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From: Newport@newportpleasures.com
Subject: Don't Let FDA Ban Newport Menthol Cigarettes

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We wrote to you and other loyal Newport® customers earlier about a new law that allows the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to consider restricting or banning all menthol cigarettes. That's right, Congress has given this federal agency the power to decide whether or how you can continue to enjoy smoking menthol cigarettes! Many responded to our message and your voices were heard. So, we are asking for your assistance again.

The panel of scientists appointed by the FDA to study the issue is meeting again January 10 and 11. Lorillard does not believe that menthol cigarettes should be treated any differently by the FDA than non-menthol cigarettes. We also believe that adults have a right to make a personal choice to use any legal product.

It's important to let the FDA know your opinion! You can email the scientists on the FDA committee at TPSAC@fda.hhs.gov. For your opinion to be seen by the panel before its next meeting, it must be received by the end of the day December 30th, 2010. Please send your message to the FDA right away.

You can learn more by visiting a Lorillard-sponsored website at www.understandingmenthol.com. It describes the compelling science showing that menthol cigarettes have the same health effects as non-menthol cigarettes.

Thank you for your time today.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Anthony Martin (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 15, 2010 9:56 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Please leave my cigarettes along.Period.

Anthony Martin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Charles Curtis (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 17, 2010 8:21 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol in Tobacco

Mrs Clarke

I would like to express my concern about the FDA banning the use of menthol in cigarettes. I feel the government has much more important things to do than interfere with the making of cigarettes. If the FDA should do this it will not stop the making of the menthol cigarettes, they will just be made on the illegal Black Market, and the government will loose the tax income.

Charles Curtis

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Stephanie Niacaris (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 20, 2010 8:08 AM
To: TPSAC

I FEEL U SHOULDNT NOT BAND NEWPORT MENTHOL U HAVE A LOT OF CUSTOMERS USEIN THAT BRAND IF U BRAND ONE KIND OF MENTHOL U GOTTA BAND ALL

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sunanda Ragbir (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 4:55 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban newport menthol cigarettes

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mary L. Simmons (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 4:56 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning of Menthol Cigarettes
Attachments: image001.gif

I do not understand the banning of menthol cigarettes. Nicotine is nicotine. Please stop trying to run everyones lives and let Newport and any other menthol cigarette alone. Thank you.

(b) (6)



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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gary Ghussin (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:06 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: ban on methol

dont be jerks, kids do whatever they want. if they want to smoke they will no matter what. menthol or not.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ryan Patrick (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:07 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigs

I write to you to ask you to please not ban menthol cigarettes. I am a hard working tax paying citizen, I am not a drinker and I like my cigarettes. All smokers know the risks of smoking when we decide to smoke and still choose to. It is our rite to! Cigarettes are terrible for you, and more than likely will be cause of my death but I still choose to smoke. Look at it like this, our population is sky rocketing! As it is! We are wanting to enjoy our cigarettes and accept it's consequences and if a ban does happen, how you think the population will grow? Than when your kids are old enough to have kids it will be like china where theyre limited on how many! We aren't drunk or high out causing problems smoking is banned I'n most public places now, so please don't take away our rite to enjoy menthols. I work my butt off 80 hour weeks pay taxes and never ask for anything from the government, please don't take away what people choose to do. It shortens life expectancy! Population! We are volunteers to live less time to have our enjoyment. Please don't take away yet more of our freedom! Thanks for taking time to read this. Sincerely,

Sent from my iPhone

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Me (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:07 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

I have looked at as much data as is available to a diligent layman and believe that I will continue to choose to occasionally smoke menthol cigarettes. I would appreciate it if you would allow that choice to remain mine.

Cole Helfrich

Sent from my iPod

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Hello,

I do not understand why we as a nation can ban something but yet not ban all of its product? There is no difference on the effects that come from smoking non-menthol or menthol. I do not see why anyone should have the right to do this. Just because it is bad for your health. There are a lot of things we do that are bad for our health, so are we going to ban everything? How are we the land of the free if we cannot even decide our own habits?

Thank you,

Nicole Hockney

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cincinnati Bell Wireless

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: cheryl kelly (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban menthol cigarettes

I want to give my opinion, Please do not ban menthol cig's We should have the right to choose if to smoke & what brand. This is suppose to be a free country.

Cheryl Kelly

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lisa Jorissen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:14 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Lights

Back off.

Thanks,

(b) (6)

Sent from my iPad

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: dave Martin (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:15 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Re: Newport

Please do not ban Newports.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:15 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT BANNED METHOL CIG

THIS IS WRONG , TALKING BOUT FREE COUNTRY WHATS FREE NOTHING YOU PAY FOR SOMETHING NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO , THIS IS NOT RIGHT FOR YOU TO BANNED METHOL CIG

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Brenda Tabele (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:15 PM
To: TPSAC

To whom it may concern,
I am against scientist or the government banning menthol cigarettes it is my choice to smoke not yours. We are no longer able to smoke in most places. and in my opinion you should not have the right to dictate the flavor of the cigarettes that I smoke. The reason I live in the United States of America is for my right to freedom to choose for myself. If I die of cancer then that is what God chooses. Many people have lived well into there 80's and smoked.

Thank You
Brenda Tabele

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lisa Sells (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:20 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

i have been a menthol cigarette smoker for many years. i dont have the smokers cough that many of my non-menthol smokers have. taking menthol cigarettes off the market would greatly decrease your sells. Many menthol smokers would most likely quit smoking. I perferr to smoke menthol.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless mobile phone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Germany Bennett (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:21 PM
To: TPSAC

To whom it may concern,

As a Newport Consumer, I don't think it's right nor fair that u want to ban menthol brand products. Just because you may like non-menthol brand products, doesn't mean the rest of the world does. Everyone knows its a money game. You're non-menthol brands aren't selling, so if u stop selling menthol products consumers that want to smoke, don't have a choice but to buy the non-menthol products. Which in turn will make ur sales of non-methol products increase.

Thank You for Your Time,

Germany Bennett

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: James Grondin (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

Stop screwing around with my cigarettes! I understand you are holding hearings to determine whether menthol cigs will be banned, restricted or treated differently than other cigs.

I smoke menthols, I have for years. I am an adult who is entitled to make my own decisions about things that are legal, even if they are harmful to me. The government tax increases on every level-- federal, state and local-- constitute an unfair tax burden on consumers like me, most of which are lower income and minority. This is unfair, regressive and racist! Stop it now and leave us smokers alone!

Anyway, if you are right, we will die soon anyway lol... so at least let us enjoy our lives for now. Govt intrusion sucks!

- Jim Grondin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kim Burge (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:23 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: It is a persons right to choose menthol or non menthol

Stay out of a persons rights. No ones decision but our own to make choice whether or not to smoke menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Robin Cochran (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:22 PM
To: TPSAC

I think it is our right to smoke what ever cigarettes mentol or otherwise we are not breaking any law

Sent from my Palm Pixi on the Now Network from Sprint

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: willie wasson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:24 PM
To: TPSAC

To Whom It May Concern,

Why all of a sudden is the Government stiking their noses in our personal business. I am 69 years ol started smoking Menthil cigarettes at age 11. I am still going strong do not have cancer or bad lungs.

m Please leave us alone to make our own mistakes and decisions.

**Sincerely,
Willanna Wasson**

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: STOP controlling MY life

Is this the USA we live in? If menthol is legal why are we banning it?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: hello

since we all have to die if a person should make their on decision to smoke if we wanna no one else have to choose for them

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

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- Jim Grondin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol life

To whom this may concern. I would like more info on the new laws giving power to the fda about menthol cigarettes. Or at least your stand on this issue

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Billybuttons Dolls (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:29 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

No one has the right to ban menthol cigarettes we live in America where it freedom rings.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Randy Wiksten (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:29 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

DO NOT BAN MENTHOL <http://mail.yimg.com/us.yimg.com/i/mesg/tsmileys2/12.gif>. I VOTE

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:29 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: MENTHOL

SINCE I AM IN THE PROCESS OF KILLING MYSELF BY SMOKING AMERICAN

TOBACCO, DO NOT TAKE AWAY MY RIGHT TO NEWPORT MENTHOL!!!!

THANK YOU

DONNA
VOTER FROM NEW JERSEY

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Donald Wilbur (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Don't ban menthol, you are taking away my rights.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:33 PM
To: TPSAC

Please help me quit

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Soni Stone (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:34 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

I feel there is enough government intervention in our lives.

Personal choices are just that. I fully understand the ills of cigarette smoking but still feel that my personal choices should not be regulated by the government.

Please keep this in mind when making a decision about menthol cigarettes.

Thank you.

Sondra L Stone

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michael (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:36 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes!

Attention:

I wish to protest the banning of Menthol in cigarettes. I have been smoking both menthol and non-menthol cigarettes with no negative impact in smoking menthol more than regular cigarettes.

Thanks,

Michael Weinbender

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:36 PM
To: TPSAC

Pls do not ban menthol cigerates. It is my decision what I want to smoke. Non-menthol gigs are horrible!

Sent via DROID on Verizon Wireless

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kim Reidler (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:37 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

My name is Kimberly Reidler, I am of legal age to purchase cigarettes and have been for sometime now. Although I have not always smoked menthol I do at the present time and believe that is my own personal choice. I can not believe that you think it is okay to ban one or the other if I choose to smoke I should have the right to continue smoking menthol!!! If cigarettes are not ban altogether who are you to decide I should have to smoke non-menthol. It is my choice just as I choose to drink beer over liquor or some choose to drink whine over beer.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:38 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigs

Leave our menthols alone!

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: adults make their own decisions

now while you are trying to control what adults do with their lives yall need to be making sur more children dont have the access to get to these products but all tabacco products should be treated the same because when the chips fall one is no better than the other

a 32 year old adult that decided to smoke at the age of 20

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jeannie Mason (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:41 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarette Ban

As a menthol cigarette smoker over 21 years old, I think the thought of banning only menthol cigarettes is absurd. Why should menthol cigarettes be treated any differently than non-menthol cigarettes? Where is the proof that menthol cigarettes are more harmful than non-menthol? As a smoker, I am considerate of those who do not smoke. The ban on smoking in public places doesn't bother me. BUT THIS IS GOING WAY TOO FAR! As an adult I have the right to make a personal choice to use a legal product! What country am I living in? Last time I checked it was the United States of America; supposedly the best country in the world in which to live. Little by little the government is reducing "the best country" status of the United States of America.

This is just one more step in the wrong direction.

Richard Mason

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kay (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:41 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: No ban on menthol cigarettes!!!

Please don't allow them to put a ban on menthol cigarettes! I can't stand to smoke the non-menthol cigarette, but I suppose I'll learn to love them if we were banned from smoking the menthol kind! Please don't force me to make that switch!!!

Best Regards,
Kay MacDonald

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Phyllis Bell (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:43 PM
To: TPSAC

To Whom It May Concern,
I, as a constituent, consider myself eligible to decide what type of cigarettes I would like to smoke and I prefer menthol. Please don't ban menthol cigarettes!

SINCERELY
PHYLLIS J..BELL

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT BAN NEWPORT CIGARETTES

Please tell me why you are trying to ban menthol cigarettes. I have smoked Newports for the past 20 years

Thanks,
Jim Wetzel

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Christi Mounsey (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

I believe that it should be the consumers choice as to whether or not they choose to smoke menthol cigarettes. The risks of smoking in general are the same if you are smoking a mentholated or non mentholated cigarette, so why consider taking our right to choose what type of cigarette we want to smoke, away? This is ridiculous! Please do not take my right to choose away. Thank you.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Heather Smith (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:47 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ciggs

To whom it may concern,
Im very angry that you would even consider banning menthol ciggs? I enjoy menthol, and its my body that Im affecting. They have arranged the laws for all of the non'smokers, so noone is getting second hand smoke even? Why would you wanna ban menthol? What is it hurting? I dont see anything that it could hurt? Please do not bann menthol ciggs, Im sure we'd find a way to make them take menthol, and it proly wouldnt be FDA regulated, then someone may end up hurting themselves? How ridiculous! Thanks for your time, Heather Kohan, a smoker of menthol ciggs for 27 years

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kat Sirls (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:50 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

I am a smoker, specifically Newport menthol ciggs. I used to smoke non menthol, and I don't think anyone should have the right to tell me what I can or can't smoke. We all know cigarettes are bad, menthol & non-menthol alike. Just let me have my menthols.

PRINCESS KAT!!!

.....Cute but EVIL!!!! Things even out!!!
<http://graphics.hotmail.com/i.p.emsmilep.gif>

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<http://www.myspace.com/bluegillespie>

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:50 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: no ban on menthol cigarettes

If you gonna ban menthol then you need to ban them all. But I say NO to the banning period.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: kennesha copeland (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:50 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Hello,

My name is Kennesha Copeland and I live in (b) (6) I only smoke Newport menthol cigarettes. I do not believe you should ban menthol cigarettes.

Thank you,
Kennesha Copeland

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Corey Beckman (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Whats the point in banning menthol cigarettes? If your going to do that you may as well ban them all. But then there will be no money coming in from taxes so i doubt that will happen. Also brands such as newport primarily only have mentholated cigarettes now you ban them and theres business lost, possibly people out of jobs last thing america needs. Bottom line if people want to smoke let them.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Randy Leazott (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:56 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol ban!!

I vote no!!! How can they just stop selling menthol cigarettes after they have been out so long?

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:57 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

please do not ban newport menthol cigarettes-that is what i enjoy more than any other cigarettes.

thank you

mrs. ruth c. grauert

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kyla (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:53 PM
To: TPSAC

I have been smoking menthol cigarettes for 22+ years and I know that smoking isn't healthy n this may sound cliché. But I have four kids and been in many stressful situations, that an average woman wouldn't be able to handle. I know grabbing a menthol cigarette has calmed me down a lot, saved myself and others from me doing crazy things. Everybody is entitled to their opinions, but I'm asking that this company not to speak for me nor maintain my health decisions. I would appreciate if a ban wasn't placed on menthol cigarettes. Just imagine if a ban is placed on menthol, then people will be forced to try another harsher method/habit.

Thank You,
Takyla

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Heather (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:58 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newports

my name is heather i smoke newports menthol thts the only kind i smoke it is our choice to smoke them if we chose u cnt take that away from us everyone i kno smoke newport menthol its our body not yours we decide what we want n put thru our body im sorry if u dont like it but u have no right to chose for us i have been smokin them for years so please do not take them away from us who choose to smoke them thank you

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mike Me (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 5:58 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Red

You deffinatly should not ban menthols. I personally know a bunch of people that refuse to smoke full flavors.. I can almost guarantee sales will drop in large amounts.

Michael

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: lorie gaut (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:00 PM
To: TPSAC

I don't belive that it is up to you what kind of ciggeretts that I smoke. They all cause cancer an other health problems,so why does it matter if they are menthol or nonmenthol. It is my right as an american to smoke whatever kind of ciggerette I want.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kirk Dobson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:00 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Please don't ban menthol cigarettes

I don't smoke them, but I support those who do. Another right taken away.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lee (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Please don't ban menthol cigarettes

:))

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gary Longest (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I am writing you today to urge you to consider the following about menthol cigarettes.

- 1) if menthol poses no additional danger than regular cigarettes, then one must conclude that it is being studied because of a potential preference of taste. That is absurd.
- 2) Also consider the preference of Menthol amongst smokers in the african-american community. The idea of the government regulating based simply on flavor reeks of a "government knows better than you do" mentality.
- 3) Consider the implications of banning other things because of taste. While heart disease is the number one killer in this country, surely you are also considering banning bacon, beef fat, and other animal-based additives that are high in cholesterol while mainly being eaten for taste rather than substance.

I oppose the banning of menthol cigarettes.

- Gary Longest

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kerry (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:06 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport!!

Attachments: (b) (6)

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I've always smoked NEWPORT MENTHOL. I DON'T THINK ANYone has the right, after all these years, to monitor my legal habits.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:08 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: The ban

Why is it that certain cigarettes are targeted? Because the majority of Blacks smoke menthol cigarettes? Isn't it enough that non-menthol cigarettes cost less? I happen to smoke Newport brand cigarettes, and my brand is THE most expensive brand in stores!
Sent from my U.S. Cellular BlackBerry® smartphone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:05 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban

I thought this wuz a free country i smoke newports wheres our rights

Bobbie marchione

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Leah Rosen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:11 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Against Banning Newport Cigarettes- Opinion

This country was founded on the fact that us, as Americans, have the right to make our own choices, whether people agree or do not agree. That is what is great about this country and what I love about our country. Therefore, it is my right as an american to smoke the type of cigarettes I want to smoke, whether or not the FDA says it is unhealthy and has tons of research and facts to back there opinion up. I myself am a cigarette smoker and take full responsibility for my actions and am fully aware of the health risks. I have the right to the choice and am for pro-choice in many different subjects, including this one. It is wrong and its just another way for the government to control the American people and I completely disagree with banning newport menthol cigarettes. If you go forward and ban theses cigarettes you mine as well try to make America a communist country.

Thank you

Leah Rosen
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rob Hope-That Guy (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:11 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes PLEASE BAN, PLEASE DO BAN!

You would be doing this country a great service if Menthol cigarettes were banned. Yes, this will go down in history, but many lives are to be saved! No one deserves to die to an addiction that binds them.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:13 PM
To: TPSAC

We are adults and we should be able to make our own decision on what kind of cigarettes we want to smoke and the government and scientists should stay out of it.....
Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Joshua Niebrzydowski (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol Cigarettes

I do believe that this is something that should be up to the decision of the adults that knowingly buy and consume these products. I Joshua Niebrzydowski of 20 years old, know that smoking is dangerous to my health. And I choose to smoke every time I buy, and consume a menthol cigarette. You are all adults, making the choice to not allow other adults to do with which they please, Yet we are over the legal age and are legally considered adults in the United States of America. I would like to ask you to please reconsider this. What is America when you start keep taking away all the small things that make this country unique? This will make us just another communist country. We are a free country. Can we please keep it that way?

Thank you

Joshua F Niebrzydowski
Fresh Start Computer Repair

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: melissa llovet (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:16 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newport

Hello my name is Melissa and i believe that as an adult in the us we are intitled to our own decisions and i am a menthol smoker newports are my brand and that will never change. There for it is not right for the FDA to band any menthol ciggarettes from any brand. Due to the fact that we as us citizens are intitled to our own choices in which brand or type of cigarette we smoke, and or just like wether we choose to smoke or not.

Thank you,
Melissa from (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Eric Fox (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:16 PM
To: TPSAC

We are the ones smoking, so we should be able to enjoy whatever kind of cigarettes we like. Banning menthol isn't going to solve a thing. It will only result in a loss to the companies which use menthol in their cigarette products.

-- Sent from my Palm Pixi

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: kamariacxxx (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:16 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Its my right to smoke menthol.

Its my personal right to smoke menthol cigarettes. Why do u want to take my right away?

Sent via Cricket Mobile Email

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cindy Stroupe (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:19 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: RE: Removing menthol cigarettes from the marketplace

Gentlemen;

Consider this a commentary from a white woman in her late 60's who has smoked menthol cigarettes since the mid 1960's.

Having tried non- menthol at various times in the past, I have selected one brand and stuck with it for 40-50 years. It is the brand Newport, and I smoke the light version, now labeled Newport Gold. Were this brand to be discontinued, I would have to consider quitting smoking (ah, just what you want "me" to do!) as none of the other menthol brands satisfy my taste buds. Other menthol brands are too harsh/sharp, and the non-menthol brands are not even to be considered. It is now and always has been MY CHOICE to smoke. I have tried stopping through various methods, but, with the side effects of most methods, I have chosen to continue to smoke. Do not take this pleasurable recreation away from someone with few other vices.

