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

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: TTB Notice Number Four

I am writing in reference to TTB Notice No. 4, of which I strongly oppose.

If the Alcohol Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau's proposal for a rules change on flavored malt beverages is allowed to happen, it will have serious consequences for my store. We operate a business that depends on sales of flavored malt beverages. The proposed new regulations would sabotage these products by making it impossible to produce or too costly to sell. In either case, I lose profits.

Further, these new regulations are aimed at the pockets of people who can least afford them: small retailers who sell flavored malt beverages. Life is tough enough for us in the current economic climate without the burden of these new rules.

This plan is regulatory chaos in the making, but you can help avert disaster by opposing this punitive change and encouraging support for a compromise that would not destroy the flavored malt beverage market.

I appreciate your consideration.

I would appreciate your thoughts on this issue.

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