

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following is Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD&A") of the financial condition and results of operations of Big Rock Brewery Inc. (the "Corporation" or "Big Rock") for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025.

This MD&A should be read in conjunction with the unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements of the Corporation and accompanying notes as at and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2025 (the "Interim Financial Statements"), the audited consolidated financial statements of the Corporation and the accompanying notes as at and for the year ended December 30, 2024 (the "Annual Financial Statements") and the Corporation's MD&A for the year ended December 30, 2024. The Interim Financial Statements have been prepared using International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and all tabular amounts are reported in thousands of Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted. Additional information about the Corporation, including the Corporation's Annual Information Form for the year ended December 30, 2024 (the "AIF"), can be found on SEDAR+ at <a href="www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a> and on Big Rock's corporate website at <a href="www.bigrockbeer.com">www.bigrockbeer.com</a>. Readers should also read the section "Forward-Looking Information" contained at the end of this MD&A. This MD&A is dated August 7, 2025.

#### **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

Big Rock is headquartered in Calgary, Alberta. The Corporation produces premium, all-natural craft beers, ciders, and other alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. As one of Canada's largest independently owned craft brewers, Big Rock has an extensive family of permanent ales and lagers, the Rock Creek series of craft ciders, the White Peaks family of hard tea beverages, a continually changing selection of seasonal and limited-edition beers and other licensed alcoholic beverages. In addition to its wholesale operations, the Corporation has an extensive co-packing/contract production business producing lagers, ales and ready to drink ("RTD") products for partners who market, sell and distribute such products in Western Canada.

Founded in 1985, Big Rock was the first craft brewery in Alberta and stands as a pioneer in the Canadian craft beer industry. Big Rock produces, markets and distributes its premium, high-quality craft beers, ciders, RTD beverages, and non-alcoholic beverages, primarily in Canada. The Corporation owns and operates a production facility in Alberta. Today, Big Rock's primary brewing, packaging and warehousing facility is in Calgary, Alberta and has been in operation since 1996. Big Rock has a distribution facility in Calgary, a cross-docking arrangement in Edmonton, and sales staff resident in Alberta, BC, Saskatchewan, as well as sales agencies in place in Manitoba, and Ontario.

Given the Corporation's footprint in Western Canada, the Corporation also has several private label agreements, licensing arrangements and contract manufacturing arrangements.

# **SECOND QUARTER 2025 HIGHLIGHTS**

For the three months ended June 30, 2025, compared to the three months ended June 30, 2024, the Corporation reported:

- total sales volumes up 45.3% to 84,116 hl compared to 57,908 hl, driven by contract sales volumes that more than doubled and an increase of 20.2% in wholesale volumes;
- net revenue increased by 34.2% to \$16.6 million from \$12.3 million due to increased co-packing sales volumes;
- gross margin increased to \$5.2 million compared to \$4.1 million;
- operating income increased to \$0.4 million, compared to an operating loss of \$(0.7) million;
- net income increased by \$0.1 million to \$0.3 million; and
- Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$0.8 million to \$1.0 million. Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure, see "Non-GAAP Measures".

For the six months ended June 30, 2025, compared to the six months ended June 30, 2024, the Corporation reported:

- total sales volumes up 47.9% to 152,460 hl compared to 103,112 hl, driven by contract sales volumes that more than doubled and an increase of 10.6% in wholesale volumes;
- net revenue increased by 32.7% to \$27.8 million from \$20.9 million because of increased copacking sales volumes;
- gross margin increased to \$8.9 million compared to \$5.9 million;
- operating income increased to \$0.5 million, compared to an operating loss of \$(3.0) million;
- net income increased to \$0.2 million from a loss of \$(2.9) million, an increase of \$3.1 million; and
- Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$3.0 million to \$1.7 million. Adjusted EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure, see "Non-GAAP Measures".

\$000, except hl and per share amounts	Т	hree montl June	d	Six months ended June 30				
	202	25	20	24	<b>2025</b> 203			024
Sales volumes - wholesale (hl)		48,698		40,519		80,590		72,871
Sales volumes - contract (hl)		35,418		17,389		71,870		30,241
Total sales volumes (hl)		84,116		57,908		152,460		103,112
Gross product revenue	\$	20,470	\$	15,792	\$	34,673	\$	27,080
Net revenue		16,567		12,344		27,767		20,926
Cost of sales		11,402		8,218		18,893		15,063
Adjusted EBITDA (1)		967		165		1,655		(1,308)
Operating income (loss)		395		(667)		495		(2,966)
Net income (loss)		281		220		232		(2,853)
Net income (loss) per share (basic and diluted)	\$	0.01	\$	0.03	\$	0.01	\$	(0.41)

<sup>(1)</sup> Non-GAAP financial measure. See "Non-GAAP Measures".

