

# Investor Presentation

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# **Company Overview**

# Current Snapshot

	Big Rock Today	
Traded:		TSX: BR
Recent Price (as at 05/13/22):		\$4.05
Basic Shares Outstanding:		6.98 million
Market Cap (as at 05/13/22):		\$28.1 million
Founded:		1985
Employees:		130+
Brands:		
Breweries/Brewpubs:		Calgary and Toronto
2021 Net Sales:		\$46.0 million
Total Credit Facilities: - total drawn as at 3/31/22		\$16 million \$13.3 million





# Our People

#### TRANSFORMATION SPECIALIST



### Wayne Arsenault President & CEO

- Corey Nutrition Company\*
- Moosehead Breweries\*
- Molson Coors\*\*
- Coca-Cola\*\*

\*Business turnaround \*\*Plant turnaround(s)

## MANAGEMENT

Executive	Prior Experience	
Wayne Arsenault President & CEO	Corey Nutrition Company Inc., Moosehead Breweries, Molson Coors, Coca-Cola	
Ron Love Interim Chief Financial Officer	Karnalyte Resources Inc., Six Safety Systems, GetAssist	
Sam Galick VP, Operations	Moosehead Breweries, Molson Coors, Coca-Cola	
Paul Howden VP, Sales	Coca-Cola	
<b>Brad Goddard</b> Director, Business Development & Government Relations	Steam Whistle Brewing	

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Director	Current Role
Stephen J. Giblin Chairman	Independent Businessman
Kathleen McNally-Leitch Vice Chair	Independent Businesswoman
Jim Riddell Director	Chairman, President & CEO, Paramount Resources Ltd.
P. Donnell Noone Director	Principal & Managing Partner, VN Capital Management, LLC
Alanna McDonald Director	President, Maybelline Garnier essie at L'Oreal USA
P.L. (Lonny) Tetley Corporate Secretary	Partner, Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP

## Well-positioned to execute the turnaround growth strategy



# The Big Rock Way

## VISION

Triple Our Size...compete for 'Canada's Largest Independent Brewer'

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

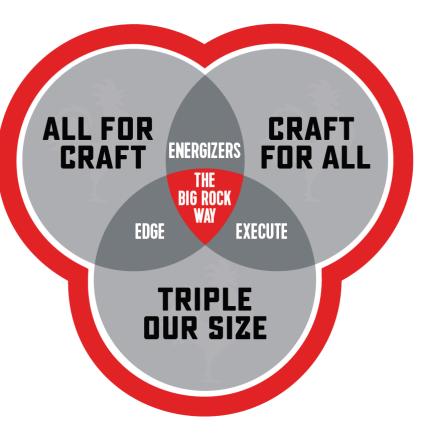
"All for Craft, Craft for All"

## VALUES

Energizers with Edge who can Execute

## THE BIG ROCK WAY

90-day projects working <u>ON</u> the business Driving/encouraging <u>OWNERS</u> not <u>RENTERS</u>





## **Diverse Portfolio**

Well diversified portfolio - defensive against economic fluctuations



# Well positioned for shift to larger pack sizes and variety packs





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EBIG BOX















# Market Overview & Response



# Managing Market Pressures

## Pressures

Utilities 21% Y/Y Distribution 16% Y/Y Raw Materials

5% Y/Y

Global supply chain disruptions driving higher prices in utilities, distribution, and raw materials costs

 Increased lead time from supply chain disruption has contributed to operating inefficiencies

## Response

Fixed-price contracts and large raw material purchases have been executed or are being negotiated

• Fuel surcharge has been passed along to customers

 Have further diversified supplier base

## Outcome

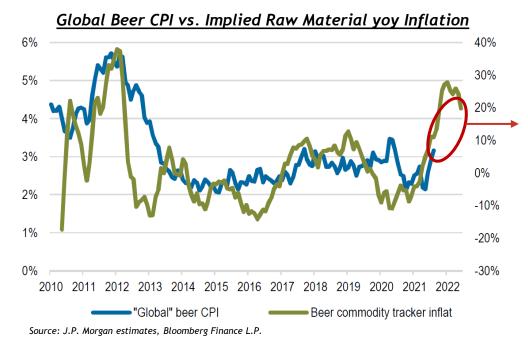
 Increased cost-certainty related to utilities, distribution, and raw materials resulting in protection of margins

