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Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

RE: TTB Notice No.4

Dear Sir/Madam:

It is very disheartening to see that TTB Notice No.4 is moving in a direction that is both anti-business and anti-consumer. This should not be the federal government's role.

These new regulations are aimed at small retailers who sell flavored malt beverages; the very same ones who can't afford it. Life is plenty hard enough for these people in the current economic climate without the burden of these new rules.

The TTB seems ready to make a decision with dire implications for small retailers across the country. Please oppose this rule change before damage is done that is impossible to repair. Thank you.

Warm Regards,

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