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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>KELLY THOMAS J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 1 MONSTER WAY (Street) CORONA CA 92879 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Monster Beverage Corp [MNST]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Senior VP - Monster Energy Co.</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/01/2017</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/01/2017		M		1,500	A	(1)	24,651	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$15.71							(2)	03/14/2023	Common Stock	(3)	33,750	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.35							(4)	03/14/2024	Common Stock	(3)	30,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$37.1							(5)	12/01/2024	Common Stock	(3)	45,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$45.16							(6)	03/13/2025	Common Stock	(3)	36,000	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$43.99							(7)	03/14/2026	Common Stock	(3)	37,500	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$43.64							(8)	12/01/2026	Common Stock	(3)	40,000	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Restricted Stock Units	(9)	12/01/2017		M		1,500		(10)	(11)	Common Stock	1,500	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock as of the vesting date. Accordingly, these restricted stock units were settled in shares of common stock.
- The options are currently vested with respect to 20,250 shares. The remaining options vest on March 14, 2018.
- No transaction is being reported at this time. This line is only reporting holdings as of the date hereof.
- The options are currently vested with respect to 13,500 shares. The remaining options vest in two installments as follows: 7,500 shares on March 14, 2018; 9000 shares on March 14, 2019.
- The options are currently vested with respect to 20,250 shares. The remaining options vest in two installments as follows: 11,250 shares on December 1, 2018; 13,500 shares on December 1, 2019.
- The options are currently vested with respect to 14,400 shares. The remaining options vest in three equal installments on March 13, 2018, 2019 and 2020.
- The options are currently vested with respect to 3,750 shares. The remaining options vest in four installments as follows: 5,625 shares on March 14, 2018; 7,500 shares on March 14, 2019; 9,375 shares on March 14, 2020; 11,250 shares on March 14, 2021.
- The options are currently vested with respect to 4,000 shares. The remaining options vest in four installments as follows: 6,000 shares on December 1, 2018; 8,000 shares on December 1, 2019; 10,000 shares on December 1, 2020; 12,000 shares on December 1, 2021.
- The restricted stock units were granted under the Monster Beverage Corporation 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock as of the vesting date.
- The restricted stock units are currently vested.
- Not applicable.

Paul J. Dechary, attorney-in-fact 12/05/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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