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Attn: Notice No. 4
Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division
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Dear Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division:

I don't often drink "flavored malt beverages;" nonetheless, I strongly oppose the proposed regulation in TTB Notice No. 4 requiring a change in the way these drinks are made because it's a pointless waste of time, enriching certain politically-connected companies at the expense of other, less-well-connected companies. This is a transparent abuse of power and the public isn't dumb enough not to realize it. Don't waste my tax dollars regulating the way drinks are made. As long as the companies involved in manufacture, distribution, and sale of the beverages do not make false statements in order to sell those beverages, and as long as the beverages don't make people sick when consumed in moderation, you have no legitimate role here.

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