#### **OUTLOOK & STRATEGY**

Big Rock's long-term growth strategy is to maximize the utilization and value of its capacity and capital investments to drive growth in volume, improve productivity and lower cost of sales and operating expenses from its own house of brands and from volumes produced pursuant to co-packing arrangements. With greater operational efficiencies derived from greater production volumes, the Corporation aims to improve its competitiveness and gain market share within its contract production business. The Corporation remains focused on innovation and co-creation of new products with the Corporation's strategic partners and expects to capitalize on increased market demand in certain product categories to enable the Corporation to gain market share.

Ongoing efforts to strengthen relationships with the Corporation's co-packing partners are helping to reduce the impact of seasonal fluctuations and stabilize the Corporation's performance. The Corporation's increased margins and overhead absorption is a direct result of the continued growth of the co-packing portion of the business.

Big Rock's sales volumes for the second quarter of 2025 were up 45.3% compared to the same period in 2024. Net revenues (including beer, cider, non-alcoholic and RTD beverages) increased 34.2% in the second quarter compared to the same period in 2024. This continues to demonstrate the strength of the Corporation's efforts to align with consumer demand and focus on premium product innovation and development as well as lean into the co-packing segment of our business.

Big Rock continues to advance its strategic goals and efforts throughout 2025 to solidify the Corporation's operational and financial strength. The management team continues to identify key capital investments to support improvements in production which will help sustain Big Rock's own products and allow the Corporation to efficiently meet the needs of its co-packing partners. Throughout the second quarter of 2025, the Corporation continued installation of the RTD manufacturing system, which is expected to increase RTD volume output with a focus on safety and higher quality of product. This RTD project will provide in-line blending opportunities and improve de-aerated water capabilities simultaneously which is anticipated create further RTD growth in the future.

Big Rock closed the Liberty Village brewery in Ontario in April 2025. The streamlining of the Corporation's operations has generated cashflows and allowed the Corporation to focus on its core sales areas.

In 2025 Big Rock celebrates 40 years as Alberta's original craft brewery, marked by a brand refresh. These milestones have reignited interest in the brand and its products, contributing to the success in wholesale sales volumes this quarter.

The Corporation continues to maintain its financial projections for fiscal 2025 that show sufficient cash flows to cover forecasted expenses and has started to see an increase in profitability through changes implemented by management. ATB Financial ("ATB"), the Corporation's primary lender, has imposed a number of positive and negative covenants on the Corporation including a current minimum ratio of 1.25:1.00 and an assessment of its EBITDA targets which are due monthly. The Corporation also must provide ATB its rolling 12-month fixed charge ratio, which is required to be a minimum of 1.15:1 due on December 31, 2025. As at June 30, 2025 the Corporation is in compliance with all of its financial covenants.

Due to the current macroeconomic uncertainty, including tariffs on aluminum and other materials, Big Rock has been engaging with policymakers and carefully reviewing its procurement strategies to mitigate the potential operational and economic impact future changes may have. During the second quarter of 2025, the Alberta government revised its recent changes to the Alberta mark-up rate on alcohol sales to scale back the mark-up rate increase, which is now only slightly higher than the rates seen in 2024.

## **GOING CONCERN DISCLOSURE**

Management of the Corporation remains appropriately conservative in its approach and will continue to take actions to increase revenues and lower costs to provide confidence that the Corporation will meet expectations for the 2025 fiscal year.

Despite improved production performance, there remains a material uncertainty that may cast significant doubt on the Corporation's ability to continue as a going concern. The Interim Financial Statements include a "Going Concern" note, but do not include adjustments to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset and liabilities and related expenses that might be necessary should the Corporation be unable to continue as a going concern and therefore be required to realize its assets and liquidate its liabilities and commitments in other than the normal course of business at amounts different from those in the accompanying Interim Financial Statements.

# SELECTED QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Big Rock experiences seasonal fluctuations in sales volumes, net revenue, and net income, with the second and third quarters typically being stronger than the first and fourth quarters. These seasonal variations are influenced by numerous factors, including weather, timing of community events, consumer behaviour, customer activity and overall industry dynamics, mainly in Western Canada. The financial performance reflected in the selected quarterly information is consistent with industry trends. Big Rock's overall financial performance is also impacted by the level of co-packing/contract volumes. Management of Big Rock is continuing to focus on growing production volumes in a responsible fashion and on utilizing capacity across each quarter to help moderate the impact of seasonal variations.

