees of the corporation or its affiliates.

Furthermore, under the CBCA, no business may be transacted at a meeting of the board of directors unless 25% of the directors present are resident Canadians.

Under Delaware law, Molson Coors stockholders may bring derivative actions on behalf of, and for the benefit of, Molson Coors. The plaintiff in a derivative action on behalf of Molson Coors either must be or have been a stockholder of Molson Coors at the time of the transaction or must be a stockholder who became a stockholder by operation of law in the transaction regarding which the stockholder complains. A stockholder may not sue derivatively on behalf of Molson Coors unless the stockholder first makes demand on Molson Coors that it bring suit and the demand is refused, unless it is shown that making the demand would have been a futile act

Delaware law does not have director residency requirements comparable to those of the CBCA. Delaware law permits a corporation to prescribe qualifications for directors under its certificate of incorporation or bylaws.

Neither Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation nor its bylaws will prescribe citizenship or residency qualifications for its directors.

Number of Directors

Molson's articles of amalgamation and bylaws state that the minimum number of directors is 8 and the maximum number of directors is 15. The actual number of directors, within that range, is determined by the board of directors from time to time. The CBCA provides that any amendment to increase or decrease this minimum or maximum number of directors requires the approval of shareholders of Molson by special resolution.

Molson's articles of amalgamation provide that the holders of the Molson Class A non-voting shares are entitled, voting separately as a class, to annually elect three members of the board of directors of Molson. Delaware law provides that a corporation's board of directors must consist of one or more members and that the number of directors will be fixed by, or in the manner provided in, the corporation's bylaws, or the certificate of incorporation.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws together will provide that the number of directors will be determined by resolution of the board of directors, adopted by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the authorized number of directors (including vacancies), except that any decrease in the number of directors below 15 must be approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of the Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares), voting together as a single class, and that any increase in the number of directors must be by a number divisible by three.

The Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that at the effective time of the merger transaction the board of directors will have 15 members.

The composition of the board of directors following the effective time of the merger transaction and other related matters are described in "Governance and Management of Molson Coors Board of Directors of Molson Coors" beginning on page 102.

Delaware law generally provides that any director may be removed, with or without cause, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares then entitled to vote at an election of directors, except in the case of a corporation that has a classified board of directors or which has cumulative voting in elections of directors (which will not be the case for Molson Coors).

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will provide that any director or the entire board of directors may be removed with cause by a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by holders of all of the classes of Molson Coors' stock entitled to vote at an election of directors, voting together as a single class. The certificate of incorporation also provides that any director may be removed without cause by a vote of the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to be cast by the holders of the class or classes of stock that elected the director.

Removal of Directors

Under the CBCA, unless the articles of a corporation provide for cumulative voting (which is not the case for Molson), shareholders of the corporation may, by ordinary resolution passed at a special meeting, remove any director or directors from office. If holders of a class or series of shares have the exclusive right to elect one or more directors, a director elected by them may only be removed by an ordinary resolution at a meeting of the shareholders of that class or series

Molson's bylaws provide that directors will be elected yearly at the annual meeting of shareholders and will hold office until the next annual meeting of shareholders or until their respective successors are elected or appointed. Each director then in office will retire, but will be eligible for re-election.

Filling Vacancies on the Board of Directors

Under the CBCA, a vacancy among directors created by the removal of a director by shareholders may be filled at a meeting of shareholders at which the director is removed. In addition, the CBCA allows a vacancy on the board of directors to be filled by a quorum of directors, except that a vacancy among directors elected by the Class A non-voting shares may only be filled by the remaining directors elected by those shareholders and except for the case when the vacancy results from an increase in the number or minimum or maximum number of directors or from a failure to elect the number or minimum number of directors required by Molson's articles of amalgamation. The CBCA and Molson's articles of amalgamation authorize the board of directors to appoint one or more additional directors, who will hold office for a term expiring not later than the close of the next annual meeting of shareholders, but the total number of directors so appointed may not exceed one-third of the number of directors elected at the previous annual meeting of shareholders and those additional directors may hold office for a term expiring not later than the close of the next annual meeting of shareholders.

the death, resignation, retirement or removal from office of any director will be filled (i) in the case of vacancies related to a director nominated or appointed by the nominating committee, the Class A-M nominating subcommittee or Class A-C nominating subcommittee, by the nominating committee or subcommittee, as applicable, that nominated or appointed that director, and (ii) in the case of vacancies related to a director nominated or appointed by the board of directors, by the board of directors. Each director appointed to fill a vacancy will serve until his or her successor is elected and qualified or until death, earlier resignation, removal or disqualification.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws will

provide that any vacancy on the board of directors created by

Where holders of a class of shares have an exclusive right to elect one or more directors and a vacancy occurs among the directors, only the remaining directors or the stockholders of that class may fill the vacancy.

Quorum of Directors

Molson's bylaws provide that six directors constitute a quorum at any meeting of the board of directors

Notice of Meeting of Shareholders

Under the CBCA and Molson's bylaws, notice of the date, time and place of a meeting of Molson shareholders must be given not less than 21 days nor more than 50 days prior to the meeting to each director, to the auditor and to each shareholder entitled to vote at the meeting.

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that a majority of the board of directors then in office will constitute a quorum. However, if less than a majority of the directors are present, a majority of the directors present may, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum can be obtained.

Delaware law provides that, whenever stockholders are required or permitted to take any action at a meeting, a written notice of the meeting stating, among other things, the place (if any), date and hour of the meeting and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called must be given 10 to 60 days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to vote at the meeting.

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that written notice stating the place, if any, date and hour of the meeting and the means of remote communications, if any, by which Molson Coors stockholders and proxy holders may be deemed to be present in person and vote at the meeting and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, will be given to all Molson Coors stockholders, whether or not entitled to vote at the meeting, 10 to 60 days before the date of the meeting.

Record Date for Notice of Meetings of Shareholders and Shareholder Votes

Under the CBCA, the directors may fix in advance a date as the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive notice of a meeting of shareholders, but the record date must not precede by more than 60 days or by less than 21 days the date on which the meeting is to be held. If no record date is fixed, the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive notice of a meeting of shareholders will be at the close of business on the day immediately preceding the day on which the notice is given or, if no notice is given, the day on which the meeting is held. If a record date is fixed, notice must be given, not less than seven days before the date so fixed by newspaper advertisement in the manner provided by the CBCA and by written notice to each stock exchange in Canada on which the shares of Molson are listed for trading.

Delaware law provides and Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that, for the purposes of determining the stockholders entitled to notice of and to vote at any stockholder meeting, the board of directors may fix a record date that does not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the board of directors and that is 10 to 60 days before the date of the meeting. If no record date is fixed by the board of directors, the record date will be the close of business on the day next preceding the date on which notice of the meeting is given, or, if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held.

Additionally, Delaware law provides and Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that, for the purposes of determining the stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, the board of directors may fix a record date, which record date must not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the board of directors, and which date will not be more than 10 days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the board of directors. If no record date has been fixed by the board of directors, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when no prior action by the board of directors is required by law, will be the first date on which a signed written consent setting forth the action taken or proposed to be taken is delivered to Molson Coors. If no record date has been fixed by the board of directors and prior action by the board of directors is required by law, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting will be at the close of business on the day on which the board of directors adopts the resolution taking the prior action.

Delaware law provides and Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that each stockholder entitled to vote at a stockholder meeting or to express consent to or dissent from corporate action in writing without a meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for the stockholder by proxy, but no proxy may be voted or acted upon after three years from its date unless the proxy provides for a longer period.

Proxies

The CBCA provides that every Molson shareholder entitled to vote at a meeting of shareholders may by means of a proxy appoint a person or one or more alternate persons, who need not be shareholders, to attend and act at the meeting in the manner, to the extent and with the authority conferred by the proxy. The proxy must be dated and must be executed by the shareholder or the shareholder's attorney authorized in writing, or if the shareholder is a body corporate, by its duly authorized officer or attorney, and will cease to be valid after one year. The directors may by resolution fix a time not exceeding 48 hours, excluding Saturdays and holidays, preceding any meeting or adjourned meeting of shareholders before which time proxies to be used at that meeting must be deposited with Molson or its agent and any period of time so fixed must be specified in the notice calling the meeting.

Advance Notice Provisions for Shareholder Nominations and Proposals Under the CBCA, proposals with respect to the nomination of candidates for election to the board of directors may be made by eligible registered or beneficial holders of shares entitled to be voted at an annual meeting of shareholders. To be eligible to submit a proposal, a shareholder must be or have the support of the registered or beneficial holder of, (i) at least 1% of the total number of outstanding voting shares of the corporation or (ii) shares whose fair market value is at least Cdn.\$2,000 on the close of business on the day before the shareholder submits the proposal, and those registered or beneficial holder(s) must have held the shares for at least six months immediately prior to the submission of the proposal. Proposals for director nominations must be signed by one or more holders of shares representing not less than 5% of the shares (or shares of a class) entitled to vote at the meeting.

The foregoing provisions do not preclude nominations made at meetings of shareholders.

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that for director nominations or other stockholder proposals to be properly brought before an annual meeting of stockholders, the stockholder must give timely written notice and the proposal must be a proper matter for action by holders of the class of stock held by the proposing stockholder. To be timely, a stockholder's notice must be delivered 90 to 120 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting. However, in the case of the first annual meeting to be held after the effective time of the merger transaction or in the event that an annual meeting is advanced by more than 20 days or delayed by more than 90 days from the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be delivered not earlier than 120 days prior to the annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the 90th day prior to the annual meeting or the 10th day following public announcement of the meeting date. However, for purposes Rule 14a-4(c) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the date for notice specified will be the earlier of the date calculated as described in the previous sentences or the date specified in paragraph (c)(1) of Rule 14a-4).

The stockholder's notice must set forth:

in the case of director nominations, all information required to be disclosed under the U.S. proxy rules;

in the case of other stockholder proposals, a brief description of the proposal, the reasons for the proposal and any material interest of the stockholder and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the proposal is made; and

the name, address and number of shares owned by the stockholder and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the proposal is made.

A stockholder must also comply with all applicable requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that stockholders of record who hold at least 50% of the voting power entitled to vote for a majority of Molson Coors directors may propose business to be considered by the stockholders at an annual meeting of stockholders or any special meeting of stockholders without complying with these notice procedures.

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that the holders of a majority of the total votes entitled to vote on a matter, present in person or represented by proxy, constitutes a quorum with respect to the matter.

Quorum of Shareholders

Under Molson's bylaws, the holders in person or representing by proxy not less than 25% of the outstanding shares of each class entitled to vote on a matter as a separate class at the meeting constitute a quorum at that meeting.

Calling a Special Meeting of Shareholders

Under the CBCA, the holders of not less than 5% of the shares that carry a right to vote at a meeting may require the directors to call a meeting of shareholders. If the directors do not call the meeting within 21 days after receiving a request in compliance with this provision, any shareholder who signed the request may call the meeting.

Under Delaware law a special meeting of stockholders may be called only by a corporation's board of directors or other persons authorized in the corporation's certificate of incorporation or bylaws.

Meeting

Shareholder Consent in Lieu of Under the CBCA, generally, shareholder action without a meeting may only be taken by written resolution signed by all shareholders who would be entitled to vote on the relevant issue at a meeting.

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that a special meeting of Molson Coors stockholders may only be called by the board of directors.

Under Delaware law, unless otherwise provided in a corporation's certificate of incorporation, any action that may be taken at a meeting of stockholders may be taken without a meeting and without prior notice if a consent in writing is signed by the holders of the minimum number of votes necessary to authorize the action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote were present and voted.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will permit the holders of Class A common stock and special Class A voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class A exchangeable shares) will have the ability to act by written consent of the requisite number of shares necessary to take a specified action. Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will provide that the holders of Class B common stock and special Class B voting stock (the votes of which are directed by the holders of the Class B exchangeable shares) may not act by written consent.

Fiduciary Duties of Directors

Directors of corporations governed by the CBCA have fiduciary obligations to the corporation. Under the CBCA, in exercising their powers and discharging their duties, directors must act honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the corporation, and must exercise the care, diligence and skill that a reasonably prudent person would exercise in comparable circumstances.

Directors of corporations incorporated or organized under Delaware law have fiduciary obligations to the corporation and its stockholders. These fiduciary obligations require the directors to act in accordance with the so-called duties of "due care" and "loyalty". Under Delaware law, the duty of care requires that the directors act in good faith, in an informed and deliberative manner and that they inform themselves, prior to making a business decision, of all material information reasonably available to them. The duty of loyalty requires a director to act in good faith in a manner reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the corporation and its stockholders and not in their own interests.

Directors

Indemnification of Officers and Under the CBCA, a corporation may indemnify a director or officer, a former director or officer or a person who acts or acted at the corporation's request as a director or officer, or an individual acting in a similar capacity of another entity (whom we refer to in this document as an indemnifiable person) against all costs, charges and expenses, including an amount paid to settle an action or satisfy a judgment, reasonably incurred by the indemnifiable person in any civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other proceeding in which the person is involved because of that association, if:

> the person acted honestly and in good faith with a view to the best interests of the corporation or other entity, and

in the case of a criminal or administrative action enforceable by a monetary penalty, the person had reasonable grounds for believing the person's conduct was

An indemnifiable person is also entitled to indemnity for reasonable defense costs and expenses if the person fulfills the above mentioned requirements and was not judged to have committed any fault or omitted to do anything the person ought to have done.

