Constellation snaps up more Modelo assets

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Sullivan & Cromwell LLP's New York, Palo Alto and Washington, DC offices and Mexico's <u>Von Wobeser y Sierra SC</u> have helped Grupo Modelo, a subsidiary of Belgium beer maker Anheuser-Busch InBev, sell a brewery in northwestern Mexico to Constellation Brands for US\$600 million.

Constellation hired Baker and McKenzie LLP in Chicago and Mexico City for the acquisition. It is also thought to have worked with US firm Nixon Peabody, but this was not confirmed before publication.

The Obregon brewery is located on Mexico's west coast, in the state of Sonora. Its sale was announced on 31 October.

AB InBev had to divest its US businesses to Constellation to get US antitrust approval for its US\$20 billion takeover of Mexican brewer Grupo Modelo in 2013. In 2015 it <u>sold</u> a glass factory in Coahuila state to Constellation.

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