The following is a summary of selected financial information for the last eight completed quarters:

(\$000, except hl and per share amounts)	Q2/25	Q1/25	Q4/24	Q3/24	Q2/24	Q1/24	Q4/23	Q3/23
Sales volumes - Wholesale (hl)	48,698	31,892	33,808	41,705	40,519	32,352	35,314	44,451
Sales volumes - Contract (hl)	35,418	36,452	28,779	24,277	17,389	12,852	9,952	8,949
Total sales volumes (hl)	84,116	68,344	62,587	65,982	57,908	45,204	45,266	53,400
Net revenue	16,567	11,200	9,664	12,774	12,344	8,582	8,971	11,553
Cost of sales	11,402	7,491	8,723	8,864	8,218	6,845	6,236	8,098
Operating income (loss)	395	100	(2,830)	(347)	(667)	(2,299)	(1,508)	55
Adjusted EBITDA (1)	967	688	(1,022)	281	165	(1,473)	(701)	999
Net income (loss)	281	(49)	(9,676)	(938)	220	(3,073)	(2,111)	(227)
Per share amounts (basic and diluted)	\$ 0.01	\$(0.00)	\$(1.41)	\$ (0.13)	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.44)	\$ (0.31)	\$ (0.05)

<sup>(1)</sup> Non-GAAP financial measure. See "Non-GAAP Measures".

## **RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

#### **Adjusted EBITDA**

"Adjusted EBITDA" is a non-GAAP financial measure and its most directly comparable GAAP measure is net income, or net loss (as applicable). The following table details the composition of Adjusted EBITDA and its reconciliation to net income or net loss (as applicable):

(\$000, except where indicated)		Thr		nths ende e 30	ed		Six months ended June 30					
·	20	25	20	)24	Char	ige	20	25		2024	Cha	ange
Net income (loss)	\$	281	\$	220	\$	61	_	\$232	\$	(2,853)	\$	3,085
Addback:												
Interest		213		587		(374)		377		1,361		(984)
Depreciation and amortization		529		827		(298)		1,069		1,654		(585)
Share based payments		(56)		5		(61)		(23)		4		(27)
Gain on dispositions - net		_	(	(1,474)		1,474		_		(1,474)		1,474
Adjusted EBITDA (1)	\$	967	\$	165	\$	802	\$	1,655	\$	(1,308)	\$	2,963

<sup>(1)</sup> Non-GAAP financial measure. See "Non-GAAP Measures".

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2025 increased by \$3.1 million compared to the same period in 2024. Adjusted EBITDA also increased for the same periods, excluding the impact of a gain on disposal of \$1.5 million recognized in the first half of 2024.

#### **Net Revenue**

Net revenue includes wholesale beer, cider, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverage sales (net of excise taxes and provincial government liquor taxes), co-packing revenues, and retail restaurant and store sales from Big Rock's Alberta and Ontario locations. Geographically, Alberta continued to represent the largest share of the Corporation's sales in the first half of 2025, followed by BC and Saskatchewan.

(\$000, except sales volumes)	Thi	ree months en June 30	ded	Six months ended June 30			
·	2025	2024	Change	2025	2024	Change	
Sales volumes (hl) (1)	84,116	57,908	26,208	152,460	103,112	49,348	
Gross revenue	\$ 20,470	\$ 15,792	\$ 4,678	\$ 34,673	\$ 27,080	\$ 7,593	
Federal excise taxes	(1,453)	(1,200)	(253)	(2,611)	(2,029)	(582)	
Provincial liquor tax programs	(2,450)	(2,248)	(202)	(4,295)	(4,125)	(170)	
Net revenue	\$ 16,567	\$ 12,344	\$ 4,223	27,767	\$ 20,926	\$ 6,841	
\$ per hl							
Net revenue per hl	\$ 196.96	\$ 213.16	\$ (16.20)	\$ 182.13	\$ 202.94	\$ (20.81)	

<sup>(1)</sup> Excludes co-packing/contract volumes due to the nature of the agreements.

Sales volumes for the second quarter of 2025 were 45.3% mainly due to increased co-packing sales volumes related to contracts that were entered into in the last half of 2024. Wholesale volumes also increased by 20.2% in the second guarter compared to 2024.

Net revenues for the three months ended June 30, 2025 increased by \$4.2 million, or 34.2% compared to the same period in the prior year reflecting the increased co-packing volumes.