In the case of a derivative action, indemnity may be made only with court approval.

Under the bylaws of Molson, Molson is required to indemnify each director or officer, former director or officer or person who acts or acted at the request of Molson as a director or officer of a body corporate of which Molson is or was a shareholder or creditor (or a person who undertakes or has undertaken any liability on behalf of Molson in accordance with the foregoing criteria and subject to the limitation under the CBCA).

In addition, Molson may purchase and maintain insurance against any liability asserted against or incurred by any of the persons referred to above whether in his or her capacity as a director or officer of Molson or in his or her capacity as a director or officer of another entity if he or she acts or acted in that capacity at Molson's request, whether or not Molson would have the power to indemnify that person against this liability under the CBCA.

Delaware law provides that a corporation may indemnify its present and former directors, officers, employees and agents, as well as any individual serving with another corporation in that capacity at the corporation's request against expenses (including attorney's fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement of actions, if the individual acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation and, in the case of a criminal proceeding, the individual had no reasonable cause to believe the individual's conduct was unlawful; except that no indemnification may be paid for judgments and settlements in actions by or in the right of the corporation.

A corporation may not indemnify a current or former director or officer of the corporation against expenses to the extent the person is adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless a court approves the indemnity.

A corporation must indemnify directors and officers to the extent they are successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of the action or matter at issue. In addition, Delaware law allows for the advance payment of expenses prior to final disposition of an action, so long as, in the case of a current director or officer, the person undertakes to repay any amount advanced if it is later determined that the person is not entitled to indemnification.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will include an indemnification provision under which Molson Coors is required to indemnify and hold harmless, and advance expenses for, to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, any person who was or is made or is threatened to be made a party or is otherwise involved in any action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she, or a person for whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer of Molson Coors or, while a director or officer of Molson Coors, is or was serving at the request of Molson Coors as a director, officer, employee or agent of another entity. Molson Coors is required to indemnify this person in connection with a proceeding commenced by that person only if the commencement was specifically authorized by the bylaws, in any written agreement with Molson Coors or in the specific case by the board of directors. However, if the person is successful in any suit for indemnification or advances of expenses provided for in the certificate of incorporation, the person will be entitled to payment of the expense of litigating the suit. Molson Coors' bylaws provide for the advance payment of defense costs. However, to the extent required by law, advancement of defense costs may be made only if the indemnified party has agreed to repay all advanced amounts if it is ultimately determined that the person is not entitled to indemnification by Molson Coors.

Molson Coors' bylaws will provide that its indemnification obligation will be reduced by any amount the person may collect as indemnification or advancement of expenses from another entity.

Under Delaware law and Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation and bylaws Molson Coors may also grant indemnities that are greater than or different from that provided for in the certificate of incorporation.

In addition, Molson Coors may purchase and maintain insurance against liability asserted against or incurred by any of the persons referred to above whether or not it would have the power to indemnify them against this liability under Delaware law.

Limitations on Director Liability The CBCA does not permit any limitation of a director's liability other than in connection with the adoption of a unanimous shareholder agreement (which is not the case for Molson) that restricts certain powers of the directors.

Molson Coors' certificate of incorporation will provide that directors will not be liable to Molson Coors or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty, except to the extent that exemption from liability is not permitted under Delaware law. If Delaware law is subsequently amended to eliminate or further limit the liability of a director, then the liability of each director will be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law as amended.

Certain Anti-Takeover Provisions and Interested Shareholders

The CBCA does not contain a provision comparable to Delaware law with respect to business combinations. However, rules or policies of certain Canadian securities regulatory authorities, including Rule 61-501 of the Ontario Securities Commission and Policy Statement Q-27 of the Québec Autorité des marchés financiers, contain requirements in connection with "related party transactions." A related party transaction means, generally, any transaction by which an issuer, directly or indirectly, consummates one or more specified transactions with a related party including purchasing or disposing of an asset, issuing securities and assuming liabilities. A "related party" is defined in OSC Rule 61-501 and Policy Statement Q-27 and includes directors and senior officers of the issuer and holders of voting securities carrying, whether alone or acting jointly or in concert, more than 10% of the voting rights attaching to all issued and outstanding voting securities of the issuer or of a sufficient number of any securities of the issuer to materially affect control of the issuer.

OSC Rule 61-501 and Policy Statement Q-27 require more detailed disclosure in the proxy material sent to securityholders in connection with a related party transaction, and, subject to certain exceptions, the preparation of a formal valuation with respect to the subject matter of the related party transaction and any non-cash consideration offered in connection therewith, and the inclusion of a summary of the valuation in the proxy material. OSC Rule 61-501 and Policy Statement Q-27 also require that, subject to certain exceptions, an issuer will not engage in a related party transaction unless approval of the disinterested shareholders of Molson for the related party transaction has been obtained.

Molson Coors has expressly elected in its certificate of incorporation not to be governed by provisions of Delaware law prohibiting, in certain circumstances, a business combination between the corporation and an "interested stockholder" (generally, a person owning or controlling more than 15% of the outstanding voting stock) within three years of the stockholder becoming an "interested stockholder", absent compliance with the approval requirements of the provision or other specified exceptions.

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Comparative Market Prices and Dividends

Shares of Coors Class B common stock are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RKY". The following table sets forth, for the fiscal periods indicated, the high and low closing sale prices, trading volume and the quarterly cash dividends paid per share for Coors Class B common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange.

Price Range Coors Class B common stock

Calendar Quarter Ending		High	Low	Volume	Dividend
	(U.S.\$)	(U.S.\$)		(U.S.\$)
2001					
First Quarter	\$	78.25	\$ 61.38	23,702,100	\$ 0.185
Second Quarter		67.11	49.39	24,331,800	0.205
Third Quarter		52.40	43.59	18,789,400	0.205
Fourth Quarter		59.27	43.83	24,478,500	0.205
2002					
First Quarter		67.47	51.92	20,078,500	0.205
Second Quarter		68.76	59.34	25,307,700	0.205
Third Quarter		64.18	51.40	25,473,100	0.205
Fourth Quarter		69.66	56.30	24,883,000	0.205
2003					
First Quarter		64.00	46.15	31,789,800	0.205
Second Quarter		55.12	48.24	30,043,200	0.205
Third Quarter		57.06	48.08	23,577,800	0.205
Fourth Quarter		58.00	53.15	24,521,820	0.205
2004					
First Quarter		68.70	53.73	35,903,500	0.205
Second Quarter		71.84	63.54	27,629,500	0.205
Third Quarter (through , 2004)					

Shares of Coors Class A common stock are not currently publicly traded.

Molson Class A non-voting shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "MOLa". The following table sets forth, for the calendar periods indicated, the high and low closing sale prices, trading volume and the quarterly cash dividends paid per share for Molson Class A non-voting shares as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Molson Class A common shares(1)

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		Price	Range			
Calendar Quarter Ending		High	Low	Volume	Dividend	
		(Cdn.\$)	(Cdn.\$)		(Cdn.\$)
2001						
First Quarter	\$	23.20	\$ 18.25	20,550,000	\$	0.09
Second Quarter		24.63	20.50	24,340,000		0.09
Third Quarter		27.15	20.52	13,570,000		0.09
Fourth Quarter		28.20	23.00	14,600,000		0.10
2002						
First Quarter		35.40	26.01	22,560,000		0.10
Second Quarter		39.75	29.60	26,250,000		0.10
Third Quarter		34.50	26.00	24,940,000		0.10
Fourth Quarter		34.00	28.00	25,660,000		0.11
2003						
First Quarter		34.60	30.70	22,620,000		0.11
Second Quarter		38.75	30.80	25,220,000		0.14
Third Quarter		37.95	33.00	30,240,000		0.14
Fourth Quarter		36.69	33.00	22,000,000		0.14
2004						
First Quarter		36.80	28.50	65,730,000		0.14
Second Quarter		34.15	30.33	32,430,000		0.15
Third Quarter (through , 2004)						

(1) Numbers in this table reflect a 2:1 share split which occurred on September 10, 2001.

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Molson Class B common shares are traded on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the symbol "MOLb". The following table sets forth, for the calendar periods indicated, the high and low closing sale prices and the quarterly cash dividends paid per share for Molson Class B common shares as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Molson	Class	R	common	shares(1)
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		Price	Range			
Calendar Quarter Ending		High		Volume	Dividend	
	(Cdn.\$)	(Cdn.\$)			(Cdn.\$)
2001						
First Quarter	\$	23.13	\$ 18.3	3 1,260,000	\$	0.09
Second Quarter		24.75	20.9			0.09
Third Quarter		26.75	22.0	0 365,784		0.09
Fourth Quarter		28.30	23.5	0 169,090		0.10
2002						
First Quarter		35.45	26.5	0 197,163		0.10
Second Quarter		40.10	30.0	0 407,929		0.10
Third Quarter		35.00	26.3	9 747,568		0.10
Fourth Quarter		33.75	28.0	7 1,660,000		0.11
2003						
First Quarter		34.68	30.7	1 964,811		0.11
Second Quarter		38.50	31.3	0 198,505		0.14
Third Quarter		37.81	32.2	5 130,776		0.14
Fourth Quarter		36.65	33.0	2 300,813		0.14
2004						
First Quarter		36.78	28.9	5 684,492		0.14
Second Quarter		34.00	30.4	6 192,845		0.15
Third Quarter (through , 2004)						

(1) Numbers in this table reflect a 2:1 share split which occurred on September 10, 2001.

On July 21, 2004, the last full trading day prior to the public announcement of the merger transaction, the closing sale price per share of Coors Class B common stock, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange, was U.S.\$74.73, the closing sale price per Molson Class A non-voting share as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange was Cdn.\$34.70 and the closing sale price per Molson Class B common share as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange was Cdn.\$34.17. On , 2004, the last trading day prior to the date of this document, the closing sale price per share of Coors Class B common stock, as reported on the New York Stock Exchange, was U.S.\$, the closing sale price per Molson Class B common share as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange was Cdn.\$ and the closing sale price per Molson Class B common share as reported on the Toronto Stock Exchange was Cdn.\$

Legal Matters

Certain legal matters in connection with the merger transaction will be passed upon by McCarthy Tétrault LLP, on behalf of Molson. As at , 2004 partners and associates of each of McCarthy Tétrault LLP beneficially own, directly or indirectly, less than 1% of each class of outstanding Molson shares and less than 1% of each class of outstanding shares of Coors common stock.

Auditors (Canada) and Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (U.S.)

The financial statements of Molson Inc. as of March 31, 2004 and 2003 and for each of the years in the three years ended March 31, 2004 included in this document have been so included in reliance on the reports of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The financial statements of Adolph Coors Company, as of December 29, 2002 and December 28, 2003 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 28, 2003 included in this document have been so included in reliance on the reports of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

Transfer Agents and Registrars

The transfer agent for the Molson Class A non-voting shares and the Class B common shares is CIBC Mellon Trust Company in Halifax, Montréal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Vancouver. The transfer agent for the shares of common stock of Coors is Equiserve Limited Partnership. Concurrently with the closing, CIBC Mellon Trust Company will be appointed as transfer agent and registrar for the exchangeable shares.

Molson Coors Stockholder Proposals; Nominations

Assuming the merger transaction is completed, we anticipate that the 2005 annual meeting of Molson Coors stockholders will be held in Montréal on or about , 2005. Molson Coors stockholder proposals to be considered for inclusion in the proxy statement of Molson Coors to be issued in connection with the 2005 annual meeting of Molson Coors stockholders must be mailed to Molson Coors Brewing Company, c/o Corporate Secretary, 216 16th Street Mall, Suite 1010, Denver, Colorado 80202 and must be received by the Corporate Secretary on or before

Stockholder proposals submitted for the 2005 annual meeting outside of the procedures set forth above, including nominations for directors, must be mailed to the Corporate Secretary of Molson Coors Brewing Company at the address above and must be received not later than not earlier than . If a proposal is received after that date, Molson Coors' proxy for the 2005 annual meeting may confer discretionary authority to vote on the matter without any discussion of the matter in the proxy statement for the 2005 annual meeting.

Additional Information Concerning Molson and Documents Incorporated by Reference by Molson

Molson files reports, proxy statements and other information concerning Molson with securities regulatory authorities in Canada, which are available on the System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval, or SEDAR, of the Canadian Securities Administrators at www.sedar.com.

In accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws, Molson is allowed to incorporate by reference into this document, documents it files with the securities commission or similar authority in each province and territory of Canada. This enables Molson to disclose important information to its securityholders by referring you to those documents. Accordingly, the following documents filed with

the securities commission or similar authority in each province and territory of Canada, which are available on www.sedar.com, are specifically incorporated by reference in this circular:

Molson's 2004 Annual Information Form dated August 18, 2004;

Molson's comparative consolidated financial statements, together with the accompanying report of Molson's auditor, for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2004 and March 31, 2003 and the notes thereon;

Molson's management discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations relating to the financial year ended March 31, 2004;

Molson's comparative consolidated financial statements for the period ended June 30, 2004 and the notes thereon;

Molson's management discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations relating to the period ended June 30, 2004;

Molson's management proxy circular dated as of May 12, 2004 in connection with the 2004 annual and special meeting of Molson's shareholders (except for the disclosure not required to be incorporated by reference in accordance with applicable securities legislation); and

Molson's material change report dated July 30, 2004 relating to the merger transaction.

