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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau

27 CFR Parts 4, 5, and 7

[Notice No. 57; Re: Notice No. 53]

RIN 1513-AB16

Use of the Word "Pure" or Its Variants on Labels or in Advertisements of Alcohol Beverage Products; Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Treasury.

ACTION: Advance notice of proposed rulemaking; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from an alcohol industry trade association, the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau reopens the comment period for Notice No. 53, Use of the Word "Pure" or Its Variants on Labels or in Advertisements of Alcohol Beverage Products, an advance notice of proposed rulemaking published in the **Federal Register** on December 7, 2005. The comment period is reopened for an additional 30 days.

DATES: Comments on Notice No. 53 must now be received on or before March 20, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments to any of the following addresses:

- Director, Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Attn: Notice No. 53, P.O. Box 14412, Washington, DC 20044-4412.

- 202-927-8525 (facsimile).
- nprm@ttb.gov (e-mail).
- <http://www.ttb.gov/alcohol/rules/index.htm>. An online comment form is posted with this notice on our Web site.
- <http://www.regulations.gov> (Federal e-rulemaking portal; follow instructions for submitting comments).

You may view copies of this notice, Notice No. 53, and any comments we receive by appointment at the TTB Information Resource Center, 1310 G

Street, NW., Washington, DC 20220. To make an appointment, call 202-927-2400. You may also access copies of this notice, Notice No. 53, and the related comments online at <http://www.ttb.gov/alcohol/rules/index.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa M. Gesser, Regulations and Rulings Division, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, P.O. Box 128, Morganza, MD 20660; (301) 290-1460.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 7, 2005, the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) published Notice No. 53, Use of the Word "Pure" or Its Variants on Labels or in Advertisements of Alcohol Beverage Products; Request for Public Comment, in the **Federal Register** (70 FR 72731). In that advance notice of proposed rulemaking, TTB requested public comment on possible changes to the regulations concerning the use of the word "pure" and its variants in the labeling and advertising of alcohol beverage products regulated by TTB. As originally published, the comment period for Notice No. 53 closed on February 6, 2006.

On February 3, 2006, TTB received a written request from the Beer Institute, a major alcohol beverage industry trade association, to extend the comment period for Notice No. 53 for an additional 30 days beyond its closing date. Citing its staff's recent busy schedule, the Beer Institute requested the additional time to "more thoroughly respond" to TTB's request for comments on the issues raised in Notice No. 53.

In response to this request, TTB reopens the comment period for Notice No. 53 for an additional 30 days. Therefore, comments on Notice No. 53 are now due on or before March 20, 2006.

Drafting Information

Michael D. Hoover of the Regulations and Rulings Division drafted this notice.

Signed: February 9, 2006.

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Public Hearings for Proposed Rules—National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter and Revisions to Ambient Air Monitoring Regulations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Announcement of public hearings.

SUMMARY: The EPA is announcing three public hearings to be held jointly for two proposed rules—"National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter" and "Revisions to Ambient Air Monitoring Regulations" that were published in the **Federal Register** on January 17, 2006 (71 FR 2620 and 71 FR 2710). The hearings will be held concurrently in Chicago, Illinois; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and San Francisco, California.

In the proposed rule entitled "National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter," EPA proposes to make revisions to the primary and secondary national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for particulate matter (PM) to provide requisite protection of public health and welfare, respectively, and to make corresponding revisions in monitoring reference methods and data handling conventions for PM.

In the "Revisions to Ambient Air Monitoring Regulations," EPA is proposing to revise the ambient air monitoring requirements for criteria pollutants. The proposal establishes ambient air monitoring requirements in support of the proposed revisions to the NAAQS for PM and proposes other changes to better serve current and future air quality management and research needs.

DATES: The public hearings will be held concurrently on March 8, 2006. Please refer to **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for additional information on the public hearings.

ADDRESSES: The hearings will be held at the following locations: