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TTB Issues Proposed Rule Regarding Reclassification of Specially Denatured Spirits and Completely Denatured Alcohol Formulas

Washington, D.C. —On June 27, 2013, the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) published a notice of proposed rulemaking ([Notice No. 136](#)) to eliminate outdated specially denatured spirits formulas from its regulations, reclassify some specially denatured spirits formulas as completely denatured alcohol formulas, and issue some new general-use formulas for manufacturing products with specially denatured spirits. (Specially denatured spirits and completely denatured alcohol are distilled spirits to which materials have been added to render the spirits unfit for beverage use.)

The proposed amendments would remove unnecessary regulatory burdens on the industrial alcohol industry as well as TTB, and would align the regulations with current industry practice. The proposed amendments would also make other needed improvements and clarifications, as well as a number of minor technical changes and corrections to the regulations. TTB invites comments on these proposed amendments to the regulations.

You may submit comments on the proposal, and view copies of the proposed rule and any comments TTB receives about it, online at the "Regulations.gov" website (<http://www.regulations.gov>) within [Docket No. TTB-2013-0005](#). A link to that docket is posted on the TTB website at <http://www.ttb.gov/spirits/spirits-rulemaking.shtml> under [Notice No. 136](#). Please see Notice No. 136 for information on alternative methods for submitting comments.

Comments on this proposal must be received on or before August 26, 2013.

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