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RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

May 10, 2003

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

It is with great disappointment that I write to you regarding TTB Notice Number 4. If this proposed rule change is allowed to pass, the flavored malt beverage industry will take a significant hit and my small business could be devastated.

Our taxes are high enough already. Allowing this proposed rule change to pass will raise taxes to an exorbitant level which will probably lead to the destruction of the flavored malt beverage industry. Eliminating products for small retailers like me will devastate my bottom line.

Small retailers across the country cannot afford for the proposed changes in TTB Notice No.4 to be approved. Therefore, I respectfully request that you oppose these proposed changes and try to find a compromise where all parties can be satisfied.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my opinion.

Sincerely Yours,

Deborah O'Reilly

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