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Sincerely,

DEVINE BROS. DISTRIBUTING, INC.
Great Falls, MT 59403

August 7, 2003
Attn: TTB Notice No.4
Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau
PO Box 50221
Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

Devine Bros. Distributing, Inc. supports the proposed rule issued in March 2003 by the TTB concerning alcohol content requirements for flavored malt beverages. We support the TTB proposal that FMB's be classified as beer but only if the alcohol content from distilled alcohol does not exceed 0.5%.

Beer is not a distilled product and should never be treated as such. We support efforts that protect the integrity of beer as a distinct product category and that is why we support the .05% standard as proposed.

Kevin Devine Devine Bros. Distributing, Inc. Great Falls, MT