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Chief Regulations and Procedures Division Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau P.O. Box 50221 Washington, D.C. 2009.1-0221

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: TTB Notice Number Four

The new rules you are considering in regard to flavored malt beverages would have a significant negative impact on my business by either eliminating this beverage category altogether or taxing it to the point where no one could afford it. The federal government should be focused on cutting down taxes and regulations that are hurting businesses., consumers and the general economy. This is certainly not the time to be adding to those burdens.

I don't believe that the TTB has put forth a reasonable justification for these new regulations. They are completely unnecessary. 1 strongly urge you to oppose these rules changes and find a compromise solution that will satisfy all parties.

I appreciate your consideration of my comments.

Regards,

Jerry Housand