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Depot Foodstore #2

RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

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Chief
Regulations and Procedures Division
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau P.O. Box 50221
Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

To Whom It May Concern:

I need someone to explain to me how the proposed regulatory changes concerning flavored malt beverages are good for anybody. The government sees a way to correct what it perceives as an inequity in excise tax collections, even though they must ignore their own research to maintain that perception. I see only the means by which my business could be forced to close up shop for good.

There has to be a better way to resolve the issues that have fueled the government's concerns here. There has to be away that is fair to me, fair to taxpayers, fair to the industry, and that actually accomplishes something positive for the government. Please reject this proposed rules change, and seek out a better solution.

Regards,

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