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Chief, Regulations and Procedures Division
Tax and Trade Bureau

RE: TTB Notice #4 (2001R-136P)

Dear Chief,

Vermont Pub & Brewery supports the proposed regulations for products marketed as flavored malt beverages (FMBs) as set forth by TTB Notice #4 of March 2003. We support the limit of alcohol derived from distilled spirits in FMBs of .5% ABV.

The common sense reflected in the TTB's proposal is self-evident: malt beverages are brewed. The alternative standards for which the TTB seeks comment, such as distilled spirits less than 50% of the alcohol in a malt beverage, are misleading to consumers and disruptive to existing state laws.

We at Vermont Pub & Brewery brew beer; we appreciate the perceptiveness and responsibility inherent in TTBNotice #4, and support the .5% ABV limit.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We remain

Sincerely yours,

Greg Noonan
Brewmaster