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RE: TTB Notice No.4

Dear Alcohol Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau:

I have just learned of the regulatory changes being proposed by the TTB, which would have an extremely negative affect on my business. If these proposed changes regarding flavored malt beverages are put into action, I will lose customers who will be unable to afford to purchase these products.

In my opinion, this is a destructive use of regulatory power that would destroy a profitable line of business that supports employment and pays taxes. Therefore, the implementation of these rules changes would be counter-productive to federal reserves in the long run.

The most frightening aspect of these rules changes is the number of people who will be harmed. First would be the consumer who would be unable to choose how to spend their hard earned money because the products they enjoy will be priced beyond reach. Then, small retailers, such as myself, who work long hours, provide jobs for local people and play by the rules, would have their profit margins severely reduced. Finally, the entire nation would suffer the consequences of lost taxes due to lost sales. Please don't deny us the modest revenues we get from the sales of flavored malt beverages. Don't prevent people from being able to purchase these flavored malt beverages at affordable prices. And dont harm our nations economy any further. Thank you.

Regards,

Nannette Fowler