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To: Pubs Consultation Responses
Cc: Andrew Daykin
Subject: PUB COMPANY AND TENANTS: GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR BUSINESS, INOVATION AND SKILLS.

Dear Sirs

PUB COMPANY AND TENANTS:
A GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR BUSINESS, INOVATION AND SKILLS.

I write on behalf of Timothy Taylor & Co. Ltd and in response to the Government consultation.

Timothy Taylor was established in 1858 and still remains a family run company employing some 200 people. Our pub estate is small in comparison to other similar family/regional brewers comprising of tenancies and managed houses. The tenancies operate under a system that does tie tenants to purchasing all their draught products from ourselves. Although this is a business model which works well and has stood the test of time we are not being complacent. We are introducing schemes which do not rely on charging wholesale prices for these tied products, providing agreements which have "market prices" in return for a share in turnover or adjusted fixed rents.

It is our belief that the business of letting pubs should not be covered by legislation or government interference. Any limits, any numbers and any compulsory terms are a restriction on the right to agree a tenancy or lease between a willing owner and a willing tenant. Market forces should be allowed to operate without interference (the present industry framework code and subsequent company codes of practice is really a result of market forces) and the business of letting pubs will progressively change (as it is now doing)

In conclusion, our industry has suffered too much interference and given the present economic climate we would ask Government to allow operators to get on with developing business rather than deciphering and implementing more regulation.

Yours sincerely

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