CK Stroupe

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Hello,

I do not believe menthol cigarettes should be treated an differently than any other cigarettes currently on the market. There are many other types and flavors available for cigarettes and cigars. This is just the beginning down a long road of limiting any and all things people currently have the right to do only because the government sees it as bad.

As an adult I believe I hold the right to choose what is best for me and I do not see the need for the FDA to involve theirselves in what cigarette I decide to smoke.

I have worn the uniform and flag of this country and defended it's freedoms abroad and I do not believe this endeavor is worthy of the governments time or money.

Please reconsider and allow us adults to make up our own minds and decide how and what we choose to do.

Thank you for your time and consideration in regards to this matter.

W. Hudson (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Chanda Whatley (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: I love my Newport methods

Don't take it away from us

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:26 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: I agree

I agree and support the decision to ban the cigarettes. They hurt people's bodies and think that it should have been banned long time ago. Good job Congress

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Shannon McClendon (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: FDA ban on Menthol Cigarettes

I am a consenting adult who purchases menthol cigarettes and I would like to continue to buy them. If cigarettes cause the same health effects whether menthol or not it should not be banned from the market. I believe it is my right to purchase what I want to put in my body. It is legal to purchase cigarettes and this is cash market. I live in (b) (6) where some of the biggest tobacco companies grow. I think it should be up to the consumer to decide if they want to purchase menthol cigarettes or not. This is my opinion on the matter.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:31 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newports

I use to smoke Newport Menthol.....than your came out with Non-Menthol...I love the Non-Menthols better.

Jeannine Sims

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cougarxr1218 (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:35 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Fwd: Menthol Cigarettes should not be banned.

Dear sir or madam,

Menthol cigarettes should not be banned. By targeting menthol cigarettes, you are discriminating against the product. Why not ban Vodka ? Is it not a dangerous product in comparison to other alcohol ?

Why not ban alcohol altogether. ? Why not ban cigarettes altogether. ? We will go back to prohibition, and the violence that ensued.

You cannot and must not take this position as it unfair and unjust.

-----Original Message-----

From: Cougarxr1218 (b) (6)
To: tpsac <tpsac@fda.hhs.gov>
Sent: Thu, Dec 23, 2010 6:33 pm
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes should not be banned.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:42 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newport menthol ban

**PLEASE DONT BAN THE BRAND THERE IS NOTHING
WRONG WITH IT**

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Greg Tritten (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:40 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: who gives you the right

you people are way out of line trying to ban menthol cigarettes or anything else for that matter mind your business your worse than hitler I thought I still lived in the USA where will you people stop.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Justin Preuss (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: This is the Land of the Free, DON'T BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES!

Hello, my name is Justin. I am writing to let you know that Menthol cigarettes should not be treated any differently than non menthol cigarettes. They all kill you, that is well known. I believe I have the right to decide whether I want to smoke menthol cigarettes or not. Please don't take this right away from me, this is not North Korea, this is the United States of America!

Justin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Melanie Vyvial (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:50 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

I am writing to let you know that i am aganist banning menthol cigarettes. I am an adult and i understand the hazards and health risks that smoking causes. But i am an adult and i make my own decisions when it comes to my smoking habit. Please do not take this right away from me. I am an american citizen and i believe it is my right to make these risky decisions.

Thank you,
Melanie Brown

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Norma Jean Davis (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:51 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: FDA METHOL NEWPORTS

I'M A 48 YR OLD FEMALE AND I'M GETTING SICK AND TIRED OF THE GOVIRMENT STICKING IT NOSE IN MY PERSONAL BUSINESS IF I WANNA SMOKE NEWPORT MENTHOL CIGS OR ANY CIGS IT'S NONE OF THE GOVERMENTS BUSINESS IF THEY WORRIED MORE ABOUT THE IMPORTANT THINGS AND STEAD OF OUR PERSONAL LIVES THINGS WOULD BE BETTER CIGS ARE LEGAL SO WHY THE HELL DOES THE GOVERNMENT HAVE THE RIGHT TO TELL US WHERE, WHEN, HOW OR WHAT KIND OF CIG WE CAN SMOKE IN PLAIN ENGLISH MIND YOUR OWN **In** BUSINESS
accordan

In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above word has been deleted.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Karen Strode (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:51 PM
To: TPSAC

Do not ban menthol cigarettes i don't see where there is any different between non menthol and menthol. I have smoked both and I have not gotten anything from either and I am now 54 and in good health. I prefer menthol and I see it this way you should lets us choice for ourself if we want to smoke or not. You raise the prices and I still smoke so let me choice for my self what I want to do. Stop tring to froce people to stop smokeing. My mom smoked for year and died by getting hit by a car not from cancer and she was 89. So please stop the madness.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:55 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: No Ban

About the ban on Menthol Cigarettes... cigarettes are cigarettes. Menthol or Non-menthol, people are going to smoke. I believe that if you put a ban on menthol, people are just going to switch to non. The decision is ridiculous and I hope you think about it before you vote. I doesn't matter what brand they smoke, just that their smoking!

Candy Best
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sarina Hart (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:58 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC

HOW DARE YOU TRY AND BAN SOMETHING THAT PEOPLE PAY FOR THEMSELVES. NO ONE ASK THE GOVERMENT TO BUY THEM CIGGERRETES. BAN SOME OF THIS MEDICINE THAT ARE KILLING PEOPLE MORE THAN CIGGERETTES GET A GRIP PLEASE THIS IS AWFUL AND REALLY STUPID IF YOU ARE GONE TO BAN BAN THEM ALL.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Danny Farrando (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:58 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Menthol cigarettes are my life. please do not ban them

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Pat Ambrose (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 6:59 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning of Menthol in Cigarettes

Are you kidding me? This is an outrage. I am a professional 35 year old male, and I think that this possible ban on menthol in cigarettes is completely absurd. Let alone the fact that most of our rights are single handedly being taken from us as citizens of a country that is supposed to be free. In my opinion, this research should not even be considered!! We are allowed to make our own decisions as citizens of the United States.

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: raquel montliano (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:00 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

please do not ban menthol cigarettes they have the same hazards as non menthols and it is our choice as a person to smoke menthol if we choose

!!! LA WERA !!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Elite (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:01 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Cigarette r not safe

Sent from my Verizon Wireless Phone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:01 PM
To: TPSAC; "<tpsac">@fda.hhs.gov
Subject: ban on Newport cigarettes

I think it really rascist to ban Menthol Cigarettes.....America is doing evrything to attack African American citizens....What will you do when we all leave America....You will still be hurting?/// Leave us alone.....Do not ban Newport cigarettes because White people smoke them also.....they also smoke menthol cigarettes too.....

Thank you.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: James Ellis (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: You ban on menthol cigarettes

I think that the ban on menthol cigarettes is rediculous...they should not be treated any different than non-menthols...ALL cigarettes cause cancer...and if i want to pick my poison of menthol induced cancer then i should be able to have that choice with no contraversy...or interference from the government...honestly if you are going to ban menthol cigarettes you might as well legalize pot because there will be alot more road rage...alot more murders..just all around alot of extra drama and crimes that are not needed at all...just something to think about it while you are making your decision

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rob Liss (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Please DO NOT ban menthol cigarettes! They aren't any more harmful than non-menthol cigarettes! It also would be very unfair to businesses that sell primarily menthol cigarettes such as Newport and Kool. Menthol is healthy. It is used in cough drops and helps sore throats. Banning menthol cigarettes would be a horribly negligent, unfair, and nasty thing to do to us adults that choose to enjoy the deliciously enhanced flavor and feeling that comes with menthol cigarettes. Thank you for taking the time to read my opinion.

- Robert Liss

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michelle Lee (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:08 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: FDA AND MENTHOL CIGARETTES

Please think about this before making a decision on banning or restricting menthol cigarettes.

I am a smoker for many years and my choice is menthol! It seems like the people are having to give up their rights as citizens of the United States of America! I am 44 years old and I am over the legal age to smoke and I obey the law and do smoke only in designated areas and obey the law!

Please explain to me why you want to not only take away my right to buy the kind of legal cigarettes I like, but would cause a company to probably go out of business and many people losing their jobs! Us as citizens are losing more rights everyday!

We do not have voices not even when cigarettes doubled because of the tax! Now you want to choose for us what kind of cigarettes to buy! When will it stop? I believe that some things are not good for us, but it is our choice to use it, my gosh it is legal and we are if age!

There are other things that effect our lives but we still have to live and it really is our choice! Otherwise we really do not stand as THE UNITED STATE OF AMERICA IN WHICH WE STAND! WE USED TO BE KNOWN FOR FREEDOM! Whatever happened to our country, and I really do not want to hear about the politicians blaming one another!

Thank you!

(b) (6)

Sent from Michelle's iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mary Best (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:07 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: Kevin Best; (b) (6)
Subject: ban/ menthol cigarettes should be treated like other cigarettes/tobacco

To Whom It May Concern

Menthol cigarettes/tobacco should be treated the same as any other cigarettes/tobacco.

The American consumer has a right to be able to choose what they want to buy, It is not the governments place to tell us what we can buy.

You have to be 18 years of age to buy cigarettes/tobacco, And an adult can make decision's for themselves we don't need anyone making our decision's for us.

Thank you
Mary J. Best

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:09 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes. I agree all cigarettes are harmful, but I do not believe menthol are any worse than regular. Let us make our own adult choices. This is America not China or any other communist nation.

Thanks,
Brian K. Spencer

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Allysia Hansen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:12 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigs

I think you should let us as people choose what we want to smoke. Rather its menthol or not. There are better thing you guys can do. I think its our choice. There are people who only smoke menthol and I am one of those people. Most black people smoke menthols anyway. Yall are getting way ahead of yourselves. The government should be worrying about the unsolved homicides and putting the right people behind bars. I also think you should legalize marijuana because its not hurting anybody and isnt any worse than alcohol.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ashman (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:14 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: What happened to Freedom of Choice?

Everyone above the age of 18 has the right to make a choice of what kind of cigarette they want to smoke. That is our right! All cigarettes are hazardous to your health, doesn't matter menthol or not. We are adults and we can make adult decisions. What you are trying to do isn't right. Who are you to tell me what kind of cigarette I'm allowed to smoke? This is my life not yours!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:16 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

People should have the right smoke or not smoke menthol cigarettes if they wish to.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: James Meskunas (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:19 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarette ban

In my humble opinion, as a person with an active lifestyle, cigarettes, menthol or otherwise, do not hurt anyone as long as they take care of their bodies.

I enjoy menthol cigarettes. Other cigarettes, do not not give me the satisfaction that menthol cigarettes do.

I ask you not to take away something I enjoy.

Sincerely,

Jim Meskunas

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amy King (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:19 PM
To: TPSAC

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes. Adults should have the right to decide what they smoke as long as its legal. Let us have our freedom like we are suppose to have!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tara Hunter (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:21 PM
To: TPSAC

Attachments: --static--antiquepaper_b.jpg; --static--antiquepaper_c.jpg; --static--antiquepaper_t.jpg

Smoking is allready banned pretty much everywhere. Let a person make a choice which kind of cigarette that they wanna smoke. There is really no risk of second hand with the ban. So let the people choose.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: joe wiegel (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport and the FDA

I think that the fda and the government should let people make there own choice on what they want to buy and stop with everything that they are doing to the american people there are some things in this world that are not bothering anyone look the stop certain drinks we can buy what food we can buy and now with cigarettes snout is enough is enough the american people need to make a stand and fight for what constitution stands for and what our four fathers built this country to be you see it all over the news on what the fda and government is doing pretty soon this will not be a FREE COUNTRY ANYMORE!!!!!! Because of the government and fda and all the others that are making changes like this and one last thing please let my voice be heard to the right people about all of this cause if things are right about december 21, 2012 will all this really matter then.....

Thank You
Joe

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: millie mercado (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:27 PM
To: TPSAC

i feeling we the people have the right to choose what kind of cigarrets we smoke soon the goverment is going to tell us what toilet tissue to use or what to wear or how to walk where are rights

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:28 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Untitled

Hello I am a Newport smoker and I dont believe that the decision that you are making is fair in consideration of the fact that we are all aware of the cosequences of cigarettes that you should be allowed to make this decision on behalf of smokers everwhere!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Carrie (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:28 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

This law is STUPID! All adults have the right to make their own choices. We all know what kind of risks we are taking when we start smoking. I am totally against banning menthol cigarettes. Why don't u fight for something worth fighting for? How about more laws protecting our children from child molesters???

Carrie Hanlon
Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:30 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

To whom it may concern:

My name is Debra Pekar and I am writing to protest the ban on Menthol Cigarettes.

I am a 53 yr old adult women who has been smoking Menthol Cigarettes for over 30 yrs. I choose Menthol over Non-Menthol because of the cool flavor it leaves in your mouth.

I have tried Non-Menthol many times over the years and found that they taste like smoking cardboard. I will never smoke them in the future.

I think it's ridiculous that every time that the United States Government decides to either raise our taxes or put a ban on something, it's always Cigarettes.

What about Alcohol? It causes more deaths, not only in accidental death by drunk drivers, but also in teenage drinking and Alcohol poisoning.

Not to mention, how in the world do you Justify our youth going into Battle at the early age of 18 yrs of age to fight and die for our Country and our Freedom, but not allow them to at least drink. I think this is a one sided opinion with the greater powers of our Government. If they can Die fighting for our Country they should at least be able to have a few drinks when on leave, providing they come home alive.

Is this because most of the Government Officials don't smoke, but almost all of them drink. It can not be denied, as I have been to many a Political Fundraiser and Alcohol has always been a priority at these events.

I further believe that if we were in such Finical Debt and need to raise taxes on Cigarettes, that we should also raise taxes on Alcohol. Ban all Alcohol with 100% Alcohol intake. Make it much harder a punishment for Drunk Drivers, especially those who have actually killed someone's loved one, just because they don't know their limits.

Thank you very much for letting me speak my peace, and I would hope that when you have read my entire letter, you'd take a better look into this issue as well as others.

Debra Pekar

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:30 PM
To: TPSAC

I think not just menthol but all cigarettes should be ban my deapest symphothy to all thoes dying or who have died do to smoke related illnessess

Sent from my T-Mobile myTouch 3G Slide

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: kenya stanford (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:33 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol

I don't feel that you should ban any products that are legal. My reasons for that is if you can draft someone into war they should be able to smoke and drink without any restrictions and plus you are violating us as citizens. How would you feel if someone came in your home and told you what to do? You can think about that...I'll wait!!! I would you feel if someone took your hard earned money and told you what to do with it? Again think about it I'll wait. First the government made it an law about cellphones; now it about banning menthol. Have it ever occur to you people that you simply cannot get it your way all the time? You are fighting an battle that you may never win. LEAVE THE MENTHOL ALONE I WANT TO BAN SOMETHING LET IT BE DIP!!!
Kenya Sherell (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: carrie thompson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:34 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban of menthol cigarettes

FDA,

Why are you not banning all cigarettes? Mortality has no factor in your reasoning, but addiction?

Aren't you centuries too late? How many jobs will you kill? Not as many people as you let die all these previous years.

You're attacking minorities and don't have the guts to admit it. Minorities continue to suffer more than your rich asses will ever comprehend.

Let them kill themselves in peace, you know that's what you want anyways.

Why don't you focus on prescription medication testing for prolonged use. You sure let my

grandmother take Vioxx. At least we know the risks of smoking. She didn't know she'd be in a wheelchair in her eighties.

Do you people have souls? Or do you just waste taxpayer money debating what you already know and not study what needs to be discovered?

Carrie Thompson

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: DARLENE MASON (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:36 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: please dont

hello this is Darlene mason i am a Newport -menthol smoker why are you trying to band menthol cigarettes ? that's what most smokers smoke , what needs to be band is the Newport red they are nasty , please don't band menthol cigarettes you would lost ALOT of money !!

THANK YOU , DARLENE MASON

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tina Hadden (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:37 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

people should have the right to smoke menthol cigarettes if they want to

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mark Display (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Dear FDA committee,
Menthol cigarettes should be treated no differently than non menthol cigarettes.
All of us who smoke are aware of the risks.
Banning menthol cigarettes and not others makes zero sense.
Please let us smokers enjoy what we prefer.
Thank You,
Mark Sowa

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: karem horne (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Please stop this senseless act

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: tyrone sinkfield (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

This suppose ban that is to take place on menthol cigarettes should really not be even considered do to studies showing that there are really no more harmful than no-menthol cigarettes

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:47 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

I smoke menthol cigarettts now but I smoked non-menthol for 50 years and I see no difference in the two. Menthol are smoother. I actually smoke less using Menthol. I truly hope you and or you'r committee do not restrict the sell of Menthol cigarettts, much stop the sale of them. Please reconsider. Thank You

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kimberly Carroll (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:47 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Menthol

As a smoker I believe it is my choice as to what cigarette I smoke. I choose to smoke newport menthol cigarettes and nobody should be able to choose that for me. The advertisement is the worst part of the menthol cigarettes....encouraging young people to smoke because of taste. ALL cigarettes are dangerous...but so is driving a car or cooking.

-- Sent from my Palm Pixi

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:49 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: What!!!

I've been smoking menthol for 15 years this is STUPID.
Sent from my LG phone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:50 PM
To: TPSAC

I think you should ban all ciggarettes couse they kill people and others that dont smoke now they talkin bout putting more chemicals in them couse I bin smokeing since I was 5 years old. and now more chemicals thats attempted murder and that yall should settle with them and give back to the people that right to yall bout this like me im anthony jackson jr people that dont right back is addicted to them and yall need to do the right thing im happy that yall tryin to do the right thing

Sent from my T-Mobile myTouch 3G Slide

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mike Wells (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:43 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on menthol cigarettes

To whom it may concern,

Banning a particular brand or type of cigarette based on whether it's "more harmful" is completely ridiculous. Cigarettes are unhealthy, period. As all cigarettes are currently legal to purchase and consume, banning a particular brand or type seems to be in someone's financial best interest rather than the public's best interest. We live in a country where freedom of choice is a RIGHT! For your information, smokers, who already indulge in an unhealthy habit, don't care what your findings are on this issue. Put all that time and money into something that will actually benefit humanity, rather than infringe on people's rights

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: William Joseph Moran III (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't Ban Menthol Cigarettes

Gentle reader.

I weary of cigarette ban NAZIS storm trooper jack-booting over my rights.

My right to smoke is guaranteed by our Constitution! (10th amendment)

It is my body, my health, my right. Not yours.

Stop trying to take my right away.

Thanks

William

William Joseph Moran III

(b) (6)

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Never open email with empty subject fields!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rcr (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: This is not right.

Its our choice to smoke a legal product and we should have the right to smoke it in any flavor. That's like making it illegal to have lime processed in beer or mint in chewing tobacco.

