Largest Grocery Chain in U.S. Adds Yerbaé Across the Country

Launching in more than 1,000 Stores!

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--April 8, 2024--Yerbaé Brands Corp. (TSX-V: YERB.U; OTCQX: YERBF) ("**Yerbaé**" or the "**Company**"), a plant-based energy beverage company, announced its further expansion into the grocery channel with Kroger, the largest U.S. grocery store chain. Yerbae's products will now be available in over 1,000 Kroger locations across the country, solidifying its presence in the retail market.

This significant expansion includes 8 additional Kroger divisions, namely King Soopers, Frys, Fred Meyer, Smiths, Kroger Atlanta Division, Kroger Cincinnati Division, Kroger Houston Division, and Kroger Dallas Division. These new locations join the previously announced Marianos & Pick 'n Save Kroger divisions, demonstrating Yerbae's commitment to reaching consumers nationwide.

Todd Gibson, co-founder and CEO of Yerbaé, expressed enthusiasm about the partnership, stating, "This partnership with Kroger represents more than just increased distribution. It's about strengthening Yerbaé's distribution network, forging connections with local grocery and convenience stores within these diverse regions. Our collaboration with Kroger opens new doors for us, enabling us to reach communities far and wide."

As part of this expansion, all participating Kroger locations will stock Yerbaé's recently announced 12 oz energy line. This transition from 16 oz cans to 12 oz cans aligns with the company's commitment to recognizing the evolving preferences of consumers and underscores Yerbaé's dedication to meeting evolving market demands.

Furthermore, Yerbae's recent national partnership with Happy Valley United (HVU), the Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) collective supporting Penn State student-athletes, has been instrumental in driving distribution expansion efforts. "This collaboration has not only opened doors with Kroger but also paved the way for Yerbaé to explore additional exclusive branded product opportunities with colleges and universities nationwide. As Yerbaé continues to expand its footprint, more such distribution opportunities will emerge, allowing the brand to connect with consumers in new and exciting ways," said Todd.

Yerbaé invites consumers to experience its plant-based energy drinks, now conveniently available in Kroger stores mentioned above starting in third quarter 2024.

About Yerbaé

Yerbaé Brands Corp.,(TSXV: YERB.U; OTCQX: YERBF) makes great-tasting energy beverages with yerba mate and other premium, plant-based ingredients. All Yerbaé energy beverages are zero calorie, zero sugar, non-GMO, vegan, kosher, keto-friendly, paleo-approved, gluten free and diabetic-friendly. Founded in Scottsdale, AZ in 2017, Yerbaé seeks to disrupt the energy beverage marketplace by offering a no-compromise energy solution, with input and support from its recently-announced Yerbaé Advisory Board, Sports and Entertainment. Find us @DrinkYerbae on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter/X and TikTok, or online at https://yerbae.com.

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