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From: Barbie Shuping

Sent: Saturday, July 19, 2003 7:57 AM

To:

Subject: TTB Notice No. 4

Dear Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division:

I enjoy drinking flavored malt beverages like Mike's Hard Lemonade, Smirnoff Ice and Hooper's Hooch. I oppose the proposed regulation in TTB Notice No. 4 requiring a change in the way these drinks are made for the following reasons:

1. The federal government should be handling bigger problems like creating more jobs--Unemployment rates are still on the rise.
2. The companies producing these products should be the one's concerning themselves with any changes the consumers may want. The federal government should not demand these changes when the consumers enjoy the product just as it is.
3. The federal government should not be wasting tax dollars on changing the way these drinks taste.
4. I believe these changes would be expensive and that I would end up paying more for the product and possibly deciding not to purchase it--then we can refer back to reason one--if consumer's do not buy the product the companies will drop it from their lines and possible job cuts would take place.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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