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Attention: TTB Notice No 4
Chief, Regulation and Procedures Division
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau
Washington, DC 20091-0021

Dear Sir,

The Alabama Wholesale Beer Association supports the proposed rule issued in March 2003 by TTB. We are pleased with the requirements that alcohol content from distilled spirits can not exceed 0.5%.

Beer is heavy regulated in the state of Alabama through our state law and ABC regulations. Moreover we are taxed differently and heavier than other beverages in Alabama.

The proposed rule will help beer wholesalers in Alabama keep and orderly flow to the already mounds of procedures distributors must comply with through local, state and federal policies.

Please help us keep our product unique.

Again, Alabama Beer Wholesalers support the TTB in giving final approval to the "0.5% standard on flavored malt beverages.

Respectfully,

Donna Alexander Harry Kampakis
Executive Director Chairman
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