

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br><b>KELLY THOMAS J</b> |         |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><b>Monster Beverage Corp [ MNST ]</b> |  |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><b>Senior VP - Monster Energy Co.</b> |  |  |
| (Last)                                                             | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><b>03/14/2018</b>                |  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                 |  |  |
| 1 MONSTER WAY                                                      |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                             |  |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |
| (Street)                                                           | CA      | 92879    |                                                                                      |  |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |
| (City)                                                             | (State) | (Zip)    |                                                                                      |  |  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |  |

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V | Amount                                                            | (A) or (D) | Price                  |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                              |
| Common Stock                    | 03/14/2018                           |                                                    | S                              |   | 15,000                                                            | D          | \$58.31 <sup>(1)</sup> | 9,651                                                                                         | 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) |
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|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | 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                                                         |                                                        |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$58.73                                                | 03/14/2018                           |                                                    | A                              |   | 50,000                                                                                 |     | (9)                                                      | 03/14/2028      | Common Stock                                                                      | 50,000                                     | \$0                                                                                                | 50,000                                                    | D                                                      |

Explanation of Responses:

- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$58.22 to \$58.40. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- The options are fully vested.
- 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 21,000 shares. The remaining options vest 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.

6. The options are currently vested with respect to 21,600 shares. The remaining options vest in two equal installments on March 13, 2019 and 2020.
7. The options are currently vested with respect to 9,375 shares. The remaining options vest in three installments as follows: 7,500 shares on March 14, 2019; 9,375 shares on March 14, 2020; 11,250 shares on March 14, 2021.
8. 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.
9. The options vest in five installments as follows: 5,000 shares on March 14, 2019; 7,500 shares on March 14, 2020; 10,000 shares on March 14, 2021; 12,500 shares on March 14, 2022; 15,000 shares on March 14, 2023.

Paul J. Dechary, attorney-in-  
fact

03/15/2018

\*\* 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).

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