### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 10-K/A (Amendment No. 1)

#### [ X] ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016

OR

[ ] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Commission File Number 001-18761

#### MONSTER BEVERAGE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 47-1809393 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1 Monster Way
Corona, California 92879
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (951) 739 - 6200

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of Each Class</u> Common Stock, \$.005 par value per share Name of each exchange on which registered
Nasdaq Global Select Market

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes 🗵 Noo

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yeso No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 🗹 No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  $\square$ No o

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer  $\square$ 

Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o

Smaller reporting company o

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined by Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.) Yes o No 🗵

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the registrant was \$27,920,735,052 computed by reference to the closing sale price for such stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on June 30, 2016, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter.

The number of shares of the registrant's common stock, \$0.005 par value per share (being the only class of common stock of the registrant), outstanding on April 5, 2017 was 567,788,360 shares.

Portions of the registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement to be filed subsequent to the date hereof with the Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the registrant's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report. Such Definitive Proxy Statement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission no later than 120 days after the conclusion of the registrant's fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

#### **Explanatory Note**

We are filing this Amendment No. 1 ("Amendment No. 1") to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 1, 2017 (the "Original Form 10-K"), to correct a typographical error in the content of Exhibit 23.1, Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm (the "Consent"). The Consent in the Original Form 10-K incorrectly referenced the audit reports of Deloitte & Touche LLP as of February 29, 2016. The correct date for the audit reports referenced in the Original Form 10-K is March 1, 2017. A new consent with the correct date is filed as an exhibit attached hereto.

Pursuant to Rule 12b-15 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), this Amendment No. 1 also contains new certifications pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, which are attached hereto. Because no financial statements have been included in this Amendment No. 1 and this Amendment No. 1 does not contain or amend any disclosure with respect to Items 307 and 308 of Regulation S-K under the Exchange Act, paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of the certifications have been omitted. Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 under the Exchange Act, this Amendment No. 1 also contains new certifications pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, which are attached hereto.

Other than this date correction to the Consent, no other changes have been made to the Original Form 10-K. This Amendment No. 1 does not reflect subsequent events occurring after the original filing date of the Original Form 10-K or modify or update in any way disclosures made in the Original Form 10-K. This Amendment No. 1 should be read in conjunction with the Original Form 10-K.

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#### PART IV

#### ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

(a) Documents filed as part of the report:

**Signature** 

Exhibits: The exhibits, listed on the accompanying exhibit index that is set forth after the signature page, are filed or furnished as part of this Amendment No.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this Amendment No. 1 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date

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Rodney C. Sacks Chairman of the Board	April 13, 2017
Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)	April 13, 2017
Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary (principal financial officer, controller and principal accounting officer)	April 13, 2017
	Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)  Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary (principal financial officer, controller and

Title

#### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

23*	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm		
31.1*	1* Certification by CEO pursuant to Rule 13A-14(a) or 15D-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted purs Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 *		
31.2*	Certification by CFO pursuant to Rule 13A-14(a) or 15D-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 *		
32.1*	Certification by CEO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 *		
32.2*	Certification by CFO pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 *		

<sup>\*</sup>Exhibit filed or furnished with this report.

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement No. 333-215326, Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement No. 333-41333, No. 333-89123, No. 333-112482, No. 333-131467, No. 333-170713 and No. 333-174614 and Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to Registration Statement No. 033-92526 on Form S-8 of our reports dated March 1, 2017, relating to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule of Monster Beverage Corporation and subsidiaries (the "Company") and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Monster Beverage Corporation and subsidiaries for the year ended December 31, 2016.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Costa Mesa, California April 13, 2017

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14(a) OR 15D-14(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, Rodney Sacks, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K/A of Monster Beverage Corporation; and
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report.

Date: April 13, 2017 /s/Rodney C. Sacks

Rodney C. Sacks

Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-14(a) OR 15D-14(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, Hilton Schlosberg, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this annual report on Form 10-K/A of Monster Beverage Corporation; and
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report.

Date: April 13, 2017 /s/ Hilton H. Schlosberg

Hilton H. Schlosberg

Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the annual report of Monster Beverage Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), the undersigned, Rodney C. Sacks, Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date:	April 13, 2017	/s/ Rodney C. Sacks
		Rodney C. Sacks Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer

#### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the annual report of Monster Beverage Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2016 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), the undersigned, Hilton H. Schlosberg, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, President, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary of the Company, certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

April 13, 2017 Date: /s/ Hilton H. Schlosberg

Hilton H. Schlosberg

Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, President, Chief Operating

Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary