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To: Maryland Wholesalers, Manufacturers and Nonresident Dealers

Who Sell Wine and/or Distilled Spirits

Subject: Price Filings – Without Turn Around Documents

As indicated in Bulletin AB-45 dated October 13, 2005, and required by Regulation 03.02.01.05 Re. Price Filings, all wholesalers, manufacturers, and nonresident dealers selling wine and/or distilled spirits, are required to post prices with the Comptroller no later than December 5, 2005, for prices effective January 1, 2006. Since you have not previously filed prices, or any postings you may have had on file at one time have been deleted from the Bureau's master file, we are unable to provide you with an initial turn around document.

Accordingly, in order to bring your price filings up to date and for you to be in compliance with Regulation 03.02.01.05, you will need to do the following:

- Submit a completed new item schedule for each brand/size of wine and/or distilled spirits you are offering for sale. Suppliers generally file Class "C" new item schedules and wholesalers generally file class "A" new item schedules. Forms can be downloaded from the Division's website at: http://compnet.comp.state.md.us/red/attb/atinfo/forms.asp.
- Suppliers filing Class "C" price filings for sales to wholesalers or county dispensaries must submit form #521 ATTB, Assignment of FOB point and wholesaler codes.
- Wholesalers who file Class "A" price filings for sales to Maryland retailers, are reminded of the regulatory requirement to advertise price changes and new items either through direct mailing or through publication in a trade magazine.
- Suppliers are reminded to review the requirement that all wholesalers and county dispensaries be notified of any price changes 30 days before officially notifying the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Bureau.

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As a reminder, all price filings including new item forms are due in this office by December 5, 2005, to be effective January 1, 2006. You are encouraged to submit your price filings as they are completed and as soon as possible to facilitate processing. In order to be in compliance with the price filing regulation, all brands of wine and distilled spirits must be properly filed by the deadline. Based on your price filings, we anticipate issuing new turn around documents on or about December 27, 2005. The turn around document will reflect all new items submitted and should be used to change prices in a future month.

Subsequent price filings (new items and turn around documents) will be due in this office monthly by the 5th of the month to be effective the first of the following month, beginning with the filing due January 5, 2006, for prices effective February 1, 2006, and so on. Note, subsequent to the December 5th price filing submission, you need only submit price filings when you desire to change prices and/or add new items.

Should you have any questions or desire additional assistance with the requirements of this notice and Regulation 03.02.01.05, please contact Tricia Anthony at 410-260-7315 or Linda Bates at 410-260-7532.

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