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RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

May 18, 2003

Chief
Regulations and Procedures Division
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau
P.O. Box 50221
Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

Dear Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau:

Please oppose TTB Notice No. 4. As a retailer, I am convinced of the harm it would do to my business and my customers. The good news, however, is that the fundamental misunderstanding between TTB and the flavored malt beverage industry has not gone so far that it cannot be corrected if both sides are willing to compromise. That's where you come in.

Look, businesses like ours don't expect the government to bail us out, but neither do we expect the government to sink us with more taxes and more regulations. We have enough to deal with already. Government should concentrate on reducing, not increasing these burdens. That's why Notice No. 4 needs someone with a small business perspective to look at what could really happen to retail stores like mine if this passes.

Please support the people who buy and sell flavored malt beverages and prevent what would be a disastrous change in policy for this industry. We are counting on you.

Sincerely,

Lourie Polk