Sent from my Samsung Captivate(tm) on AT&T

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michael&Tanya Fields (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:54 PM
To: TPSAC

AS A U.S. CITIZEN AND AS A TAXPAYER, YOU GUYS NEED TO BACK OFF!!!! WE KNOW THE RISKS OF SMOKING!!! THOSE WHO SMOKE MENTHOLS KNOW THE RISKS AND MOST OF US KNOW AT LEAST SOME OF THE INGREDIENTS (FIBER GLASS IN FILTERS)!!!! WE PAY TAXES ON OUR CIGARETTES!!!! WE PAY YOUR SALARIES!!!! WHY DID OUR VETERANS FIGHT WARS? FOR OUR FREEDOM. WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO? TAKE OUR FREEDOMS AWAY!!!! IF YOU START TAKING AWAY THESE RIGHTS, THEN YOU ARE, IN A SENSE, SPITTING ON OUR VETERANS AND THE LIVES LOST AND THE BLOOD THAT HAS BEEN SHED BY THEM!!!! IF YOU START TAKING AWAY THE RIGHTS OF THE AMERICAN CITIZENS, WE WILL END UP BEING A COMMUNIST COUNTRY!!!! **STOP TAKING AWAY OUR RIGHTS!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:54 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

dont try that im a mentol smoker

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: krystal newton (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:56 PM
To: TPSAC

Please dont ban menthol ciggerettes. What is the reasoning behind banning one type of ciggerette and not all? they all cause the same thing higher chances of lung cancer, emphazeyma, heart problems, stroke. really when you come down to it whats the difference?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:57 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

I as a smoker have the right to choose the type of cigarettes I smoke. By taking away menthol is taking this right away from me, at this point I feel enough has been regulated or taken from the American people.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: LOVEY WATSON (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 7:59 PM
To: TPSAC

you have raised the price to the ceiling and now you want to take them off the market, why can't you allow people to do what they choose , we pay for it

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Band on Newports

Tihs is my brand the goverment is losing there MINDS David Williams (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:04 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban menthol cigarettes, im a smoker who blames methol products for my addiction.

Sent via DROID on Verizon Wireless

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Dina Rosa (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol Cigarettes!

To whom it may concern,

I am totally against the ban of menthol cigarettes through our FDA program. I am a menthol cigarette smoker and feel I have a right as a United States Citizen to make my own choices with my body as we live in a free country. If they feel it is a detrimental to our health they can recommend, but they have no right to tell us how, when and what we can do with our own body. They have no right to demand the ban of an item that I enjoy and choose to enjoy with my own free will given to us by GOD! There needs to be a stop to this nonsense of our government controlling our lives and telling us how we should live our lives. If i so choose to smoke menthol cigarettes I should continue to have that choice.

Thank You for your time and consideration,

A Concerned United States Citizen

John Jarrett

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Naomi Shaiken (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:04 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: 122310 Newport cigarettes

Importance: High

DO NOT BAN MY NEWPORT MENTHOL CIGARETTES EVER! I HAVE BEEN SMOKING THEM SINCE 1964 [I [AM 79 ½ YRS. OLD] WITH NO ILL PROBLEMS. LEAVE MY CIGARETTES ALONE!!! NAOMI E. SHAIKEN

Naomi E. Shaiken

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The most precious thing one can make is a friend.

Microsoft SPAM AID enabled

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lisa Kness (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:04 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: quit it or keep smokeing !

I beleive people should have the right to do what ever they choose; of course as long as its legal. and as far as i last herd. "smokeing newports are legal tendor". In other words if u take newports of the market you should have to take all cigs too ! dont be biouis.

Sent from my iPod

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Marissa Oliver (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:04 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigaretts

To Who it may concern:

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:05 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: concerned

I am a concerned person who believes it is our choice whether or not we choose menthol or non-menthol not anyone else's I personally enjoy menthol an don't think the FDA has any right telling me I cant have it so please leave them alone

concerned menthol smoker

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: howard walk (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:07 PM
To: TPSAC

I believe all cigs are bad for you. If you ban one it's only fair to ban them all. Not just newports.

howard

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:08 PM
To: TPSAC

It not right for someone else to tell me what I can or can't do.... Nobody comes in you're life and tell you don't sleep on that side of the bed.. That you now have to sleep on the other side.. So you can see unless you gave birth to us (definitely not me). So please don't take my freedom to choose.. Let me be free..

Thank you!!
LaToya hood

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Keila Reed (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:09 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban On Menthol Cigarettes

Please don't ban menthol cigarettes. I am a smoker and I believe that banning a flavor of cigarettes won't stop people from smoking. A wide variety of smokers prefer to smoke mentholated cigarettes but that won't change anything in our society. There is already a ban on smoking in public places, so we smoke outside. We are forced to go outside like dogs. Also all this banning is a form of discrimination it is also a violation of our rights as Americans. Why not ban alcohol? Alcohol kills people every day whether people are getting drunk and driving and killing other people or whether they are killing their kidneys. Cigarettes may cause cancer but so do certain job environments. Are you going to ban peoples' jobs too? Also tobacco is a major crop here in America. If you alter the manufacturing of tobacco products that will definitely affect the tobacco industry and their sales profits.

This whole cigarette thing has gone entirely too far. Think about what you are doing to people?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Joe Mims (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:11 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Please do not ban menthol cigarettes!

Hi, my name is Joey Mims. I am 26 years of age and have been smoking menthol cigarettes for about 8 years and I think that menthol cigarettes should not be banned for any reason that you see fit to ban them. I have not had any kind of health problems from them and me ,right along with millions more, would not be happy upon the ban of menthol cigarettes. So hear me when i say that they are not as harmful as any other cigarette and should stay on the market right along with all other kinds of cigarettes. Thank you very much for your time.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Marissa Oliver (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:12 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigaretts

To whom it may concern:

I do not believe the government banning menthol cigaretts is right. If the government doesn't want people to do unhealthy things...like smoking menthols then why don't they just ban cigaretts altogether. I would rather not have the option to smoke then to have to smoke Marlboro reds, but if you know anything about addiction you would know that I will. When the nicotine fit hits I will go and get a product that will supply it. I will not dip so that means smoking nasty plain tobacco.

I'm just saying if you want to help people just make them all illegal or while your at it reinstate prohibition. Alchol is also bad for us and kill tons of liver damaged alcholics every year. Why don't you just have the companies remove the bad chemical from menthols and leave the minty flavor. You have already taken the flavored cigaretts from adults (Camels) so they wouldn't attract kids. Please just leave us one alternate flavor!

Marissa Oliver

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:12 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Why?

Is it true that you are trying to ban menthol cigarettes? Why not do something more important that will help even more people world wide, such as banning the use of aspartame as a sweetener? That is the killer, and it's available in products that are available to children. I hope you get your priorities straight.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: jeff postol (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:21 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

please leave menthol cigarettes alone they cause no more harm than the regular leave freedom of choice up to the people

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Carlo Tancredi (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Let me decide

I personally feel that an adult can make a choice what he or she chooses to smoke whether it be menthol or non menthol

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Dnmcmullan (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:26 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport

To whom it may concern:

I have not always smoked Newport cigarettes, however they are my number 1 choice today. I used to smoke non menthol cigarettes. When I smoked non menthol, my throat would dry and become sore. I do not have that with Newport's. if anything should be frowned upon, it shouldn't be the type of cigarette smoked; it's the FDA that should be frowned upon for attempting to take away my right to enjoy a legal substance. No cigarette is worse than any other.

Thank you,
Danielle

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:26 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: The government don't care about what kind of ciggerts we smoke. The goverment just wants to find ways to suck more money out of us. The goverment can care less about our lives.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:26 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

the idiots have screwed up and banned everything else so why not ban you bird brain in Washington from making decisions that we can decide for ourselves not you or obamas cronies regards

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: noemi gonzalez (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:26 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: cigarettes

i think we should be allowed to smoke whatever we like how are you going to tell us what we cant and can do as long as we are not breaking any laws you should stay out of it

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rob Dudinack (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:31 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: NEWPORT MENTHOL CIGS

Stop trying to run our lives, its our bodies and were the ones that buy the cigarettes. It's getting kinda old with all this crap us smokers gotta go through now as it is. Pretty soon we won't be "allowed" to smoke outside the way it seems. So leave the menthol cigs alone and go ban something else or just go away.... yeah I think that sounds best. Have a good day

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:38 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)

we are grown people. smokers must be 21 to purchase & smoke. how can you take away our rights to the kind of cigarettes we enjoy. certain foods can kill you, alcohol, & other things. it makes it no better. do not deny fellow smokers what they like.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:41 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DON'T U DARE BAN MENTHOL

YA KNOW WHAT IF U DO PEOPLE WILL FIND OTHER WAYS TO PUT MENTHOL IN THEIR CIGARETTES, JUST LIKE THEY FIND WAYS TO DO RUGS AND SELT HINGS ON THE BLACK MARKET.

WE ARE AMERICAN CITIZENS WE HAVE RIGHTS. In ^d AND TRYING TO BAN MENTHOL.

WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY. In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above word has been deleted.

U FORGET THEY TRIED TO BAN DRINKING ONCE? IT DIDNT LAST. U KEEP RAISING PRICE ON CIGS YET PEOPLE FIND WAYS TO SMOKE.

MENTHOL IS SO MUCH BETTER THAN NON MENTHOL INFACT WHEN I HAVE A SORE THROAT THE MENTHOL HELPS ME

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Louis Cortez (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:41 PM
To: TPSAC (b) (6)
Subject: Possible ban on menthol tobacco products

Please do not consider the vote to ban menthol tobacco products.
Tobacco is what are country was built on and it will affect government intake revenues.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: MICHAEL HELLER (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:42 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Re: Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

Dear FDA,

How much more is the government going to regulate? It is getting a bit ridiculous of late. Now you are going to tell smokers what "style" they are allowed to smoke? Are you next going to mandate what we can eat, drink or breathe?

Do you not believe that most adults are capable of making informed decisions about their welfare?

Do you not think that smokers know it is not a good habit, just as obese people know that they have a "problem" with their weight?

Will you next be mandating their diets-say perhaps, "French Fries" are now banned by the FDA? Will white flour be outlawed?

Anyway, the purpose of this letter is to register my complaint re: banning menthol cigarettes. I sincerely hope you decide not to do that .

Thank you.

Yours truly,

Vicki H.

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:45 PM
To: TPSAC

I will still smoke one or another
I will fine a menthol cigarettes somewhere
Sent from my HTC on the Now Network from Sprint!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: MICHAEL HELLER (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Part 2 of my last e-mail

The science is clear and compelling. The best available scientific evidence demonstrates that menthol cigarettes have the same health effects as non-menthol cigarettes. Menthol neither causes people to smoke, nor deters them from quitting. A menthol cigarette is just another cigarette — and should be treated no differently. Menthol cigarettes simply give adult smokers a taste choice.

Thanks again for you consideration.

V. Heller

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Shun Johnson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:47 PM
To: TPSAC

we as adults have the right to smoke any type of cigarette we want who is to sat that menthols are anymore dangerous than any other type of cigarette. As long as the warnings are on the box people know that cigarettes are dangerous,addictive,and causes cancer it should be their choice.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless mobile phone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amy Brown (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:49 PM
To: TPSAC

leave menthol cigs alone.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tommy Gregory (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:50 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

People should have a choice as to whether or not they smoke. I have been smoking menthols for 16 years and don't feel that any government agency should have the right to deny my smoking privilege. Especially not the FDA who allows the consumption of aspartame and monosodium glutamate. Smokers are being taxed enough. I am fed up with our crooked federal government who continues to subdue the rights of the people while acting like it's for our own good. The bottom line is always \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$. Let's save money by withdrawing our troops from these unjust wars. Just a piece of my mind.

Love always

Tommy Gregory
Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

To Whom It May Concern,

I can not believe that the federal government has stooped so low as to take away people's right to smoke a menthol cigarette. I do smoke non menthol but this is beyond ridiculous to cencor menthol now. Ilea Rouse

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: flatbed001 (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:54 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigaretts

Let my Menthol cigarettes alone, you have other things to worry about, than to worry about what i smoke.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:58 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

This is absolutely ridiculous lets get rid of booze first then we shall talk about the depth of cigarettes. Our choice our right not to be told getting so invasive credit reports, background checks, telling us what to eat when most people these days dont have food or shelter my god man when does it end. There has to be something else to put your minds on this entire world is upside down. Get a clue.

Debra Berulis

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Helen Petroski (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 8:59 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newports

Attachments: --static--bg_hall_pumpkins_1.gif

Please do not ban newport.
Thank you,
helen Petroski

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: joann dinickle (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:01 PM
To: TPSAC

thats not frare that we menthol smokers should have to suffer if yoy ban menthol then you should ban non menthol as well

JoAnn DiNickle

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jennie Barrett (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:01 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigs.

Hey I got a problem you need to think bout what you are doin with menthols. it ok to have them if they low or lights. I dont think you need to take them off the markets though. I do believe that its our right to smoke.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:04 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newports

i have been smoking newports for at least 7 years and i dont think the FDA should be able to band them or any other menthol cigarette it is our choice to smoke not yours and so i Feel you are just trying to tell us how to live our lives and i think you should but out of what kind of cigarettes people smoke what happen to freedom to make choices in our own lives.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:06 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newport

please do not ban newports.
thank you,
fred bohn

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:07 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes it's is a personal choice on what cigarettes I smoke and I enjoy menthol if it were banned I would just find something to put in regular cigarettes to make them menthol again which would probably be more dangerous then just letting me smoke menthol anyway

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Victoria McNeill (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:04 AM
To: TPSAC

leave us alone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: April Curry (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarette Ban

Hello,

I just wanted to voice my opinion as a non-smoker. The United States is the best country in the world, where people can choose what they want to do, and when to do it.

Don't mess with that.

It's not American.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:12 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I don't follow your thinking. ALL cigarettes are bad menthol or not. They raise a lot of tax money for both Federal and State Government. Why pick on the Kool, Newport, Marlboro Menthol smokers. Go after the Lucky Strike, Camel, Pall Mall and Chesterfield brands they are non filter and probably worse for you than menthol cigarettes are. Through the tax on cigarettes in New York State you are forcing people to purchase cigarettes at Indian Reservations and buy their brands which you don't receive a dime for...In this economy take the tax you can get and leave the Menthol smoker alone...KEEP MENTHOL YES...

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: deborah johnson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:15 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Newport Cigarettes

my husband loves newport cigarettes, him and my daughter cannot survive without newport cigarettes and wish that you would not ban the newport mentholated cigarettes.
Thank You Sincerely

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Barbara Carrasquillo (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:15 PM
To: TPSAC

Yo soy fumadora de newport y no creo q tengan q suspender el menthol es mas suave

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: angela doyle (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:16 PM
To: TPSAC

I believe all adult's have the right to choose if they smoke menthol, or non-menthol cigarettes!!! If your going to stop selling menthol then you mine as well stop all cigarette sales!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gregory Robinson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:18 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Dont stop newport mentholl smoks

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amy Allen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:20 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarette banning.

Why ban menthol cigarettes? What makes them worse than the others?

Sent from Amy's iPad

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: djkepka (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I believe that adult smokers should have the right to pick the cigarettes they want to smoke. Thank You Donald Kepka

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Theresa Snelling (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:23 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: My opinion is no!!

I don't think any kind of cigarette should be banned. Congress just wants to control everything. It is a person's choice on whether or not they want to smoke! Congress should leave the voting to the people. If Congress bans any kind of cigarette, it will be a start of a bad thing and too much control.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jubal Rentas Jr (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I'm a Newport smoker. Have been for over 5 years. I would like to keep smoking my cigarettes. I think the people have a right to choose. Please don't ban my cigarettes. I cant stand non-menthol cigarettes. Thank you.

J. Rentas Jr. - (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: debra griffin (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:28 PM
To: TPSAC

Just wanted to say a cigarette is a cigarette, why band menthol? if anything you should band non-mentholl

stay prayerful and have a blessed day

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bobbi DeBault (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:28 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes banned

I received an email today from Newport cigarettes in regards to a possible ban on menthol smokes. I am a 28 year old woman, I believe I should be able to smoke what cigarettes I choose. I have 2 sons of my own and I believe it's my job as a parent to let them know and educate them on smoking not the government's job to ban things because it looks appealing to children. I see the commercials and all thatwe get it. If it is so bad ban smoking completely but taking away menthol cigarettes is ridiculous. Did you think about how much money doctors and hospitals make due to us irresponsible people who purposely do things we know will cause us harm. It's not your choice or right to decide these things or have all of the rights we had on the constitution been covered in crap from it being used as toilet paper?

Thank you for your time, Bobbi DeBault

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:37 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Very Wise Opinion on the Menthol Subject...please read and discuss

If menthol cigarettes are more than 50% times worse than most other brands, you still should not ban menthol cigarettes, just list how much more menthol is bad... on every menthol brand pack, I love Newports don't get me wrong, I smoke almost a pack a day but if I'm reminded everyday viewing tons of info off those packs I'm sure I will make the right choice, plus if people don't like what they see, you think they will stop smoking their fav. menthol cig. Only the ones who want to live longer can make that choice on their own. If menthol are 3 times worse than most cigs... remove them in February.

Manny Navarro
(b) (6)
opinion

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: otis Bridges (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:48 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I have been smoking newport menthol cigarettes since i was 18 years old, I am now 58 years old and my health is excellent, therefore I feel that smoking newport cigarettes hve no harmful effects.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Deborah Patrick (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:49 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol

Let the consumer choose, don't make the choice for us.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Anthony Nick Strum (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:50 PM
To: TPSAC

Please stop the war on smokers and do not discriminate between menthol and non-menthol cigarettes!

Anthony "Nick" Strum,
Sr. Management Analyst
Director of Development
MDStrum Housing, Inc.
MDStrum Development Group

(b) (6)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:51 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Where to smoke, when to smoke and now what to smoke. Why don't you just microchip me?

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: nikki euells (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Hello,

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes. I enjoy smoking Newports and the way they taste. I am aware of the health risks. It is my choice to smoke or not to smoke. I also think smoking is gross, I don't even smoke in my house. Everything lately seems to have a cancer risk, nothing is safe anymore. If your going to ban menthol cigarettes then you might as well just ban all tobacco products. I would love to quit smoking, but I just can not do it successfully.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gerald (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:55 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthols

I think it's too late to ban any form of tobacco. Especially a specific flavor because it is more harmful. Honestly, it's a cigarette, it's deadly with or without the menthol. When are congress and the FDA going to realize that no matter how dangerous cigarettes are, and no matter how much the price is inflated, people are going to smoke. Smoking is one fad that has yet to get old. Just think of it as population control. I'm content with my fate as a smoker. It's no one's place to tell me what I can and cannot consume. What you are trying to do just proves how those with power abuse it to mold society to what they believe in. Soon we will have to hide in our homes to smoke. It should prove to be reminiscent of the diary of Anne frank. The question is, will the FDA play the role of the Gestapo by forcing our 'free' people to such extremities? I guess only time will tell.....

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: TRACEY SULLIVAN (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:58 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't band Methols

I don't think that it's fear that the FDA can choose what brand of cigarett a person can smoke. I think it should be up to the indiviual who chooses what brand they smoke not FDA, So please don't band methol cigarettes.

Tracy Sullivan

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cassondra Carmona (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:58 PM
To: TPSAC

Hello my name is Cassondra and I would like to say that newports are the only menthol cigarettes I smoke. So I am asking you please do not take them off the market.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: olivia johnson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:58 PM
To: TPSAC

Please, do not ban menthol ciggarettes. The illegal black market this will crate will increase crime

Olivia Johnson

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 9:59 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: menthol

we as adults can decide for ourselves if we want to use a product that is legal
theresa

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: baby girl (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: banning menthol

As an adult I choose to smoke, and I choose to smoke menthol's. You people than tax me up the dang wall for my choice as an adult.

This talk of banning menthol cigarettes is outrageous.

