

QUALITY FOOD MART
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RE: TTB NOTICE NUMBER FOUR

May 17, 2003

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

Dear Alcohol Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau:

Please note my opposition to TTB Rule Notice No.4. As a retailer in Holly Springs, NC, I can tell you that my customers have had it with the government controlling the alcohol industry. Consumers and retailers alike are struggling with excessive taxes and regulations as it is. This is no time to be adding new taxes and regulations on the flavored malt beverage industry.

You need to realize that the people most hurt by these rule changes would be the small retailers who work long hours, provide jobs for local people and play by the rules. Don't deny us the modest revenue we get from the sales of flavored malt beverages. And don't deny our customers the simple pleasure they get from these products.

Please oppose this rules change. Your support of small business and consumers will be appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Chandrakand Patel