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## **CLIPPER CITY BREWING COMPANY RELEASES** **WINTER STORM “CATEGORY 5” ALE**

*Seasonal Brew is Part of Clipper City’s Heavy Seas Brand of Beers*

**Baltimore, MD** – Clipper City Brewing Company, the Maryland-based brewer of the *Heavy Seas* brands, announced today its seasonal release of **Winter Storm “Category 5” Ale**. Referred to as a “winter warmer”, the beer is an Imperial ESB in style, clocking in at 7.5% alcohol by volume. Brewed with copious amounts of English malts and US and English hops, the ruddy hued beer displays full malty flavors mingling with powerful hop aromas, and a lingering, firm hop bitterness.

“We tweak this special beer just a bit every year to keep it interesting,” said Hugh Sisson, founder and general partner of Clipper City Brewing Company. “It must be working because the sales keep increasing and we make 30% more of it every year. What I find intriguing is just how smooth a beer it is, especially with such a big flavor profile.”

Winter Storm is available from October 1<sup>st</sup> until mid January 2008, while supplies last.

Clipper City Brewing Company has six beers in its pirate-themed *Heavy Seas* brand portfolio, and each is currently available in eighteen states, as well as the District of Columbia. The beers are available in both 12 oz. bottles and draft, and may also be purchased in a variety twelve pack called the Sunken Sampler.

“*Heavy Seas* is our line of big beers,” said Sisson. “The entire line is 7% ABV and up, focusing on creative beer styles, rich flavor profiles, and “extraAARGHdinary” complexity.

Clipper City Brewing Company was founded in 1995 by Baltimore brewing pioneer, Hugh Sisson. The brewery is named for the famous Baltimore Clipper ship, a symbol that embodies Baltimore’s maritime heritage and a commitment to craftsmanship of the highest caliber. In addition the Heavy Seas line of beers, Clipper City’s portfolio of products includes the Clipper City and Oxford Wheat brands.

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