Molson is also incorporating by reference the documents listed under "Additional Information Concerning Coors and Documents Incorporated by Reference by Coors", and Molson has filed these documents on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

Any documents of the types referred to above and any material change report (excluding confidential material change reports), comparative consolidated interim financial statements, comparative consolidated financial statements for the most recently completed financial year, together with the accompanying report of auditors and any information circulars filed by Molson with securities regulatory authorities in Canada after the date of this document and prior to the Molson special meeting are also incorporated by reference into this document.

Any statement contained in this document or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference will be deemed to be modified or superseded, for purposes of this document, to the extent that a statement contained in this document or in any other document subsequently filed by Molson, which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference, modifies or supersedes that statement. The modifying or superseding statement need not state that it has modified or superseded a prior statement or include any other information set forth in the document that it modifies or supersedes.

Copies of the documents filed by Molson and incorporated by reference are available on www.sedar.com. They may also be obtained on request without charge from the senior vice president, chief legal officer and secretary of Molson at 1555 Notre-Dame Street East 4th Floor, Montréal, Québec, H2L 2R5, Telephone:

If you would like to request documents, please do so at least five business days before the date of the Molson special meeting in order to receive timely delivery of those documents prior to the special meeting.

Additional Information Concerning Coors and Documents Incorporated by Reference by Coors

Coors files annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You may read and copy any document Coors files at the Securities and Exchange Commission's public reference rooms in Washington, D. C. Please call the

Securities and Exchange Commission at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. Coors' Securities and Exchange Commission filings are also available to the public at the Securities and Exchange Commission's website at http://www.sec.gov or at Coors' website at http://www.sec.gov o

The Securities and Exchange Commission allows Coors to incorporate by reference into this document, documents it files with the Securities and Exchange Commission. This means that, if you are a Coors stockholder, Coors can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents.

The information filed by Coors and incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this document, and later information that Coors files with the Securities and Exchange Commission will update and supersede that information. Statements contained in this document, or in any document incorporated in this document by reference, regarding the contents of any contract or other document are not necessarily complete and each such statement is qualified in its entirety by reference to such contract or other document filed as an exhibit with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Coors incorporates by reference the documents listed below and any documents filed by Coors pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, after the date of this document and before the date of the special meeting:

Coors Filings Periods:

Annual Report on Form 10-K	Year ended December 28, 2003
Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q	Quarters ended March 28, 2004 and June 27, 2004
Current Reports on Form 8-K	Filed April 9, 2004; April 22, 2004; May 21, 2004; June 9, 2004;
	July 20, 2004; July 22, 2004 (two filings); August 3, 2004 (two
	filings); August 4, 2004 and August 10, 2004

You may request a copy of the documents relating to Coors incorporated by reference into this document by writing to, telephoning or e-mailing Coors. Any such document, excluding any exhibits to those documents unless the exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference as an exhibit in this document will be provided, without charge, by first class mail or equally prompt means, within one business day of your request. Requests for documents should be directed to:

Coors Consumer Information Center Coors Brewing Company Mail No. NH475 P.O. Box 4030 Golden, Colorado 80401

Telephone: 800-642-6116

www.coors.com

If you would like to request documents, please do so at least five business days before the date of the Coors special meeting in order to receive timely delivery of such documents prior to the special meeting.

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Approval of Directors

The information contained in this document relating to Molson has been provided by Molson. This circular and this sending, communication and delivery to Molson's securityholders have been authorized and approved by the board of directors of Molson.

DATED at Montréal, Québec this , 2004.

By order of the Molson Board of Directors

Marie Giguère Senior Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

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Annex A

ARRANGEMENT RESOLUTION

SPECIAL RESOLUTION OF THE MOLSON SECURITYHOLDERS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The arrangement (the "Arrangement") under Section 192 of the *Canada Business Corporations Act* (the "CBCA") involving Molson Inc. ("Molson"), as more particularly described and set forth in the Joint Proxy Statement/Management Information Circular (the "Circular") of Molson accompanying the notice of this meeting (as the Arrangement may be modified or amended) is hereby authorized, approved and adopted.
- 2. The plan of Arrangement (the "**Plan of Arrangement**") involving Molson, the full text of which is set out as Exhibit B to the Combination Agreement made as of July 21, 2004 between Adolph Coors Company, Coors Canada Inc. and Molson (the "**Combination Agreement**"), (as the Plan of Arrangement may be or may have been amended) is hereby approved and adopted.
- 3. The Combination Agreement, the actions of the directors of Molson in approving the Arrangement and the actions of the officers of Molson in executing and delivering the Combination Agreement are hereby ratified and approved.
- 4. Notwithstanding that this resolution has been passed (and the Arrangement adopted) by the securityholders of Molson or that the Arrangement has been approved by the Superior Court of Québec, the directors of Molson are hereby authorized and empowered (i) to amend the Combination Agreement, or the Plan of Arrangement to the extent permitted by the Combination Agreement, and (ii) subject to the terms of the Combination Agreement, not to proceed with the Arrangement.
- 5.

 Any officer or director of Molson is hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of Molson to execute and to deliver articles of arrangement and such other documents as are necessary or desirable to the Director under the CBCA in accordance with the Combination Agreement for filing.
- Any officer or director of Molson is hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of Molson to execute or cause to be executed and to deliver or cause to be delivered, all such other documents and instruments and to perform or cause to be performed all such other acts and things as in such person's opinion may be necessary or desirable to give full effect to the foregoing resolution and the matters authorized thereby, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery of such document, agreement or instrument or the doing of any such act or thing.

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COMBINATION AGREEMENT

BY AND AMONG

ADOLPH COORS COMPANY

COORS CANADA INC.

AND

MOLSON INC.

Dated as of July 21, 2004

The Combination Agreement excludes exhibits which have been previously filed by Adolph Coors Company with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on a Current Report on Form 8-K/A, dated August 4, 2004, and by Molson Inc. with the securities commission or similar authority in each of the provinces and territories of Canada on a Material Change Report, dated July 30, 2004.

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COMBINATION AGREEMENT

This COMBINATION AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of July 21, 2004, between ADOLPH COORS COMPANY, a Delaware corporation ("Coors"), COORS CANADA INC., a Canadian corporation and an indirect Subsidiary of Coors ("Exchangeco") and MOLSON INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Canada ("Molson").

RECITALS

- A. The board of directors of Molson, based upon the recommendation of an independent committee of Molson's board of directors (the "Independent Committee") formed for the purpose of considering the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, has (i) deemed it in the best interests of Molson to effect the business combination and other transactions provided for herein, including the Arrangement pursuant to which Exchangeco will acquire all of the outstanding Molson Common Shares in exchange for consideration that includes Exchangeable Shares and Exchangeco Public Preference Shares pursuant to the Plan of Arrangement described herein and (ii) resolved to recommend that the shareholders of Molson approve and adopt the Arrangement.
- B. The board of directors of Coors has (i) deemed it advisable and in the best interests of each class of its stockholders to effect the business combination and other transactions provided for herein, including the Coors Share Issuance and the Coors Charter Amendment, and (ii) resolved to recommend that the stockholders of Coors vote in favor of the Coors Share Issuance and the Coors Charter Amendment.
- C. As a condition to Coors entering into this Agreement and incurring the obligations set forth herein, concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, Coors is entering into a voting agreement with a significant shareholder of Molson (the "Molson Voting Agreement") pursuant to which, among other things, such shareholder of Molson has agreed, subject to the terms thereof, to vote all Molson Class B Common Shares owned by it in accordance with the terms of the Molson Voting Agreement.
- D. As a condition to Molson entering into this Agreement and incurring the obligations set forth herein, concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, Molson is entering into a voting agreement with certain significant stockholders of Coors (the "Coors Voting Agreement") pursuant to which, among other things, each of those stockholders of Coors has agreed, subject to the terms thereof, to vote all shares of Coors Class A Common Stock and Coors Class B Common Stock owned by each of them in accordance with the terms of the Coors Voting Agreement.
- E. The parties hereto intend that the Arrangement will provide shareholders of Molson who are residents of Canada for purposes of the ITA with the opportunity to exchange their Molson Common Shares for Exchangeable Shares on a tax-deferred or "rollover" basis for Canadian income tax purposes.
- F. In connection with, and as an integral part of, the transaction contemplated hereby, Exchangeco will issue Class C Preferred Shares with a redemption value of \$1,000,000 (Cdn.) to a service provider of Exchangeco for services rendered in connection with the transaction.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants, promises and representations set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

1.1 Certain Definitions. The following terms shall have the following meanings:

"1933 Act" means the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated from time to time thereunder.

"1934 Act" means the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated from time to time thereunder.

"Action" means any action, claim, suit, litigation, demand, cause of action, charge, complaint, arbitration or other proceeding.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly, or through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with such Person. For purposes of the foregoing, "control" means the possession, direct or indirect, or the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise.

"Agreement" means this Combination Agreement, made and entered into as of July 21, 2004, between Coors, Exchangeco and Molson, as the same may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time in accordance with the terms hereof.

"AMF" means the Autorité des marchés financiers (Québec).

"ARC" means an advance ruling certificate issued by the Commissioner pursuant to the Competition Act.

"Arrangement" means an arrangement under section 192 of the CBCA on the terms and subject to the conditions set out in the Plan of Arrangement, subject to any amendments or variations thereto made in accordance with Section 8.4 hereof or Article 6 of the Plan of Arrangement or made at the direction of the Court in the Final Order.

"Articles of Arrangement" means the articles of arrangement of Molson in respect of the Arrangement, required by the CBCA to be sent to the Director after the Final Order is made.

"CBCA" means the Canada Business Corporations Act, as now in effect and as it may be amended from time to time prior to the Effective Time.

"Callco" means a corporation to be incorporated under the laws of Canada or a province thereof and a Subsidiary of Coors and referenced as "Callco" in the Transaction Documents.

"Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities" means the OSC and each other securities commission or similar regulatory authority in each of the provinces of Canada.

"Class A Coors Voting Trust Agreement" means the voting trust agreement, substantially in the form attached as Exhibit C hereto (with such modifications as may be reasonably requested by the trustee party thereto), to be entered into as of the Effective Time by each Family Holder of Coors, any Family Holder of Molson who owns Coors Class A Common Stock, in each case with respect to all shares of Coors Class A Common Stock owned by each such Family Holder, and each other party named therein and such other agreement to be entered into pursuant to Section 6.20.

"Class A-C Nominating Subcommittee" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Coors Charter Amendment.

"Class A Exchangeable Shares" means the class A exchangeable shares in the capital of Exchangeco, having substantially the rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions set out in Appendix I to the Plan of Arrangement.

"Class A Exchangeable Voting Trust Agreement" means the voting trust agreement to be entered into as of the Effective Time by each Family Holder of Molson and the other parties thereto, which agreement shall be governed by Canadian law, have a Canadian trustee and provide for equivalent voting agreements and transfer restrictions on substantially identical terms as are contained in the Class A Coors Voting Trust Agreement with respect to all Class A Exchangeable Shares owned by each such Family Holder as of the Effective Time and which agreement shall otherwise be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the parties (with such modifications as may be reasonably requested by the trustee party thereto).

"Class A Fraction" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Plan of Arrangement.

"Class A-M Nominating Subcommittee" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Coors Charter Amendment.

"Class A Preferred Shares" means Class A non-voting preferred shares of Exchangeco.

"Class B Exchangeable Shares" means the class B exchangeable shares in the capital of Exchangeco, having substantially the rights, privileges, restrictions and conditions set out in Appendix I to the Plan of Arrangement.

"Class B Fraction" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Plan of Arrangement.

"Class B1 Preferred Shares" means Class B1 non-voting preferred shares in the share capital of Exchangeco.

"Class B2 Preferred Shares" means Class B2 voting preferred shares in the share capital of Exchangeco.

"Class C Preferred Shares" means Class C non-voting preference shares in the share capital of Exchangeco.

"Code" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Competition under the Competition Act.

"Competition Act" means the Competition Act (Canada), as amended.

"Competition Act Approval" means receipt of an ARC or, in the alternative to an ARC, the expiration or earlier termination of the waiting period under Part IX of the Competition Act and a letter from the Commissioner or a person authorized by the Commissioner that the Commissioner has determined not to make an application for an order under section 92 of the Competition Act in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

"Control Voting Trust Agreements" means the collective reference to the Class A Exchangeable Voting Trust Agreement and the Class A Coors Voting Trust Agreement.

"Coors Charter Amendment" means the amendment and restatement of the certificate of incorporation of Coors so that, after giving effect thereto, the certificate of incorporation of Coors shall be substantially in the form set forth as Exhibit G.

"Coors Class A Common Stock" means Coors' Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

"Coors Class B Common Stock" means Coors' Class B Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

"Coors Common Stock" means shares of Coors Class A Common Stock and Coors Class B Common Stock,

"Coors Employee Plan" means any Employee Plan (including any Coors International Plan) under which (i) any current or former director, officer, consultant or employee of Coors or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future right to benefits and which is contributed to, entered into, sponsored by or maintained by Coors, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates or (ii) Coors or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future liability.

"Coors International Plan" means any International Plan under which (i) any current or former director, officer, consultant or employee of Coors or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future right to benefits and which is contributed to, entered into, sponsored by or maintained by Coors or any of its Subsidiaries or (ii) Coors or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future liability.

"Coors Meeting" means the special meeting of holders of Coors Common Stock, including any adjournment or postponement thereof, to be called to consider the Coors Charter Amendment and the Coors Share Issuance.

