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RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

May 8, 2003

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

With taxes on flavored malt beverages already high enough the last thing my business needs are new regulations driving those taxes up even further. That is why I am so concerned with the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau's Notice Number 4. This new rule, if put into effect, would have a devastating impact to my business and the flavored malt beverage business.

At a time when many businesses are struggling to attract customers the TTB proposes these rules that would drive mine away. Many of these customers come to purchase flavored malt beverages, but also end up making additional purchases, thus bringing in additional revenue. I'm concerned that with these new rules those customers will either stop purchasing flavored malt beverages or these beverages may be pulled from my shelves. Either way, a lot of businesses are looking at steep revenue hits.

It's time for the TTB and the flavored malt beverage industry to work on a compromise. This new rule, in its current form, should be rejected and a new rule that addresses the concerns of the businesses affected should be considered. I would urge you to remember those of us whose business sales depend on the rules you craft. Please reject this new rule.

Sincerely Yours,

Miles Hunt

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