- Enhanced planning and process optimization driving efficiencies across the business
- Reduced concentration risk of key suppliers

\* Y/Y values are representative of Fiscal 2021 versus Fiscal 2020 and Raw Materials is volume-adjusted, on owned/disclosed volumes only

# Near Term Headwinds in the Global Beer Industry

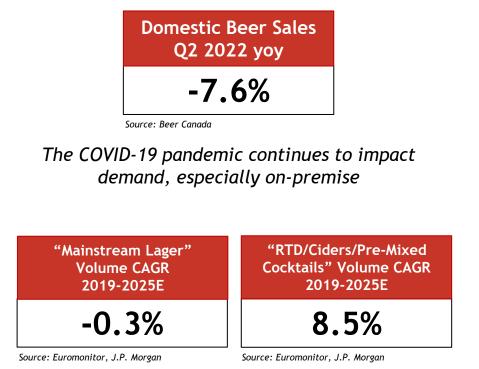
## Supply chain constraints...



## "Risks remain both short-term (COVID-19) and mid-term (raw material inflation)"

- J.P. Morgan, September 2021

...and slow recovery in demand



The "ready-to-drink" category is expected to continue to grow through 2025

Supply chain constraints and a supportive regulatory framework has encouraged foreign brewers to produce domestically

"Global" beer CPI yet to catch up to

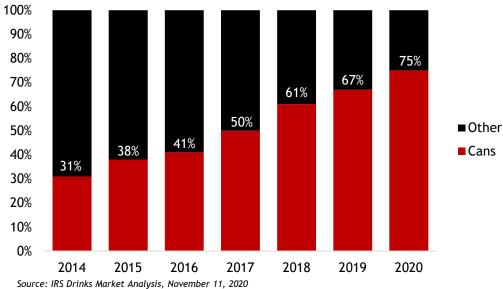
raw materials

inflation



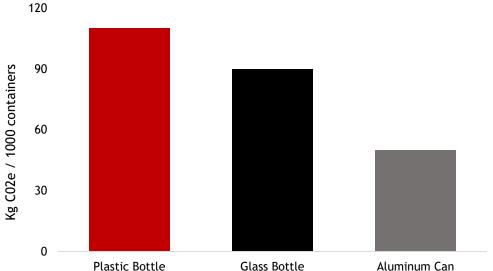
# **Consumer Demand Shift - Sustainability**

NORTH AMERICAN NEW PRODUCT CONTAINER TYPE



# Consumer trend continues to shift further towards cans





Source: Energy and Greenhouse Gas Emission Implications of Distributing and Refrigerating Beverages (2016)

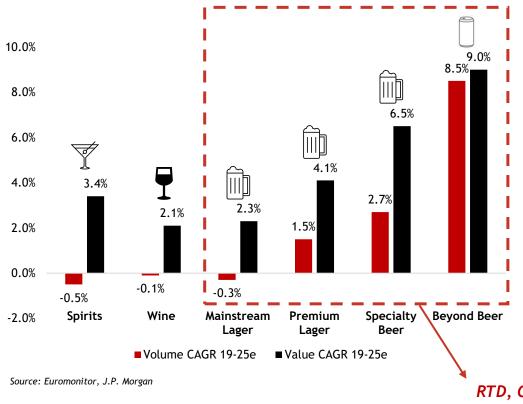
Cans are the superior package type in terms of greenhouse gas emissions and recycling in North America

#### GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS



# Strong Long-Term Outlook

VOLUME AND VALUE CAGR 2019-2025E



#### NATIONAL BREWERIES 1,500 1,210 1,200 % Change in 900 Number of **Breweries from** 600 2020/2019 300 0 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 +8.0% Source: Beer Canada

Since 2015, craft beer has gained market share across Canada and significant capital investment has been made resulting in a material increase in the <u>number</u> of breweries...

