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RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

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

Dear Alcohol Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau:

The federal government needs to sustain its few thriving industries. This is not a time to be eliminating successful product lines or making it harder for small businesses to survive. The proposed regulations for flavored malt beverages would jeopardize both the producers and the retailers of these products.

I have no doubt that a compromise exists. We can meet the TTB policy concerns and save the flavored malt beverage industry from certain destruction. Any responsible government agency would push for such a compromise.

Please make a stand against the new regulations. Support the flavored malt beverage industry and the retailers who sell them. Support the overall success of our economy.

Sincerely,

Deborah Valdez