UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 23, 2020

CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-08495

16-0716709

Delaware

| | (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) | |
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| | of incorporation) | r lie Number) | identification No. | |
| | | <u> Point Drive, Building 100, V</u> | ctor, NY 14564 | |
| | (Address of | principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) | |
| | Registrant's telep | hone number, including area | code (<u>585</u>) <u>678-7100</u> | |
| | | Not Applicable | | |
| | (Former name | or former address, if change | d since last report.) | |
| | the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K ony of the following provisions (<u>see</u> Genera | | aneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrar | nt |
| | ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) | | | |
| | Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) | | | |
| □ F | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) | | | |
| □ F | Pre-commencement communications pursuan | t to Rule 13e-4(c) under the I | Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) | |
| Securitie | es registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the | Act: | | |
| | | Trading | | |
| | Title of Each Class | Symbol(s) | Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered | |
| | Class A Common Stock | STZ | New York Stock Exchange | |
| | Class B Common Stock | STZ.B | New York Stock Exchange | |
| | by check mark whether the registrant is an en hapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchar | | defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.0) of this chapter). | 405 |
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

March 23, 2020, Constellation Brands, Inc. ("Constellation" or the "Company") issued a news release commenting on recent U.S. border closures and market trends, a copy of which release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

References to Constellation's website, and/or other social media sites or platforms in the release do not incorporate by reference the information on such websites, social media sites or platforms into this Current Report on Form 8-K, and Constellation disclaims any such incorporation by reference. The information in the news release attached as Exhibit 99.1 is incorporated by reference into this Item 7.01 in satisfaction of the public disclosure requirements of Regulation FD. This information is "furnished" and not "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and is not otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Such information may be incorporated by reference in another filing under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or the Securities Act of 1933 only if and to the extent such subsequent filing specifically references the information incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

For the exhibit that is furnished herewith, see the Index to Exhibits immediately following.

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. Description (99) ADDITIONAL EXHIBITS (99.1) News Release of Constellation Brands, Inc. dated March 23, 2020. (104) Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 23, 2020 CONSTELLATION BRANDS, INC.

By: /s/ Garth Hankinson

Garth Hankinson Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



PRESS RELEASE

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CONSTELLATION BRANDS COMMENTS ON RECENT U.S. BORDER CLOSURES AND MARKET TRENDS

VICTOR, N.Y., March 23, 2020 - Constellation Brands, Inc. (NYSE: STZ and STZ.B), a leading beverage alcohol company, today commented on the impact of recent northern and southern border closures in the U.S. and impact of the COVID-19 virus on U.S. market trends.

"Our hearts go out to those impacted by this terrible virus," said Bill Newlands, president and chief executive officer at Constellation Brands. "Now, more than ever, it is imperative that the public and private sectors in the U.S. and both countries work together to keep residents safe and healthy, while continuing to support our global economy, supply chain, and the many jobs our respective citizens depend on to make ends meet."

Newlands continued, "Importantly, recent decisions to close the northern and southern borders of the U.S. do not impact commercial traffic, which is essential to enabling supply chain operations and the building of critical inventories needed to meet the needs of our communities. This will prove helpful as we and other companies in the consumer product goods space work to provide a bit of comfort in this otherwise difficult time."

Newlands further commented, "In this regard, we've taken steps to bolster support of local off-premise retailers and distributors to meet increased consumer demand as purchasing shifts from on-premise establishments such as bars and restaurants to off-premise businesses such as grocery stores and convenience stores. We've seen IRI volume in off-premise accounts for our beer business increase more than 30 percent in the most recent 4-week period versus their 52-week trends. Our teams remain committed to supporting the needs of local consumers, retailers, distributors, and the economies they help bolster in this critical time. We will announce additional measures to further support our industry and communities in the coming days."

ABOUT CONSTELLATION BRANDS

At Constellation Brands (NYSE: STZ and STZ.B), our mission is to build brands that people love because we believe sharing a toast, unwinding after a day, celebrating milestones, and helping people connect, are Worth Reaching For. It's worth our dedication, hard work, and the bold calculated risks we take to deliver more for our consumers, trade partners, shareholders, and communities in which we live and work.



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It's what has made us one of the fastest-growing large CPG companies in the U.S. at retail, and it drives our pursuit to deliver what's next.

Today, we are a leading international producer and marketer of beer, wine, and spirits with operations in the U.S., Mexico, New Zealand, and Italy. Every day, people reach for our high-end, iconic imported beer brands such as Corona Extra, Corona Light, Corona Premier, Modelo Especial, Modelo Negra, and Pacifico, and our high-quality premium wine and spirits brands, including the Robert Mondavi brand family, Kim Crawford, Meiomi, The Prisoner brand family, SVEDKA Vodka, Casa Noble Tequila, and High West Whiskey.

But we won't stop here. Our visionary leadership team and passionate employees from barrel room to boardroom are reaching for the next level, to explore the boundaries of the beverage alcohol industry and beyond. Join us in discovering what's Worth Reaching For.

To learn more, follow us on Twitter <u>@cbrands</u> and visit <u>www.cbrands.com</u>.

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