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**ANNOUNCEMENT: InterBev appoints Barrie Jackson as President**

Charoen Sirivadhanabhakdi, Chairman of International Beverage Holdings Limited, today announced the appointment of Barrie Jackson as President of InterBev with effect from 1st June 2005.

"InterBev is established to support the export and international business development for Thai Beverages Plc, the producers of Chang beer, Mekhong rum and Sang Som whiskey" Charoen commented: "We aim to be the leading Asian international drinks company. With Mr Jackson's extensive experience in international sales and marketing as well as mergers, acquisitions and joint ventures, we are confident that he will lead the development of the company".

Before joining InterBev, Barrie spent over 20 years with The Edrington Group, the last 10 as a Group Director. The Edrington Group is Scotland's leading international spirits company with well established brands like The Famous Grouse, Cutty Sark, Highland Park and Macallan. He was also the Chairman of Maxxium Worldwide (from 2001 to 2003) a premium brand company with global brands like Absolut Vodka, Remy Martin, Jim Beam and Cointreau. An active member in the Scotch whisky industry, Barrie was also a Council member of the Scotch Whisky Association and is Chairman of the Scotch Whisky Heritage Centre.

InterBev's operations will include Inver House Distillers in Scotland, Ningbo Winery in China and Best Spirits in Hong Kong.

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