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William R Foster, Chief Regulations and Procedures Division Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau PO Box 50221 Washington. DC 20091-0221

RE: TTB Notice No. 4

Dear Chief Foster:

As President of Baker Distributing I am writing, to join the Beer Institute and the National Beer Wholesalers Association, in support of the proposed 0.5% flavored malt beverage standard clarifying the categories established to maintain an orderly marketplace.

I support TTB Notice No. 4 that would require that no more than 0.5% of the alcohol content of flavored malt beverages be derived from distilled alcohol in order to be classified as 'beer". This standard is consistent with ancient brewing practices and takes into consideration the brewing process for beer that has resulted in the unique regulation and taxation of beer in contrast to other alcohol beverages.

Please adopt the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau Notice No.4.

Thank you,

Joe Baker, President