# Hill Street Beverage Company Inc. (Formerly Avanco Capital Corp.) Announces Closing of Qualifying Transaction Shares to Start Trading on July 31, 2018

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TORONTO, July 27, 2018 /CNW/ - Hill Street Beverage Company (formerly, Avanco Capital Corp.) (the "Company" or the "Resulting Issuer") announces further to its press releases dated September 26, 2017, May 30, 2018 and July 24, 2018, that it has closed the amalgamation of its wholly-owned subsidiary Avanco Hill Street Acquisition Corp. ("Avanco Sub") and Hill Street Marketing Inc. ("Hill Street"). It is intended that the Merger shall constitute the Company's "Qualifying Transaction", as defined in TSX Venture Exchange (the "Exchange") Policy 2.4. In connection with the Qualifying Transaction, the Company's name was changed from "Avanco Capital Corp." to "Hill Street Beverage Company Inc."

The Resulting Issuer will operate as a Tier 2 Industrial Issuer listed on the Exchange under the trading symbol BEER. The Company received final Exchange acceptance of the Qualifying Transaction in its bulletin released today, July 27, 2018. Further to that bulletin, trading of the Resulting Issuer's shares will be reinstated under trading symbol BEER on July 31, 2018.

In connection with the Qualifying Transaction, the Company issued 51,635,093 common shares in the capital of the Company ("**Common Shares**") and 8,674,800 warrants, to the former securityholders of Hill Street.

# **Concurrent Financing**

The Company also issued 27,242,061 units ("**Units**") to investors who participated in the concurrent financing completed in conjunction with Qualifying Transaction (the "**Offering**"), which raised aggregate gross proceeds of approximately \$4.767 Million to the Company. Each unit is comprised of one Common Share and one half of one Common Share purchase warrant (each whole warrant a "**Warrant**"). Each Warrant is exercisable to acquire one Common Share of the Company at a purchase price of \$0.35 per share for a period of 24 months from the date of closing.

Eight Capital acted as lead agent in connection with the Offering, and the Company paid cash commissions and finder's fees of \$333,715.25 and issued 1,906,944 finders warrants. Each finders warrant is exercisable to acquire one Unit of the Company at an exercise price of \$0.175 for a period of 24 months from the date of issue. All proceeds raised from the sale of the Units will be used by the Company for general corporate and working capital purposes and as described in the filing statement of the Company dated May 29, 2018.

# **CEO Commentary**

"This financing will help us to double the size of our existing distribution network of 4,000 retail locations while providing resources for our planned capacity expansion," said Terry Donnelly, CEO of Hill Street. "This is a great time to be an award-winning producer of alcohol-free adult-format beverages, especially with the pending October 2019 legalization of cannabis-infused edibles which will prohibit the combination of cannabis and alcohol. Our goal is to extend our growing stable of great-tasting alcohol-free beers and wines into what we anticipate will become a billion-dollar cannabis-infused beverage category."

### About the Resulting Issuer

Hill Street Beverage Company is a producer of great-tasting, alcohol-free and cannabis-infused wines and beers. The Company offers a wide range of products, including Hill Street Craft Brewed Lager, Designated Draft beer, Vin(Zero) wines and Vintense wines. Hill Street's beverages have won the Retail Council of Canada's Grand Prix and numerous medals and accolades including three Gold Medals, two Silvers and one Bronze at the U.S. Open Beer Championships and a prestigious Double Gold Medal at the San Francisco International Wine Challenge. Hill Street's award-winning, alcohol-free wines and beers will be available in up to 7,000 stores across Canada by the end of 2018. For more information visit www.hillstreetbeverages.com.

# **Board of Directors and Senior Management**

- Terry Donnelly (CEO, Chairman and Director)
- Kevin Ruddle (Director)
- Paul Rosen (Director)
- Craig Binkley (Director)
- Brian Bolshin (President & Chief Product Officer)
- Hinta Chambers (CFO, Corporate Secretary)
- Bruce Anderson (Chief Information Officer)
- Doug Taylor (Vice President Sales)
- David Pullara (Chief Marketing Officer)
- June Nicholson (Vice-President Strategic Partnerships)

The registered and head office of the Resulting Issuer will be located at 480 University Avenue, Suite 1401, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 1V2.

The Exchange has in no way passed upon the merits of the proposed Qualifying Transaction and has neither approved nor disapproved the contents of this press release.

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