Always and forever

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Greata Hutchinson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:03 PM
To: TPSAC

it my chose to smoke not yours.so how is it you can tell me what i can or cannot smoke.please do not ban menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: A S (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (Please Dont Take Away Newport Menthol)

I have been smoking newport menthol for over 20 years if you take away newport menthol then you should take them all away I know alot of people who smoke newport menthol and will not take a different brand for anything please dont take my number one brand from me.
Ambrea Spinks
newport menthol is the best, if you take it away then take the rest

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

To whom it may concern:
I am writing in regards to the new law trying to be passed in banning menthol cigarettes. I do not feel that menthol cigarettes are any more harmful than non-menthol. My goodness I thought we were a democracy country but more and more our rights are being taken away from us. Please do not take away our right to smoke menthol cigarettes if we choose to do so.
Sincerely,

Wilson

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: adrienne winn (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: ban on menthol cigarettes

I am a newport smoker, and I don't want to see them banned. I am 42 years old and have the right to smoke what I choose and enjoy.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: TJ Combs (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Please don not ban menthol cigarettes. All the articles I have read support the fact that menthol cigarettes are no worse that the non-menthol. The people should have the right to chose.
Thank you.

Sincerely,
TJ Combs

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Justin Vinning (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:15 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't band my smokes

There is no way u can take our rights as Americans and take menthols of the shelves
JuDeVi

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: walt &billie larsen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:16 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol cigarettes

Attachments: 17.jpg

It is my opinion that an adult should be able to choose if he or she want to smoke menthol cigarettes.We are not children that need help in our life choices.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:16 PM
To: TPSAC

My opinion is not to ban menthol cigarettes out of the question their all bad why do one and not the other!

Sent from my T-Mobile myTouch 3G Slide

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jimmy Brecht (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:16 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: not right

I am a 23 yr old woman and I have been smoking for a while. as an adult I don't think that you guys have the right to tell people whether or not they have the right to smoke a menthol cig. or not, its our body and if we choose to do it that's on us. how would you feel if someone came in and told you that you couldn't drive the car you have because its bad for the environment? its just not right because you paid for it and it is your decision to drive. I thought this was suppose to be a free country and the way things are going no one is going to be aloud to do anything without getting approval because you guys want to make decisions for everyone. why don't you guys just let us do what we want and if we choose to smoke that's on us and not anyone else.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Edward Roddy (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:17 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Opposition to Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to express my opposition to the potential ban on Menthol Cigarettes by the FDA. I choose to smoke cigarettes and my brand of choice is Newport cigarettes. Any argument for banning menthol cigarettes is not only unjust but absurd, in my opinion. It is hypocritical enough that cigarettes, and not alcohol, are singled out by the FDA as a potentially addictive and hazardous drug; and that an unfair leverage of state taxes are put upon cigarette smokers and not alcohol consumers.

Banning menthol cigarettes would be just one more regulation and restriction that Americans are not interested in having, particularly American smokers. And the banning of these types of cigarettes will only create a whole new black market for the product, particularly in poorer, minority neighborhoods where most smokers choose Menthol cigarettes; opportunistic individuals with absolutely no scientific or chemical background, and no concern for the public at large, will create and sell "homemade" menthol cigarettes that will surely be ten times more dangerous than anything that is currently regulated and sold over the counter.

In summary banning Menthol cigarettes is a horrible idea.

Sincerely,

Edward Roddy

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: ray delia (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:20 PM
To: TPSAC

to whom it may concern,

i am a 32 year old smoker. i smoke of my own volition and not due to an addiction. i know the risks yet take them anyway. i choose menthol cigarettes be cause i like the flavor. again i know the risks yet take them. regardless of the impacts upon my person, it is my right to do so. to enact any law that would allow my choices to be taken from me is unconstitutional. there are examples of laws that have in the past (ie prohibition) tried to force moral decisions upon us, that were later repealed because they were deemed unconstitutional. further more i can't wrap my brain around why the government is persecuting us smokers with outrageous taxes and regulations when it's the crop that allowed our country to form. are there defined health risks? indeed, but it is our constitutional right to take such risks if we should so choose. we smokers hae been informed and are constantly re-informed about the risks, we get it. we choose to smoke despite the risks. our founding fathers would be ashamed of the way "we the people" have been stripped of our rights in the name of public safety.

sincerely,

r.l. bellgraph

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:31 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

i have been a newport menthol cigarette smoker since 1994 i smoked marlboro lights for 11 yrs before that please do not ban my menthols i could not go back to a non-menthol thank you missy
ayers

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:30 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

I believe that banning menthol cigarettes is violating people's rights. You're just creating one more thing for people to fight over. People are going to go to jail for smoking cigarettes. Something that is legal to smoke. You have murderers and rapists out there and you're worried about menthol cigarettes? I really think that the government needs to rethink it's priorities. Alcohol is bad for you too, but yet it's still legal. I'm glad that I was born in America, but I'm not proud of America. This is not a free country. That is a joke that politicians fill our heads with.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Stephanie Allen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:37 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarette ban

I myself among over 30% of the smoking population am a menthol smoker. I am 27 years old and am aware of the risks of smoking however banning a menthol and leaving regular flavored cigarettes in my opinion is just like discrimination. I feel that if a ban is going to be put into place it needs to be in a whole and not just part.

-- Sent from my Palm Pixi

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Barbara Mungin (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:37 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I enjoy my menthol cigs, please dont take them away from us smokers..barbara mungin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bryant Hill (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: please do not bam

I am asking in my heart and soul that you do not ban Newport menthol cigarettis this is the only brand of cigarettis that I enjoy to smoke, so therefore continue to let americans choose to smoke what they like and enjoy, putting a ban on this is not recommended at all we should all be able to live by our US constitution of having our right to choose you have given us those alienable rights by our forefathers so lets continue to live by them.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: shannon knight (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

hi my name is shannon mcgill and i would like to personally tell you that i enjoy smoking my menthol cigarettes and it is my choice to smoke and yes i do know the causes from smoking but regardless this is my freedom of choice. i think you should just find you something else to study about because there are too many people in the world who smoke menthol cigarettes. why make something legal so long ago and trying to ban it now. we might as well not have any freedom at all.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: E Darrah (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: MENTHOL CIGARETTES

PLEASE DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTIS. I HAVE BEEN SMOKING THEM FOR OVER FIFTY YEARS AND I AM IN GOOD HEALTH.

THANK YOU SO MUCH
ED DARRAH

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amanda Sutton (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:46 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Stop the BAN on Menthol Cigarettes

To whom it may concern;

I am appalled by the email that i just received from Newport Cigarettes. Menthol cigarettes are no more harmful then non-menthol cigarettes. As consumers we reserve the right to choose to use any legal product. It is a personal choice for many Americans. I'm very unsure of what you are trying to accomplish by banning/restricting menthol cigarettes? I am very upset by this email, as I'm sure many more americans are. I'm sure no one will understand the reasoning behind this. If this is passed, there will be alot of customers and money lost.

Very Disappointed,
Amanda Sutton

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mary Williams (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:47 PM
To: TPSAC

WHY NOT LEAVE CIGARETTE SMOKERS ALONE..PUT YOUR EFFORTS INTO THE DRUGS AND ALCOHOL INSTEAD

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: William Boyer (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:48 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes.

To Whom It May Concern,

It is sad to hear that the FDA is considering banning Menthol Cigarettes (or the contents therein that provide the flavor of such). This is yet another attempt by our Federal Government to govern or decide what is good and what is bad for me. What about unhealthy fast food - why not ban every McDonalds in the U.S.? Why not alcohol, afterall, it is a causal factor in so many deaths due to DUI or alcohol poisoning? The list goes on and on - when will it stop and where is my Constitutional Freedom when you ban one thing and not another that is as equally and if not more dangerous or destructive to my/our health and/or environment?! This is the same nonsense that says "guns should be banned because they kill people..." NO, guns don't kill people, PEOPLE kill people with guns - guns are inanimate objects and make no decision whatsoever in how they are used. And thus with smoking, it is my free choice to choose to smoke menthol cigarettes. I am aware of the Warnings and even the potential/real damage/long effects of smoking, but IT IS MY FREE CHOICE/DECISION and you violate my Constitutional Right(s) if you say I can't smoke a menthol cigarette. Doesn't the FDA have better things to do, reserach or spend man-hours/my tax dollars on?! Thanks, Proud U.S. Citizen and Menthol Smoker.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Daniel Ermant (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:49 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: dont ban newport!!!!

If you have any information that will persuade me in the opposite direction, please forward it to me. However, as of this moment I am entirely against the ban against menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: becky armstrong (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:52 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: menthol

I Believe that we should be able to choose if we want to smoke or not. I also think we should be able to smoke whatever we like whether it is non- menthol or menthol. Smoking is a bad habit but that should be are choice if we want to smoke and what kind whether its menthol or not. Thank you for hearing my thoughts on the matter.

Becky Armstrong

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rebecca Ewing (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:54 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT BAN MENTHAL CIGGARETTES

To whom it may concern,

I am a NEWPORT menthol cigarette smoker have been for years and that is a decision i make an i think if you ban just that kind you should ban them all together and that would not go over to well. So please do not even try to pass that.

Thank you,
Abigail Allan

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Janeen Earwood (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:54 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes. I have a right to smoke whatever kind of LEGAL cigarettes I want to.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:54 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act

Gentlemen;

It seems quite clear to me that people who smoke menthol cigarettes are really quite devoted to smoking menthol cigarettes, and that if you ban menthol, the chances of creating a black market are substantial. What that implies in terms of the black market is that there is sufficient demand out there for menthol cigarettes that shows strong preferences for menthol, and hence, would likely source from the black market should a black market emerge. Menthol has been used without controversy as a characterizing flavor in cigarettes - a flavor that can be tasted and identified by the smoker for more than eighty years in countries around the world. It is also one of the most widely studied ingredients in cigarettes. Leave it alone, Let us decide, ITS OUR RIGHT AS AMERICAN TAX PAYERS NOT YOURS!!!

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Karen Brody (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:57 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

I am a healthy woman at the age of 31. I smoke menthol cigarettes responsibly. I do not smoke around my children, because it is my choice, not theirs. I do not smoke around non smoking adults. It is fully my choice to smoke. I do not danger anyone else. I think it is highly prejudiced to target all smokers and take away their basic human right of choice. Tell me, what regulations have you instilled on alcohol? Only the content and hours to buy. You do not tell drinkers that they are only allowed to drink red wine, even though studies show it can actually benefit. You do not only allow beer of one flavor, even though some would say light beer is more addicting. It is unconstitutional. At the same time, i do not agree with cherry, orange, or other fruit flavors being in cigarettes. That is targeted at a different genre. However, I used to smoke regular flavored cigarettes, and during a cold, I switched to menthol because it was smoother. I cough less and do not cough up phlem. That was 4 years ago. I beg of you, do not take away my rights. As a side note, I do not live in a state or city that has banned public smoking. It is my choice and my responsibility to not bother others with my choice. Thank you. If you actually take the time to read this. Have a nice day.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lawrence Godette (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 10:59 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't Ban Methol Cigarettes!!!

Hello,

My name is Lawrence and I really don't think that there was a lot of thought put into banning menthol cigarettes. First of all, that would mean that they never should have come out with them in the 1st place. Now people are hooked on them, have incorporated them into their everyday lives and you want to take them away? That's just like telling someone that they can't be gay, or like telling someone that even though your home is yours, if you don't pay your taxes you'll lose it to us.

I think that smoking is a freedom that should not be taken away and is helping a lot of people cope with everything else that's going on and is out of their control. Now I do think that there are a lot of things going up like food, gas, and other things that there's no way that someone

making minimum wage (\$7.25) can afford, but cigarettes should not be one of those things because that's one of the legal things that people still have a choice about.

Choice is being taken away from us general Americans and I must say that we don't like being controlled. Taking cigarettes away just seems like another form of control. To the average American, it would seem like there's a lot of things being put out that eventually get taken away, meaning that before stuff is approved, it should be thoroughly tested before hand anyway.

Thank you for listening and I hope you have a wonderful Holiday!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: cynthia mcelroy (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:00 PM
To: TPSAC

if you band menthol cigarettes then banned alcohol its not right for you to be banding mentholsafter you let them be on the market for so long and let people get addicted to them

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jessica Mack (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:01 PM
To: TPSAC

my opinion is that i dont think you should stop selling newport menthol. newport menthol is a very popular brand and if you stop this then it will be alot of unhappy people that smoke ciggarettes. yeah i know and we all know that ciggarettes can hurt us. do you know that alot of things in this world that us as people do can hurt us as well. i say u should not stop the menthol. thank you jessica mack

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: miller (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

To whom it may concern,

In reality all cigarettes are harmful. People know the risks that are involved when they smoke. Putting a ban on menthol cigarettes, is saying that Full flavor cigarettes are less harmful, which isnt true. This is America, and we have the right to choose how we desecrate our bodies. This ban is useless.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Doris hayes (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:05 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: This is unfair! Keep Menthol

I want to say this is suppose to be a free country. why are you saying we cant smoke menthol but yet we can smoke regular. Its the same effects. This is unfair!!! Keep Menthol.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Daniel Oneal (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:10 PM
To: TPSAC

idreally appreciate not taking away the only thing legal i enjoy doing . what happened to free country !! worry about ur health not mine u wont even give me medical insurance so its not like u do whats best for me anyway.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:15 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: In accordance
ith 21 CFR

What the [redacted] the deal? cause we poor and [redacted] ly black you [redacted] wanna take more from us?
now menth [redacted] s? wow! worry bout real [redacted] . gotta be mo [redacted] s can do with all your white
time you [redacted] have! plz [redacted] accor

[redacted] In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above words have been deleted.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kimberly Lerch (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:19 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: It's my personal choice

Menthol cigarettes should not be treated differently by the FDA than non-menthol cigarettes. Adults have the right to make a personal choice to use any legal product. Menthol is a legal product, cigarettes are a legal product. The government needs to get out of the personal choices of adults. You do not have the constitutional authority to insert yourselves into the legal choices of adults.

Kimberly A. Lerch

(b) (6)

"To the World you may be one person...
To One Person you may be The World." -Unknown

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Greg Machen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:20 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol ban

I believe that menthol cigarettes should not be banned. Dont take away this freedom of choice.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Andrea Williams (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:23 PM
To: TPSAC

don't ban newport's I like them

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Misty Holcomb (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:25 PM
To: TPSAC

I feel that all cigarettes are the same. They all cause harm to the human body. I only smoke menthol cigarettes non menthol cigarettes dont taste the same to me they tastes worst n hurt my chest really bad. But i really dont believe that taking menthol cigarettes off the market isn't going to solve an epidemic.

Sent from AT&T's Wireless network using Mobile Email

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: donnatanis904 (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newport

do not band them

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ashley (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarette Ban

I do not think our choice of cigarette should be mandated by congress or the FDA. I work and buy my own cigarettes and if I choose to smoke menthol that should be my choice. You want to take away menthol cigarettes but leave non menthol and that is not right. I am of legal age to smoke and it should be my choice what i choose to smoke.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jon Audiffred (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:27 PM
To: TPSAC

I am a legal adult smoker, I agree with others that say you should let adults pick weither or not to smoke menthol cigarettes. You should not treat them any different than any other cigarettes. They are all the same. Menthol gives off better flavor in it. I believe if you take that away from us people will still find a way to get them.

Sent from my Palm Pixi on the Now Network from Sprint

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jamiee Lea (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:28 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Against the Ban

I am against the ban on menthol ciggarettes. I believe that if a person wants to smoke Menthol then they should be able to...further more in my example i am not addicted to the nicotine...i love the taste of the menthol...now im not going to quit smoking if you do ban the menthol but i will be very disappointed...besides the government has already raised the price of ciggarettes so much barely anyone can afford them...don't take away the one pleasure that we have.

Sincerely,
Jamiee Roberts

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: robert mullendore (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:34 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigs

No one has the right to tell me i cant enjoy menthol cigs
thank you
elizabeth cruz

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Luke Cramer (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:34 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Our Rights !

It is our right to choose if we want to smoke or not , I could think of a lot of other things that are worse for the body then smking . Take drinking I don`t see any signs on restaurants saying no drunks . I don`t see the taxes going up on alcoholic beverages , but then that would hurt a lot of important people would it not ,but smokers will go get them . Their has been smokers in my house sense I was a child . None of them died of lung cancer . I don`t know why you thing we`er so stupid not to see through your scam . Leave are rights alone you done enough . Pick on the the ones that have to have alcohol . That kills more people in the long run . People are happy with their choices so quite playing God just because some one said you can .
Really we can think for our selves . So go work on laws that really need to be worked on to make our United Sates a place that our fore fathers were trying to do . They were not into worrieing about smoking .
We are supposed to be a Free Country under God .
You are dis credit all that , read the bill of rights .

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Eli Panayotovitch (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:35 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ban

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes!

Lorillard believes that the scientific evidence does not show that menthol in cigarettes is harmful, and that Americans have a right to make a personal choice to use any legal product. Some, however, advocate banning menthol cigarettes. If menthol is banned, about 30 percent of all cigarettes would become illegal. Prohibition of menthol cigarettes would lead to the illegal sale of more dangerous cigarettes through an unprecedented underground market.

Menthol has been used without controversy as a characterizing flavor in cigarettes - a flavor that can be tasted and identified by the smoker - for more than eighty years in countries around the world. It is also one of the most widely studied ingredients in cigarettes.

What have these studies found?

The science is clear and compelling. The best available scientific evidence demonstrates that menthol cigarettes have the same health effects as nonmenthol cigarettes. Menthol neither causes people to smoke, nor deters them from quitting. A menthol cigarette is just another cigarette — and should be treated no differently. Menthol cigarettes simply give

adult smokers a taste choice.

The evaluation of menthol provides an important opportunity for the FDA to follow sound science exclusively, and not pay heed to political or anti-tobacco influences. Regulators have a responsibility to understand the facts about menthol as they consider this important decision.

Eli Panayotovich

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: JORIE DANIEL (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:35 PM
To: TPSAC

I BELEIVE IT IS A PERSONAL RIGHT FOR A PERSON TO SMOKE WHATEVER BRAND OF CIGARETTES THEY WANT TO AS LONG AS THEY ARE LEGAL. MENTHOL CIGARETTES SHOULD NOT BE BANDED. AND THAT IS INTERFERRING WITH PEOPLE'S RIGHTS AS AMERICANS.

THANK YOU

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: false (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:40 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Cigarettes

YES! We have the right to make our own Choose Our they owner of the People or the Planet . no not one.