## **Cost of Sales**

(\$000, except where indicated)	Thr	ee months en June 30	ded	Six months ended June 30			
	2025	2024	Change	2025	2024	Change	
Operating expenses and raw materials	\$ 9,297	\$ 5,671	\$ 3,626	\$ 15,138	\$ 10,433	\$ 4,705	
Salaries and benefits	1,677	1,882	(205)	2,916	3,300	(384)	
Depreciation and amortization	428	665	(237)	839	1,330	(491)	
Cost of sales	\$ 11,402	\$ 8,218	\$ 3,184	\$ 18,893	\$ 15,063	\$ 3,830	
Percentage of revenue	68.8%	66.6%		68.0%	72.0%		

Cost of sales for the quarter ended June 30, 2025 increased period-over-period by \$3.2 million compared to 2024. The increase consistent with an increase in production levels and sales volumes.

Cost of sales as a percentage of net revenue is slightly higher in the second quarter of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024 which is consistent with inflation. The percentage of revenues for the first half of the year is down 4.0% which is attributed to increased efficiencies in operations.

# **Selling Expenses**

(\$000, except where indicated)	Thre	ee months en June 30	ded	Six months ended June 30			
	2025	2024	Change	2025	2024	Change	
Delivery and distribution costs	\$ 2,033	\$ 1,294	\$ 739	\$ 3,331	\$ 2,242	\$ 1,089	
Salaries and benefits	683	602	81	1,297	1,205	92	
Marketing and sales expenses	394	1,049	(655)	747	1,794	(1,047)	
Selling expenses	\$ 3,110	\$ 2,945	\$ 165	\$ 5,375	\$ 5,241	\$ 134	
Percentage of revenue	18.8%	23.9%		19.4%	25.0%		

Selling expenses increased by \$0.2 million in the second quarter of 2025 compared to 2024, due to increased delivery and distribution costs, third party storage and handling, related to increased sales volumes which is offset by a decrease in other marketing and selling expenses.

# **General and Administrative Expenses**

(\$000, except where indicated)	Three months ended June 30					Six months ended June 30						
		2025	20	024	C	hange		2025		2024	С	hange
Salaries and benefits	\$	595	\$	576	\$	19	\$	1,197	\$	1,266	\$	(69)
Share based payments		(56)		5		(61)		(23)		4		(27)
Professional fees		242		222		20		242		517		(275)
Other administrative expenses		778		883		(105)		1,358		1,477		(119)
General and administrative expenses	\$	1,559	\$	1,686	\$	(127)	\$	2,774	\$	3,264	\$	(490)
Percentage of revenue		9.4%		13.7%				10.0%		15.6%		

General and administrative expenses for the three months ended June 30, 2025 were slightly lower than the same period in 2024 and were only 9.4% or revenues, down from 13.7% in 2024.

# Finance Expense

Finance expenses of \$0.2 million in the second quarter of 2025 were significantly lower than in the same period in 2024 due to the repayment of all indebtedness and liabilities owing by the Corporation to its largest shareholder (the "Debt Settlement"), VN Capital Fund I, LP ("VN Capital").

#### SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Corporation has two reportable business segments, wholesale and retail, which are monitored by management for the purposes of making decisions regarding resource allocation and performance management. The wholesale segment reflects the results from the manufacturing and distribution of beer, cider, and other alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages to provincial liquor boards, grocery chains, and on-premises customers which are subsequently sold to end consumers, as well as the results from co-packing/contract arrangements. The retail segment includes direct sales of beverages, food, and merchandise to consumers through premises owned and/or operated by the Corporation.

Segment performance is evaluated on several measures, the most significant being gross profit net of selling expenses. Transfer prices between operating segments are applied on an arm's length basis in a manner similar to transactions with third parties. The Corporation's operating assets and liabilities, general and administrative expenses, income taxes, and capital expenditures are managed on a corporate-wide basis.

# **SEGMENTED RESULTS**

Six months ended	Who	Wholesale		Retail		tions	Consolidated	
June 30	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net revenue	27,587	20,588	242	396	(62)	(58)	27,767	20,926
Cost of sales	18,755	14,943	200	178	(62)	(58)	18,893	15,063
Gross profit	8,832	5,645	42	218	_	-	8,874	5,863
Selling expenses	5,367	5,237	8	4	_	_	5,375	5,241
Segment profit	3,465	408	34	214	_	_	3,499	622
General and administrative o	cost						2,774	3,264
Depreciation and amortization	on					_	230	324
Operating income (loss)							495	(2,966)
Finance expense							377	1,361
Gain on dispositions - net							_	(1,474)
Other (income) expense							(114)	
Income (loss) before income	e taxes						232	(2,853)