RTD, Cider, and Pre-Mixed Cocktails ("Beyond Beer") poised to continue to grow at higher rates vs. other beverage alcohol

Big Rock's long term growth plans aligns with RTD growth trends and consolidation in beer



## 2022 Innovation

## TREE BREWING REBRAND





- Rebrand and recipe overhaul for Tree Brewing
- Season Pass Variety Pack

### WHITE PEAKS INNOVATION



- Launch of Green Tea and Honey flavour
- Launch of 6 pack carton for Green Tea and Honey, Wild Saskatoon Berry, and Juicy Peach Apricot

#### BIG ROCK RADLER VARIETY PACK



- Launch of Big Rock Radler Variety Pack
- Four new flavours → Lemon Lime, Blueberry, Peach, and Grapefruit

## COTTAGE SPRINGS INNOVATION



- Launch of 12 pack Vodka Lemonade Variety
- Launch of 12 pack slim can Vodka Iced Tea Variety
- Launch of Peach Vodka Soda
- Launch of Mango Vodka Water



# Strategy

# Long Term Strategy

Current state of Big Rock, executing on the Fill Up stage throughout 2022

#### **EXECUTION ROAD MAP**

**1 - Gear Up** Strategic Capital Plan **2 - Fill Up** Pursue Material Volume Growth in Calgary





OPTIMIZE CAPACITY / WASTE REDUCTION

- Complete Calgary capital investment project to enable growth pipeline, innovation process and minimize waste
- Complete IT and digital transformation projects to maximize returns on growth
- Optimize underperforming assets



IMPROVE UTILIZATION TO REDUCE COST

- Win material co-packing contracts from robust business development pipeline
- Achieve growth targets in owned, licensed and private label brand portfolios
- Achieve growth targets in new, on-trend innovations



GROW HIGH MARGIN MIX

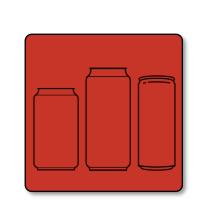
- Pursue portfolio complementing acquisitions
- Fuel growth in <u>owned</u> brands
- Meaningful investments in 'better-for-you' innovations

## A long-term sustainable growth model



# New Calgary Can Line & Pasteurizer





## Enhanced Canning Capability

- Increased efficiency into packaging 355ml standard, 355ml sleek, and 473ml can formats
- Enhancing our can format capability further enables packaging customization for both owned brands and co-pack partners





## Pasteurization Driving Natural Product Preservation

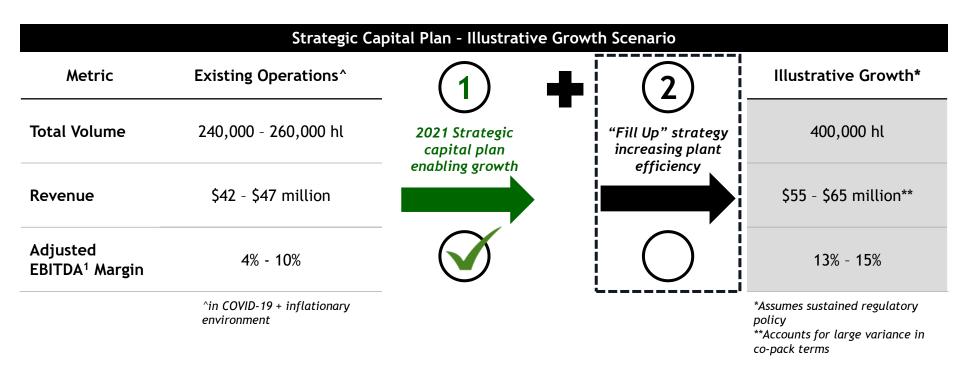
 Without compromising shelf life, Big Rock can now produce a wider array of products naturally, without the need for added preservatives or increased risk of contamination