RB--savebygrace8 <http://us.i1.yimg.com/us.yimg.com/i/mesg/tmileys2/33.gif>

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Dennise Donahoe (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:42 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: menthol cigarettes

to who this may concern ive already been made to stop smoking in most resteraunts in most buildings i felt like my right to smoke is being violated if thats not bad enough now im told you wont to stop menthol cigarettes from being made or smoked thats wrong of you im 51 years old and i do have rights i have the right to smoke menthol cigarettes or any other type of cigarettes to my liking so on that note i will let you no if that is your intention i with help of my menthol smokers family will protest and raley together like the million man march out side your astablishment on january 10 and 11 2011 to be heard and to stand up for our right to smoke any and all kinds of cigarettes its not against the law to smoke cigarettes so leave us alone or we will be there to be heard about this matter dennise donahoe (b) (6) (b) (6)
fill free to contact me at your convience truly menthol smoking person with rights

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Arthur Mayen (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Why make life of smokers more misarable then it is already, Already we practically have to hide ourselves from general if we have to smoke a cigarette

I think making choices for people against their will is not a good Idea. Every adult should have a right to freedom of what they eat and smoke and what they wear

We don't want some one to research on Jeans Pants and then Governament decide that people should not wearing Jeans. This is like the Time of Church of England and witch craft

Please don't take people's freedom away

Arthur Mayen

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Carla Gonzales (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Menthol Cigarettes

I have been smokin off and on since probably around 1976. I have seen first-hand the damage done to emphysema patients as a nurse and now social worker. However, my choice to smoke has been mine alone and my ability to smoke has been restricted in (b) (6) to my car or home or out walking on the street or on the back porch of some bar so please, please do not restrict my rights to smoke anymore. I know full well that my behavior might set me up

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tanita Indelicato (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:48 PM
To: TPSAC

If you are going to ban cigarettes, then you ban all. That would include cigars, pipes, and regular cigarettes too. Alcohol and whatever else you deem you can make money off of is legal. You may not want to smoke and it is your right not to do so. It is not your right to tell me that I can't smoke menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Roderic Townes (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:49 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: No ban on menthol cigarettes

do not ban menthol cigarettes. We have the rights as consenting adults to smoke whatever brand we choose. To ban all menthol cigarettes take away that right. I thought the United States of America was a land of democracy not a dictatorship.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: ginger cruise (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:50 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban menthol

I am writing to u today as a menthol smoker over 21ys of age. I am asking you please do not ban menthol cigarettes. As a smoker in the past of non_menthol cigarettes and a current smoker of menthol I do not see any health related reason that menthol is any more damaging than non_menthol. I have caughed of a morning less since I switched to menthol ciggarettes, also most older smokers who died from lung cancer or smoking related illnesses that I've known all smoked regular full flavor ciggarettes filtered and non. As an american citizen of age I believe that I have a constitutional right to decide what and how much I smoke. Menthol or non it is my choice my body. I don't think that banning menthol will help nor solve the " smoking problems of america" so why ban it? If anything u loose a few smokes and a lot of taxes that we smokers pay will be lost as well. I live in (b) (6) we pay almost 10% taxes here. In my small town population may be 50,000 county wide @ best. Probably 60% of which all smoke . That's a lot of \$ to loose . Thank you

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Carmen Nieves (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: No banning menthol

Attachments: --static--bg_snowblue_1.gif

I know that smoking is bad for me! but that's MY CHOICE. STOP THE BAN!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: marie marx (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 23, 2010 11:59 PM
To: TPSAC

Hello,I don't believe menthol cigarettes are any more harmful than non-menthol. Also,I don't believe that menthol cigarettes are any more addictive than non-menthol cigarettes. Why don't we do away with alcohol,since there are so many alcohol related deaths.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:01 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I don't believe menthol cigarettes should be treated any differently than non menthol please do not vote to block their sale

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Donnie Harden (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:05 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Study

My name is Donnie Harden. I live in (b) (6). I am writing in regards to the menthol study you are doing on c

A menthol ban on cigarettes would only drive the sale of some type of spray on supplement sold by who knows how many unregulated "home brew" companies marketing it as "incense" or whatever they can come up with. These products would have no FDA regulations, no way of controlling the dosage, and no telling what other ingredients or harmful chemicals they may use.

I think it would be a terrible idea to ban tobacco companies from selling menthol.

I am already seeing spray on flavors for "blunts" sold in convenience stores all across the state. I work on petroleum equipment (gas pumps) and cash registers used in gas stations. I am afraid if you ban menthol cigarettes, smokers will use alternative methods to apply the menthol and cause far worse damage than the menthol used by tobacco manufactures.

Thank you

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Sent from my iPhone

Donnie Harden | Service Technician

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:07 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

please don't not take menthol off we have the right to choice and a lot of people are going to be mad not americans today
smoke menthol and it will not change anything people are still going to die and that's our choice

thanks,
a valued menthol smoker sara cook

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cole Steele (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:12 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Vote/Opinion against the ban of Menthol Cigarettes

Dear Scientists of the FDA committee,

It is in my interest to voice my opinion to you about the ban of menthol
cigarettes. I believe that as long as it is legal to produce cigarettes that it
is in mine and citizens of the USA to be able to purchase different types of
cigarettes that are constitutionally allowed.

I believe that alcohol is far worse to society than the tobacco industry, yet
there is no action to take the alcohol industry up for debate on whether to ban
it. Not all smokers are hardcore smokers and indulge in the occasional
cigarette once in a while. Smoking has been around for years and it has caused
no one any greater harm than anything else in this present, past, and future
life.

Please consider your actions, and especially in this economy, as it would affect
more than just the smokers if the menthol smokes were to go away.
thank you.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Laura Funches (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:12 AM
To: TPSAC

hi im a independen hardworking mother of four who's 35yrs old and i have neer heard of such i smoke newport only and i will continue until im tired please dont take this off the market cause u will cause more harm then u think ur's solving think about that while ur telling grown people wat they can and can not do

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Betney (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:30 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Newport response

I've been smoking for 11 years now. Started on menthol and I get sick off of non-menthols :(if the FDA were to ban menthol I'd be very upset and have to quit... Cold turkey :(it's not fair to the people who smoke menthol, if non-menthols are approved they should leave the menthols too. It's MY choice, as an American, to smoke whichever brand or kind I want. I'm aware of the risks & menthol or non-menthol, either way still has the same health risks!

Thank you for your time,
Bethany Hamilton

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: claudia aye (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:30 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol cigarettes

Where are we living? Cuba? Cigarettes are legal, and I as an adult should have the right to choose what kind of cigarette I smoke. It's bad enough that smokers right to smoke is restricted, but now you also want to tell us what kind of cigarettes we can smoke.....THIS IS RIDICULOUS!!!!!! Leave us alone already. We have conformed to not smoking in public places, but don't go another step, and ban the only type of cigarette I enjoy. If you succeed with this ban, you might as well go ahead and stop abortions too. Our government is turning into Big Brother. I don't want to live in a Communist, or dictatorship country. What happened to "we the people"? Does not our Constitution give us rights and freedoms? Well, I am the people, and I choose to smoke menthol cigarettes. All you will do is make people obtain them illegally. We have enough problems with drugs, and the crime and violence that comes with it(which also, I might add, would be eradicated if you legalized drugs!) Don't ban menthol cigarettes and have that add to the crime and viol. ady have because of illegal substances. Thank you. Claudia Aye (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Emilio A. Detres Jr. (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:31 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Please Do Not Ban Menthol Cigarettes

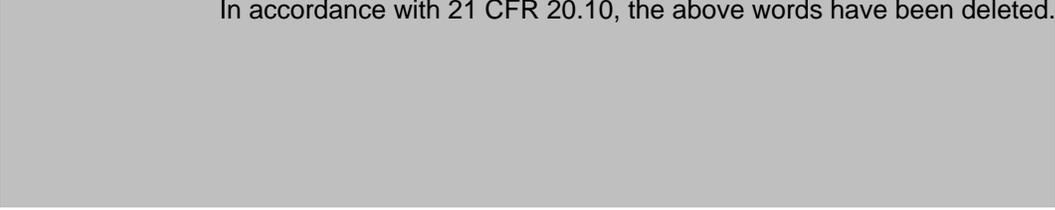
I implore You to not Ban menthol Cigarettes.
Thank you
Emilio

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Alicia Harrod (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:44 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol ban

I am a menthol smoker.
Preferably Newports...and they are legal...RIGHT? (yes they are)
I am 25 years old, meaning i can purchase and smoke cigarettes when ever i want!
The tax on cigarettes went up twice already and still smokers are buying them Right? Yes!
So what make you think that if you ban MENTHOLS that people will stop smoking? they wont!
The one thing that you will have is some very ^{In} ~~accordance~~ menthol smokers who are smoking full
flavors and arent gettin their need met!
We as legal adults have a choice to smoke or not to smoke whether its menthol or full flavor...It is our
RIGHT our FREEDOM OF CHOICE!!!
i dont think you want millions of ^{In} ~~accordance~~ menthol smokers getting together and starting something
to bring them back because you will have wasted you time money and energy into whatever overtime
you worked to ban menthols!
So maybe think it thru...is it really that serious now rather than oh say 25 years ago?

In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above words have been deleted.



Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Shawn&Corrine Nareski (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:47 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

I have understood for 25 years that menthol was worse for lungs than non-menthol. I say that if that is true, go ahead and move toward "No More Menthol". I hope that someday all cigs get banned. There is no positive side to people smoking.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Willard Ward (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:01 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

FDA,
Do not restrict the choices left for adults pertaining to menthol cigarettes. Treat them as they should be, menthol cigarettes should be treated the same as regular tobacco.

Thank you

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ikeiya Stewart (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:04 AM
To: TPSAC

I believe that we as grown people, have the right to decide what it is that we would like to smoke. If we choose to spend the money we work hard for on ciggeretts, menthol, than we should be able to make the choice of what we smoke. Out of all the bad and harmful things you decide to take menthol cigeretts? Give us a choice to decide what it is we would like, not what you decide! Thanx, its our choice!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Terry Clark (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:09 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: do not banned methol cig

Hello

I'm not trying to boast, I have been smoking menthol cigarettes for more than 35 years. I have been in AA/NA for 13 years. If my doctor says terry it's time to quit, it won't be because of menthol cigarettes. My mother on the other hand smoke regular cig(pall malls) and said after 15 years that she did not know that she was a "junkie" from smoking. now until you get away to have people be relieved from the obsession of smoking you need to find something better to do! I have more family and friends die from alchol and other disease than cigarettes. again I thought I lived in America not a socialist country! seems that misery loves company. If your family member die because of cancer I am very sorry. Can you do something about the shootings in my neighborhood! Can you bring my husband back, from complication from diabetes, can you bring my 29 year old brother back who die on my couch 2:30 pm in the afternoon. from congestive heart failure. Can you bring my mother back who die from pneumonia . give me back my sister who die from stomach cancer, my 2yr old nephew hit by a drunk driver! my aunt who didn't know she had diabetes @ 37 went into a coma and, who took wonderful care of her children the Dr's neglected to tell her she needed medicine! or now my sister who's a yr younger than me she grow another leg! Stop IT! But for the grace of God, their go I !! Oh Yea, can You give me a job, or get my house back out of forecloser.

Best Regards,
Terry L. Clark

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:26 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: about mentholcigaretts

to whom it may concern ,I think trying to ban Neports is wrong ,it is our choice as smokers ,whether we smoke menthol or non menthol.so please take into consideration our feelings .
Doris Boston

Thanks

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mine (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:26 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Smoking

There are a lot of tax paying people that smoke menthol cigg. And we will keep doing so , this is America not another country , if you are going to go after cigg. Then I think you should go after alcohol more it's legal and a lot of innocent people die from it everyday from drunk drivers. And it's still legal Hmmmmmm makes ya think huh so leave menthol alone , if you cut them out think of the tax money you will be cutting and it could trinkle dwn to your jobs getting cut like the rest of us americans hmmm another good point huh

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Karyn Charf (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:29 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Meeting Jan 10th & 11th

Do not restrict or ban menthol cigarettes. I do not believe menthol cigarettes should be treated any differently than non-menthol cigarettes.

Karyn Charf

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Janeen Prentice (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:32 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

Ironically, I got this email address from a mass email that Lorillard (makers of Newport Cigarettes) sent. They are encouraging smokers to petition against the possible methol cigarette ban. I'm a 30-year menthol cigarette smoker and I say BAN them. I have been trying to quit smoking for years, but I can't stop no matter what I do - patches, cold turkey, pills, etc. My mother died a HORRIBLE death from lung cancer last year. As her caregiver, I watched firsthand what a lifelong cigarette addiction can do. I'm still smoking - and with the stress of my mom's death - even more so. BAN THEM. As far as I'm concerned you should ban ALL cigarettes, since that seems to be the only way many people will be able to stop.

Janeen Prentice

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Barbara Wayland (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:41 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on menthol cigarettts

Please don't help make this a Communist country by banning menthol cigarettes. People have a right to choice and it is their right to make this choice if they want to. The last time I looked this was still a free country. I will be keeping up with this and will be contacting other officials about this situation.

Believer in the freedom of choice

Barbara Wayland

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Drew Harris (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:52 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: dont ban them

please dont do it alot of people buy them and dont take them off the market if yall do did yall will be losing money cause i buy them all the time

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Chris Loeb (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:53 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ridiculous

Hi, my name is Chris and I smoke Newport cigarettes. I think it is ridiculous if they are banned. First off the state will lose lots of money because of taxes and new York is in no financial state right now to be losing money. If people want to kill themselves, so be it. They know the harmful effects. If menthol is scientifically worse than non-menthol, state on the packs of cigarettes how it is more harmful. Please don't band it. I was a heroin addict for six years, and cigarettes is the only thing that helps me from stress. I eventually plan on quitting but not now. One habit at a time. Thank you for your time.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Stanley Lind (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:02 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do not ban Menthol

To be honest with our economy in the shape it is now to ban mentol will cut out a 3rd of the people who smoke where in the end the government will then loose out on millions with many other companies going under as well as cutting thousands out of work lets stop making the problems bigger by fixing little problems and work on the bigger issues like taxes and even other drugs that need to be off the street i do not understand why our country is being so stupid and playing this out as children i myself am only 23 but see where the issues are and we are far taking care of them stop wasting time focusing on little problems like menthol cigarettes

Thank You,

Stanley Lind

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: John Crawford (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:03 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: letter

I enjoy social smoking, at a bar when I drink. I am NOT addicted. I love the taste of menthol as I visit and drink. DO NOT TAKE THIS RIGHT AWAY FROM ME. OR FROM OTHERS LIKE ME. I smoke ONLY when I am visiting at a bar.
Government should not be telling me I should not do this. I have the right to control my own life and decisions.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: sean smith (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:10 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Cig

You cant take menthol cigs away. Do you have any clue what ppl in ny would do. 9 out of 10 smokers i kno smoke menthol including myself.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tia Springstube (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:51 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

We should have the right to choose menthol or non menthol. This is suppose to be a free country with freedom of choice. First they worry about taking the freedom of smoking away. Jack up the prices. Because smoking kills people. That may be but it should be our choice to make. What the government should be taking care of is drinking. We were rearended by a repeat drunk driver that was his 5 time and besides being drunk he was high. I was married to a wife beating alcoholic who almost killed me but obviously that stuff is ok as long as they werent smoking. Ya would think yous would be worried about the stuff that kills or injures innocent people and children. The only bad thing i do is smoke never drink or do drugs and i enjoy menthol smokes they help me get threw the fight for survival every single day. And now ya want to take that away to. I did not smoke in my home, i did not smoke around people who do not, not because i couldnt but from respect for their beleifs, even if i dont agree with them. Because it is the right thing to do. And what yous are trying to do is just wrong. Its like yous want more people to turn to street drugs and drinking, and all the abuse, arguements, and death that comes with it. And did yous ever consider how much money the united states brings in yearly from smokers, well if you succeed in ur quest to stop smoking what taxes will be raised or is social security going to be canclled to make up for the loss of that money. And people like me a single mother, i am working 2 jobs never get to do anything work and am barely making ends meet will be thrown on the streets and will anyone care in no as long as were not smoking. Cause heaven forbid someone who has no life cause accory have to work all the time should have the right to smoke and try and come up with a solution for my problems like a broken down truck and no money to buy the parts so i can do the work myself cause it will cost me \$600 for parts and if i take it to a garage it will cost me \$2,400.00 . I still get up every morning and start walking to work at 2 am so i can finally get to work and punch in by 5:55 am. And i work from 8 to 12 hour shifts then make the 20 mile walk back home. And jobs are scarce and by stopping smoking that means more jobs lost more unemployed. I might be only 38 years old but i have lived threw the worse of the worse and am still here to tell the tale and i have more life skills then yous do if yous cannot see this is going

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to turn out soo bad. At least for the little people living at or under poverty level by \$1,103.00 like myself.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Duston Rapisarda (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:54 AM
To: TPSAC

Don't ban menthol cigarettes, it'll violate our constitutional rights.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: autumn turner (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:55 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Freedom of Rights.. What gives you the right..

My name is Autumn Turner, I'm 33 years old. What give you people (FDA) the right to tell me what i can and can't smoke. I choose to smoke years ago. I never asking the goverment is this the kind of ciggeretts you want me to smoke. Thats rediculious. What is it because most of the BLACK population chooses to smoke mentho; So there not buying the ciggerettes the goverment has STOCKS in. Are they losing money? I don't see a logical reason for anyone (not the goverment or you people (FDA) to band menthol ciggerettes. I have a choose in what i smoke. I choose to smoke menthol.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tristin Grider (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:08 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: please dont band menthol

to whom it may concern,
hi this is Tristin Grider i live in (b) (6) i smoke menthol i dont like non menthol! everyone i know smokes menthol its not like non menthol is any better for you. It would not be right to ban it its our body we should be able to do whatever we want to it with out being told what to do. We dont tell you what to do how can you decide for us you already ban smoking from bars and drinking and cigarettes go hand in hand. And the way i see it if you dont like it dont do it or be arround it. so please dont ban no more stuff from us! KEEP MENTHOL CIGARETTES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! if we want to get cancer its our choice!! thank you for reading this and i hope you take the people into conciteration before making our mind up for us. Happy holidays!

Tristin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jeremy (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:22 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

you would be violating rights...it makes me sick....land of the free my ^{In} ~~ass~~. what do you do to relax? If it is mint flavored or not , who are you to judge? They make mint flavored condoms....don't they? What's next?? Non-mint toothpaste? Find something better to do with your time.....Haters. If you really want me to retort; I will. I understand healthcare costs of smoking but, you should be ashamed of yourselves.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jessica (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:26 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: KEEP YOUR MOUTHS OFF MY CIGARETTES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

It is still LEGAL to smoke...so menthol or non-menthol should not be an issue.

There are larger issues that the FDA can waste my tax dollars on (tax dollars made from the purchase of the very product you are trying to ban).

Here is a list of other things that my money should be wasted on..

BAN

Beer...so rednecks won't get drunk and beat their wives and kids

Malt liquor...it will stop gang violence

Wild Irish Rose...it will cure the homeless problem

Automobile...there will never be another person killed due to a drunk driver or someone texting..(we would much rather text than drive) and by the way, what are the stats for smoking while driving related car accidents..

I mean really FDA people isn' t consuming ALCOHOL STILL MORE "ACTIVELY" HAZARDOUS THEN SMOKING??!!

HERE IS ANOTHER ITEM TO BAN-----

Peanuts...save my son and all the little children of the world (the ones allergic to peanuts)..IT CAN CAUSE DEATH ALMOST INSTANTLY!!! and there are peanuts or peanut products in thousands of products..

Waste my money on the PEANUT VACCINE..get that approved
KEEP YOUR MOUTHS OFF MY CIGARETTES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gordon (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:15 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: No Ban

There is too much Government meddling in the rights of adults to make legal choices.

Let's draw the line right here: do not approve a ban on menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:58 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban of Menthol cigarettes

I don't believe there is any difference between Menthol and non-menthol cigarettes; therefore, menthol cigarettes shouldn't be banned. I smoke Newport Menthol and, since I am an adult, should be free to choose amongst legal products.

Sent from my HTC on the Now Network from Sprint!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: CATHERINE (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:25 AM
To: TPSAC

Please do Not ban Menthol cigarettes!! There is no proof that they are anymore dangerous or detrimental to our health than other cigarettes, cigars or chewing tobacco. thank you for your time. E.C. Crowson

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: pnut2you (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:32 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning of Menthol

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to ask you NOT to ban menthol cigarettes. I have been a menthol smoker for many, many years...we get hit with all the taxes, yet everyone wants to take our rights away...first that we are not allowed to smoke in most places and now you want to take away our choice of cigarettes. I don't understand our "Free" country when all the government wants to do is tell us how to live, how to raise our children and now what cigarettes to smoke....not a free country to me.

Please do not let this continue...do NOT let this go through....keep MENTHOL cigarettes. Thank You in advance for your time.