"Coors Share Issuance" means the issuance of Coors Common Stock pursuant to the Arrangement, upon the exchange of Exchangeable Shares or upon the exercise of Replacement Options.

"Court" means the Superior Court, District of Montreal, Province of Quebec.

"Director" means the Director appointed pursuant to section 260 of the CBCA.

"Dissent Rights" means the rights of dissent in respect of the Arrangement described in Section 3.1 of the Plan of Arrangement.

"Effective Time" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Plan of Arrangement.

"Employee Plan" means, with respect to any Person, any "employee benefit plan," as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA, and any stock purchase, stock option, stock appreciation, stock incentive, severance, employment, change-in-control, retention, insurance (including self-insurance), split-dollar, health, medical, disability, workers compensation, supplemental unemployment, post-employment, pension, savings, retirement, profit sharing, fringe, multiemployer, collective bargaining, bonus, incentive, deferred compensation, loan and any other employee benefit plan, agreement, program, policy or other arrangement (including any funding mechanism therefor now in effect or required in the future as a result of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or otherwise), whether or not subject to ERISA, whether formal or informal.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

"ERISA Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) which is a member of a controlled group or which is under common control with such Person within the meaning of Section 414 of the Code.

"Exchange Ratio" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Plan of Arrangement.

"Exchangeable Share Support Agreement" means an agreement to be made between Coors, Exchangeco and Callco substantially in the form of Exhibit D hereto, with such changes thereto as the parties hereto may agree.

"Exchangeable Shares" means, collectively, the Class A Exchangeable Shares and the Class B Exchangeable Shares.

"Exchangeco Public Preference Shares" means, collectively, the Class A Preferred Shares, the Class B1 Preferred Shares and the Class B2 Preferred Shares.

"Family Holders" of Molson, means the shareholder of Molson set forth in Section 1.1 of the Molson Disclosure Schedule and all transferees of Molson Class B Common Shares from such shareholder prior to the Effective Time, and of Coors, means the stockholders of Coors set forth in Section 1.1 of the Coors Disclosure Schedule and all transferees of Coors Class A Common Stock from such stockholder prior to the Effective Time.

"Final Order" means the final order of the Court approving the Arrangement, as such order may be amended or varied at any time prior to the Effective Time or, if appealed, then unless such appeal is withdrawn or denied, as affirmed or as amended on appeal.

"Governmental Entity" means any (a) multinational, federal, provincial, state, regional, municipal or other government, governmental or public department, central bank, court, tribunal, arbitrator, commission, board, bureau or agency, whether U.S., Canadian, foreign or multinational, (b) subdivision, agent, commission, board or authority of any of the foregoing or (c) self-regulatory organization or stock exchange, including the NYSE or TSX.

"Hazardous Substance" means any pollutant, contaminant, waste, hazardous or toxic material, and any other substance that is regulated by or could reasonably be expected to result in liability or give rise to an Action under any applicable Environmental Law.

"ICA" means the Investment Canada Act (Canada), as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder.

"ICA Approval" means the determination or deemed approval by the Minister of Industry and the Minister of Canadian Heritage that the transactions contemplated hereby are of "net benefit to Canada" for purposes of the ICA.

"Intellectual Property" means all federal, state, provincial, foreign and multinational intellectual and industrial property rights, including without limitation, all (i) patents; (ii) copyrights; (iii) trademarks and service marks, the goodwill of any business symbolized thereby, and all common-law rights relating thereto; (iv) trade secrets; and (v) all registrations, applications, and recordings related to the foregoing.

"Interim Order" means the interim order of the Court, as the same may be amended in respect of the Arrangement, as contemplated by Section 2.3.

"International Plan" means, with respect to any Person, any Employee Plan that is maintained outside the jurisdiction of the United States, or covers any present or former director, officer, consultant or employee of such Person residing or working outside the United States.

"ITA" means the Income Tax Act (Canada), as amended, and the regulations thereunder, as amended, in each case, except as otherwise provided herein, as of the date hereof.

"Joint Proxy Statement/Circular" means, collectively, (a) the notice of the Coors Meeting to be sent to holders of Coors Common Stock, (b) the notice of the Molson Meeting to be sent to holders of Molson Common Shares and Molson Options and (c) the accompanying joint proxy statement/management information circular in connection with the Coors Meeting and the Molson Meeting, in each case as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified; provided that if a party elects for the parties to prepare a separate proxy statement of Coors and management information circular of Molson, then references to the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular shall refer to the proxy statement of Coors, in the case of Coors, and the management information circular of Molson, in the case of Molson.

"knowledge" of Molson, means the actual knowledge of the Persons set forth in Section 1.2 of the Molson Disclosure Schedule, and of Coors, means the actual knowledge of the Persons set forth in Section 1.2 of the Coors Disclosure Schedule.

"Laws" means laws (including common law), statutes, rules, regulations, orders, ordinances, codes, treaties, and judicial, arbitral, administrative, ministerial or departmental judgments, awards or other requirements of any Governmental Entity.

"Leased Real Property" means, with respect to any Person, real property leased for use by or otherwise occupied by such person.

"Lien" means, with respect to any property, right or asset, any mortgage, lien, pledge, charge, security interest, purchase option, right of first offer or refusal, encumbrance or other adverse claim of any kind in respect of such property or asset.

"material" means, when used in this Agreement (except when used in (i) the definition of "Material Adverse Effect" or for the purpose of determining whether a "Material Adverse Effect" has occurred hereunder and (ii) Sections 8.1(h)(ii) and 8.1(i)(ii)) in connection with a state of facts, occurrence, event or effect, or any agreement or transaction, referred to herein, any such state of facts, occurrence, event, effect, agreement or transaction that would result in a cost or expense, or otherwise have a value, of \$100,000,000 or more.

"Material Adverse Effect" means, with respect to each party, any change, event, occurrence or effect (a) that is or would reasonably be expected to be materially adverse to the business, assets (including intangible assets), financial condition, or results of operations of such party taken as a whole with its Subsidiaries, other than any such change, event, occurrence or effect resulting from (i) the announcement of the execution of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby, (ii) changes, circumstances or conditions generally affecting the industry in which such party operates and not having a disproportionate effect on such party or (iii) changes in general economic conditions in the United States or Canada or (b) that is, or would reasonably be expected to be, materially adverse to the ability of such party to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; provided, however, that in no event shall a change in the trading prices of a party's equity securities, by itself, be deemed to constitute a Material Adverse Effect (it being understood that the foregoing shall not prevent a party from asserting that any change, event, occurrence or effect that may have contributed to such change in trading prices independently constitutes a Material Adverse Effect).

"Molson Class A Common Shares" means Molson's Class A "non-voting" shares.

"Molson Class B Common Shares" means Molson's Class B shares.

"Molson Common Shares" means, collectively, the Molson Class A Common Shares and the Molson Class B Common Shares.

"Molson Employee Plan" means any Employee Plan (including any Molson International Plan) under which (i) any current or former director, officer, consultant or employee of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future right to benefits and which is contributed to, entered into, sponsored by or maintained by Molson, any of its Subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates or (ii) Molson or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future liability.

"Molson International Plan" means any International Plan under which (i) any current or former director, officer, consultant or employee of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future right to benefits and which is contributed to, entered into, sponsored by or maintained by Molson or any of its Subsidiaries or (ii) Molson or any of its Subsidiaries has any present or future liability.

"Molson Meeting" means the special meeting of holders of Molson Common Shares and Molson Options, including any adjournment or postponement thereof, to be called and held in accordance with the Interim Order to consider the Arrangement and other matters related to this Agreement and the Arrangement.

"Molson Resolution" means the special resolution of the holders of the Molson Common Shares and Molson Options, to be substantially in the form and content of Exhibit A hereto.

"NYSE" means The New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

"Order" means any legally enforceable judgment, order, decision, writ, injunction, stipulation, ruling or decree of, or any settlement under jurisdiction of, any Governmental Entity.

"OSC" means the Ontario Securities Commission.

"OSC Rule 61-501" means Rule 61-501 of the OSC.

"Owned Real Property" means, with respect to any Person, real property owned by such person.

"Pentland" means Pentland Securities (1981) Inc.

"Person" shall mean any individual, corporation (including any non-profit corporation), general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, joint venture, estate, trust, company (including any limited liability company, unlimited liability company or joint stock company), firm or other enterprise, association, organization, entity or Governmental Entity.

"Plan of Arrangement" means the plan of arrangement, substantially in the form of Exhibit B hereto and any amendments or variations thereto made in accordance with Section 8.4 hereof or Article 6 of the Plan of Arrangement or made at the direction of the Court in the Final Order.

"Policy Q-27" means Policy Q-27 of the AMF.

"Proprietary Subject Matter" means: (i) all information (whether or not protectable by patent, copyright, mask work or trade secret rights) not generally known to the public, including know-how and show-how, discoveries, processes, formulae, designs, methods, techniques, procedures, concepts, specifications, technical manuals and data, libraries, blueprints, drawings, product information, development work-in-process, inventions and trade secrets; (ii) patentable subject matter, patented inventions and inventions subject to patent applications; (iii) industrial models and industrial designs; (iv) works of authorship, software and copyrightable subject matter; (v) mask works; and (vi) trademarks, trade names, service marks, brand names, corporate names, emblems, logos, trade dress, domain names, insignia and related marks.

"Qualifying Amendment" means an amendment or supplement to the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular (including by incorporation by reference) to the extent it contains (i) a Change in Molson Recommendation or a Change in Coors Recommendation (as the case may be), (ii) a statement of the reasons of the board of directors of Molson or Coors (as the case may be) for making such Change in Molson Recommendation or Change in Coors Recommendation (as the case may be) and (iii) additional information reasonably related to the foregoing.

"Redemption Date" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Plan of Arrangement.

"Registration Rights Agreement" means an agreement to be entered into as of the Effective Time on terms reasonably acceptable to Coors and Molson, providing for the registration under the 1933 Act of Coors Class B Common Stock owned by the beneficiaries party to each of the Control Voting Trust Agreements as described on Exhibit L hereto.

"Regulatory Approvals" means, with respect to a party, those Orders, sanctions, consents, exemptions, waivers, permits, agreements, certificates, authorizations and other Approvals (including the lapse, without objection, of a prescribed time under a statute or regulation that states that a transaction may be implemented if a prescribed time lapses following the giving of notice without an objection being made) of Governmental Entities that are necessary or advisable in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, including, in the case of Molson, those referred to in Section 3.5(b) hereof and, in the case of Coors, those referred to in Section 4.5(b) hereof.

"Replacement Option" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Plan of Arrangement.

"Sarbanes-Oxley Act" means the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the related rules and regulations promulgated under such Act or the 1934 Act.

"Securities Act (Quebec)" means the Securities Act (Quebec) and all rules, regulations and policies enacted thereunder, as now in effect and as it may be amended from time to time prior to the Effective Time.

"Securities Act (Ontario)" means the Securities Act (Ontario) and all rules and regulations enacted thereunder, as now in effect and as it may be amended from time to time prior to the Effective Time.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Securities Laws" means the Securities Act (Quebec), the Securities Act (Ontario) and the equivalent legislation in the other provinces of Canada, the 1933 Act, the 1934 Act and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, all as now enacted or as the same may from time to time be amended, and the applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Shareholders Agreement" means a shareholders agreement to be entered into by the parties to each of the Control Voting Trust Agreements, which shareholders agreement shall provide for voting agreements that are identical to, subject to and not in any way in conflict with, the provisions of each of the Control Voting Trust Agreements and which is otherwise in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Coors.

"Special Class A Voting Share" means the share of Special Class A Voting Stock of Coors, par value of \$0.01.

"Special Class B Voting Share" means the share of Special Class B Voting Stock of Coors, par value of \$0.01.

"Special Voting Shares" means the collective reference to Special Class A Voting Share and the Special Class B Voting Share.

"Subsidiary" shall mean, when used with reference to any party, any Person of which such party (either alone or through or together with any other Subsidiary) either owns, directly or indirectly, fifty percent (50%) or more of the outstanding capital stock or other equity interests the holders of which are generally entitled to vote for the election of directors or members of any other governing body of such Person or, in the case of a Person that is a partnership, is a general partner of such partnership.

"Transaction Documents" means the collective reference to this Agreement, the Control Voting Trust Agreements, the Exchangeable Share Support Agreement, the Voting and Exchange Trust Agreement, the Shareholders Agreement, the Registration Rights Agreement, the Coors Voting Agreement and the Molson Voting Agreement.

"*Trustee*" means a Canadian trust company to be chosen by Coors and Molson to act as trustee under the Voting and Exchange Trust Agreement and any successor trustee appointed under the Voting and Exchange Trust Agreement.

"TSX" means The Toronto Stock Exchange.

"Voting and Exchange Trust Agreement" means an agreement to be made between Coors, Exchangeco and the Trustee, substantially in the form of Exhibit E hereto (with such modifications as may be reasonably requested by the Trustee), with such changes thereto as the parties hereto, acting reasonably, may agree.