The new Calgary can line enables Big Rock to transition to the 'Fill up' portion of our long term strategic plan in 2022



# **Positioned for Growth**

### SIGNIFICANT ASSET-DRIVEN GROWTH ON THE HORIZON



Big Rock now moves into the 2<sup>nd</sup> key step in executing on the illustrative growth scenario and aligning with the long term strategy of "Fill Up" to improve brewery utilization and increase gross margins

Big Rock is well positioned to execute its long-term sustainable growth plan

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# Long Term Value Creation

	FROM	Value Creation	то	HOW?
Operating Leverage	<ul> <li>&lt;30% Gross Margins</li> <li>High fixed overhead costs (especially BC &amp; Ontario)</li> <li>&lt;10% Adjusted EBITDA margins</li> <li>&lt;30% packaging capacity utilization</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>&gt;35% Gross Margins</li> <li>Low fixed overhead costs</li> <li>&gt;15% Adjusted EBITDA margins</li> <li>&gt;80% packaging capacity utilization</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Asset Base</li> <li>✓ People</li> <li>✓ Diversified Portfolio</li> </ul>
Capital Allocation	<ul> <li>Risk mitigation investments</li> <li>Adoption of technology</li> <li>History of shareholder value destruction</li> </ul>	BIG ROCK BREWERY	<ul> <li>Investments supporting long term top-line growth</li> <li>Consistent shareholder returns</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Manufacturing Expertise</li> <li>✓ Brand</li> <li>✓ Warehousing and Distribution Network</li> <li>✓ Trusted Relationships</li> </ul>
Cash Flow	(-)		<ul> <li>(+)</li> <li>Consistent operating cash flow per share growth</li> <li>Free cash flow supporting growth and shareholder returns</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Investment into Technology &amp; Innovation</li> <li>✓ Significant growth in co-packing volumes</li> </ul>
Earnings	(-)	the state	(+)	
Balance Sheet (LT Debt / Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup> )	<b>5.2x</b> (in 2016)		<2.0x	-

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# Appendix



# History of Big Rock



1996

1997

### Big Rock was founded by Ed McNally - Western Canada's first Craft Brewery

• A retired lawyer and barley farmer, Ed saw an opportunity to offer Albertans an alternative to the corn syrup laced North American lagers utilizing Calgary's access to Rocky Mountain water and the provinces abundance of world-class barley

#### Ed cut the ribbon on Big Rock's current Calgary location on 76 Avenue SE

• Housing the best brewing equipment made in Canada, premium packaging equipment from Germany and enough capacity, at the time, to scale Big Rock into a dominate player on the still-fledgling North American Craft brewing scene

#### Big Rock began trading on the TSX and at the time, was creating waves with export into 21 US states

- Achieving company highs that included the top selling Craft Beer brand in California, Grasshopper, before pressure from multi-nationals on US distributors created an environment where growth was no longer sustainable
- The exit from the US market and significant inter-provincial trade barriers left Big Rock with a facility built to supply the world, employees eager to work, and local suppliers anxious to see their volumes grow, yet very few markets to grow in Big Rock pivoted it's business
- 2005

TODAY

## Following Ed's reduced involvement (2005) and eventual passing (2014), Big Rock went through several management team changes

• All trying to achieve organic growth in a vastly growing Craft market and ultimately complicating and confusing it's identity

With new Big Rock management, led by Wayne Arsenault, the culture at Big Rock has been revitalized and the business is transitioning from a 'family-owned' business into a true 'public shareholder' company focused on value creation and sustainable growth

- With a formal management system instilled, ever-improving processes and an ever improving understanding of costs, Big Rock is positioned to take advantage of the capacity and scale of the assets Ed built and provide economic stimulus to the Canadian economy at a scale that is unachievable by most other independent brewers in Canada
- In a market where growth has stagnated, management believes the Corporation's future growth will be the driving force for Craft gaining market share in Alberta and Canada going forward