Patti Beaver

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tony Halvorsen (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:43 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do Not Ban Menthol cigarettes

I am a smoker, and a happy one. I smoke menthol cigarettes. I haven't had any problem with them. I believe if you are going to ban these cigarettes, you might as well ban alcohol also, and all cigars, and regular cigarettes. But, if the ban goes through, you are going to have more problems, just like in the prohibition era. It is my belief that menthol cigarettes are no more harmful than alcohol, cigars and cigarettes. So, please don't ban menthol cigarettes. Thank you for your time.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:57 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: ban

why would you ban the menthol . what is in it for you... you will lose tax dollars. what are you going to ban next.. gum with menthol flavor.. don't you guys have bigger and more important things to be doing... doesn't seem like it. now we know what is wrong with the government.. it hasnt bothered you before .. why is now... just leave things alone..

CONCERNED...

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:59 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes/tobacco

Dear Sir/Madam:

I believe that in the USA we have the right of choice and the right of speech and within those rights I want the choice to say to you that when I do smoke my 3 cigarettes a day that they be of the menthol variety because I enjoy that taste in a cigarette and for anyone to take my choice away is not within my rights and those of the American people. I would also like to know will you be taking away the taste of any other cigarette "flavor", I think not because the only other one I know of is "regular". Please do not take away the flavor of a menthol cigarette because that is the only type of cigarette I have ever smoked and if you think by taking away the flavor will discourage people from smoking your wrong because I see most of the young people smoking regular flavors not menthol.

Sincerely,

Jonelle Ferland Melendez

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Aaron Leese (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:24 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Why shouldnt I have the choice to smoke menthol or non menthol cigarettes? If cigarettes are legal (which by the way they are) I should be able to choose whatever kind I like. Especially when smokers nowadays are being asked to give half an arm or leg to purchase them. This is an outrage!

Sincerely

Aaron Leese

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: John Craine (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:28 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Cigarettes!!

Why is this country turning communist trying to tell us everything to do from what we are allowed to eat to pleasure items such as....wait let me think.....oh yea; Menthol cigarettes!!! I'm just asking that americans be able to still at least have the choice to pick what cigarettes we want to smoke as more of our other liberties are slowly being stripped from us. Thanx

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lori D. (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:44 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

To Whom It May Concern,

The government is regulating far too much lately. Personal choice is being stripped more and more. Menthol cigarettes should NOT be regulated any more than non menthol cigarettes. LEAVE IT ALONE.

Thank You.
Lori DeMaille
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Steve Konley (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:46 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: heil hitler!

Quit telling me what I can and cannot put into my body you **In** Health Nazis!
accord

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: lakrissa trujillo (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:47 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol death sticks

Please stop making menthol cigarettes. My fiance smokes them and I am afraid he will die from them.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Marvin Rogers (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:50 AM
To: TPSAC

How can you ban this product? Why is it that "big brother" is always telling us what is right? What happened to our rights?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Beatrice (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:52 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banding

I'm a smoker, and I wish I wasn't but because all the chemicals that are added to cigarettes, I am addicted. I don't wish this on no one cigarettes should be banded period maybe then I would be able to quit this nasty habit.
Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:02 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Dennis Dougherty. I am writing in regards to banning menthol tobacco products. It is in my opinion for the FDA to ban all tobacco and not just focus on menthol. I am currently a smoker and have been for many years now. You can not just focus on one issue. The enlarged picture " is all tobacco products" Try and do that. They will not. Why? because there is to much money involved with the taxes and all. People have a right to decide on there own. Is that not the foundation our country was built on. What would our forefathers think of it!!!! I have a freedom of choice, whom many others died before me defending this right!!!!

Regards,
Dennis Jr
Manager/Sales
All Pro Distributors & Designs

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Susan Pedersen (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:10 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on menthol cigg.

I am a smoker of menthol brand ciggarettes for about 10 years. I am 25. I have a serious opinion in the banding of ciggarettes. I am almost 25 and smoked since 14. I was able to buy ciggarettes and smoke against laws because even though in place still very easy to get access to for not only me but many other minors. Smoking is a legal drug very addicting, HARD TO STOP. I believe the banning of all ciggarettes is what should be done. I believe if we could get menthol banned first its a start and all types could be banned in the near future after that. Please take my opinion in to consideration for my health and many more teens and americans across the nation. Bann ciggarettes and force americans and MYSELF to quit smoking and save are lives. And stop these tobacco companies from making billions by killing americans everyday.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:14 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: In Regards to Menthol Ban:

Hello. My name is Stephen Scott. I am 23 years old and have been smoking cigarettes for 5 years. In my opinion, menthol cigarettes are just as harmful as non menthol cigarettes; which leads me to my point: If you are going to ban 1 (one) type of cigarette, you should ban ALL cigarettes. If you have the power enlisted by the U.S. Government to ban menthol, you should be able to make the conscious and beneficial decision to do away with the most harmful legal product in the World. This is just my opinion and I'm definitely not telling you how to do your job, but to be honest, it is the only thing that makes sense to me. I HATE smoking, smokers and "big" tobacco. They are legally committing mass murder and now YOU have the power to stop it. PLEASE help me quit smoking by banning ALL cigarettes. I do not want to die before my daughter (who is 1 year old) graduates high school. I want to see her complete high school, go to college, get married and, eventually, have children. As long as cigarettes are around, I know I will continue to smoke; which will lead to a definite untimely death. Thank you for your time. Happy Holidays from The Scott Family.

Sincerely,
S. L. Scott, Jr.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: steven stetts sr. (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:15 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthal Cigs.

It is my opinion that your panel is wrong. we are adults and we should be able to decide which brand and flavor of cigs. we smoke. all brands in the U.S. that are now approved by thew F.D.A. should stay the same. You are infringing on our right to choose. I have been smoking Newports since day one and it's just not right for you to make me smoke an other brand .

Thank you for listening to me in this matter.

Steven A. Stetts

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:47 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarette Ban

It seems to me that this is a drastic method to keep children / teens from starting smoking.

To some degree I must admit that it sounds logical but if the menthol product is banned, don't you think they will still continue with what ever is available ?

Creating a ban on any product is sure to bring a Black Market to the surface (anything that is not available any longer because of Government restriction will create a need for the product to be substituted by the Black Market) considering the High Demand for the product.

So now your no longer able to control this market, your taxes produced will definitely diminish / stop and then you have to try and stop the illegal sales of the same product.

Sounds like a Catch 22 in this situation to me !

What's next, are we going to ban the sales of Coke, Pepsi (The worlds largest soft drink beverage companies. I'm sure that would set off a huge Lawsuit / fight to the end) because this product is one of the many leading to child obesity ?

Let's not forget the Largest contributor in the world (McDonald's) yeah lets shut down all of the McDonald's because they are the leader in contributing to the childhood obesity problem.

It seems to me that the problem lies within the Family. I think it's every individual families right to decide what their children eat and when it comes to smoking maybe the parents could persuade their children not to smoke. Family intervention should come first.

We can't decide what's best for everyone, every family has different views on the up bringing of their child.

I know if a child decides to smoke, the parent is usually the last to find out but banning Menthol Tobacco seems like a radical way to control this problem.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Donell Bowser (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:50 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Leave Menthol Cigarettes Alone

Leave menthol cigarettes alone as it's a smoker right not the government to decide a person chose.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Allen Sarvinas (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:52 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: The home of the

Our beloved and beautiful National Anthem is being attacked every time a choice is made for the people. Gov'ts prove they cannot predict the publics opinions and choices all over the world and still, you try to impose your will. Leave the people alone and let their choices, which have created the wealthiest and strongest nation in history, be an individual right.

- United States Citizen

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: tina decicco (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:56 AM
To: TPSAC

leave newport cigarettes alone they have always been available the gov has always made things addict people and then try to take it away stop raising the prices as the gov is the fault of everyone's cig addictions and thats the bottom line if people are smoking the gov should be giving them the cigarettes that they allowed them to be addicted to even if it will or will not cause their deaths it is all the gov does allow this to happen and then complain about it over tax it and cause more damage than good with most things in life. the Obama comes into a total hot holy mess and is expected to work miracles and the republicans should not be in office as they for the most part don't care about being fair to regular peopl Obama is doing the best job that he can and no one would do it better anyway He is stuck with the bush's messes and now he gotta fix it all God Bless Him and His Family Great work

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ashley Whidden (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:08 AM
To: TPSAC

Why would u take away menthol cigarettes when millions of people enjoy them... They r no more harmful than regular cigarettes so why now??

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: LeeAnn Ward (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:11 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol

We have the right to smoke what we want this is the land of the free. James Nye and Lee Ann Ward

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: J Rohlfs aka Ole Scout Ma (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:15 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: The banning of menthol cigarettes

Why would you want to ban menthol cigarettes? I am telling you not to ban them because that is what I smoke and I demand!

Sincerely yours,
Jeanette M Tunis

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jeff Peters (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:19 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Allow Americans To Choose

As a voter and smoker that no longer smokes menthol cigarettes I find it unpatriotic to continue to look for ways to control Americans.
If you think we don't already know that its bad to smoke cigarettes your wrong. Nobody is ignorant of that anylonger. But do not take another option from us. Well that is my opinion and thank you for the oportunity to voice it.
Jeff Peters

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Alecia Rockwell (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:21 AM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I do not agree with the attempted ban of the manufacturing or distribution of menthol cigarettes & do not support any efforts to do so. Non-menthol cigarettes are not safer than menthol cigarettes.
DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Deborah Riviotta (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:26 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: MENTHOL CIGARETTES

DO NOT BAN OR RESTRICT MENTHOL CIGARETTES !!!
Americans have a right to make a personal choice to use any legal product. Menthol is not prohibited in any type of product anywhere in the world.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cristina (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:32 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: I am a smoker of menthol cigarettes and do not feel it is right to take them off the market. I have the right to smoke the type of cigarettes I choose

Sent from my LG phone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Trossen-Lusiak, Katherine J. (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:36 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I truly hope you vote to ban menthol cigarettes. I've been addicted to smoking Newport menthol cigarettes for many years, and if you ban them maybe I will have the strength to quit smoking.

Katherine
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mindy Fox (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:46 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Ban

I have been smoking Newport menthols for years, I don't understand why you want to ban them. There are other menthol cigarettes out there, & if people want to smoke menthol, they will buy a different brand if you discontinue your menthol.

Also, if you are going to ban your menthol, why not stop making Newport all together, it's a person's choice as to what they want to smoke, if they want menthol & you stop making them, they will take their business elsewhere & where does that leave you?

Thank you,

Mindy Meier

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bruce Forsythe (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:59 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

I think that if I want to smoke a menthol cigarette I should be able to without government telling me I can't in the so-called "land of the free." Adults should be able to make their own decisions when it comes to smoking because everyone already knows the risks that are involved but we do it anyway.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Laura Sharrer (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:02 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: my thoughts

i like my newport menthol and what does it matter what you smoke we should be able smoke what we want ive been a smoker for years like 20 years and i have good health please dont take my one pleasure away u would not want me to take away ur acholoic beverges away and that kills more children then smoking ciggs thank you

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:05 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Please leave the menthols alone is u arent goin to ban all cigarettes dont set people aside and take what they like we are all adults we can make that decision for ourselves u guys food and medicine and we will continue to make our choice u take them away we will find sumthin else maybe even worse so leave newport alone

Sent from my T-Mobile myTouch 3G Slide

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Doug Henning (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:12 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I think the FDA would be wise to NOT ban menthol cigarettes created by manufacturers. I think all you will do is create a black market that will not be taxed and could be more dangerous.. I find it pretty interesting that the government depends on sin taxes and then finds way to reduce them.

I think there is no proof that this will make any difference. If the FDA think that cigarettes are dangerous, why not ban them??? why not ban everything that could possibly harm us?? How about alcohol?? How about deserts???

Douglas R. Henning

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: jessie brogdon (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:20 AM
To: TPSAC

Hello my name is jessie brogdon and i understand you are trying to ban menthol cigarettes i mean first you banned clove cigarettes and now your after menthol which makes no sense to me i mean i understand that smoking is bad for your health and it can cause lung cancer i am an adult i know the risk involved with smoking but i think if you ban menthol then you ban what makes America great which is the freedom to choose the freedom to do what you want to do live how you want to live (within the law of course) and if you take away menthol's then people are just going to start smoking something else i mean if you want to ban menthol why don't you just ban all cigarettes because i started smoking cloves but when you got ready of those i moved to menthol's do you see my point? if you ban menthol then people are just going to find something else to smoke so why even ban them in the first place. I think you should just keep menthol cigarettes for the fact that people who buy them are adults they know the risk involved with smoking i mean ^{In} ^{accord} it is printed on the cigarettes box i mean i feel like this county is becoming a Communist society anyways i mean you tell us we cant smoke cloves and now menthol you are controlling the adult American public and this thing about how children like them well i mean the parents should be blamed for letting the child smoke in the first place i mean if a kid gets fat are we going to blame Wendy's for making kids meals NO we should blame the parent!!! for driving their fat ^{In} ^{accord} there it is not the governments responsibility to be a parent it is the parents responsibility to be a parent and whats next are you going to ban french fries or shut down McDonald were does the controlling end?

ask yourself that
jessie brogdon

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Deidra Sigmon (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:20 AM
To: TPSAC

DO NOT BAN NEWPORTS!!!! WE ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE A RIGHT TO BE ABLE TO CHOOSE WHICH CIGARETTES WE WANT AS LONG AS WE ARE THE CORRECT AGE!!!!!!

"No one cares how much you know until they know how much you care!"
Deidra M. Sigmon

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mary Hogan (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:28 AM
To: TPSAC

I'm 21 years old. The first cigarette I ever had was a non-menthol when I was 13 years old. The only reason why FDA wants to ban menthol cigarettes is because they believe the young kids are picking them up, but really if the stores would actually ID everyone I mean EVERYONE then we would have as many young kids smoking. FDA wants to punish all of us that are of age, because these kids do not realize that smoking is addictive and they only want to smoke because it's 'cool' and it's taking away our right as legal aged citizens to be able to smoke it's our right and this is a free country so why can't us of legal age smoke and smoke what we want to smoke.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Billie Owen (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:28 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES

If you ban menthol cigarettes, you need to ban cigarettes period. Cigarettes are proven to be harmful, although they are legal. Either they need to be legal or not. Menthol is a flavor, I should be able to continue to make a choice to smoke or not smoke menthol cigarettes

Sincerely,
Billie Jo Owen

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:29 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigars

all those cigarettes need to be removed out of market or increase a high prices menthols very dangerous my son is smoking Newport Menthol and that is like a bad drug depend from that nicotine or menthol is so sad see him trying to quit smoking and can not do it also that make him more hyper and anxious I would like al Cigarettes been discontinue for ever my answer is not.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lesli (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:33 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol cigarettes

I wholeheartedly disagree with the the thought or plan on banning menthol cigarettes. I believe as a taxpayer, a consumer, and a United States of America citizen tat is is an injustice to me and other smokers to take away our right to choose which cigarettes we choose to smoke. Please consider the opinon of myself and other menthol smokers before taking any action to ban my choice of cigarettes. I am fully aware of the health risks involved with smoking menthol cigarettes bus as stated above I believe it is my right to choose as a tax paying proud American. cont
or concerns regarding this matter. At (b) (6) or (b) (6).
Sincerely. Lesli Widner

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Traci Williams (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:41 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

LEAVE MY MENTHOL CIGARETTES ALONG DO YOU PEOPLE HAVE SOMETHING ELSE TO DO WITH YOUR LIFE OTHER THAN TELLING PEOPLE WHAT WE CAN AND CAN'T SMOKE.IF I WANTED TO SMOKE NON MENTHOL CIGARETTES I BUY NON MENTHOL BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT I WANT AND WHAT BUSINESS IS IT OF YOUR WITH BRAND I SMOKE ANYWAY. LEAVE MY MENTHOL RIGHT WHERE IT IS FIND SOMETHING TO DO WITH YOUR LIFE MAYBE YOUR BE HAPPY I AM.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sent From Shawna's Droid Phone (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:49 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban Menthol Cigarettes! We have the right to choose!

Sent from my Samsung Intercept™

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tara Grissom (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:50 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Tara Grissom

I as a citizen of the United States of America, believe that I have a right to be heard. As I am a registered voter. I do not wish to have my cigarettes banned. If the FDA is considering banning anything it should be alcohol. Which kills more people each year with drunk driving and alcohol related deaths.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: delores washington (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:01 AM
To: TPSAC

i delores washington truly enjoy smoking my methol newport cigarettes so please consider other people who enjoy smoking regardless of the dangers we may acquire.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:03 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

My personal opinion is that if you are going to ban Menthol Cigarettes you should ban all smoking in general. More and more we are finding out how bad it is for us and our children. Have you ever heard of third hand smoke? Well the doctors in the emergency room a few months ago told me that they can remove my child because I am a smoker. Just saying, if you guys want to regulate what people smoke, you should put a ban on all tobacco products not just menthol.

Patricia Baldwin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: David Peedin (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:04 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

please dont ban menthols thats all i smoke and enjoy.what if someone took your only pleasure in such a misserable world ?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Al Ferrer (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:12 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban menthol

I think we have a choice in this country and it shouldn't be taken if they dont ban regular cigaretttes then why ban menthols

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: belinda graves (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:15 AM
To: TPSAC

we have the right to smoke the mentol cigarettes.if thats what we like

Belinda Graves

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: peter gonsalves (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:24 AM
To: TPSAC

u r not hitler this is america we smoke menthols because we enjoy the flaver and it dosent dry r mouths like non menthols.u cant just dictate r choices of smokes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: AMANDA HOOVER (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:49 AM
To: TPSAC

smoking is a choice banding menthol is stupid when most people smoke menthol and it would loose a lot of taxes for the government because they cost more money than non menthol. If we choose to harm ourselves is our choice. what people should be looking at is people in bars are out there killing other people us smokers are killing ourselves. i know people that died of lung cancer that never smoked or allowed it around them. So people that get lung cancer probably would of gotten it if they smoked or not. Don't band menthol band bars that let people drink and drive and kill.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:55 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't Ban Menthol Cigarettes

I don't believe it's fair to ban Menthol Cigarettes. I, as an Adult, should be able to choose whatever kind of cigarette I enjoy. You should have no say over it. We pay huge taxes on them now. Why don't you take some time to pick on alcohol for a while. It causes just as many, if not more, health and personal problems, like child abuse, spousal abuse, and crime just to name a few. When has a Menthol Cigarette ever caused a child to be abused? Or a gas station to be robbed? Give us all a break and leave it alone please.

Thank you!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarette

Hello. I do not think menthol cigarettes should be treated any differently than non menthol. If the FDA is going to ban any cigarettes it should be all of them, not just one kind. I am a smoker myself and I smoke menthol. I know they are bad for me and hopefully I will be able to quit soon. If you are banning cigarettes, you should ban all of them; not just one. Thank you for your time.

- Jennifer Roberts

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jeremy Bitinger (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:08 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: hey

To me there is no sense of any of this. If your going to stop smoking you will , you can't push it on people to stop

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: LORI RIEGER (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I smoke menthol cigarettes and would like to continue doing so. I do not like non menthol cigarettes!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michael Kilday (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:13 PM
To: TPSAC

You are absolutely ridiculous to think banning menthol cigarettes is even remotely a good idea first of all if there is a ban ban all tobacco products second its america if I choose to smoke or not smoke thats my choice not the governments and last all you will accomplish is an even more dangerous black market for menthol cigarettes that will lead to more unkown health problems and a whole new area law enforcement problems but in my opinion the government is gonna do what they want regardless of what me or anyone else says but I just think this is going too far Michael Kilday

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: T R (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: My Choice

It is my choice, not your's, of what cigarettes I smoke.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: cecilia smith (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: Prohibiting Non Menthol Cigarettes

To whom it may concern,

As Americans it is our right to choose to live as we choose to live as long as we are productive citizens. You are paid to base your findings on opinions and research, but it is the right of the citizen to choose how to receive or commit to those findings. To ban the use of menthol cigarettes is taking away our right to live as we as citizens see fit. I don't agree with banning the right to ban menthol cigarettes because again you are choosing what I choose to put into my body. Which is my option to do with as long as I am not doing anything illegal.

