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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Knecht Edward F						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL BEVERAGE CORP [FIZZ]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 8100 SW	(F	,	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/28/2010 X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive VP - Procurement											`			
SUITE 4000						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)	ATION FI	L :	33324										- 1	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate) (Zip)																	
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deriv	ative S	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired, [Disp	osed	of, or	Bene	eficial	ly Owne	d				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Exe if a	Deeme cution ny onth/Da	Date,	Transaction Dispo			curities Acquired (, osed Of (D) (Instr. 3 i)			Securit Benefic Owned	ies cially	Forn (D) o Indir	n: Direct or rect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
					Code	v	Amou		(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transa	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		r. 4)	(Instr. 4)					
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)) if any	on Date,	4. Transact Code (In 8)		n Number Ex		Expiration [Date Exercisable and xpiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly D (I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
					Code		(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Exp Dat	iration e	Title	N of	umber						
SPECIAL STOCK OPTION (right to buy)	\$11.35 ⁽¹⁾	07/28/2010			A		5,000		(1)	07/2	28/2020	COMN STO		5,000	(1)	12,320		D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options granted under the Company's Special Stock Option Plan vest over an eight year period in relatively equal amounts at approximately 16 month intervals. The exercise price can be reduced and the vesting schedule can be accelerated by the optionee purchasing and maintaining ownership of shares of common stock and/or the Company achieving performance objectives as determined by the Board of Directors (the "Board"). Based upon the maximum required ownership of common stock as provided in the Stock Option Agreement, together with the Company achieving the performance targets previously established by the Board, the option can fully vest after approximately 64 months and the exercise price can be reduced to near the par value of the common stock (\$.01 per share). Reference is made to Exhibit 10.12 of the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended May 1, 2010.

<u>/s/ Edward F. Knecht</u> <u>07/30/2010</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Da

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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