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Convenient Food Mart

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

RE: TTB Notice No.4

Dear Alcohol Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau:

I am writing to let you know that I think TTB Notice No.4 is an affront to business people and consumers. The policy change it outlines for flavored malt beverages would harm both and benefit no one. Please note my opposition during this public comment period.

The people most hurt by these rule changes would be the small retailers like me who work hard, provide jobs for local people and play by the rules. Please don't deny us the modest revenues we get from the sales of flavored malt beverages. It's just not right, especially in today's weak economy when we struggle to stay open as it is. We don't need any foolish regulations like this one piled on us right now.

Your help is urgently needed to see that this proposed rule does not become national policy. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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