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ATTN: Notice 4  
Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing to express my support for the U.S. Treasury's Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau proposed rulemaking for flavored malt beverages (200 1R-136P).

A consistent standard will allow wholesalers and retailers to continue to distribute, sell and market flavored malt beverages as they do today. The proposed 0.5% standard ensures the stability of the retail licensing system and the overall marketplace. It should be noted that flavored malt beverage products that look and taste the same will be available to wholesalers and retailers in all states with no interruption and no discernable taste differences for consumers.

Again, I support the proposed rulemaking for flavored malt beverages. Wisconsin, along with a dozen other states see a need for a consistent national standard.

Sincerely,

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