1.2 Terms Defined in Other Sections. The following terms are defined elsewhere in this Agreement in the following Sections:

Acquisition Proposal	Section 6.2(a)
Approvals	Section 3.1(a)
Canadian GAAP	Section 3.7(b)
Change in Coors Recommendation	Section 2.5(c)
Change in Molson Recommendation	Section 2.5(b)
Change in Recommendation	Section 2.5(c)
Closing Date	Section 2.4
Confidentiality Agreement	Section 6.1(a)
Contract	Section 3.1(d)
Coors	Preamble
Coors Charter Documents	Section 4.2
Coors Disclosure Schedule	Article IV
Coors Equity Plans	Section 4.3(a)
Coors Environmental Permits	Section 4.16(c)
Coors Financial Statements	Section 4.7(b)
Coors Insurance Policies	Section 4.14
Coors Intellectual Property	Section 4.17
Coors Options	Section 4.3(a)
Coors Preferred Stock	Section 4.3(a)
Coors Property	Section 4.16(a)
Coors Returns	Section 4.15(a)(i)
Coors SEC Reports	Section 4.7(a)
Coors Stockholder Approval	Section 4.7(a) Section 4.21
Coors Used Proprietary Subject Matter	Section 4.21 Section 4.17
Coors Voting Agreement	Recitals
DOJ	
	Section 6.6
Environmental Laws	Section 3.16(a)
Environmental Lien	Section 3.16(f)
Exchangeco	Preamble
Form S-3	Section 2.6(d)
Form S-8	Section 2.6(e)
FTC	Section 6.6
HSR Act	Section 3.5(b)
Indemnified Parties	Section 6.7
Independent Committee	Recitals
Infringe	Section 3.17
IRD	Section 6.6
Material Coors Contract	Section 4.18
Material Molson Contract	Section 3.18
Molson	Preamble
Molson Affiliate	Section 6.5
Molson Charter Documents	Section 3.2
Molson Disclosure Schedule	Article III
Molson Documents	Section 3.7(a)
Molson Equity Plan	Section 3.3(a)
Molson Environmental Permits	Section 3.16(c)
Molson Financial Statements	Section 3.7(b)
	Section 3.14

Molson Intellectual Property	Section 3.17
Molson Options	Section 3.3(a)
Molson Preference Shares	Section 3.3(a)
Molson Property	Section 3.16(a)
Molson Returns	Section 3.15(b)(i)
Molson Shareholder Approval	Section 2.3(b)
Molson-Used Proprietary Subject Matter	Section 3.17
Molson Voting Agreement	Recitals
non-Canadian withholding taxes	Section 6.1(h)
Permit	Section 3.5(a)
Safe-Income Transaction	Section 6.1(f)
Superior Proposal	Section 6.2(b)(iii)
Takeover Statute	Section 6.8
Tax	Section 3.15(a)
Termination Date	Section 8.1(b)
Termination Fee	Section 8.3(b)(i)
US GAAP	Section 4.7(b)

1.3 Interpretation. When a reference is made in this Agreement to Exhibits, such reference shall be to an Exhibit to this Agreement unless otherwise indicated. When a reference is made in this Agreement to Sections, such reference shall be to a Section of this Agreement unless otherwise indicated. Unless otherwise indicated, the words "include," "includes" and "including" when used herein shall be deemed in each case to be followed by the words "without limitation." The table of contents and headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. When reference is made herein to "the business of" a Person, such reference shall be deemed to include the business of such Person and all direct and indirect Subsidiaries of such Person.

Reference to the Subsidiaries of a Person shall be deemed to include all direct and indirect Subsidiaries of such Person.

ARTICLE II

THE ARRANGEMENT

- 2.1 Implementation Steps by Molson. Molson covenants in favor of Coors that Molson shall:
 - (a) subject to the terms of this Agreement, as soon as reasonably practicable, apply in a manner reasonably acceptable to Coors under Section 192 of the CBCA for an order approving the Arrangement and for the Interim Order, and thereafter proceed with and diligently seek the Interim Order;
 - (b) subject to the terms of this Agreement and in accordance with the Interim Order, as soon as reasonably practicable, convene and hold the Molson Meeting for the purpose of considering the Molson Resolution;
 - (c) subject to obtaining such approvals as are required by the Interim Order, proceed with and diligently pursue the application to the Court for the Final Order; and
 - (d) subject to obtaining the Final Order and the satisfaction or waiver of the other conditions herein contained in favor of each party, send to the Director, for endorsement and filing by the Director, the Articles of Arrangement and such other documents as may be required in connection therewith under the CBCA to give effect to the Arrangement.

- 2.2 Implementation Steps by Coors and Exchangeco. Each of Coors and Exchangeco covenant, as applicable, in favor of Molson that:
 - (a) subject to the terms of this Agreement, Coors shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, convene and hold the Coors Meeting for the purpose of considering the Coors Share Issuance and the Coors Charter Amendment;
 - (b) Coors shall incorporate and organize Callco under the laws of Canada and amend the articles of Exchangeco to create the Exchangeable Shares and the Exchangeco Public Preference Shares prior to the Effective Time in a manner reasonably acceptable to Molson:
 - (c) Exchangeco shall issue Class C Preferred Shares with a redemption amount of \$1,000,000 (Cdn.) to a service provider of Exchangeco, which Class C Preferred Shares shall be duly authorized and validly issued and fully paid and nonassessable;
 - (d) subject to obtaining the Final Order and the satisfaction or waiver of the other conditions herein contained in favor of each party, on the Closing Date, Coors shall:
 - (i) file the restated certificate of incorporation of Coors, in the form set forth in Exhibit G hereto, with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware:
 - (ii) adopt the amended and restated Bylaws of Coors, in the form set forth in Exhibit H hereto;
 - (iii) execute and deliver and cause Callco and Exchangeco to execute and deliver, the Exchangeable Share Support Agreement and the Voting and Exchange Trust Agreement;
 - (iv) execute and deliver the Registration Rights Agreement; and
 - (v) issue to the Trustee the Special Voting Shares.
- 2.3 Interim Order. The notice of motion for the application referred to in Section 2.1(a) shall request that the Interim Order provide:
 - (a) for the class of Persons to whom notice is to be provided in respect of the Arrangement and the Molson Meeting and for the manner in which such notice is to be provided;
 - (b) that, subject to the approval of the Court and subject to obtaining exemptions from applicable Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities, the requisite approval for the Molson Resolution shall be (i) $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast on the Molson Resolution by holders of Molson Class A Common Shares and holders of Molson Options, voting together as a class, present in person or by proxy at the Molson Meeting (such that each holder of Molson Class A Common Shares is entitled to one vote for each Molson Class A Common Share held and such that each holder of Molson Options is entitled to one vote for each Molson Class A Common Share that such holder would have received on a valid exercise of such holder's Molson Options) and (ii) $66^2/3\%$ of the votes cast on the Molson Resolution by holders of Molson Class B Common Shares, voting as a separate class, present in person or by proxy at the Molson Meeting (such approvals described in this Section 2.3(b), the "Molson Shareholder Approval");
 - (c) that, in all other respects, the terms, restrictions and conditions of the by-laws and articles of Molson, including quorum requirements and all other matters, shall apply in respect of the Molson Meeting;
 - (d) for the grant of the Dissent Rights; and
 - (e) for the notice requirements with respect to the presentation of the application to the Court for a Final Order.

2.4 Articles of Arrangement; Closing. The Articles of Arrangement shall implement the Plan of Arrangement. On the second business day after the satisfaction or waiver (subject to applicable Laws) of the conditions (excluding conditions that, by their terms, cannot be satisfied until the Closing Date, but subject to the satisfaction or, where permitted, waiver of those conditions as of the Closing Date) set forth in Article VII, and unless another time or date is agreed to in writing by the parties hereto (the "Closing Date"), the Articles of Arrangement shall be filed with the Director. At the Effective Time, each Molson Common Share outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time will be exchanged as provided in the Plan of Arrangement, and the Arrangement will, from and after the Effective Time, have all of the effects provided by applicable Laws, including the CBCA. The closing of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the Arrangement will take place at the offices of McCarthy Tétrault LeWindsor, 1170, rue Peel Montréal, Quebec H3B 458, on the Closing Date.

2.5 Joint Proxy Statement/Circular; Meetings.

- (a) As promptly as reasonably practicable after the execution and delivery of this Agreement, Molson and Coors shall complete the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular together with any other documents required by the Securities Laws or other applicable Laws in connection with the Molson Meeting and the Coors Meeting. Molson and Coors shall use their respective reasonable best efforts to have the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular cleared, if applicable, by the SEC and any other applicable Governmental Entity. As promptly as practicable after the execution and delivery of this Agreement or such clearance, if applicable, Molson and Coors shall, unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, cause the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular and other documentation required in connection with the Molson Meeting and the Coors Meeting to be sent contemporaneously to (x) in the case of Molson, each holder of Molson Common Shares and Molson Options and filed as required by the Interim Order and applicable Laws and (y) in the case of Coors, each Coors stockholder as required by applicable Laws. Prior to the date of the initial filing of the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular either party may elect for the parties to file a separate proxy statement of Coors and management circular of Molson in lieu thereof.
- (b) Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Molson shall (i) take all lawful action to solicit in favor of the Molson Shareholder Approval, (ii) recommend to all holders of Molson Common Shares and Molson Options that they vote in favor of this Agreement and the Arrangement and the other transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and (iii) not withdraw, modify or qualify (or publicly propose to or publicly state that it intends to withdraw, modify or qualify) in any manner adverse to Coors such recommendation or take any other action or make any other public statement in connection with the Molson Meeting inconsistent with such recommendation (collectively, a "Change in Molson Recommendation"), provided, however, that Molson (A) may make such a Change in Molson Recommendation if Molson's board of directors, after consultation with outside legal counsel, has determined that failure to take such action would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable Law and (B) upon such a Change in Recommendation, may solicit votes of the Molson shareholders consistent with such Change in Molson Recommendation. In connection with a Change in Molson Recommendation, Molson may amend or supplement the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular (including by incorporation by reference) pursuant to a Qualifying Amendment to effect such a Change in Molson Recommendation.
- (c) Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Coors shall (i) take all lawful action to solicit in favor of the Coors Stockholder Approval, (ii) recommend to holders of Coors Common Stock that they vote in favor of (A) the Coors Share Issuance and (B) the Coors Charter Amendment and (iii) not withdraw, modify or qualify (or publicly propose to or publicly state that it intends to withdraw, modify or qualify) in any manner adverse to Molson such recommendation or take any other action or make any other public statement in connection with the Coors Meeting inconsistent with such recommendation (collectively, a "Change in Coors Recommendation" and, together with a Change in Molson Recommendation, a "Change in Recommendation"), provided,

however, that Coors may (A) make such Change in Coors Recommendation if Coors' board of directors, after consultation with outside legal counsel, has determined that failure to take such action would be inconsistent with its fiduciary duties under applicable Law and (B) upon such a Change in Recommendation, may solicit votes of the Coors shareholders consistent with such Change in Coors Recommendation. In connection with a Change in Coors Recommendation, Coors may amend or supplement the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular (including by incorporation by reference) pursuant to a Qualifying Amendment to effect such a Change in Coors Recommendation.

(d) Subject to the terms of this Agreement, Molson and Coors shall each use their respective reasonable best efforts to cause the Coors Meeting and Molson Meeting to be held on the same date. Each of Molson and Coors shall not adjourn, postpone or cancel (or propose for adjournment, postponement or cancellation) the Molson Meeting or Coors Meeting, as applicable, without the other party's prior written consent, in each case, except as required (i) by applicable Laws or an Order of the Court, (ii) for quorum purposes or (iii) to enable Molson or Coors, as applicable, to comply with its obligations under Section 6.2(b)(iii).

2.6 Securities Compliance.

- (a) Coors shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain all Orders required from the applicable Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities to permit (i) the issuance and first resale of the Exchangeable Shares and Coors Common Stock issued pursuant to the Arrangement, and (ii) the issuance and first resale of the Coors Common Stock to be issued from time to time upon exchange of the Exchangeable Shares and upon the exercise of the Replacement Options, in each case without further qualification with or approval of or the filing of any document including any prospectus or similar document, or the taking of any proceeding with, or the obtaining of any further Order or consent from, any Governmental Entity or regulatory authority under any Canadian Securities Laws or other Laws or pursuant to the rules and regulations of any regulatory authority administering such Laws, or the fulfillment of any other legal requirement in any such jurisdiction (other than, with respect to such first resales, any restrictions on transfer by reason of, among other things, a holder being a "control person" of Coors or Exchangeco for purposes of Securities Laws and other customary qualifications for such Orders).
- (b) Coors and Exchangeco shall use their respective reasonable best efforts to obtain the approval of the TSX for the listing of the Exchangeable Shares and the Exchangeco Public Preference Shares, each such listing to be effective prior to or as of the Effective Time.
- (c) Coors shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the approval of the NYSE for the listing of the Coors Class A Common Stock and the Coors Class B Common Stock to be issued in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, such listings to be effective prior to or as of the time of issuance of such shares of Coors Common Stock, whether pursuant to the Arrangement or to be provided from time to time upon exchange of the Exchangeable Shares or upon exercise of Replacement Options. Coors shall file with the SEC a registration statement on Form 8-A (or other applicable form) (the "Form 8-A") in order to register the Class A Common Stock on the NYSE under Section 12(b) of the 1934 Act, and shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Form 8-A to become effective prior to the Effective Time.
- (d) Coors shall file a registration statement on Form S-3 (or other applicable form) (the "Form S-3") in order to register under the 1933 Act the Coors Common Stock to be issued from time to time after the Effective Time upon exchange of Exchangeable Shares, and shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective at or prior to the Effective Time and to maintain the effectiveness of such registration for the period that such Exchangeable Shares remain outstanding.

