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Chief, Regulation & Procedures Division
Alcohol, Tobacco Tax & Trade Bureau
P.O. Box 50221
Washington, D.C. 20091

Re: Tax and Trade Bureau Notice #4

Dear Chief, Regulation & Procedures Division:

I appreciate the opportunity to comment in support of the proposed standard for flavored malt beverages (FMBs) published in the Federal Register on March 24, 2003, by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB).

The 0.5% standard will help maintain the integrity of beer and will preserve the historical difference of the various industry products. This proposed rule also continues to appropriately define beer as a product made through the brewing process.

In addition to ensuring product integrity, it will also support oversight and regulatory efforts of state regulators, state legislators and federal regulators, while providing legal beer consumers a clear understanding of the product.

I appreciate the opportunity to participate in the TTB rulemaking and support the 0.5% by volume proposal.

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