Thanks,
Cecilia Smith

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: alicia rice (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't get rid of menthol...
Importance: High

I do not want menthol to be taken off the market I am a menthol smoker....

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Holly Peticca (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:43 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cig

It is awful that with everything going on in the world, you people focus on how much more you can control the american people!! MIND UR OWN BUSINESS

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:47 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: LEAVE NEWPORT CIGARETTES ALONE!!!

LEAVE ME CIGARETTES ALONE...
stop allowing all the crap you over look into our foods...

E rodriguez

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Traci Williams (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 12:57 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Fw: menthol cigarettes

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From: Traci Williams (b) (6)
To: TPSAC@fda.hhs.gov
Sent: Fri, December 24, 2010 7:40:34 AM
Subject: menthol cigarettes

LEAVE MY MENTHOL CIGARETTES ALONG DO YOU PEOPLE HAVE SOMETHING ELSE TO DO WITH YOUR LIFE OTHER THAN TELLING PEOPLE WHAT WE CAN AND CAN'T SMOKE. IF I WANTED TO SMOKE NON MENTHOL CIGARETTES I BUY NON MENTHOL BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT I WANT AND WHAT BUSINESS IS IT OF YOUR WITH BRAND I SMOKE ANYWAY. LEAVE MY MENTHOL RIGHT WHERE IT IS FIND SOMETHING TO DO WITH YOUR LIFE MAYBE YOUR BE HAPPY I AM.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:01 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarette restrictions

Although all of us who smoke, should quit, some cannot. Menthol smokes are one choice for those of us who enjoy smoking.

Treat them no differently than other cigarettes.

IF Cigarettes are truly so bad forego the TAX revenue and ban them all. THE HYPOCRISY OF THE GOVT AND THE FDA IS NUTS.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Why????

IF YOU TAKE AWAY ALL OF OUR FREEDOM HOW CAN YOU CALL THIS COUNTRY LAND OF THE FREE? TAKE AWAY THE FREEDOM OUR ANCESTORS FOUGHT FOR.WE SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE... WE SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO

SMOKE WHATEVER BRAND OF CIGARETTES WE WISH TO SMOKE... PLEASE SMOKING NEWPORT MENTHOL IS MY ONLY

VICE AND I WANT THE FREEDOM TO DO SO IF I WISH TO DO SO. THANK YOU

YOU SHOULD LEAVE THE CHOICE TO THE PEOPLE NOT TO A BUNCH OF MUCKITY MUCKS WHO HAVE NOTHING BETTER

TO DO WITH THERE TIME.... INSTEAD OF SITTING AROUND TRYING TO GET PEOPLES RIGHTS TAKEN AWAY THEY COULD USE THAT ENERGY TRY TO END HUNGER IN THE US, HELP HOMELESS PEOPLE, WORK ON THE NEIGHBOR HOODS ROUND THE UNITED STATES THAT NEED HELP HOUSING FOR THE HOMELESS... MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION ANYTHING BUT LEAVE US SMOKERS ALONE!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Wamnoh (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban Menthol

I only smoke menthol an everybody in my family smokes menthol. Even wit the rise in price members of my family buy menthol roll your own tobacco so in closing please don't ban this type of cigarette.

Sent from my iPod

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Haiey Brown (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:27 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Attachments: --static--fall2_b.jpg; --static--fall_c.gif; --static--fall2_t.jpg

I believe that taking our menthol cigarettes away is a violation of our rights. We as Americans should be able to chose what we want to smoke. Non menthol are just as bad as menthol. If menthol cigarettes are taken off the market it will be unjust. If menthol cigarettes are taken off the market then non menthol cigarettes should be taken off too.

Thanks

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Brenda Fountain (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:28 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do not ban menthol cigarettes!

Do not ban menthol cigarettes!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sherie Ragan (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

Dear Panel Members,

While I recognize the important works that you all do, I ask that in the same way you have your freedom to choose what you ingest, I wish to retain my freedom in ingesting menthol cigarettes. I am already paying a very high price for that freedom, not only in my health but in my pocket book. Since I am the one paying the price, it is my choice whether I smoke menthol or non-menthol cigarettes. As I see it is my inalienable right. My right to persue happiness in the form of a menthol cigarette.

Thank you for the hard work you do to make our food and drug choices safe.

Sincerely,
Sherie Ragan

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: James Hudyman (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:34 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Ban

Attachments: bg.jpg

Dear Sirs,

I recently found out that it is possible that menthol cigarettes may be banned. I'm writing to express my **extreme** outrage at such a suggestion!!! I don't know or, to be quite honest, care why such a ridiculous ban would be imposed but I'm sure that it has something to do with health reasons. I am 55 years old and I've watched, with sickening disgust, the FDA try to impose it's one sided opinions on me. How **DARE** you try to force me to stop something just because you don't either like or agree with it??? The last time I checked this is still a free country even though organizations like the FDA does everything it can to force it's communist style rule on people!!! It's **MY** choice what, or what not, to put in my body. While I disliked the bans that have already have been imposed on smokers I at least understood the reasoning behind them. I don't have the right to force others to inhale my second hand smoke and I have no problem with that but **THIS** is going **WAY** over the line!!! Just to point out just exactly how **stupid**, yes **stupid**, this idea of yours is, let me point out that too much sugar is bad for you. Are you going to ban sugar? Alcohol is one of the worst drugs that man has ever used. It destroys lives, health, families and even entire communities. Case in point, if you took your collective heads out of your butts and took a look at what alcohol has done to the native American survivors of our past massacres of them in the name of so called freedom, you would see devastation beyond imagining. That also goes for most, if not all, Alaskan natives not to mention the rest of the country. Will you ban alcohol?? Think about that one over your next cocktail. I could go on and on pointing out what you seem to completely misunderstand but that's not even the point. Banning a poisonous substance, certain drugs, poorly made or contaminated products is one thing, but when you start banning things just because you don't like them (and no matter what argument you try to use to justify this stupidity that is exactly what your attempting) it is **YOU** that has crossed

the line and have no right. I will **NOT** apologize for either the tone or language of this letter as I want you to fully understand just how strongly I am opposed to this idea. I do not hate the FDA and 99.9% time fully support it but in this case not only are you wrong but your stepping **WAY** over the line here!

Sincerely,
James Hudyman

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sandy Mariucci (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:35 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: Banning of menthol cigarettes

To whom it may concern:

Please reconsider the banning of all "menthol" cigarettes and not passing or considering this new law! People have choices, whether they are good or bad, we still have choices. Lots of people smoke and enjoy methol cigarettes, as myself. I don't see your reasoning behind this.

What if your favorite "beverage" was banned because of health risks! Would people be happy with that.....something that they enjoy and find pleasure in. I don't see much of a difference here!

Please do not pass this law! I was shocked to hear this and hope it does not pass. That is taking away a person's right/choice outright!

An anonymous smoker

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: geoff (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: banning menthol cigs

fda,

this topic im not its just a rumor or the truth but if it is the truth its utter pardon my french "in accordanc". quite frankly it dosent matter if you smoke menthol or non menthol they are accordanettes. its rather stupid and a TOTAL WASTE OF AMERICAN TAX DOLLARS to even be arguing such a minority. the economy is bad as is without excess wasting of money that technically isnt yours to waste. please try focusing your efforts on logical issues. there are children starving in the usa let alone the world without healthcare or even clothing but yet were focusing on menthol cigarettes or cadmium paint. makes no sense.

im going to have to fully express my constitutional right(giving americans still have any) and vote against stupid excess unnecessary debates and id also have to vote against banning menthol cigs.

what next guys banning the air we breathe. lets be civil here and forget politics for a change.

sincerly,
geoffrey

In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above word has been deleted.

a faithful AMERICAN citizen.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Melvin Park (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:43 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarette

Do not ban Menthol cigarettes. We have the rights to make our own personal choices to use any legal product. This is FREE AMERICA!!

Melvin Park

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Robert Bell (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: don;t take the methaol out of cigs

I think that I should have the choice to make on what kind of cigs that I smoke. Nobody has the right to tell me what type of cigs that I shoud be able to smoke. the U.S.A is becoming like some of them third world countires. All you are going to do is make people go underground to get there cigs and there will be somebody out there selling methaol cigs somewhere. and all u are going to do is lose out on the money that the state could make.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: tina (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 1:57 PM
To: TPSAC

Hello, my name is Christina Pleasant and I am a Menthol ciggarete smoker. Please do not ban Newport Menthol Cigarettes. Thanks.

Christina Pleasant

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Natalie Borom (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:20 PM
To: TPSAC

I think my brand and flavor of cigarette is my given right. I think it's unfair to ban menthol or any flavor of cigarette. I am a 53 year old female and I deserve to choose what I put in or take out of my body. What happened to FREEDOM OF CHOICE??????????????

Thank You

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

We are suppose to be American citizens and have the right to our choices,well it doesn't seem that way to me when you want to ban menthol cigarettes and not non-menthol, I don;t won't neither one of them to be ban. We as citizens of the United States should have to right to make our own choices and not having the government making them for us. Let me live the life that I choose for myself,otherwise I would be living in Russia

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Roger Zalinger (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:32 PM
To: TPSAC

Do Not Ban Menthol cigeretts,We are adults , and don't need Big Brother to tell us what to do.

Roger Zalinger

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: robert stevenson (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

Dear sir I know you feel you are making a decision that would better serve the nation, but consider this you will be the cause of loss to many jobs in an already dreary economy, not to mention the uproar from citizens. I've smoked menthol and non-menthol I just prefer menthol cannot we just leave some things alone for a while, and pray things get better. Then you can concentrate on banning all together.

r.g.stevenson

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ray Evans (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT CONTROL MENTHOL SMOKES

I just wanted to let my opinion know. I do not believe that Menthol nor NON Menthol should be treated any differently.

Thanks

Ray Evans, Maryland

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Claudia (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 2:56 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I do not believe that Congress should dictate whether or how I smoke. I am aware of the risks involved, but this is a personal choice, and should not be decided by anyone else. Frankly, I hate to think how much money this study is costing taxpayers. More pork in the government.

Claudia Edwards

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Isreal, Zeman W (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol

Hi my name is zeman isreal I am a 24 year old african american living in (b) (6). I received your email address from a newport add that was sent to my phone (b) (6) to go against the ban. I have been reading about the issues over the fda banning cigarettes and I do realize that menthol in any brand allowed me to start smoking at the age of 23. I am a nursing student and I teach patients the risk of tobacco and health. I truly know the effects and consequences of smoking menthol but honestly the smooth taste and the numbing sensation it gives me is unlike anything else. anything that allows individuals to play with fire like its a incen should be banned. I pray that I quit but I don't know

Family hx granfather died of lung cancer from smoking all his life
I am short of breadth sometimes
And also its harder for me to get over a cold since I've been smoking
Not to add burning 3 pairs of dress pants

Sent from my Samsung Mobile

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cristina Durocher (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: We the people...

Should have the right to smoke whatever brand of ciggarette we like. Who are you to tell us not to smoke menthol cigarettes? That is just LUDACRIS!!!!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gina Watford (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport

U should not band newports menthol!! They are the only band of ciggarittes i smoke and not only me its thousands maybe millions that smoke only newports menthol. I dont see what the problem is. Im telling you if u pass with that law u gonna have alot of complants and issues in your hands!! So let newports menthol ciggarittes STAY!!!!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Nathan Lezpona (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:18 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ciggarettes

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Nathan and I am a menthol cigarette smoker. I just wanted to voice my opinion and let you guys know that banning menthol cigs is huge violation of my civil rights. It would violate my right to freedom which this country was built on. Although it is unhealthy for everyone and can cause bad things to happen to ur bodies, it is still our right as an American to do as we please. So please do not ban menthol cigarettes. The FDA may think it is easy to just to switch over to non-menthol but it IS NOT that easy. Let's jsut say for story sake:

I am at work and ran out of my menthol cigarettes so a friend of mine borrows me a non-menthol cigarette. First of all non-menthol cigs are discustiing and taste horrible, with that being said, if I don't smoke the cig super slow I throw up everytime.

It is my right as an American to choose wether or not I want to smoke and if I want to smoke menthol instead of non menthol. That is and should always remain to be my choice.

Thanks so much,

Nathan

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ramona (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I have the right to smoke menthols if I choose.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amanda Teems (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:29 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

What's the difference between a ban on menthol but not full flavor cigarettes? seriously to ban Newport cigarettes would be one of the dumbest ideas I have ever heard and would cause a serious riot

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: ELIZABETH GRONKOWSKI (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:31 PM
To: TPSAC

In Commies

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rachel Smith (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 3:36 PM
To: TPSAC

I have the right to smoke a menthol cigarette if I choose to. I am old enough to make that choice. I have been smoking since I was 17 yrs. old. I am now 63 and will be 64 in a few days. I believe it is left up to the person to have the freedom to choose whatever type or brand of cigarette they like. I thought this was a free country. Please let us choose as we see fit.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Natalie Tester (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:00 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning of Newport Menthol Cigarettes

To Whom it may concern:

I have smoked Newport Menthol Cigarettes for 13 years. I am a Registered Nurse. I know the health hazards that smoking causes. I still choose to smoke Newport Menthol Cigarettes, and will not smoke any other brand or Non-Menthol Cigarettes. As adults, we have the right to choose what kind of cigarettes we smoke. The government gets money by use smoking. Taking away our choice of what cigarette we want to smoke is taking our rights as American Adults away as well. When will this madness stop.

Thank You
Natalie Tester

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Donna Thomas (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:06 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: FDA Ban Newport Menthol Cigarettes
Attachments: panda_hello.gif

My name is Antonio Thomas and all I smoke is Newport Menthol Cigarettes and if want to ban something you need to take out the cem.that you put in to make them go out because they dont go out sometime the fire fall all the time. And could start fires on bed,sofa and in your cars?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Brianna Lowe (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:08 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do not ban menthol cigarettes!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lorie Boynton (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:11 PM
To: TPSAC

I would like to say that I want to be able to continue to smoke menthol cigarettes. What is the purpose for removing the menthol from cigarettes? Does non-menthol cigarettes decrease the chances of getting cancer or breathing diseases? I think that in this country of democracy, we should have a choice and my choice is to continue to smoke menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: g hope (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Ban

It is my body, therefore it is my choice. Please don't stop making menthol cigarettes

Thank you,
Sherrie Booth

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Melody Elahi (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol newports

i really love the Newport menthols , they are great and relaxing way to wind down after a hard day

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Elizabeth Bradford (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 4:48 PM
To: TPSAC

I smoke newports and they are menthol and i should be able to as an adult smoke any brand or flavor that i want

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jody Howard (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:02 PM
To: TPSAC

i am writting this we have the write to choose what we smoke you sudnt take it away. you sudnt be able to do it

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: I smoke menthols

You know we DO NOT live in a communist country. People have a choice- i smoke newports and have for years, it is not the white houses /congress who makes the choices for a free nation- this has gone to far

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Meg (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:13 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: Do not BAN Newport Menthol Cigarettes

Hi,
I am writing to you because I have recently learned that the FDA is trying to ban my favorite and only cigarett's brand. I am a loyal newport menthol smoker and I really enjoy my cigarettes. Please do not take them away from me. They are the BEST cigarettes on the market!
Thank you,
Meghan Duckworth

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ron P (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:15 PM
To: TPSAC

Who are you to choose for us smokers? Is this still the USA? Wow!!!! What is wrong with this country lately?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Timothy Morano (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:21 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Menthol Cigarettes

I believe you guys should leave menthol cigarettes alone. Why don't you ban beer because that causes more deaths than ANYTHING. That being said, legalize weed and you will have all your problems answered. People would shop more, less people would die and crime will drop tremendously. Your kid smokes pot, i'm sure you have also. Open your eyes and see the real problem... ALCOHOL

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Stacy Gilbride (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:30 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newport cigarettes

I dont think that newport cigarettes should be treated any different than regular cigarettes because they are menthol.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sarah Kathleen (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:30 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cig.

I do not think that the FDA should not tell poeple how to tell me to smoke what kind of cigs i want to smoke this is wrong.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Steven Helton (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:32 PM
To: TPSAC

you will be taking our rites to smoke menthol cigarettes and its unconstationary to do so we have the rite to what we please to our bodys and it will take apart our freedom we have part of and alot of people will be very upset including me

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Hle Yang (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 5:57 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: hey

On my behalf, i think you guy's shouldn't shut Newport down,Alot of people like to smoke it,especially "NEWPORT MENTHOL". I myself enjoy smoking it,instead of other brand.No one really likes to smoke NON-MENTHOL,so just letting you guy's know,newport should continue. thank YOU.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tabbi Jone (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:07 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Ciggarettes

All ciggarettes are harmful. By putting a ban on menthol and not on non-menthol you would basically be saying its fine to kill yourself with plain ciggarettes but not with menthol. I think the more you push people to quit smoking the more they want to smoke... America can't have it both ways. You can't want us to smoke yet when we do smoke government cried over the loss of finances from taxes so therefore where does the government plan to get that funding from???

In summation banning one type of ciggarette would be bad because people would riot and it can get pretty ugly!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: sharon (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:38 PM
To: TPSAC

i dont personally smoke menthol cigarettes,but this against freedom of choice!!!!!!!!!!!!!!United States slowly becoming like other countries,the government is our Human Rights ARE BEING TAKEN AWAY and it just makes me sick,now u want to tell us what cigarettes we can smoke!What kind of people are beginning to running our country?ppersonally im ashamed of how our FREE country is being run!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Shame on u for trying to control us,which in the end u will do.Its ok for people to do drugs of any choice,drink any alcohol we choose!Its about choices,thats why people come to U.S Freedom of Choice!

Sharon Hensley

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jennifer Denison (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:41 PM
To: TPSAC

you cant take away our rights to smoke menthol cigarettes. you should spend ur time worried about real problems on the earth instead of trying to control our rights to smoke.

the and only love

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: The Ruffners (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 6:54 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Proposed ban on menthol cigarettes

I am aware that the FDA has proposed to ban menthol cigarettes. According to the Surgeon General's warning, cigarette smoke causes lung cancer, heart disease, emphysema, and may complicate pregnancy. There is no mention on a pack of cigarettes that menthol is the culprit. I am an adult and I take offense that the government would even consider banning a specific type of cigarettes. In my opinion, adults should have the choice to buy all types of tobacco products.

Eunice D. Ruffner

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: lisa johnson (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: alicia Johnson

Hello my name is alicia Johnson, I've been smooking newport kings for the last 20 years with no problums. I don't see how now there's a problum with you gays. Please don't make my decision for me let me chose to stop or chance a my own leasure.

sincerely 20 years happy

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Renee Justus (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 7:44 PM
To: TPSAC

Dear FDA,

As adults we all know the effects that cigarettes have on the body. As a teenager it was drilled into our heads the side effects and dangers of smoking and each one of us made the decision to start smoking. While smoking is dangerous, it is legal as are other dangerous thing including skiing, drinking, driving, bungee jumping, and a million other things. I feel that if a person takes it upon themselves to include themself in a risky habit that it is there right to do so without interference from the government. Unless the FDA plans on limiting all dangerous activities like making it illegal to have any alcohol to that has more then 3 percent alcohol, or flavored vodka and other drinks, then it should stay out of the fight to ban menthol cigarettes. As a smoker i believe it to be my right to be able to smoke menthol if I choose to.