(e) Coors shall file a registration statement on Form S-8 (or other applicable forms) (the "Form S-8") in order to register under the 1933 Act the Coors Class B Common Stock to be issued from time to time after the Effective Time upon the exercise of the Replacement Options, and shall use reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective as promptly as practicable, but in any event within five (5) days after the Effective Time, and to maintain the effectiveness of such registration for the period of time that the Replacement Options remain outstanding and may be exercised.

2.7 Cooperation in Filings.

- (a) Each of Coors and Molson shall cooperate in the preparation, filing and mailing of the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular. Each of Coors and Molson shall, as promptly as practicable after receipt thereof, provide the other party copies of any written comments and advise the other party of any oral comments with respect to the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular or, in the case of Coors, the Form S-3, received from the SEC, the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities or any other Governmental Entity. The parties shall cooperate and provide the other with a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular, the Form S-3 and any amendments or supplements thereto prior to filing such with the SEC, the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities and/or each other applicable Government Entity, and will provide each other with a copy of all such filings made. Each party will advise the other party, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the time when the Form S-3 has become effective, the issuance of any stop order, the suspension of the qualification of any of the Coors Common Stock or the Exchangeable Shares for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, or any request by the SEC, the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities or any other Governmental Entity for amendment of the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular or the Form S-3.
- (b) Each of Coors and Molson shall furnish to the other all such information concerning it and its stockholders or shareholders as may be required (and, in the case of its stockholders or shareholders, available to it) for the effectuation of the actions described in Sections 2.5 and 2.6 and the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.7, and each covenants that no information furnished by it (or, to its knowledge, with respect to information concerning its shareholders) in connection with such actions or otherwise in connection with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement will contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated in any such document or necessary in order to make any information so furnished for use in any such document not misleading in the light of the circumstances in which it is furnished.
- (c) Each of Coors and Molson shall use its reasonable best efforts to ensure that the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular (and, in the case of Coors, the Form S-3 and Form S-8) complies with all applicable Laws and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, that no information furnished by it (or, to its knowledge, with respect to information concerning its shareholders) for inclusion in the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular (and in the case of Coors, the Form S-3 and the Form S-8) contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements contained therein not misleading in light of the circumstances in which they are made (other than with respect to any information relating to and provided by the other party or any third party that is not one of its Affiliates).
- (d) Coors and Molson shall each promptly notify the other if, at any time before the Effective Time, it becomes aware that the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular or any other document described in Section 2.6 or any application for any Order described in Section 2.6 contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements contained therein not misleading in light of the circumstances in which they are made, or that otherwise requires an amendment or supplement to the Joint

Proxy Statement/Circular or such other document or application. In any such event, each of Coors and Molson shall cooperate in the preparation of a supplement or amendment to the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular or such other document or application, as required and as the case may be, and, if required, shall cause the same to be distributed to stockholders of Coors or shareholders of Molson, respectively, and/or filed with the relevant Governmental Entities.

2.8 Execution of Transaction Documents; Issuance of Stock. At the Effective Time (i) each of Molson, Coors and Exchangeco shall execute and deliver each of the Transaction Documents to which they are a party, (ii) Coors shall issue Coors Common Stock to (or at the direction of) Callco in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, and such Coors Common Stock shall be duly and validly issued by Coors, fully paid and non-assessable and (iii) Exchangeco shall issue Exchangeable Shares and Exchangeco Public Preference Shares to the shareholders of Molson in accordance with this Agreement and the Plan of Arrangement, and such Exchangeable Shares and Exchangeco Public Preference Shares shall be duly and validly issued by Exchangeco, fully paid and non-assessable. Except as provided in the Plan of Arrangement, all Coors Common Stock issued by Coors pursuant to the Plan of Arrangement and all Exchangeable Shares and Exchangeco Public Preference Shares issued by Exchangeco pursuant to the Plan of Arrangement shall be free of preemptive rights, encumbrances, charges and liens of any nature.

ARTICLE III

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF MOLSON

Molson represents and warrants to Coors, subject to such exceptions as are specifically disclosed in writing in the disclosure schedule (arranged in sections and subsections corresponding to the numbered and lettered sections and subsections contained in this Article III with the disclosures in any section or subsection of such schedule qualifying the corresponding section or subsection in this Article III, as well as any other section or subsection of this Article III if the relevance of the disclosed item to such other section or subsection is readily apparent on its face) supplied by Molson to Coors dated as of the date hereof (the "Molson Disclosure Schedule"), as follows:

- 3.1 Organization and Qualification; Subsidiaries.
 - (a) Each of Molson and its Subsidiaries is a corporation or other legal entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and has the requisite corporate, partnership or similar power and authority to own, lease and operate its assets and properties and to carry on its business as now conducted, except, as related to the Subsidiaries of Molson, where the failure to do so has not had and would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson. Each of Molson and its Subsidiaries is in possession of all franchises, grants, qualifications, authorizations, licenses, permits, easements, consents, certificates, approvals and orders ("Approvals") from all Governmental Entities necessary to own, lease and operate the properties it purports to own, operate or lease and to lawfully carry on its business as now conducted, except where the failure to have such Approvals has not had and would not be reasonably expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
 - (b) Molson has no material Subsidiaries except those identified to Coors prior to the date hereof.
 - (c) All of the outstanding capital stock of, or other equity securities or ownership interests in, each Subsidiary of Molson, is owned by Molson, directly or indirectly, free and clear of any Lien and free of any other limitation or restriction (including any restriction on the right to vote, sell or otherwise dispose of such capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests). There are no outstanding (i) securities of Molson or its Subsidiaries convertible into or exchangeable for

capital or equity securities or ownership interests in any Subsidiary of Molson or (ii) except for employee or director stock options issued pursuant to the Molson Equity Plan, options or other rights to acquire from Molson or any of its Subsidiaries, or other obligation of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries to issue, any capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests in, or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests in, any Subsidiary of Molson. There are no outstanding obligations of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any of the items referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) above.

- (d) Neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries has agreed nor is it obligated to make nor is it bound by any written or oral agreement, commitment, contract, note, bond, mortgage, indenture, lease, instrument or other binding arrangement (a "Contract") under which it may become obligated to acquire any material equity interest or investment in, or make any material capital contribution to, any Person (other than a wholly-owned Subsidiary of Molson). Neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries directly or indirectly owns any material interest or investment (whether equity or debt) nor has any rights to acquire any material interest or investment in any Person (other than a Subsidiary of Molson).
- (e) Molson and each of its Subsidiaries is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation or other foreign legal entity, and is in good standing, under the Laws of all jurisdictions where the nature of its business requires such qualification, except for those jurisdictions where the failure to be so qualified, individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not be reasonably expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
- 3.2 Articles of Amalgamation and Bylaws. Molson has previously furnished to Coors complete and correct copies of its Articles of Amalgamation and Bylaws or other organizational documents (together, the "Molson Charter Documents"), as amended to date. Such Molson Charter Documents, as so amended, and the equivalent organizational documents of each of its Subsidiaries, are in full force and effect. Molson is not in violation of any of the provisions of the Molson Charter Documents, and no material Subsidiary of Molson is in violation of any of its organizational documents.

3.3 Capitalization.

- (a) The authorized capital of Molson consists of (i) an unlimited number of Molson Class A Common Shares, (ii) an unlimited number of Molson Class B Common Shares and (iii) an unlimited number of preference shares issuable in series ("Molson Preference Shares"). As of the close of business on July 21, 2004, there were outstanding (1) 105,275,963 Molson Class A Common Shares, (2) 22,380,676 Molson Class B Common Shares, (3) no Molson Preference Shares, and (4) options to purchase 5,989,718 Molson Class A Common Shares ("Molson Options") issued pursuant to the Molson Inc. 1998 Canadian Stock Option Plan (the "Molson Equity Plan"). As of the date hereof, no shares of capital stock of Molson are held by any Subsidiary of Molson. All outstanding shares of capital stock of Molson have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable.
- (b) Except as set forth in Section 3.3(a), there are no subscriptions, options, warrants, phantom shares, stock units, stock appreciation rights, other equity-based awards, equity securities, partnership interests, conversion privileges or similar ownership interests, calls, rights (including preemptive rights) or Contracts of any character to which Molson or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which it is bound obligating Molson or any of its Subsidiaries to issue, deliver or sell, or cause to be issued, delivered or sold, or to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire, or cause the repurchase, redemption or acquisition of, any equity securities, partnership interests or similar ownership interests of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries, or obligating Molson or any of its Subsidiaries to grant, extend, accelerate the vesting of or enter into any such subscription, option,

warrant, phantom share, stock unit, stock appreciation right, other equity-based award, equity security, call, right, commitment or agreement. There are no outstanding bonds, debentures, or other evidences of indebtedness of Molson or any Subsidiary thereof having the right to vote (or that are convertible for or exercisable into securities having the right to vote) with the holders of Molson Common Shares and Molson Options on any matter. Except as contemplated by this Agreement, there is no voting trust, proxy, registration rights agreement, rights plan, anti-takeover plan or other Contract or understanding to which Molson or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which they are bound with respect to any equity security of any class of Molson or with respect to any equity security, partnership interest or similar ownership interest of any class of any of its Subsidiaries.

3.4 Authority Relative to this Agreement.

- (a) Molson has all necessary corporate power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder and, subject to the receipt of the Molson Shareholder Approval, the Interim Order and the Final Order, to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby. The execution, delivery and performance by Molson of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party and the consummation by Molson of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby have been duly and validly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of Molson, and no other corporate proceedings on the part of Molson are necessary to authorize this Agreement or the other Transaction Documents, or to consummate the transactions so contemplated, other than the Molson Shareholder Approval, the Interim Order and the Final Order. This Agreement has been, and each other Transaction Document to which Molson is or will be party has been, or will be at or prior to the Closing, duly and validly executed and delivered by Molson and, assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery by the other parties thereto, constitutes or will constitute at or prior to the Closing, a valid, legal and binding obligation of Molson, enforceable against Molson in accordance with its respective terms, except that (i) such enforcement may be subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar Laws, now or hereafter in effect, affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) the remedy of specific performance and injunctive and other forms of equitable relief may be subject to equitable defenses and to the discretion of the court before which any proceeding may be brought and (iii) the Currency Act (Canada) precludes a court in Canada from rendering judgment in any currency other than Canadian currency.
- (b) At a meeting duly called and held, Molson's board of directors has, based on the recommendation of the Independent Committee, unanimously: (i) determined that this Agreement, the Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby (including the Arrangement) are fair to the holders of each class of the Molson Common Shares (other than Pentland) and in the best interests of Molson and; (ii) authorized and approved this Agreement, the Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby (including the Arrangement); and (iii) resolved to recommend approval and adoption of the Arrangement by its shareholders at the Molson Meeting.

3.5 No Conflict; Required Filings and Consents.

(a) The execution, delivery and performance by Molson of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party, and the consummation by Molson of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, do not and will not, subject to obtaining the Molson Shareholder Approval and receipt of the Approvals referred to in Section 3.5(b) below, (i) contravene, conflict with or result in a violation or breach of any provision of the Molson Charter Documents or the equivalent organizational documents of any of Molson's material Subsidiaries, (ii) contravene, conflict with or result in a violation or breach of any provisions of any

Law applicable to Molson or any of its Subsidiaries or by which its or any of their respective properties is bound or affected, (iii) require any consent or other action by any Person under, constitute a default (or an event that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) under, or cause or permit the termination, amendment, acceleration, triggering or cancellation or other change of any right or obligation or the loss of any benefit to which Molson or any of its Subsidiaries is entitled under (A) any provision of any Contract or other instrument binding upon Molson or any of its Subsidiaries or (B) any license, permit, franchise, certificate, approval or other similar authorization (a "Permit") held by, or affecting, or relating in any way to, the assets or business of, Molson or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iv) result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries, other than such exceptions in the case of clause (ii), (iii) or (iv) as have been disclosed to Coors prior to the date of this Agreement or as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by Molson of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party and the consummation by Molson of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby do not, and shall not, require any Approval, action by or in respect of, filing with or notification to, any Governmental Entity, to be made or obtained by Molson or its Subsidiaries, except for (A) the Competition Act Approval, (B) the ICA Approval, (C) the compliance with any applicable requirements of the United States Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "HSR Act"), including pre-merger notification requirements, (D) any other applicable competition, merger control, antitrust or similar Law of foreign Governmental Entities, (E) the filing with the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities and the mailing to the shareholders of Molson of the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular, (F) such other filings, authorizations, decisions or orders as may be required by the rules and regulations of the TSX, (G) any approvals required by the Interim Order, the Final Order or filings with the Director under the CBCA and (H) any other Approvals or Permits, which, if not obtained, would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.

3.6 Compliance; Permits.

- (a) Molson and each of its Subsidiaries is, and at all times since January 1, 2001 has been, in compliance with all Laws and Orders applicable to it or by which its properties are bound or affected, other than non-compliance matters that have not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
- (b) Neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries is in conflict with, or in default or violation of, (i) any Law or Order applicable to Molson or any of its Subsidiaries or by which its or any of their respective properties is bound or affected, or (ii) any material Contract, Permit or other instrument or obligation to which Molson or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which Molson or any of its Subsidiaries or its or any of their respective properties is bound or affected; except, in each case, for any conflicts, defaults or violations that have not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson. To the knowledge of Molson, no investigation or review by any Governmental Entity is pending or threatened against Molson or its Subsidiaries, other than, in each such case, those the outcome of which have not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
- (c) Molson has complied in all material respects with the applicable listing and corporate governance rules and regulations of the TSX.
- (d) Molson and each of its Subsidiaries owns, possesses or has obtained, and is in compliance with, all Permits of or from any Governmental Entity necessary to conduct its business as now

conducted, except for such failures which have not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.

