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WILLIAM (BILL) FOSTER APPOINTED TTB ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR HEADQUARTERS OPERATIONS

Washington, D.C. – The Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) Administrator, John Manfreda, has announced the appointment of William (Bill) Foster as Assistant Administrator (HQ). As Assistant Administrator (HQ), Mr. Foster oversees the functions of four divisions: the Advertising, Labeling and Formulation Division; Regulations and Rulings Division; the International Trade Division; and the Scientific Services Division; as well as the Knowledge Management Staff.

Mr. Foster entered Government service in Miami, Florida, in 1975, as an inspector for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF). In 1979, ATF relocated him to the Rulings Branch, in Bureau Headquarters, where he worked on regulatory issues, including alcohol for fuel use. Mr. Foster moved to the compliance operations staff and then to Chicago in 1984, assuming the position of Midwest Region Chief Analyst. He returned to headquarters in 1987, and served in a variety of positions in staff, information systems, compliance operations, training and professional development, and the ATF Office of Alcohol and Tobacco. He was the Beer Program Manager when, in 2001, ATF selected him as Deputy Chief, Regulations Division. In 2003, Mr. Foster was appointed Chief of the Regulations and Procedures Division of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau where he served until he was chosen to be the Assistant Administrator (HQ).

Mr. Foster has two grown children and resides in Northern Virginia with his wife.

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