Three months ended	Who	Wholesale		Retail		itions	Consolidated	
June 30	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024
Net revenue	16,455	12,119	143	253	(31)	(28)	16,567	12,344
Cost of sales	11,316	8,150	117	96	(31)	(28)	11,402	8,218
Gross profit	5,139	3,969	26	157	_	_	5,165	4,126
Selling expenses	3,103	2,945	7	_	_	_	3,110	2,945
Segment profit	2,036	1,024	19	157	_	_	2,055	1,181
General and administrative cost							1,559	1,686
Depreciation and amortization							101	162
Operating income							395	(667)
Finance expense							213	587
Gain on dispositions - net							_	(1,474)
Other income							(99)	_
Income before income taxes							281	220

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

## Capitalization

(\$000)	June 30, 2025	December 30, 2024
Debt (1)	7,708	18,683
Lease liabilities (1)	3,279	218
Less: Cash	(631)	(372)
Net debt (2)	10,356	18,529
Shareholders' equity:		
Shareholders' capital	130,463	113,910
Contributed surplus	3,109	3,185
Accumulated deficit	(107,666)	(107,898)
Total shareholders' equity	25,906	9,197
Total capitalization (3)	36,262	27,726
Net debt to total capitalization ratio (4)	28.6%	66.8%

Includes current and non-current portions.

## Capital Strategy

The Corporation's capital consists of debt and equity. To maintain or adjust the Corporation's capital structure, Big Rock may issue new public securities, issue or renegotiate its debt, acquire or dispose of assets, or adjust the amount of cash and cash equivalents. The budget is updated as necessary depending on numerous factors, including capital deployment, results from operations, general industry conditions, and government policy changes.

See "Going Concern" in this MD&A.

## **Net Working Capital**

Net working capital is a capital management measure and is calculated as current assets less accounts payable, accrued liabilities, and current portion of debt (see "Non-GAAP Measures"). The Corporation had a net working capital surplus of \$1.9 million as of June 30, 2025. This represents an improvement of \$21.7 million from December 30, 2024 resulting from the reclassification of ATB loan balances from current to non-current and the closing of the Corporation's \$17.4 million private placement offering of common shares of the Corporation ("Common Shares"), which closed on January 19, 2025, and resulted in the issuance of 17.4 million Common Shares (the "Private Placement"). The proceeds of the private placement were used to settle \$9.7 million in debt with the residual \$7.7 million being allocated to improve working capital and fund future capital expenditures. See "Liquidity and Capital Resources -Debt".

#### Debt

During the six months ended June 30, 2025 the Corporation repaid \$0.9 million of its ATB operating facility, \$1.0 million of its ATB term facilities and the \$9.0 million second lien financing facility with VN Capital, as lender, through the Debt Settlement, which was completed on January 19, 2025.

Capital management measure. See "Non-GAAP Measures". Non-GAAP financial measure. See "Non-GAAP Measures".

Non-GAAP ratio which includes the non-GAAP financial measure total capitalization. See "Non-GAAP Measures".

Details on amounts outstanding under the Corporation's credit facilities are as follows:

(\$000)	June 30, 2025	December 30, 2024
Operating facility - principal	2,418	3,365
Term debt - principal and accrued interest	5,397	15,425
Debt issue costs	(107)	(107)
	7,708	18,683
Current	3,166	18,683
Non-current	4,542	_

Term debt payments of principal and interest are made monthly. Details on amounts drawn under the term debt are as follows:

_(\$000)	Expiry date	June 30, 2025	December 30, 2024
Tranche 1	March 31, 2025	_	9,000
Tranche 2	April 30, 2025	_	154
Tranche 3	February 28, 2026	37	381
Tranche 4	September 9, 2027	316	367
Tranche 5	February 28, 2031	2,336	2,400
Tranche 6	December 31, 2031	2,708	3,123
Total term debt outstanding		5,397	15,425

At June 30, 2025, the Corporation had \$2.9 million available on its operating facility. ATB has provided a letter of credit to collateralize excise remittances to the Canada Revenue Agency which reduces the overall operating line availability by \$0.6 million. The Corporation remains current with each of its remittances to the Canada Revenue Agency.

In January 2025 the Corporation amended its credit facilities with ATB to include several positive and negative covenants on the Corporation, including the maintenance of certain financial covenants which are tested monthly. The rolling fixed charge ratio was waived by ATB for the entirety of fiscal 2024. Beginning in 2025, the Corporation is required to maintain a rolling fixed charge ratio not less than 1.15:1.00, reported on an annual basis based on a trailing 12-month period, with the first calculation being December 31, 2025. The Corporation must also maintain a current ratio not less than 1.25:1.00 and provide an assessment of its EBITDA targets, each of which are due monthly. Further, the Corporation's EBITDA shall be no less than the values reflected in the table below as of the specified dates.

