# The Ball Aluminum Cup® Announces Installation of a Cycle Reverse Vending Machine (RVM) at Red Rocks Amphitheatre

BROOMFIELD, Colo., Oct. 25, 2023 /PRNewswire/ -- Ball Aluminum Cups® (NYSE: BALL) and Denver Arts & Venues today announced the installation of a Reverse Vending Machine (RVM) on the Red Rocks Amphitheatre's Top Plaza to increase aluminum recycling in the venue. The machine was installed on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 and will be available at Red Rocks through Nov. 12, 2023. Ball Aluminum Cups® has been an official sustainability partner of Red Rocks Amphitheatre and Denver Arts & Venues since 2021 and has provided sustainable drinkware to help guests eliminate millions of single-use cans, cups, and bottles every year.

Ball, a leading global provider of sustainable aluminum beverage packaging, worked with leading RVM provider <u>Cycle, powered by Recycle Track Systems® (RTS)</u>, to install the machine. The RVM aims to increase recycling rates at Red Rocks and educate consumers about the benefits of using aluminum. Guests can insert their Ball Aluminum Cup®, aluminum can or aluminum bottle into the front of the machine, which then uses a conveyor belt to scan, crush and sort the aluminum packaging. Once the packaging is sorted, users will have the opportunity to scan a QR code to enter a chance to win Red Rocks merchandise.

"Installing the Reverse Vending Machine at Red Rocks brings many of Ball's priorities to life – incentivizing recycling, educating consumers about aluminum's sustainable properties, and driving change through entertainment events," Ball Aluminum Cups® General Manager and President Emily Fong Mitchell said. "Interacting with the RVM will allow guests to take an active part in recycling while enhancing their overall experience at the venue through the chance to win Red Rocks merchandise."

The RVM installation will aid Red Rocks' existing waste diversion efforts. With over one million visitors annually, Red Rocks strives to reduce landfill waste by using a three-bin waste collection system and an employee waste sorting team to maximize recycling rates. At the end of the season, the RVM will be able to provide Red Rocks with metrics on the quantity, type and mass of aluminum recycled.

"The Reverse Vending Machine is a fun way to engage Red Rocks fans in sustainability efforts," said Brian Kitts, Red Rocks spokesman. "Our use of the Ball Aluminum Cup® works best when fans understand the infinite recyclability of the cups and are partners in making that happen."

"At RTS, we're thrilled to leverage Cycle's innovative solutions for this initiative with the Ball Aluminum Cup® at the iconic Red Rocks Amphitheatre," Recycle Track Systems® CEO Gregory Lettieri said." Our collaboration is about more than just recycling; it's about gamifying sustainability. Cycle makes recycling convenient while also engaging and rewarding guests. Together, we're demonstrating how technology and sustainability can come together to create an unforgettable experience for all while making a positive impact on our planet."

Infinitely recyclable and economically valuable, aluminum is the most sustainable beverage packaging material, and like aluminum cans, aluminum cups can be easily recycled. 75 percent of all the aluminum ever produced is still in use today and aluminum cans, cups and bottles can be recycled and back on a store shelf in about 60 days. The Ball Aluminum Cup® is now composed of 90 percent recycled content, the highest recycled content rate of any beverage packaging in its category and is available in 5 different sizes. In addition to its sustainability and recycling strengths, the aluminum cup is lightweight, sturdy, cool to the touch and provides an elevated drinking experience.

For more information about Ball Aluminum Cups®, please visit <u>Ball's website</u>. To learn about Cycle's Reverse Vending Machines please visit <u>RTS's website</u>.

#### **About Ball Corporation**

Ball Corporation supplies innovative, sustainable aluminum packaging solutions for beverage, personal care and household products customers, as well as aerospace and other technologies and services primarily for the U.S. government. Ball Corporation and its subsidiaries employ 21,000 people worldwide and reported 2022 net sales of \$15.35 billion.

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#### **About Denver Arts & Venues**

Denver Arts & Venues is the City and County of Denver agency responsible for operating the region's most renowned facilities, including Red Rocks Amphitheatre, Denver Performing Arts Complex, Colorado Convention Center, and Denver Coliseum.

**About Cycle and Recycle Track Systems ® (RTS)** 

Cycle is a digital recycling platform that utilizes RVMs (Reverse Vending Machines) to reward consumers for recycling their beverage containers at universities, stadiums, and events. Cycle, powered by RTS, has machines at Lincoln Financial Field in Philadelphia, PA, Nationals Park in Washington DC, and more. Cycle is powered by Recycle Track Systems® (RTS), an Al-optimized waste management and sustainability provider.

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