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Chief
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Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade
Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

RE: TTB Notice No. 4

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm sure you are sensitive to the fact that the consumers and businesses of this country already carry a heavy load of taxes and regulatory burdens. In my opinion, government's priority right now should be to lighten this load, not to make it heavier with the proposed TTB rules changes. They are unwise and unnecessary.

I always question when big government proposes regulations that would hurt little people who are already struggling. The proposed rules change would do exactly that for small retailers like me who depend on sales of popular flavored malt beverages. It is almost as if the federal government sees a profitable industry and rains regulations down on them so they get a piece of the profits. This is totally unfair and very un-American!

You and I both know that slapping a small but successful industry with rules changes that would put it out of business won't encourage economic growth. Please do everything possible to resist this rules change and work out a reasonable compromise. We need your help!

Sincerely,

Pamela Potts