	Minimum EBITDA - year-to-date,		
Fiscal quarter ending:	(\$000)		
March 31, 2025	365		
June 30, 2025	1,230		
September 30, 2025	2,230		
December 30, 2025	2,600		

In addition, the Corporation's borrowings cannot exceed a borrowing base which is determined by the fair value of the Corporation's assets.

#### Lease Liabilities

Big Rock currently has lease liabilities for contracts related to real estate and vehicle leases.

(\$000)	June 30, 2025	December 30, 2024
Lease liabilities, beginning of year	218	3,002
Additions	3,205	_
Disposals	-	(2,201)
Interest expense	29	74
Lease payments	(173)	(657)
Lease liabilities, end of year	3,279	218
Current	365	165
Non-current	2,914	53

# **Capital Expenditures**

During the six months ended June 30, 2025, the Corporation invested \$0.2 million of capital expenditures on creating a more sustainable RTD manufacturing process. The new system is expected to increase the RTD volume output with a focus on safety and higher quality of product. The Corporation spent an additional \$0.3 million on other equipment improvements and furniture and fixtures.

#### **Equity**

As of the date of this MD&A, the Corporation had 24,442,630 Common Shares outstanding.

In addition, as of the date of this MD&A, there are no Common Shares potentially issuable to satisfy the Corporation's outstanding restricted share units. None of the Corporation's outstanding share options or stock appreciation rights are "in the money".

On January 21, 2025 the Corporation issued 17,400,000 Common Shares in connection with the Private Placement and an additional 44,787 Comon Shares were issued from treasury throughout the first half of 2025.

# COMMITMENTS AND CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

Big Rock has entered into various commitments for expenditures covering utilities, raw materials, marketing sponsorships and capital expenditures. The commitments, for the next five years are as follows:

(\$000)	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Thereafter
Utilities contracts	312	624	_	_	_	_
Raw material purchase commitments	1,413	103	53	_	-	_
Marketing sponsorships	180	115	115	_	_	_
Capital commitments	1,868	-	-	_	_	-
Total	3,773	842	168	_	_	_

#### **OFF BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

Big Rock does not have any special purpose entities nor is it party to any arrangements that would be excluded from the balance sheet, other than the operating leases summarized in "Commitments and Contractual Obligations" herein.

#### **RISK FACTORS**

The Corporation is exposed to business risks that are inherent to the alcoholic beverage industry, as well as those governed by the individual nature of the Corporation's operations, the details of which are set out in the AIF, which is available on SEDAR+ at <a href="https://www.sedarplus.ca">www.sedarplus.ca</a>. Also see "Forward-Looking Information" in this MD&A.

#### CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES & JUDGEMENTS

There have been no changes in Big Rock's critical accounting estimates during the three and six months ended June 30, 2025, nor during the year ended December 30, 2024. Further information on the Corporation's accounting policies, critical estimates, and judgements can be found in the notes to the Interim Financial Statements.

#### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Big Rock did not use any derivative financial instruments or other instruments in the three and six months ended June 30, 2025 and June 30, 2024.

# CERTIFICATION OF DISCLOSURES IN QUARTERLY FILINGS

In accordance with National Instrument 52-109 - Certification of Disclosure in Issuers' Annual and Interim Filings, the Corporation issues a Certification of Interim Filings ("Certification") quarterly. The Certification requires certifying officers to state that they are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures ("DC&P") and internal control over financial reporting ("ICFR").

The Certification requires certifying officers to state that they designed DC&P, or caused it to be designed under their supervision, to provide reasonable assurance that: (i) material information relating to the Corporation is made known to the certifying officers by others; (ii) information required to be disclosed by the Corporation in reports filed with, or submitted to, securities regulatory authorities is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified under Canadian securities legislation. In addition, the Certification requires certifying officers to state that they have designed ICFR, or caused it to be designed under their supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes.

There were no changes in the Corporation's ICFR during the six months ended June 30, 2025 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, ICFR. The Corporation has procedures in place relating to DC&P and ICFR and will continue to monitor such procedures as the Corporation's business evolves.

