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Johnson Discount Packaged Store

RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

May 17, 2003

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

To Whom It May Concern:

Common sense tells us that if we are struggling economically, it is not the time to destroy successful industries. The regulation changes that have been proposed by the TTB for flavored malt beverages would abolish this entire product line. This is an insult to our entire country.

If TTB Notice No.4 passes, flavored malt beverages would cease to be a viable consumer product. The drinks that still managed to get onto retail shelves would sit there because no one would be willing or able to pay the offensive taxes retailers would be required to charge. The policy changes could not benefit anyone.

The government needs to carefully consider the long-term effects that this rules change would have on our economy. Please do not be hasty to pass these new regulations. Stand in opposition to them and urge the TTB to find a compromise.

Regards,

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