00412256 From: Schwartz, Jim J. (Communications) [Jim.J.Schwartz@anheuser-busch.com] Sent: Tuesday, October 21, 2003 3:45 PM To: nprm@ttb.treas.gov Subject: Notice No. 4 Attn: Notice No. 4 Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau P.O. Box 50221 Washington, D.C. 20091-0221 Dear Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division: I am writing in support of the proposed 0.5 percent standard for flavored malt beverages. The proposed standard is the best way to maintain clear distinctions between beer and liquor and it is the best way to preserve the flavored malt beverage category. Furthermore, such a rule would be consistent with years of regulations that have carefully and thoroughly defined what constitutes beer and liquor. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

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