FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     HATHORN SAMUEL C					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL BEVERAGE CORP [FIZZ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
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(Last)	`	,	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2020									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify		
8100 SW	7 10TH ST	REET																		
SUITE 4000						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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PLANTA	ATION F	L :	33324										Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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Common Stock 12/11			L/ <b>202</b> 0	2020		X		745	5 A \$0		)1 <sup>(1)</sup>	76,133			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. Deemon Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	Date, Transa Code		of Ex		. Date Exercisable and xpiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	. Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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KEEP STOCK OPTION	\$0.01 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/11/2020			х			745	12/06/201	9 1	2/06/2023	Common Stock	745		(1)	22,500		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Reflects exercise of options granted to Mr. Hathorn under the Company's Key Employee Equity Partnership Program ("KEEP") on December 6, 2013. KEEP participants receive a grant equal to 50% of the number of shares of the Company's common stock purchased on the open market. KEEP options are granted at an initial exercise price of 60% of the purchase price of the shares acquired and such price is reduced to the par value of the Company's common stock over a six-year vesting period. Reference is made to Exhibit 10.8 of the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended May 2, 2020.

/s/ Samuel C. Hathorn

12/15/2020

\*\* 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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