## **NON-GAAP MEASURES**

The Corporation uses certain measures in this MD&A to quantify its results that are not prescribed by IFRS nor by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"). These non-GAAP measures do not have any standardized meaning under IFRS Accounting Standards and therefore may not be comparable to similar measures presented by other issuers. The following terms "net working capital", "net debt", "total capitalization", "Adjusted EBITDA" and "net debt to total capitalization ratio" are not recognized measures under GAAP and may not be comparable to that reported by other companies. In addition to net loss and cash flow from operating activities, management of the Corporation uses these non-GAAP measures to evaluate the Corporation's operating performance and leverage.

Adjusted EBITDA: is a non-GAAP financial measure that the Corporation uses to measure operating performance and borrowing capacity. Adjusted EBTDA is calculated by adding back to net income, interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, impairment of property, plant and equipment, impairment on co-packing customer receivable, share based payment adjustments, gains and losses on disposal of assets and gain on extinguishment. A reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA to net loss, the most

directly comparable GAAP measure to Adjusted EBITDA, is contained under "Results of Operations - Adjusted EBITDA".

**Total capitalization:** is a non-GAAP financial measure calculated by adding shareholders' equity and net debt. It is utilized by the Corporation in the assessment of the financial leverage of the Corporation in comparison to its equity to assess the Corporation's ability to meet current commitments and obligations as well as the capacity for growth. A reconciliation of total capitalization to cash, total debt and total shareholders' equity, the most directly comparable GAAP measures to total capitalization is provided under "Liquidity and Capital Resources - Capitalization".

**Net working capital:** is a capital management measure that is defined as current assets less accounts payable, accrued liabilities, and current portion of debt. It is utilized by the Corporation as a measure of liquidity and to assess the Corporation's ability to repay current obligations from current assets.

**Net debt:** is a capital management measure that is defined as the Corporation's current and non-current portions of debt, and lease liabilities less cash. It is utilized by the Corporation to assist with assessing borrowing levels and obligations. A reconciliation of net debt is provided under "Liquidity and Capital Resources - Capitalization".

**Net Debt to Total Capitalization Ratio**: is a non-GAAP financial ratio that is calculated by dividing net debt by total capitalization. It is utilized by the Corporation in assessing its capital structure and the financial health and optimal structure to fund operations and growth for Big Rock. A reconciliation and calculation of net debt to capitalization ratio is contained under "Liquidity and Capital Resources - Capitalization".

Readers are cautioned that these measures should not be construed as an alternative to net income, cash flows from operating activities or other relevant GAAP measures as calculated under GAAP.

## FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Certain statements contained in this MD&A constitute forward-looking statements or forward-looking information (collectively, "forward-looking statements") within the meaning of applicable securities legislation. These statements relate to expectations regarding future events or Big Rock's future performance based on certain assumptions made by Big Rock. All statements, other than statements of historical fact, may be forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are not facts, but only predictions and generally can be identified by the use of statements that include words or phrases such as, "anticipate", "believe", "continue", "could", "estimate", "expect", "intend", "likely" "may", "project", "predict", "propose", "potential", "might", "plan", "seek", "should", "targeting", "will", and similar expressions. These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated in such forward-looking statements. Big Rock believes that the expectations reflected in those forward-looking statements are reasonable, but no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct and such forward-looking statements included in this MD&A should not be unduly relied upon by readers, as actual results may vary materially from such forward-looking statements. These statements speak only as of the date of this MD&A and are expressly qualified, in their entirety, by this cautionary statement.

This MD&A contains forward-looking statements pertaining to the following:

- Big Rock's long-term growth strategy and the anticipated benefits to be derived therefrom;
- Big Rock's expectations that with greater operational efficiencies derived from greater production volumes, the Corporation will aim to improve its competitiveness and gain market share within its contract production business;
- Big Rock's expectation that the Corporation will remain focused on innovation and co-creation of new products with its strategic partners;
- Big Rock's expectation that the Corporation will capitalize on increased market demand in certain product categories to enable the Corporation to gain market share;