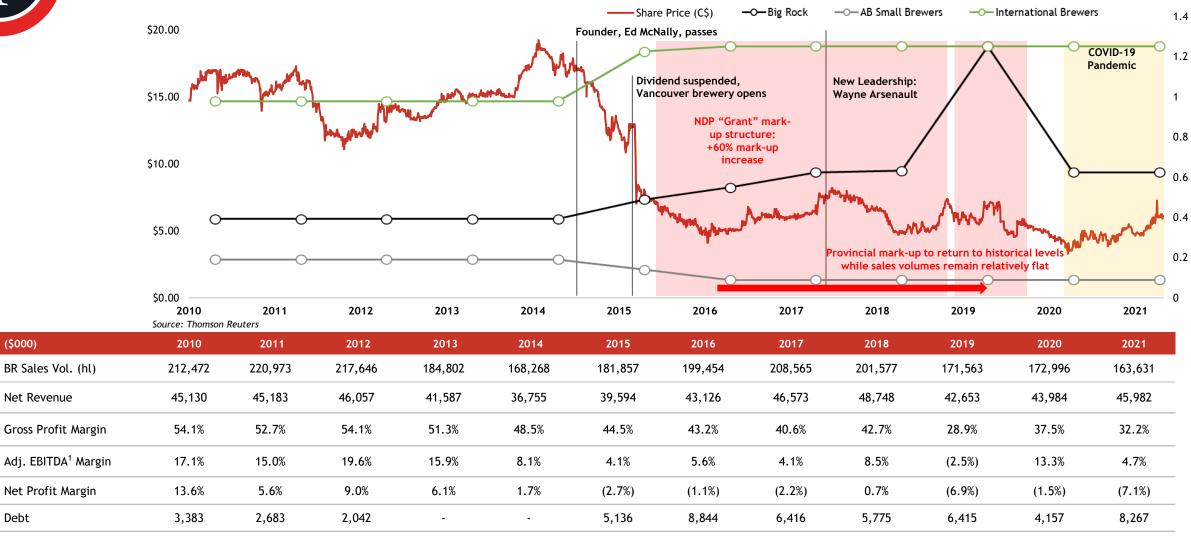








# Historical Performance Summary



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# Big Rock in the Community

#### British Retail Consortium

## QUALITY



North America's <u>ONLY</u> Craft Brewer to carry the certification

Opportunity to become International

Manufacturer

#### Federal Government Advocacy



 Actively advocating for progressive policy

### Sustainability Committee

- ✓ LED conversions bulbs & fixtures
- ✓ Streamline packaging materials (Aluminium recovered)
- Waste water treatment
- CO<sub>2</sub> recovery
- Organic
   Certification in progress

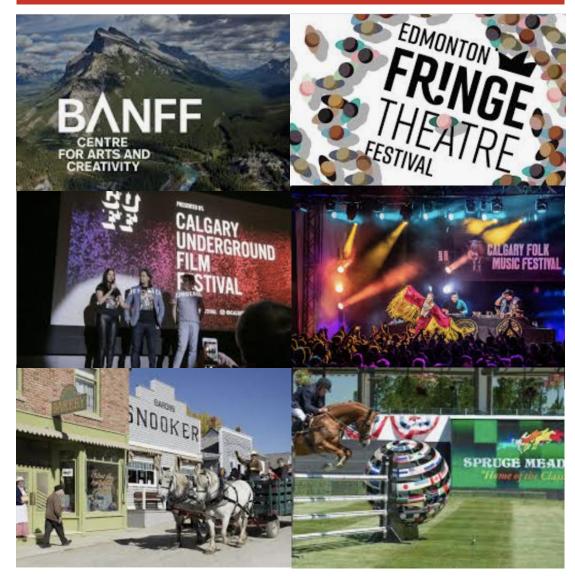
#### Provincial Government Advocacy



- ✓ Actively advocating for progressive policy
- ✓ Active member of the Alberta Small Brewers' Association

