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

RE: TTB Notice No.4

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in reference to the new rules and regulations proposed by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau's Notice No.4.

This proposed rule change is a regulatory disaster in the making. If the rules in TTB Notice No.4 are allowed, it will either eliminate flavored malt beverages or price them out of existence. Doing so will certainly decrease the customer base for America's small retailers thereby decreasing their overall sales. As an American business owner, I am beginning to question my government's commitment to small businesses.

Surely a compromise can be met between the TTB and flavored malt beverage industry. I respectfully urge you to work towards such a compromise, which will empower America's small retailers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Nandy Bhagat