- Big Rock's expectation that its focus on co-packing partnerships will increase margins and overhead absorption as volumes increase;
- Big Rock's belief that 2025 second quarter results demonstrate the strength of the Corporation's
  efforts to align with consumer demand and focus on premium product innovation and development
  as well as lean into the co-packing segment of its business;
- Big Rock's expectations regarding its strategic goals and efforts throughout 2025;
- Big Rock's expectations regard the installation of the RTD manufacturing facility and the benefits therefrom:
- plans to moderate the impact of seasonal variations;
- Big Rock's plans to continue to maintain its manufacturing licenses and brew high-quality products in BC and Ontario;
- Big Rock's expectations regarding the current macroeconomic uncertainty, including the threat of tariffs on aluminum and other materials, as well as recent changes to the Alberta mark-up rate on alcohol sales, including that Big Rock will continue to engage with policymakers and carefully reviewing its procurement strategies to mitigate the potential operational and economic impact these changes may have;
- Big Rock's ability to maintain or adjust its capital structure through issuing new public securities, issuing or renegotiating its debt, acquiring or disposing of assets or adjusting the amount of cash or cash equivalents;
- Big Rock's updated financial projections for fiscal 2025 and the expectations that it will have sufficient cash flows to cover forecasted expenses and will return to profitability;
- that Big Rock will continue to take actions to increase revenues and lower costs to provide confidence that the Corporation will meet expectations for the 2025 fiscal year;
- Big Rock's business plans, outlook, and strategy;
- Big Rock's future term debt payments of principal and interest and the anticipated timing thereof;
   and
- Big Rock's anticipated commitments and contractual obligations and the anticipated timing thereof.

With respect to the forward-looking statements listed above and FOFI (as defined below) contained in this MD&A, management has made assumptions regarding, among other things:

- Big Rock's ability to continue as a going concern;
- future changes to mark-up rates put in effect in Alberta;
- anticipated cost increases in Big Rock's production and supply chain;
- volumes in the current fiscal year will remain constant or will increase;
- 2025 co-packing volumes will continue to exceed prior year levels:
- that the non-alcoholic market will continue to rapidly grow;
- there will be no material change to the regulatory environment in which Big Rock operates;
- there will be no material supply issues with Big Rock's vendors;
- seasonal fluctuations in demand;
- that innovation and co-creation of new products with Big Rock's strategic partners will increase market demand and further enable the Corporation to gain market share; and
- that a continued focus on streamlining processes around forecasting and production planning will enable the Corporation to continue to realize operational efficiencies and drive margin growth; and
- the potential scope and duration of tariffs, export taxes, export restrictions or other trade actions.

Some of the risks which could affect future results and could cause results to differ materially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements and FOFI contained herein include the risk factors set out in the AIF and include, but are not limited to:

- that the year-over-year growth in Big Rock's co-packing arrangements may be less than anticipated;
- the inability to grow demand for Big Rock's products;
- risks related to unanticipated change to Alberta mark-up rates;
- the risk that Big Rock may not have an increase in market demand or market share;
- the risk that Big Rock may not realize the benefits of increased co-packing production;
- the risk that Big Rock may not realize operational efficiencies or margin growth;

- the risk that Big Rock may not have sufficient cash flows to cover forecasted expenses or return to profitability;
- the risk that Big Rock may not be in compliance with its financial covenants under its ATB credit facilities; and
- that the U.S. and/or Canadian governments increase the rate or scope of new tariffs effected on March 4, 2025 (and subsequently paused on March 6, 2025, if they come into effect in the future) or impose new tariffs on the import of goods from one country to the other.

Any financial outlook or future oriented financial information (in each case "FOFI") contained in this MD&A regarding prospective financial position, including, but not limited to: Big Rock's expectations that innovation and co-creation of new products with its strategic partners will increase market demand and further enable the Corporation to gain market share; Big Rock's expectations that its continued focus on streamlining processes around forecasting and production planning will enable the Corporation to continue to realize operational efficiencies and drive margin growth; Big Rock's updated financial projections for fiscal 2025 and the expectations that it will have sufficient cash flows to cover forecasted expenses and will return to profitability; that Big Rock will continue to take actions to increase revenues and lower costs to provide confidence that the Corporation will achieve budget for the year; Big Rock's ability to maintain or adjust its capital structure through issuing new public securities, issuing or renegotiating its debt, acquiring or disposing of assets or adjusting the amount of cash or cash equivalents; Big Rock's future term debt payments of principal and interest and the anticipated timing thereof; and Big Rock's anticipated commitments and contractual obligations, are based on reasonable assumptions about future events, including those described above, based on an assessment by management of the relevant information that is currently available. The actual results will likely vary from the amounts set forth herein and such variations may be material. Readers are cautioned that any such FOFI contained herein should not be used for purposes other than those for which it is disclosed herein. Such information was made as of the date of this MD&A and the Corporation disclaims any intention or obligation to update or revise any such information, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise, unless required pursuant to applicable law.

Readers are cautioned that the foregoing list of assumptions and risk factors is not exhaustive. The forward-looking statements and FOFI contained herein are expressly qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement. The forward-looking statements and FOFI included in this MD&A are made as of the date hereof and Big Rock does not undertake any obligation to publicly update such forward-looking statements or FOFI to reflect new information, subsequent events or otherwise unless so required by applicable securities laws.