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To Whom It May Concern:

RE: TTB Notice Number Four

Wouldn't you agree that America's excessive taxes and business regulations represent our biggest obstacle to economic recovery? That's exactly what President Bush is talking about these days. Our economy needs a shot in the arm, not an additional weight on it. The proposed rules changes concerning flavored malt beverages are exactly that kind of weight we don't need.

Let's not pass rules that victimize the individuals who run retail stores that sell flavored malt beverages. We'll be hit hardest by this proposed rules change, which is unnecessary in the first place. And, if it isn't hurting us, it hurts our customers, which is even more unfair. We just don't need the added regulatory burden these rule changes would create. Your help is urgently needed to see that this proposed rule does not become national policy. It is unwise economic policy!

I would appreciate your thoughts on this issue.

Susan Hoskins

