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NATIONAL BEVERAGE CORP. 'REFRESHES ITS' MOMENTUM

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL, July 18, 2014 . . . National Beverage Corp. (NASDAQ:FIZZ) today reported results for Fiscal 2014.

"While we exhausted vigorous efforts to overcome *much repeated* industry challenges, our Fiscal 2014 results were skewed," stated Nick A. Caporella, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

"Painful, <u>Yes</u> – Resilient and Resourceful, we excitingly begin Fiscal 2015," continued Caporella.

For the fiscal year ended May 3, 2014 -

• Revenues decreased to \$641.1 million off 3.2%

• Net income decreased to \$43.6 million off 7.0%

• Earnings per share decreased to \$.93 off 7.9%

"National Beverage is a quality Company, led by its passion to innovate. Vigorous attempts are simultaneously underway to lead the soft drink industry through its evolution to comply with the outcry of regulators and consumers alike. We <u>are</u> and plan to continue leading the way. All areas of our business, including carbonated soft drinks, are growing! Yes, the size of our smile is magnified by our Power+ Sparkling Waters. Our new dynamic creative has resulted in exciting consumer appeal. Keep a watchful eye for LaCroix's *Cúrate* with its one-of-a-kind packaging and unique taste! Also, our distinctive change to the new flavors of brand LaCroix are a 'must' see and taste," stated Caporella.

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"First quarter is more than on track – May and June have given Fiscal 2015 a passionate start. That's a YES!!

A lesson worth sharing: silver linings usually accompany challenges, microscopic and often missed. Ours is a vivid confirmation that we own a philosophy that provokes our agility to change direction quickly – while a dynamic metamorphosis is underway in the soft drink industry. Our silver lining places us magnificently in the forefront of it! Indeed, our shareholder value will reflect these opportunistic elements.

Muhammad Ali once said, 'Taking a punch at certain times . . . may be far better than giving one!'" concluded Caporella.

P.S. We asked on September 5, 2013 to have you judge our results – "trailing twelve months ending July 2014"... Well, we are about to see!

National Beverage's iconic brands are the genuine essence . . . of America.

"Patriotism" – If Only We Could Bottle It!

Fun, Flavor and Vitality . . . the National Beverage Way

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National Beverage Corp. Consolidated Results for the Fiscal Year Ended May 3, 2014 and April 27, 2013

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Ended	
	May 3, 2014	April 27, 2013	
Net Sales	\$ 641,135	\$ 662,007	
Net Income	\$ 43,635	\$ 46,920	
Earnings Per Common Share			
Basic	\$.93	\$ 1.01	
Diluted	\$.92	\$ 1.01	
Average Common Shares Outstanding			
Basic	46,331	46,310	
Diluted	46,519	46,482	

The fiscal year ended May 3, 2014 consisted of 53 weeks.

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