

NATIONAL BEVERAGE CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BRACKEN GEORGE R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NATIONAL BEVERAGE CORP [FIZ]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE N UNIVERSITY DRIVE, SUITE 400A
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/13/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SR VP Finance

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33324

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		
COMMON STOCK					81,100 ⁽¹⁾	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
SPECIAL STOCK OPTION	(2)	02/13/2006		A	4,000	(2) 02/13/2016	COMMON STOCK	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRACKEN GEORGE R ONE N UNIVERSITY DRIVE SUITE 400A FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33324			SR VP Finance	

Signatures

/s/ George R. Bracken 02/15/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) (1) Includes 40,000 shares of common stock with respect to exercise of options, the delivery of which has been deferred.
- (2) (2) The options vest over an eight (8) year period in relatively equal amounts at various vesting intervals. The initial exercise price is \$8.98. The exercise price can be reduced and the vesting schedule can be accelerated by the Optionee purchasing and maintaining ownership of shares of the Company's common stock and/or the Company achieving performance objectives as determined by the Board.
- (2) 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 fifty-four (54) months and the exercise price can be reduced to the par value of the Company's common stock, or \$.01 per share.

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