

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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): July 16, 2009

National Beverage Corp.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-14170

(Commission File Number)

59-2605822

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

8100 SW Tenth Street, Suite 4000  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

33324

(Zip Code)

(954) 581-0922

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On July 16, 2009, National Beverage Corp. issued a press release announcing its financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May 2, 2009. This release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (c) Exhibit 99.1      Press release dated July 16, 2009 announcing the Company's financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May 2, 2009.

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

National Beverage Corp.  
(Registrant)

Date: July 16, 2009

/s/ Dean A. McCoy  
Dean A. McCoy  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Accounting Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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## National Beverage Corp. Out-Performs Estimates for Fiscal Year Gains

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 16, 2009--National Beverage Corp. (NASDAQ:FIZZ) today released financial results for the quarter and fiscal year ended May 2, 2009.

For the fiscal year:

- Revenues increased to \$575.2 million.
- Net income increased 10% to \$24.7 million, or \$.54 per share.
- Cash increased to \$84.1 million.

For the quarter, revenues and operating income increased to \$148.4 million and \$11.2 million. Operating income increased by 28% and net income by 23% to \$6.9 million, or \$.15 per share.

“We are extremely fortunate to be the beneficiary of the distinctive value offered by our brands. Time-tested and traditionally VALUE designated, our brands attract consumers’ preferences – both in taste and value . . . more than ever,” stated Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Nick A. Caporella.

“Necessity . . . in this daunting economy ignites the spirit of *mandatory* innovation! Volume growth of our 24oz single-serve package, our sparkling LaCroix waters and Everfresh/Mr. Pure juices has prompted savvy retailers to recognize that promoting our ‘*value brands*’ induces consumers to ‘trade out’ of their ‘tired ole colas’ to a more stimulating, flavorful refreshment . . . and make more profit while doing it,” continued Caporella.

“Confidence can be stimulated in various ways, but trust, as in Brand Shasta, Faygo, Everfresh and LaCroix, is the main ingredient that is so synonymous with Confidence. We at National Beverage are conditioned by ourselves – to run lean and hard, using our philosophy and passion as energy/fuel to drive results and opportunities. Our strong balance sheet and stronger pride . . . carries us into a new year with much determination to maximize all opportunities and create value for our fellow employees, shareholders, customers and consumers!!” concluded Caporella.

National Beverage is highly innovative, making it unique as a *pace-setter* in the changing soft-drink industry. Its lineup of refreshment products including – energy drinks, fortified powders and supplements, and functionally enhanced juices and waters – are geared toward the lifestyle/health-conscious consumer.

Shasta® – Faygo® – Everfresh® and LaCroix® are aligned with Rip It® energy products to make National Beverage . . . America’s *Flavor•Favorite* – soft-drink company.

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

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National Beverage Corp.  
Consolidated Results for the Fourth Quarters and Fiscal Years Ended  
May 2, 2009 and May 3, 2008  
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Fourth Quarter Ended		Fiscal Year Ended	
	May 2, 2009	May 3, 2008 (1)	May 2, 2009	May 3, 2008 (1)
Net Sales	\$ 148,445	\$ 147,527	\$ 575,177	\$ 566,001
Net Income	\$ 6,854	\$ 5,564	\$ 24,742	\$ 22,480
Net Income Per Share				
Basic	\$ .15	\$ .12	\$ .54	\$ .49
Diluted	\$ .15	\$ .12	\$ .54	\$ .49
Average Common Shares Outstanding				
Basic	46,009	45,949	45,999	45,894
Diluted	46,229	46,113	46,191	46,109

(1) The fourth quarter and fiscal year ended May 3, 2008 included an extra week.

This press release includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include fluctuations in costs, changes in consumer preferences and other items and risk factors described in the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings and the Company disclaims an obligation to update any such factors or to publicly announce the results of any revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect future events or developments.

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