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Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division
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Re: TTB Notice No. 4

Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to provide comments in support of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau's Proposed Rule, as set forth in TTB Notice No. 4, proposing a "0.5% standard" for the composition of flavored malt beverages. As a state legislative leader, I believe it is important that the classification of alcohol beverage products be uniform across the states. The Proposed Rule provides an important clarification of the federal alcohol beverage categories and proposes a standard that is both reasonable and achievable by the industry. I encourage the TTB to adopt the Proposed Rule in order that a sensible standard be applied consistently throughout the United States.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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