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Chief
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Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: TTB Notice Number Four

The federal government should be focused on reducing taxes and regulatory burdens that are hurting businesses, consumers and the general economy. It disturbs me to know that the Tax & Trade Bureau is trying to impose more of these burdens. The flavored malt beverage industry has been very successful in recent years and the government should not jeopardize that success.

Let's not be in a hurry to change regulations that have served the flavored malt beverage market well for 30 years and continue to do so. These drinks do not pose any threat to public health or safety and TTB themselves concluded that they pose no threat to federal tax revenues. The industry does not need further regulations, plain and simple.

If it isn't broken, then don't fix it. The government should support and encourage profitable industries. I cannot urge you too strongly to oppose this rules change and support our economy.

Regards,

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