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

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: TTB Notice Number Four

People who own or work in stores where flavored malt beverages are sold would be victimized by the changes outlined in TTB Notice No. 4. Those changes would have the effect of shutting down this product line. Either that or raising the price to a level that my customers refuse to buy. That means I lose revenue and my bottom line shrinks.

There is something scary about an agency of the federal government proposing rules that guarantee financial hardship for small retailers, many of whom are struggling to survive in the present economic climate. We need your help. I hope you can be a voice of reason in all of this.

I cannot urge you too strongly to oppose this rules change and support a compromise solution between the TTB and the FMB industry. .

Regards,

Debra Malachowski