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Attn: TTB Notice No. 4
Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division
Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau
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Dear Sir or Madam:

As an employee with the beer industry, I fully support the Tax and Trade Bureau's proposed rulemaking that defines the alcohol content of flavored malt beverages to 0.5%.

The alternatives that are being suggested to the 0.5% proposal would blur the distinction between beer and distilled spirits. Beer is brewed and is not made from distilled spirits. Beer is beer.

The approval of this proposed rule by the TTB would maintain that the separation between beer and distilled spirits remains intact.

Sincerely,

Diane Mahoney