Over \$1 million in community sponsorships every year

#### Supporter of Community





# Etobicoke Brewery Divestiture Summary

## TRANSACTION SUMMARY



- **Total Consideration:** <u>\$2.1 million cash</u> (net of transaction costs)
- Asset sale agreement
- Assignment of lease complete

## Financial Highlights:

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- \$0.2 million annual cash cost savings
- Reduction in lease liabilities of \$1.4 million
- Increase in cash outstanding

## Use of Proceeds:



- IT & Digital Transformation Budget Expansion
  - +\$0.65 million to \$1.25 million
- Debt/lease liability reduction of **\$1.4** million

## Closing Date: June 18th, 2021

## KEY TAKEAWAYS



### **OPTIMIZES ASSET BASE**

- Increases margins due to cash cost savings and earnings improvement
- Focuses the business on assets with scale



## CLEAR USE OF PROCEEDS

- Fund the 2021 capital plan (the 'Gear Up' phase)
- De-lever and optimize the balance sheet



## CONTINUED ONTARIO MARKET SUPPORT

 via Liberty Commons location in Toronto

# 2021 Capital Plan

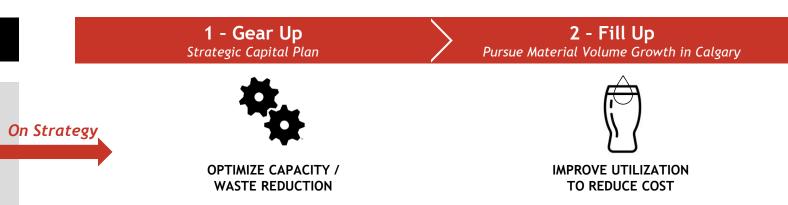
Previous Capital Plan: \$8.8 million

Revised Capital Plan: \$9.5 million\*

## Growth Capital: \$8.8 million

- Can-line Upgrade
- Tunnel Pasteurization
- IT & Digital Transformation Projects
   \*increased from \$0.6 million to \$1.3 million

## Maintenance Capital: \$0.7 million



- Enables pursuit of robust business development pipeline
- Improves ability to maximize asset utilization year-round
- Enhances quality control and reduces waste
- Enhances ability to align innovation process with market demand long-term (e.g. 'better-for-you' category)
- Enhanced customer and consumer ordering experience through adoption of technology (sales portal / e-commerce)
- Optimize business processes to support growth strategy (demand planning, warehouse management, business intelligence, etc.)

Incremental capital projects in Alberta drive outsized returns given Big Rock's existing asset base and distribution network



# Summary of Asset Base

Big Rock's current portfolio of assets, production expertise and management experience provides a unique platform for future growth...

#### Owned













^\$2.1 million cash; closed on June 18, 2021

#### **CURRENT STATISTICS (ANNUAL)**

- Brewing, packaging and warehousing facilities, restaurant and head office on 10.8 acres of land
- Brew Size\*: 200 hl system and 20 hl system
- Packaging Capacity\*\*: ~1,400,000 hl
- Packaging capabilities: 355ml standard cans, 355ml sleek cans, 473ml cans
- Brewing, packaging and warehousing facility, restaurant, retail space and office: ~13,000 sq. ft.
- Brew Size\*: 25 hl system
- Packaging Capacity\*\*: ~100,000 hl
- Packaging Capabilities: 473ml cans, kegs
- Brewing, packaging and warehousing facility and retail space: ~13,000 sq. ft.
- Brew Size\*: 35 hl system
- Packaging Capacity\*\*: ~100,000 hl
- Packaging Capabilities: 473ml cans, bottles, kegs

\*Only required for beer and malt-based beverages. \*\*Capacities have been revised to a 50-week, 24/7 operation at 80% OEE.

#### OTHER ASSETS

Liberty Commons at Big Rock Brewery (leased)



 Edmonton Warehouse and Distribution Centre (owned)

