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## TTB ANNOUNCES ESTABLISHMENT OF HAW RIVER VALLEY VITICULTURAL AREA

Washington, D.C. – The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) published a final rule in the Federal Register establishing the 868-square mile "Haw River Valley" viticultural area in Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Guilford, Orange, and Rockingham Counties, North Carolina. TTB designates viticultural areas to allow vintners to better describe the origin of their wines and to allow consumers to better identify wines they may purchase.

This final rule becomes effective April 29, 2009.

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