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RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

May 14, 2003

Chief Regulations and Procedures Division Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau P.O. Box 50221 Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

Dear Alcohol Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau:

The rules changes outlined in Tax & Trade Bureau Notice No.4 mean serious trouble for businesses and consumers. This notice does not represent a productive path for TTB, the consumers and taxpayers, or the economy as a whole. I am opposed to changing the regulations on flavored malt beverages.

If it isn't broken, don't fix it. The current regulations covering flavored malt beverages have been in play for over 30 years. They are working well and treating all parties fairly. They have allowed a consumer base to grow up around these products. The TTB changes would only threaten this consumer base.

Please support the people who buy and sell flavored malt beverages. Regulations as strict as the ones currently proposed by the TTB would be a disastrous change in policy for this industry. Please prevent that disaster from coming to fruition.

Sincerely,

Jamie Thibodeaux

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