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Subpart A—Scope of Regulations

§ 26.1 Alcoholic products coming into the United States from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

This part, “Liquors and Articles from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands,” relates to:

(a) The production, bonded warehousing, and withdrawal of dis-

tilled spirits and denatured spirits, and the manufacture of articles in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands to be brought into the United States free of tax;

(b) The collection of internal revenue taxes on taxable alcoholic products coming into the United States from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands;

(c) The transfer, without payment of tax, of Puerto Rican and Virgin Islands spirits in bulk containers or by pipeline from customs custody to the bonded premises of a distilled spirits plant qualified under part 19 of this chapter;

(d) The deposit of the distilled spirits excise taxes, limited to the lesser of \$10.50 or the rate in section 5001(a)(1) per proof gallon, into the Treasuries of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands on all articles containing distilled spirits as defined in section 7652, produced by those two U.S. possessions, and transported into the United States (less certain amounts); and

(e) The deposit of the distilled spirits excise taxes, limited to the lesser of \$10.50 or the rate in section 5001(a)(1) per proof gallon, into the Treasuries of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands on all rum imported into the United States (including rum from possessions other than Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands), less certain amounts.

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§ 26.2 Forms prescribed.

(a) The appropriate ATF officer is authorized to prescribe all forms required by this part, including applications, reports, returns, and records. All of the information called for in each form shall be furnished as indicated by the headings on the form and the instructions on or pertaining to the form. In addition, information called for in each form shall be furnished as required by this part. The form will be filed in accordance with the instructions for the form.

(b) Forms may be requested from the ATF Distribution Center, P.O. Box

5950, Springfield, Virginia 22150-5950, or by accessing the ATF web site (<http://www.atf.treas.gov>).

(5 U.S.C. 552(a) (80 Stat. 383, as amended))

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§ 26.3 Delegations of the Director.

All of the regulatory authorities of the Director contained in this part 26 are delegated to appropriate ATF officers. These ATF officers are specified in ATF Order 1130.29, Delegation Order—Delegation of the Director's Authorities in 27 CFR part 26, Liquors and Articles from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. ATF delegation orders, such as ATF Order 1130.29, are available to any interested person by mailing a request to the ATF Distribution Center, P.O. Box 5950, Springfield, Virginia 22150-5950, or by accessing the ATF web site (<http://www.atf.treas.gov>).

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Subpart B—Definitions

§ 26.11 Meaning of terms.

When used in this part and in forms prescribed under this part, where not otherwise distinctly expressed or manifestly incompatible with the intent thereof, terms shall have the meaning ascribed in this section. Words in the plural form shall include the singular and vice versa, and words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine. The terms “includes” and “including” do not exclude things not enumerated which are in the same general class.

Appropriate ATF Officer. An officer or employee of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) authorized to perform any functions relating to the administration or enforcement of this part by ATF Order 1130.29, Delegation Order—Delegation of the Director's Authorities in 27 CFR Part 26, Liquors and Articles from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Article. Any preparation unfit for beverage use, made with or containing:

- (1) Wine or beer;
- (2) Distilled spirits or industrial spirits; or
- (3) Denatured spirits when such preparation is not manufactured under the provisions of this chapter.

Bank. Any commercial bank.

Banking day. Any day during which a bank is open to the public for carrying on substantially all its banking functions.

Beer. Beer, ale, porter, stout, and other similar fermented beverages (including sake or similar products) of any name or description containing one-half of 1 percent or more of alcohol by volume, brewed, or produced from malt, wholly or in part, or from any substitute therefor.

Bottler. Any person required to hold a basic permit as a bottler under 27 U.S.C. 203(b)(1).

Bulk container. Any container having a capacity of more than 1 gallon.

Bulk distilled spirits. The term “bulk distilled spirits” means distilled spirits in a container having a capacity in excess of 1 gallon.

Bureau of Alcoholic Beverage Taxes. Bureau of Alcoholic Beverage Taxes of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Business day. Any day, other than a Saturday, Sunday, or a legal holiday. (The term legal holiday includes all holidays in the District of Columbia and all legal holidays in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.)

Commercial bank. A bank, whether or not a member of the Federal Reserve System, which has access to the Federal Reserve Communications System (FRCS) or Fedwire. The “FRCS” or “Fedwire” is a communications network that allows Federal Reserve System member banks to effect a transfer of funds for their customers (or other commercial banks) to the Treasury Account at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Customs officer. Any officer of the Customs Service or any commissioned, warrant, or petty officer of the Coast Guard, or any agent or other person authorized by law or designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to perform any duties of an officer of the Customs Service.

Denatured spirits. Industrial spirits denatured in accordance with approved