3.7 Reports; Financial Statements.

- (a) Since January 1, 2002, Molson and its Subsidiary Molson Canada have filed with the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities and the TSX the forms, reports and documents, including financial statements, annual information forms, material change reports and management proxy circulars required to be filed by Molson and Molson Canada under applicable Securities Laws (collectively, the "*Molson Documents*"). The Molson Documents are publicly and freely available on www.sedar.com. The Molson Documents, at the time filed (or if amended or superseded by a filing prior to the date of this Agreement, then on the date of such filing), complied in all material respects with the requirements of applicable Securities Laws and did not contain any misrepresentation (as defined in the Securities Act (Ontario)) or any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Molson has not filed any confidential material change report with the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities or any other securities authority or regulator or any stock exchange or other self-regulatory authority which as of the date hereof remains confidential. Other than Molson Canada, none of Molson's Subsidiaries is required to file any reports or other documents with any of the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities or the TSX.
- (b) The annual audited consolidated financial statements and the quarterly unaudited consolidated financial statements (including in each case, any related notes thereto) contained in the Molson Documents (the "Molson Financial Statements") complied as to form in all material respects with the published rules and regulations of applicable Governmental Entities, the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities and the TSX with respect thereto as of their respective dates, and have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("Canadian GAAP") applied on a basis consistent throughout the periods indicated and consistent with each other (except as may be indicated in the notes thereto). The Molson Financial Statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows of Molson and its Subsidiaries as of the dates and for the periods indicated therein (subject, in the case of unaudited statements, to normal, recurring year-end adjustments that are not expected to be material in amount and the absence of notes thereto) on a consolidated basis.
- (c) The books and records of Molson and its Subsidiaries, in all material respects, (i) have been maintained in accordance with good business practices on a basis consistent with prior years, (ii) state in reasonable detail the material transactions and dispositions of the assets of Molson and its Subsidiaries and (iii) accurately and fairly reflect the basis for the Molson Financial Statements. Molson has (i) designed and maintains disclosure controls and procedures to ensure that material information relating to Molson and its Subsidiaries is made known to management of Molson by others within those entities, and (ii) designed and maintains a system of internal controls over financial reporting sufficient to provide reasonable assurances regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements, including that (A) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (B) transactions are recorded as necessary (x) to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with Canadian GAAP and (y) to maintain accountability of the assets of Molson and its Subsidiaries. The management of Molson has disclosed, based on its most recent evaluation, to Molson's auditors and the audit committee of Molson's board of directors (i) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect Molson's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data and have identified for Molson's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls and (ii) any fraud, whether or not material,

that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in Molson's internal controls. A summary of any such disclosure made by management to Molson's auditors and audit committee is set forth on Section 3.7(c) of the Molson Disclosure Schedule.

- 3.8 No Undisclosed Liabilities. Neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries has any liabilities (absolute, accrued, contingent, determined, determinable or otherwise) or obligations, in each case, of the type that would be required to be disclosed on a consolidated balance sheet of Molson (or the notes thereto) and there is no existing condition, situation or set of circumstances that could be reasonably expected to result in such a liability or obligation, except (i) liabilities or obligations fully reflected or reserved against in Molson's balance sheet as of March 31, 2004 (or the notes thereto), included in the Molson Financial Statements, (ii) liabilities or obligations disclosed in any Molson Document filed after March 31, 2004 and prior to the date of this Agreement, (iii) liabilities incurred since March 31, 2004 in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practice, (iv) obligations arising pursuant to the terms of the Contracts disclosed in Section 3.18 (or not required to be so disclosed) or (v) liabilities or obligations that have not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
- 3.9 Absence of Certain Changes or Events. Since March 31, 2004, the business of Molson and its Subsidiaries has been conducted in the ordinary course consistent with past practices and there has not been (i) any event, occurrence or development of a state of circumstances or facts which has had or would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have any Material Adverse Effect on Molson, (ii) except with respect to Molson's operations or assets in Brazil, any material revaluation by Molson of any of its assets, including, without limitation, writing down the value of capitalized inventory or writing off notes or accounts receivable or any material sale of assets of Molson other than in the ordinary course of business, (iii) any material damage, destruction or loss (whether or not covered by insurance) with respect to any material assets of Molson or its Subsidiaries, (iv) any material Contract cancelled, terminated, or materially adversely modified or (v) any event or action that if taken after the date hereof would be prohibited by Section 5.1 hereof.
- 3.10 Absence of Litigation. (a) There is no Action that has been commenced or, to the knowledge of Molson, threatened against or affecting, Molson or any Subsidiary or any of their respective properties, rights or assets before any Governmental Entity which, if determined adversely to Molson, would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson; and (b) neither Molson nor any Subsidiary, nor any of their respective properties, rights or assets, is subject to any outstanding Order that has had or would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.

3.11 Employee Plans.

- (a) With respect to the Molson Employee Plans, no event has occurred and, to the knowledge of Molson, there exists no condition or set of circumstances, in connection with which Molson or any of its Subsidiaries could be subject to any liability that would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson under any applicable Law.
- (b) Molson has made available to Coors prior to the date hereof current and complete summaries of the material terms of, or copies of, the Molson Employee Plans (and, if applicable, related trust agreements) and all amendments thereto. Molson has made available to Coors prior to the date hereof current and complete summaries of the material terms of, or copies of, all employment contracts, severance agreements, gross-ups and option agreements, if any, for the 10 most highly compensated officers of Molson.

3.12 Labor Matters.

- (a) There are no Actions, labor disputes or grievances pending, or, to the knowledge of Molson, threatened or reasonably anticipated, relating to any Laws relating to employees (which, for the purposes of Section 3.12, includes employees, dependent and independent contractors of Molson and any of its Subsidiaries), including labor relations, health and safety, workers' compensation, discrimination, workplace safety and insurance, pay equity, employment standards and employment equity, including without limitation, charges of unfair labor practices, discrimination or human rights complaints or any Actions relating to employees, which has had or would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson. Neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries has engaged in any unfair labor practices within the meaning of the National Labor Relations Act or any foreign equivalent and there are no outstanding Orders or pending settlements which place any obligation upon Molson or any of its Subsidiaries to do or refrain from doing any act, in each case which has had or would reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
- (b) Each of Molson and its Subsidiaries is in compliance with all applicable foreign, federal, provincial, state and local Laws, rules and regulations respecting employment, including employment standards, labor relations, health and safety, workers' compensation, human rights, pay equity, employment equity, workplace safety and insurance, terms and conditions of employment and wages and hours, in each case, with respect to employees, and has withheld, reported and remitted all amounts required by Law or by agreement to be withheld, reported and remitted with respect to wages, salaries and other payments to employees, except as has not had and would not be reasonably expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
- 3.13 *Title to Property*. Molson and each of its Subsidiaries has good and marketable title to all of its respective Owned Real Property necessary to operate its business as currently operated. All Leased Real Property occupied by Molson and its Subsidiaries affords Molson and/or its Subsidiaries, as the case may be, peaceful and undisturbed possession of the Leased Real Property, except as has not had, and would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Molson.
- 3.14 *Insurance*. Molson maintains insurance policies covering the assets, business, equipment, properties, operations, employees, officers and directors of Molson and its Subsidiaries (collectively, the "*Molson Insurance Policies*") which are of the type and in amounts which it believes are reasonably appropriate to conduct its business. To Molson's knowledge, there is no material claim by Molson or any of its Subsidiaries pending under any of the material Molson Insurance Policies as to which coverage has been questioned, denied or disputed by the underwriters of such policies or bonds.

3.15 Taxes.

(a) Definition of Taxes. For the purposes of this Agreement, "Tax" and "Taxes" means any and all taxes, charges, fees, levies or other assessments imposed by Laws, including all income taxes (including any tax on or based upon net income, gross income, income as specially defined, earnings, profits or selected items of income, earnings or profits) and all capital taxes, gross receipts taxes, environmental taxes, profits taxes, disability taxes, registration taxes, sales taxes, use taxes, ad valorem taxes, value added taxes, transfer taxes, franchise taxes, license taxes, development taxes, education taxes, business taxes, social services taxes, surtaxes, land transfer taxes, harmonized sales taxes, withholding taxes or other withholding obligations, net worth taxes, recording taxes, capital stock taxes, payroll taxes, employment taxes, excise taxes, stamp taxes, occupation taxes, premium taxes, property taxes, windfall profits taxes, alternative or add-on minimum taxes, goods and services taxes, service use taxes, customs duties or other governmental charges, estimated or other taxes, assessments, charges,

duties or imposts of any kind whatsoever, together with any interest, penalties, additional taxes, additions to tax or other amounts imposed by any taxing authority with respect to the foregoing and any liability for any such amounts imposed with respect to any other person, including under any agreements or arrangements or any liability for taxes of a predecessor or transferor entity.

- (b) Taxes. Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect:
 - (i) All Tax returns, statements, reports, forms and similar statements (including estimated Tax returns, claims for refunds, amended returns and reports and information returns and reports) required to be filed with any taxing authority by or on behalf of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries (collectively, the "Molson Returns"), were filed when due (including any applicable extension periods) in accordance with all applicable Laws and were correct and complete.
 - (ii) Molson and each of its Subsidiaries have timely paid, or withheld and remitted to the appropriate taxing authority, all Taxes due and payable by any of them under any applicable Law.
 - (iii) The charges, accruals and reserves for Taxes with respect to Molson and its Subsidiaries reflected on the Molson Financial Statements (whether or not due and whether or not shown on any Molson Return but excluding any provision for deferred income Taxes) are adequate under Canadian GAAP to cover Taxes accruing through the date thereof.
 - (iv) There is no Action (including under any indemnification or Tax-sharing agreement) or audit now pending or threatened in writing against or in respect of any Tax or "tax asset" of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries. For purposes of this Section 3.15 and Section 4.15 below, the term "tax asset" shall include any net operating loss, net capital loss, investment tax credit, foreign tax credit, charitable deduction or any other credit or Tax attribute which could reduce Taxes.
 - (v) Neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries is party to any tax sharing agreement.
- (c) Tax Status. Immediately prior to the Effective Time, Molson will not be a "specified financial institution" within the meaning of the ITA, assuming that Coors itself is not a "specified financial institution" at that time.
- 3.16 Environmental Matters. Except as has not had and would not reasonably be expected to result, individually or in the aggregate, in a Material Adverse Effect on Molson:
 - (a) (i) No Hazardous Substance has been discharged, disposed of, dumped, pumped, deposited, spilled, leaked, emitted or released by Molson or any of its Subsidiaries (or, to the knowledge of Molson, is otherwise present) at, on, under or from any property now or previously owned, leased or operated by Molson or any of its Subsidiaries ("Molson Property") in such manner or quantity that exceeds remediation criteria or standards under any applicable Environmental Laws or as would require remediation (either by Molson or its Subsidiaries, or for which Molson or its Subsidiaries would otherwise be liable) under any applicable Environmental Laws or as would adversely affect the business or operations of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries and (ii) to the knowledge of Molson, there are no liabilities of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries arising out of any Environmental Laws or any agreement with a third party and relating to any Hazardous Substances at, on, under or about any property other than a Molson Property. For the purposes of this Agreement, "Environmental Laws" shall mean all Laws and Orders of any international, provincial, federal, state, local and any other Governmental Entity that relate to the protection of the environment or to the impact of harmful or deleterious substances on the environment, health or property.
 - (b) The operations of Molson and each of its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all, and have not violated any, applicable Environmental Laws.

