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

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: TTB Notice Number Four

My business would be significantly damaged by the change of rules in regard to flavored malt beverages that you are considering. The changes will either eliminate the beverage category altogether or tax it to the point where no one can afford it.

The ATF/TTB itself has concluded that flavored malt beverage sales have no negative bearing on federal excise tax receipts. Passing these rules will create such an impact.

I am asking you to please resist this change of rules and to help find an acceptable compromise. I am greatly appreciative of your consideration.

Sincerely,

Shawn Kahatib

One Stop Shop