

Kona Gold Solutions, Inc. Announces New Distribution Partners in Illinois, New York, and Tennessee

Company continues its aggressive growth path and increases production

Melbourne, FL February 1st, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kona Gold Solutions, Inc. (OTC Pink: KGKG), a hemp and CBD lifestyle brand focused on product development in the functional beverage sector, is pleased to announce agreements with three new distribution partners, Kelly Distributing in Illinois, MJ Distro in New York, and McLain Distribution in Tennessee. These distribution partners will place Kona Gold's popular Hemp Energy Drinks and CBD Energy Waters into key markets as the Company continues its aggressive expansion across the United States. This announcement comes only weeks after announcing the distribution agreement with Kentucky Eagle and Convenience Store Chain, Huck's which has over 120 locations in 5 states, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri and Tennessee.

Kelly Distributing is focused on providing new hemp and CBD products to their customers. Kelly Distributing is located in the suburbs of Chicago and serves Cook, Dupage, Kane Lake, and McHenry counties. Kelly Distributing has already made a strong push into their markets and has already placed their second order with the Kona Gold.

MJ Distro is wholly owned, operated and staffed by U.S. Disabled Veterans who truly believe in the benefits hemp and CBDs can offer. Proudly serving Central New York, MJ Distro is excited to promote these benefits to communities in their region. After an extensive search, MJ Distro couldn't be happier to have found Kona Gold. They feel Kona Gold's lineup perfectly fits their passion to promote healthy living in easily consumable, great tasting beverages.

McLain Distribution, located in Tennessee, is dedicated to their customer's satisfaction. They work with some of the highest quality brands in the country to deliver products to the greater middle Tennessee area. McLain is eager to take their business to the next level and is excited to start distributing Kona Gold and HighDrate in their markets.

"With the addition of these distributors, Kona Gold and HighDrate will now be available in three very exciting retail markets; Chicago, IL, Nashville, TN, and Syracuse, NY," stated Chris Selinger, VP of Sales of Kona Gold. "I am extremely impressed with the ownership of each of these companies and the passion they display for our brands. All three of these distributors have received their product and the excitement shown from retailers to acquire Kona Gold and HighDrate had been remarkable."

Kona Gold has significantly increased production of all flavors of its Kona Gold Hemp Energy Drinks and HighDrate CBD Energy Waters to meet current demand and fulfill distributor orders. The Company will begin shipping directly from its co-packers to distributors in order to cut down lead times. This will also give the Company significant savings on logistic costs, thus increasing margins. For more information regarding Kona Gold Solutions, please visit:

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Kona Gold Solutions, Inc.:

Kona Gold Solutions, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, has created wholly owned subsidiaries, Kona Gold LLC and HighDrate, LLC. Kona Gold, LLC has developed a premium Hemp Infused Energy Drink line; please visit the Company's website at <u>www.konagoldhemp.com</u>. HighDrate, LLC has developed the beverage industry's first CBD Energy Water, available in 4 delicious flavors; please visit the Company's website at <u>www.highdrateme.com</u>. The Companies are located on the east coast of Florida in Melbourne.

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