- (c) (i) Molson and its Subsidiaries hold all approvals, certificates, authorizations, agreements, permits, licenses, certificates, clearances and consents under or pursuant to applicable Environmental Laws (the "Molson Environmental Permits") necessary for the conduct of Molson's and its Subsidiaries' business as conducted currently and through the most recent fiscal year, (ii) all such Molson Environmental Permits are valid and in full force and effect, (iii) Molson and its Subsidiaries have not violated any such Molson Environmental Permits, and (iv) neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries has received any notice that any Molson Environmental Permits will be revoked, adversely modified or not renewed, and to the knowledge of Molson there is no basis for revoking, adversely modifying or refusing to renew any such Molson Environmental Permits.
- (d) No Order or Action is pending, and to Molson's knowledge, no Order or Action has been threatened, by any Governmental Entity or third party against or, to Molson's knowledge, affecting Molson or any of its Subsidiaries concerning any alleged violation of or liability under any Environmental Law or concerning any Hazardous Substance.
- (e) To Molson's knowledge, there has been no release of Hazardous Substance to the environment (including the workplace environment) resulting in exposure of any Person to any Hazardous Substance in a manner that would be reasonably likely to result in liability to Molson or any of its Subsidiaries.
- (f) No Environmental Lien is pending, and to Molson's knowledge, no Environmental Lien has been threatened against or affecting Molson, any of its Subsidiaries, or any real or personal property of Molson or any of its Subsidiaries. "Environmental Lien" means any Lien in favor of any Governmental Authority arising under Environmental Laws.
- 3.17 Intellectual Property. Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson, (i) Molson or one of its Subsidiaries is the owner or has the right to use all Intellectual Property and Proprietary Subject Matter used in the conduct of its business as it is currently conducted (such Intellectual Property which is owned or used by Molson or one of its Subsidiaries, the "Molson Intellectual Property" and such Proprietary Subject Matter, the "Molson-Used Proprietary Subject Matter"), free and clear of all Liens; (ii) there are no Orders, or pending, or to Molson's knowledge, threatened Actions, respecting the ownership, validity, enforceability or use of any Molson Intellectual Property or Molson-Used Proprietary Subject Matter, and to the knowledge of Molson, no facts or circumstances exist as a valid basis for same; (iii) the Molson Intellectual Property has not been, and Molson has no reason to expect it to become, abandoned, cancelled or invalidated; (iv) Molson and its Subsidiaries have taken all reasonable actions to protect the Molson Intellectual Property, including Intellectual Property that is confidential in nature; and (v) the conduct of the business of Molson and its Subsidiaries as currently conducted do not infringe, misappropriate, dilute or otherwise violate or make unauthorized use of ("Infringe") any Intellectual Property of any Person, and to the knowledge of Molson no Person is currently Infringing Molson Intellectual Property.
- 3.18 Agreements, Contracts and Commitments. Except as limited by confidentiality obligations, Molson has provided to Coors prior to the date hereof an accurate and complete summary of the material terms of each material Contract to which Molson and each of its Subsidiaries is a party (each, a "Material Molson Contract"). Except for breaches, violations or defaults which have not had and would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect on Molson, (i) each of the Material Molson Contracts is valid and in full force and effect and shall be in full force and effect after Closing, unamended (except as otherwise permitted pursuant to Section 5.1), and (ii) neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries, nor to Molson's knowledge any other party to a Material Molson Contract, has violated any provision of, or committed or failed to perform any act which, with or without notice, lapse of time, or both, would constitute a default under the provisions of any such Material Molson Contract, and neither Molson nor any of its Subsidiaries has received written notice that it has

breached, violated or defaulted under, any of the material terms or conditions of any of the Material Molson Contracts. Neither Molson nor any Subsidiary of Molson is a party to, or otherwise a guarantor of or liable with respect to, any interest rate, currency or other swap or derivative transaction, other than any such transactions in the ordinary course of business.

- 3.19 *Brokers.* Molson and its Subsidiaries have not incurred, nor will they incur, directly or indirectly, any liability for brokerage or finders fees or agent's commissions or any similar charges in connection with this Agreement or the Transaction Documents or any transaction contemplated hereby or thereby, other than fees and expenses payable to Citigroup Global Markets Inc., BMO Nesbitt Burns and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.
- 3.20 *Opinions of Financial Advisors*. The Independent Committee has received from its financial advisor, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, an opinion, dated the date of this Agreement, to the effect that, as of such date, the Exchange Ratio is fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of the Molson Common Shares (other than Pentland and Eric H. Molson). The board of directors of Molson has received from its financial advisors, Citigroup Global Markets Inc. and BMO Nesbitt Burns, separate opinions, each dated the date of this Agreement, to the effect that, as of such date, the Exchange Ratio is fair, from a financial point of view, to the holders of the Molson Common Shares.
- 3.21 *Vote Required*. The only votes of the holders of any class or series of the Molson Common Shares, Molson Options or other securities of Molson necessary to approve this Agreement and the Arrangement and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby are, subject to any requirement of the Interim Order and subject to obtaining exemptions from applicable Canadian Securities Regulatory Authorities, the Molson Shareholder Approval.
- 3.22 No Other Representations and Warranties. Except for the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement, neither Molson nor its Subsidiaries nor any other Person or its Subsidiaries makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, on behalf of Molson and its Subsidiaries with respect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Transaction Documents.

ARTICLE IV

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF COORS

Coors represents and warrants to Molson, subject to such exceptions as are specifically disclosed in writing in the disclosure schedule (arranged in sections and subsections corresponding to the numbered and lettered sections and subsections contained in this Article IV with the disclosures in any section or subsection of such schedule qualifying the corresponding section or subsection in this Article IV, as well as any other section or subsection of this Article IV if the relevance of the disclosed item to such other section or subsection is readily apparent on its face) supplied by Coors to Molson dated as of the date hereof (the "Coors Disclosure Schedule") as follows:

- 4.1 Organization and Qualification; Subsidiaries.
- (a) Each of Coors and its Subsidiaries is a corporation or other legal entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation and has the requisite corporate, partnership or similar power and authority to own, lease and operate its assets and properties and to carry on its business as now conducted, except, as related to the Subsidiaries of Coors, where the failure to do so has not had and would not reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Coors. Each of Coors and its Subsidiaries is in possession of all Approvals from all Governmental Entities necessary to own, lease and operate the properties it purports to own, operate or lease and to lawfully carry on its business as now

conducted, except where the failure to have such Approvals has not had and would not be reasonably expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Coors.

- (b) Coors has no material Subsidiaries except those identified to Molson prior to the date hereof.
- (c) All of the outstanding capital stock of, or other equity securities or ownership interests in, each Subsidiary of Coors, is owned by Coors, directly or indirectly, free and clear of any Lien and free of any other limitation or restriction (including any restriction on the right to vote, sell or otherwise dispose of such capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests). There are no outstanding (i) securities of Coors or its Subsidiaries convertible into or exchangeable for capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests in any Subsidiary of Coors or (ii) except for employee or director stock options issued pursuant to the Coors Equity Plans, options or other rights to acquire from Coors or any of its Subsidiaries, or other obligation of Coors or any of its Subsidiaries to issue, any capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests in, or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for any capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests in, any Subsidiary of Coors. There are no outstanding obligations of Coors or any of its Subsidiaries to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any of the items referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) above.
- (d) Neither Coors nor any of its Subsidiaries has agreed nor is it obligated to make nor is it bound by any Contract under which it may become obligated to acquire any material equity interest or investment in, or make any material capital contribution to, any Person (other than a wholly-owned Subsidiary of Coors). Neither Coors nor any of its Subsidiaries directly or indirectly owns any material interest or investment (whether equity or debt) nor has any rights to acquire any material interest or investment in any Person (other than a Subsidiary of Coors).
- (e) Coors and each of its Subsidiaries is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation or other foreign legal entity, and is in good standing, under the Laws of all jurisdictions where the nature of its business requires such qualification, except for those jurisdictions where the failure to be so qualified, individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not be reasonably expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect on Coors.
- 4.2 Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws. Coors has previously furnished to Molson complete and correct copies of its Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws (together, the "Coors Charter Documents"), as amended to date. Such Coors Charter Documents, as so amended, and the equivalent organizational documents of each of its Subsidiaries, are in full force and effect. Coors is not in violation of any of the provisions of the Coors Charter Documents, and no material Subsidiary of Coors is in violation of any of its organizational documents.
 - 4.3 Capitalization.
- (a) The authorized capital stock of Coors consists of (i) 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A Common Stock, (ii) 200,000,000 shares of Coors Class B Common Stock and (iii) 25,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, par value of \$0.01 ("Coors Preferred Stock"). As of the close of business on July 19, 2004, there were outstanding (1) 1,260,000 shares of Coors Class A Common Stock, (2) 36,043,934 shares of Coors Class B Common Stock, (3) no shares of Coors Preferred Stock, (4) options to purchase 7,352,752 shares of Coors Class B Common Stock ("Coors Options") issued pursuant to the Adolph Coors Company 1990 Equity Incentive Plan and the Adolph Coors Company Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Coors Equity Plans"), and (5) phantom shares, stock units, stock appreciation rights or other equity-based awards issued under the Coors Equity Plans with respect to an aggregate of 3,035 shares of Coors Class B Common Stock. As of July 20, 2004, no shares of Coors Class A Common Stock or shares of Coors Class B Common Stock were held in treasury. As of the date hereof, no shares of capital stock of Coors are held by any Subsidiary of Coors. All outstanding shares of capital stock of Coors have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable.

- (b) Except as set forth in Section 4.3(a), there are no subscriptions, options, warrants, phantom shares, stock units, stock appreciation rights, other equity-based awards, equity securities, partnership interests, conversion privileges or similar ownership interests, calls, rights (including preemptive rights) or Contracts of any character to which Coors or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which it is bound obligating Coors or any of its Subsidiaries to issue, deliver or sell, or cause to be issued, delivered or sold, or to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire, or cause the repurchase, redemption or acquisition of, any equity securities, partnership interests or similar ownership interests of Coors or any of its Subsidiaries, or obligating Coors or any of its Subsidiaries to grant, extend, accelerate the vesting of or enter into any such subscription, option, warrant, phantom share, stock unit, stock appreciation right, other equity-based awards, equity security, call, right, commitment or agreement. There are no outstanding bonds, debentures, or other evidences of indebtedness of Coors or any Subsidiary thereof having the right to vote (or that are convertible for or exercisable into securities having the right to vote) with the holders of Coors Common Stock on any matter. Except as contemplated by this Agreement, there is no voting trust, proxy, registration rights agreement, rights plan, anti-takeover plan or other Contract or understanding to which Coors or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which they are bound with respect to any equity security of any class of Coors or with respect to any equity security, partnership interest or similar ownership interest of any class of any of its Subsidiaries.
- (c) The shares of Coors Common Stock to be issued at the Effective Time as part of the Arrangement (or from time to time following the Effective Time upon conversion of Exchangeable Shares or upon exercise of Replacement Options, as the case may be) have, subject to the receipt of the Coors Stockholder Approval, been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Transaction Documents (or the Exchangeable Shares or Replacement Options, as the case may be) will have been validly issued and will be fully paid and nonassessable and the issuance thereof will not be subject to any preemptive or other similar right. Prior to the Effective Time, Coors will reserve for issuance the Coors Common Stock to be issued upon conversion of the Exchangeable Shares and the Replacement Options.

4.4 Authority Relative to this Agreement.

(a) Coors has all necessary corporate power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder and, subject to the receipt of the Coors Stockholder Approval, the Interim Order and the Final Order, to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby. The execution, delivery and performance by Coors of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party and the consummation by Coors of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby have been duly and validly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of Coors, and no other corporate proceedings on the part of Coors are necessary to authorize this Agreement or the other Transaction Documents, or to consummate the transactions so contemplated, other than the Coors Stockholder Approval, the Interim Order and the Final Order. This Agreement has been, and each other Transaction Document to which Coors is or will be party has been, or will be at or prior to the Closing, duly and validly executed and delivered by Coors and, assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery by the other parties thereto, constitutes or will constitute at or prior to the Closing, a valid, legal and binding obligation of Coors, enforceable against Coors in accordance with its respective terms, except that (i) such enforcement may be subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar Laws, now or hereafter in effect, affecting creditors' rights generally, (ii) the remedy of specific performance and injunctive and other forms of equitable relief may be subject to equitable defenses and to the discretion of the court before which any proceeding may be brought and (iii) the Currency Act (Canada) precludes a court in Canada from rendering judgment in any currency other than Canadian currency.

- (b) At a meeting duly called and held, Coors' board of directors has unanimously: (i) determined that this Agreement, the Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby (including the Coors Share Issuance, the Coors Charter Amendment and the Arrangement) are advisable and fair to and in the best interests of the Coors and the holders of each class of the Coors Common Stock; (ii) authorized and approved this Agreement, the Transaction Documents and the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby (including the Coors Share Issuance, the Coors Charter Amendment and the Arrangement); and (iii) resolved to recommend approval and adoption of the Coors Charter Amendment and approval of the Coors Share Issuance by its stockholders at the Coors Meeting.
 - 4.5 No Conflict; Required Filings and Consents.
- (a) The execution, delivery and performance by Coors of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party, and the consummation by Coors of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, do not and will not, subject to obtaining the Coors Stockholder Approval and receipt of the Approvals referred to in Section 4.5(b) below, (i) contravene, conflict with or result in a violation or breach of any provision of the Coors Charter Documents or the equivalent organizational documents of any of Coors' material Subsidiaries, (ii) contravene, conflict with or result in a violation or breach of any provisions of any Law applicable to Coors or any of its Subsidiaries or by which its or any of their respective properties is bound or affected, (iii) require any consent or other action by any Person under, constitute a default (or an event that, with or without notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default) under, or cause or permit the termination, amendment, acceleration, triggering or cancellation or other change of any right or obligation or the loss of any benefit to which Coors or any of its Subsidiaries is entitled under (A) any provision of any Contract or other instrument binding upon Coors or any of its Subsidiaries or (B) any Permit held by, or affecting, or relating in any way to, the assets or business of, Coors or any of its Subsidiaries, or (iv) result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of Coors or any of its Subsidiaries, other than such exceptions in the case of clause (ii), (iii) or (iv) as have been disclosed to Molson prior to the date of this Agreement or as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on Coors.
- (b) The execution, delivery and performance by Coors of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is party and the consummation by Coors of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby do not, and shall not, require any Approval, action by or in respect of, filing with or notification to, any Governmental Entity, to be made or obtained by Coors or its Subsidiaries, except for (A) the Competition Act Approval, (B) the ICA Approval, (C) the compliance with any applicable requirements of the HSR Act, including pre-merger notification requirements, (D) any other applicable competition, merger control, antitrust or similar Law of foreign Governmental Entities, (E) the filing with the SEC and the mailing to the Coors stockholders of the Joint Proxy Statement/Circular, and the filing with the SEC of the Form 8-A, the Form S-3 and any reports that might be re