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# Left Hand Brewing Company and Dry Dock Brewing Company Unite Under Independent Craft Platform

**LONGMONT, CO** – April 2, 2025 – Two of Colorado's most iconic craft breweries are coming together as <u>Left Hand Brewing Company</u> announces its partnership with <u>Dry Dock Brewing Company</u>, marking a significant new chapter for both brands. This combination brings together two award-winning, community-driven breweries to build a stronger, independent craft platform.

As part of the transaction, Dry Dock's two owners will acquire equity in Indian Peaks Brewing Company, the parent company of Left Hand Brewing Company and now Dry Dock Brewing Company. Dry Dock will immediately move all brewing production and packaging to Left Hand's Longmont facility and will continue to operate its Aurora taproom.

"This partnership is the realization of the vision we shared during our recent Wefunder raise," said Eric Wallace, Founder and CEO of Left Hand Brewing. "We're building an independent craft beer platform rooted in community, collaboration, and ownership. This partnership with Dry Dock is the first real step in bringing that to life."

Kevin DeLange, Founder of Dry Dock Brewing Company, will play an active role within the combined organization, joining Left Hand's sales team to help expand Dry Dock's reach within Left Hand's national distribution network, with a focus on the popular Apricot series.

"After building the Dry Dock brand for 20 years, it was important to find a partner who shares our commitment to quality, independence, and community," said DeLange. "We've known Eric Wallace and Chris Lennert for years through our work with the Colorado Brewers Guild, and they've always supported the industry both locally and nationally. There are significant opportunities to grow Dry Dock with Left Hand's extensive distributor network. Together we have the opportunity to bring Dry Dock's beers to more fans than ever before."

Through its recent Wefunder campaign, Left Hand also expanded ownership to its wider community - building on its foundation as an employee- and veteran-owned brewery - and making meaningful progress toward its goal of becoming partially community-owned.

"We're in active discussions with other beverage companies to join us," said Wallace. "With the capacity, systems, and expertise we've developed, we're in a strong position to support like-

minded producers and work together to strengthen the future of independent craft, both here in Colorado and beyond."

# **About Left Hand Brewing Company**

Left Hand Brewing Company, founded in Longmont, Colorado, is one of the original pioneers in craft brewing. From a humble homebrew kit beginning to becoming one of the top 50 craft breweries in the U.S., Left Hand has continued to grow and innovate throughout its 30+ year history. Famous for its Nitro series, Left Hand launched America's original Nitro bottle with its flagship Milk Stout Nitro and the first production run of U.S.- made Nitro widget cans. Left Hand is one of the most honored and recognized breweries in Colorado with 31 Great American Beer Festival medals,11 World Beer Cup awards and nine European Beer Star awards. In 2022, Left Hand was proud to be awarded Brewery of the Year at the Great American Beer Festival in the 15,001-100,000 barrels category. Its collection of year-round and seasonal beers is available in 46 states, DC and internationally. To learn more, please visit www.lefthandbrewing.com.

## **About Dry Dock Brewing Company**

Founded in 2005, Dry Dock Brewing Company was the first craft brewery in Aurora, Colorado, emerging from the vibrant homebrewing community surrounding its sister company, The Brew Hut, which opened in 1995. What began as a 900-square-foot microbrewery next to a homebrew supply shop, quickly evolved into one of Colorado's most decorated breweries earning 28 Great American Beer Festival medals and eight World Beer Cup awards. In 2009, Dry Dock was proud to be awarded Small Brewery of the Year at the Great American Beer Festival. To learn more, please visit www.drydockbrewing.com.

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