Thank You for your time,

Renee

Renee

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Contesha Gardner (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:05 PM
To: TPSAC

We as adults who work hard for our money should be able to buy any thing that is legal.If we work for our hard earn money we should be able to spend it at our on choice.Myself know what I am doing when I go to the store an buy methol cigarettes cause that's the only kind I will buy.If u all take that I promise I'm going to quiet smoking period.If I don't have a Newport when I get up in the morning my day don't go right.It calms my nerves when things are wrong.

Sincerly,
A real everyday buyer

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cynthia Harris (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:09 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol ciggs???

Why would you want to just ban menthol cigarettes? Is it because the minorities are the ones that do alot of these purchases? This ban is unconstitutional! If you are going to ban one, why not them all?! Even smokeless tobacco causes cancer, so this can't be justified!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lamar Elkins (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Yes to banning menthol

I am a full time smoker of newports..and I want to stop so bad..i believe if u ban all menthol ciggarettts.it will be good...

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: NO BAN

DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES. NOT UP TO YOU WHAT WE DECIDE TO SMOKE.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: ken blair (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:16 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I can't believe that someone has proposed a law to ban menthol cigarettes! It should be up to the people not the government

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: bev childers (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: stop the insanity

you have no right to ban menthol or non menthol for that matter, as a consenting adult i choose to smoke, you cannot change that only i can! i choose to smoke menthol cigarettes

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jeanette Williams (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:46 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Menthol Cigarettes

I smoke newport menthol cigarettes and I do not want them removed from the market.

Thank you
Jeanette Williams

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gregory Dean (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:51 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol Cigarettes

How dare you?

You have definitely proven that cigarettes are damaging.

You should spend your time researching all of the toxins that this country has polluted the air with. After all, if you don't want to smoke, do not. But that is not your decision when it comes the everyone else.

You should all be retired, since most of your "opinions" are just that.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: lou (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 8:54 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: NO BAN ON MENTHOL

Please don't ban Newport menthol cigarettes. i've smoked them for 35 years or more and have become accustomed to their taste. the menthol is just a flavoring ingredient and not proven to be dangerous. I feel it is my choice to smoke menthol cigarettes and not your choice to tell me what i can and can not smoke. please reconsider.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sas Sassy (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:09 PM
To: TPSAC

I have smoked Newport Menthol Cigarettes for over 15 years. I know that smoking is dangerous to my health. A menthol cigarette is no different than a non-menthol. I pay alot of taxes on my cigarettes that go for health insurance and other federal projects. Please take that into consideration before you decide to ban Newports or other menthol smokes.

Thank You For Your Time,

Stephanie Diliberto

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Donna Shaw (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:12 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: fda banning menthol cigarettes

do not ban menthol cigarettes people have the right to choose what they smoke and the government should not be involved

If only we'd stop trying to be happy we could have a pretty good time.-Edith Wharton

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Deborah Callander (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:13 PM
To: TPSAC

DONT AGREE

DEBORAH LYNN <http://us.i1.yimg.com/us.yimg.com/i/mesg/tsmileys2/08.gif>

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: melissa carterette (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:38 PM
To: TPSAC

if you ban menthal cigarettes i feel you are messing with my constitional rights

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: thomas cummons (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 9:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

Menthol cigarettes are no more dangerous than non menthol . both should be treated the same .

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Alexis (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:35 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport

I think you should leave it to the people that buy it

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ebony Gomez (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:56 PM
To: TPSAC

My name is Ebony Gomez and I'm a menthol Newport smoker. I feel it's my choice to smoke what I want to smoke. What right do you have to take the pleasure of a menthol Newport away from millions of smokers. I feel like my American rights are being violated and that I'm being denied my freedom of being an American.

Love 4rm Lil 1

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: lisa Dotson (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 10:57 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Please do not ban Newport Menthol 100's

I do not want Newport Menthol to be banned i have been a regular smoker of newport for 30 years now and i will be totally devastated if you ban newport menthol cigarettes. I smoke over a pack a day and it is very unhealthy to my life that these are being banned. If i dont have them my family will be in a crisis because i am dependant on menthol cigarettes if i do not have them them I will not be able to function regularly, as I do on a daily basis. Please do not take the only thing i have keeping me sane... Thanks im begging you... Lisa Toner

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bobby Neal (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:21 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: To be or not to be?

I think smoking , whether you restrict it or not is going to happen any way! You cant give a kid a toy and take it away all together and the more you restrict their access the more they want to play wih it! Its a right you people gave us thankyou dnt take it away. Im a 29yr old nonesmoker, i could care less about cigarettes but i love the right to do things if its my choice thank yourselves for these e mails my mom killed herself smoking pallmallls for yrs long before you cared enough to tell us they kill but she made that choice you allow assisted suicide but we cant kill ourselves smoking? Give me a break!

Sent from AT&T's Wireless network using Mobile Email

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Cam White (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:37 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol ban

After reviewing scientific reviews of menthol cigarette diversities from non-menthol cigarettes, it is my whole hearted belief that the two should not be treated any differently. Banning menthol cigarettes would not lower the number of people whom smoke. People who want to smoke will smoke, and limiting their choices of what they may smoke seems to be a waste of the FDAs valuable time and resources. I feel that there are far greater problems regarding medications and the the types of unhealthy foods in Americas schools that may be better suited to such a commitment of their time. Please consider the concern of people whom send you letters such as this because we wouldn't waste our valuable time if it weren't an important matter to us. Thank you and best regards, Cameron White.

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: don't ban menthol

don't ban menthol

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: sierra cox (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Hi regular cigs are the same as menthol menthol just tastes better they both give u cancer so whats the difference? There is none

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: lakia smithson (b) (6)
Sent: Friday, December 24, 2010 11:52 PM
To: TPSAC

I AM A 32 YR OLD WOMAN AND I TRUELY BELIEVE THAT WOULD NOT B THE RIGHT THING TO DO BECAUSE THAT WOULD HURT ALOT OF PPL. THERE R SOME PPL WHO CANT JUST QUIT SMOKING AND THEN TO JUST BAN MENTHOL THTS JUST CRAZY.. SO U SHOULD REALLY RETHINK THIS THATS GONNA HURT ALOT OF PPL.

Sent from AT&T Wireless using Yahoo! Mail

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Linda Fellicciardi (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:30 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes Ban Is Wrong

How could the FDA be allowed to pass a law banning a legal product in this country? Why are our rights being taken away more and more? This country states people are allowed to do whatever they want whenever they want to their own bodies. Since when is that untrue?

If we allow this ban on menthol cigarettes we are allowing our government to dictate what we can and can not do to our own bodies. That would make this country no different than many of the countries we have gone to war with over the years. Where does it stop and when? What is too far?

I believe it is of great importance that the ban on menthol cigarettes is blocked. If not, it opens the doors for other bans and laws to be passed taking away other freedoms we enjoy in this country. No one wants our politicians making our choices for us, otherwise what is the point of voting?

Linda
Sent from my iPod

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tony (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:31 AM
To: TPSAC

If you ban Newport I would stop smoking! I NO that sounds like a even better reason for the ban, but what about all the other brand menthols? Smoking is a horrible habit that us as people created ourselves, which is also unfortunate. I think in America (The free world) we should at least have the option of what cigarette we want to smoke, and if you don't think so, I would love a list of reasons for why I should have to smoke a different cigarettes or different brands?? I'm all open to "good" reasons to stop smoking Newport's that I've been smoking for like 10 yrs. Why is one cigarette better then another? Not like electric cigarettes or etc. But who knows you might be doing me a favor by canceling my cigarette of choice....

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kayla Carroll (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:32 AM
To: TPSAC

i do not think it should be banned because it should be up to the consumer to choose what they choose to put in their body. If ther is a restriction put on menthol cigarettes, others should be in place on alcohol and other products that may not be good for you yet we have complete freedom over which one we consume.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Chris (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:44 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I'm sending this to voice my opinion on the subject of menthol cigarettes.
I am a long time smoker, the majority of that being of menthol cigarettes.

When I became curious about smoking, it was because my parents smoked, and it was my father's non menthol cigarettes which got me hooked.
I smoked many brands, from Marlboro, to Camel, to Winston, and this went on for years.
I was thirteen when I started smoking, and I never touched a menthol cigarette until I was eighteen.
I will admit that I now hate non menthol cigarettes, I would in fact, most likely quit smoking if a ban on menthol cigarettes were ever set into place, but this would not stop children from starting in the first place.

You people over at the FDA like to tell us what is good and what is bad, well, smoking is not good, so why not cut it off all together if it's so bad?

I'm ready to quit smoking, and for someone who used to smoke one pack a day, to now having a

pack last one week, that is good.

I didn't need you to do anything.

Seventeen years of smoking has just gotten boring, and I'm tired of my house smelling, my teeth turning yellow, my walls/artwork staining yellow as well.

Good luck on your road to controlling me, but I have a brain, and wish to use it to better myself. I don't wish to be told what is safe for me.

Maybe you should go after the stores in neighbor hoods where they sell single cigarettes to people? Do a bit of work for the money I pay you.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Melissa Peck (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:46 AM
To: TPSAC

You might be smart but you still haven't learned how to mind your own business!!!! Leave menthol ALONE!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: rick mcbride (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:19 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: NO BAN

IF YOU ARE GOING TO BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES, THAN WHY NOT BAN ALL CIGARETTES ...WHAT IS AMERICA COMING TOO! FREEDOM OF CHOICE NO LONGER RESIDES IN THIS COUNTRY!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: simona mccalister (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:33 AM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: "NO" against the menthol ban

I only buy Newport's because they're menthol and the unique taste. Please don't ban! I don't think I would buy Newport's anymore?? Besides I already know the side effects of smoking and I choose to smoke.

<http://mail.yimg.com/a/i/mesg/tsmileys2/28.gif>

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amy DAniello (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:36 AM
To: TPSAC

You will loose alot of smokers if you ban menthol cigarettes. I know my friends and I have said we'll stop smoking if thats the case.

Amy DAniello
Recruitment Coordinator

Aflac

(b) (6)

Aflac -- Best Reputation in the U.S. Insurance Industry Award -- Second year in a row.*

Aflac -- Named as one of the World's Most Ethical Companies -- Third year in a row.*

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Patrice Payeur (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:47 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport menthol ban

Please do not ban MENTHOL cigarettes; I do not feel there is a difference between menthol vs. non-menthol cigarettes, so if you plan to ban Menthol Newport's, ban them all!?

You have the risks on the side of each pack and carton; that is 'warning' enough.

Regards,
Patrice Payeur

"If you can make a girl laugh, you can make her do anything"
~~Marilyn Monroe~~

Happy Holidays to all of My Friends and Family throughout the New Year!!

<http://mail.yimg.com/us.yimg.com/i/mesg/tsmileys2/40.gif> Patrice Payeur
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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Valerie Nails (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 2:06 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Understanding menthol

Menthol cigarettes should not be treated any differently by the FDA than non-menthol cigarettes. Us as adults have the right to make our personal decision on use of legal products.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Roxie Boyd (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 3:21 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: banning menthol cigarettes

Hello, my name is Roxanne Boyd. First off, id like to say that as unproud of it as i am, I smoke and my cigarette of choice is Marlboro Menthol. And secondly, I work in a convenience store and about half of the customers who i sell cigarettes to each day are purchasing Menthol. Yes, I will agree with you when you say that big tobacco companies get most of their profits from the customers who purchase full flavor, lights etc. But as many packs of Menthol i sell a day, there is no denying that Menthol profits help. The way i see it: myself alone is spending almost eleven dollars for two packs that maybe will last me the week, that equals out to almost forty four dollars a month. Per year on average, im spending five hundred and twenty eight dollars on menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 4:12 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

You people should be making the sale of liquor illegal. Leave menthol cigarettes alone.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gordon Macgillvray (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 8:06 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Re: Menthol cigarettes

Do you really think someone else should be able to tell me what flavor cigarettes I

should be allowed to smoke?
C'mon Guys, ain't it time to
draw the on Govt.control of
our lives? **Think about it!!!**

Gordon Mac...

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: rev2468 (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 8:21 AM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: newports

id really like to take the time to tell you were to go
leave my newports alone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: jones 3372 (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 8:42 AM
To: TPSAC

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: ISN'T IT OUR CHOICE WHAT AND WHEN TO SMOKE?? WITHOUT SOMEONE
TELLING US WHAT'S GOOD OR BAD AND THEN GOV'T MAKES THAT CHOICE FOR US NEXT THING WILL BE
HOW MANY TIMES DO I USE THE TOILET?? LET THE PEOPLE MAKE THAT CHOICE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! THANK-YOU

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: chanel johnson (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 10:43 AM
To: TPSAC

Chanel Johnson in (b) (6) believe that Newport menthol shouldn't be band. There both bad for you and the health problems are the same. Meaning menthol and non-menthol. So if your going to ban Newport mentol (wish you wouldn't) you should ban ALL CIGARETTES!!!! thank you for your time....

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: john sollenberger (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:04 AM
To: TPSAC

i feel that i should be able to smoke which ever brand of cigarettes i want its my body to do with as i please!!!!!!!!!!!!!! i thought this was the land of the free ???????? so if i want to smoke menthol cigs thats my choice is someone in bed with the non menthol cigarette comp or what???????

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Allison Rock (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:28 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban menthol then ban all

If you are going to try to ban menthol cigarettes, then you should ban all cigarettes. How can you tell me that one cigarette is better for me then another, and that I do not have the right to choose what I want to smoke when all cigarettes are legal. Why don't you tell drinkers that they can only drink clear liquor or they can only drink lite beer. Please - everyone knows smoking is not good for you, but it is legal and it is a choice for those old enough. You can not pick and choose when it comes to issues such as this. You either ban all cigarettes, or leave well enough alone.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sharon (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:34 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Dear Scientists at the FDA,

I read with dismay about the study to ban menthol cigarettes. I urge you not to ban these types of cigarettes and support the rights of individuals to choose these cigarettes. I cannot understand why the government has decided to treat menthols differently than other legal cigarettes. I do not believe that banning menthols will reduce the number of smokers, nor that smoking menthols is any riskier than smoking a regular cigarette. It will only serve to limit our choices. The taxes on cigarettes have become outlandish, but if smokers are willing to pay, then they should have the right to choose what they want to smoke. We are all aware of the health effects of smoking but for whatever reason we continue to smoke, we should have the right to select a regular or a menthol cigarette. Please consider our rights when you make your decision. Thank you

Michael Valentino

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amanda Ziebell (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:19 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: not to ban my brand!!!

Hi this is a loyal customer to Newport, i would like to say that banning cigarette brands because of menthol is a bad idea i know the risks of smoking, I've been smoking for almost ten years now. Newport 100's are my brand of choice. I would like to say that banning menthol. Would make every cigarette brand the same, menthol makes the big difference between brands of flavor an variety. that is of non menthol an menthol, freedom to choose. our first amendment is freedom of speech an freedom of religion, witch mean freedom of choice. that's also one law of human rights. an if i may say so smoking is giving people jobs to manufacture them. not shipping them overseas for tax cuts. keep jobs in America, the freedom to smoke an the right to population control. This is because the ecomony sucks an people that can retire choose not to so that even lowers the chance's of young americans like my self in getting great job opportunities.

sincerely

Stephen Adkins

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: dont ban my brand

Hi this is a loyal customer to Newport, i would like to say that banning cigarette brands because of menthol is a bad idea i know the risks of smoking, I've been smoking for almost ten years now. Newport 100's are my brand of choice. I would like to say that banning menthol. Would make every cigarette brand the same, menthol makes the big difference between brands of flavor an variety. that is of non menthol an menthol, freedom to choose. our first amendment is freedom of speech an freedom of religion, witch mean freedom of choice. that's also one law of human rights. an if i may say so smoking is giving people jobs to manufacture them. not shipping them overseas for tax cuts. keep jobs in America, the freedom to smoke an the right to population control. This is because the ecomony sucks an people that can retire choose not to so that even lowers the chance's of young Americans like my self in getting great job opportunities.

sincerely
Stephen Adkins
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: John (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 12:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol "Do Not Ban I will be One Unhappy Camper"

When will this end I think the banning of everything under the sun is getting a bit "RIDICULOUS" the ban on certain pesticides and now look at the Bedbug problem many people have to deal with. What a wonderful job people are doing at the FDA "NOT"

Please stay out of my Life !! I have been a menthol cigarette smoker for 25 years. And have less effects than a brother who smokes Non menthol "Marlboro" cigarettes. Hmmm there is no difference between the two. Granted smoking is not the healthiest but Menthol is not the problem so Please Stay out of my Life there are many other problems that this comity should be focusing it's resources on than this. And we wonder why our country is having the problems with the economy and other things. Wasteful spending Period !!!!! Sincerely ~ John V. Ewing (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michelle Wills (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do not ban menthol

People have every right to chose any legal product they want as long as they are paying for it

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Danny and Corny Rose (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:05 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do not banned Menthol Cigarettes

Please do not ban Menthols. When I go to purchase mine they all already running out of stock. Plus they are no worse for the people of America than regular cigarettes,
Thanks

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Nick Hemmerich (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:06 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning of Menthol Cigarettes

If you plan to ban Menthol Cigarettes, you might as well ban them all. I smoke both brands but i'd say do it!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sanford Food Mart (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:18 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: pls do not Ban menthol

Importance: High
Sensitivity: Personal

Expires: Thursday, June 23, 2011 12:00 AM

Respected Scientists,

FDA should live and let live. First ban fructose corn syrup which is slow poison prevalent ingredient in all food items.

Tobacco industry is cash industry why can't gov't leave it alone, first Obama admin raised the taxes and now FDA wants to dictate it. Bunch of Hippocrates, U.S.A is the only country that allows

pharmacy to sell drugs on end of the counter and tobacco and alcohol products on the other end of the counter. Isn't that a double standard. Rest of the world's nations are capitalist too, U.S.A is becoming more or so dictatorship. Telling us how to live and spent our money. It's our money, let it be our purgative. Why does gov't have to butt in to everything , if you cannot make things better than don't make it worst either. Some of your policies and regulations benefits your people and their deep pockets it does not do any good for ordinary citizens. How is America a free country now? It used to be ...not anymore.

Give me my freedom back.

OM Desai

(b) (6) [Redacted]

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<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Sanford-Food-Mart/182723778404966>

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 1:36 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on methol cigarettes

Then ban all cigarettes not just methol. If I want to kill myself that's my privilege, not yours. Why don't we also ban all alcohol beverages because that kills the person who is drinking it and kills others when it is caused by DWI.

At least with cigarettes Im only harming myself not others. If Im behind the wheels at least the cigarettes aren't going make me lose control while driving.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 2:00 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: No Menthol Ban

If you Ban Menthol you will have all kinds of Pot Smoking instead. Marijuana Menthol Cigarettes Hay what a great idea.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: TSumpf (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 2:15 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

Please do not take away my freedom to smoke menthol cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 2:47 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: the banning of menthol cigarettes

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regards to this new thing that I heard about today about menthol cigarettes being banned.....I believe if I am going to smoke and kill myself I should have the choice whether I want to smoke my menthols or not!! IF U BAN MENTHOL U MIGHT AS WELL BAN REGULAR CIGARETTES!! BECAUSE THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE OTHER THAN TASTE!! It's rediculous stupid laws and restrictions being put on something that is totally legal!! There is no limit to how much alcohol a person can buy from a liquor store nor descrimination against alcohol vs. beer!! So what's the difference if someone wants to crystalize their lungs while they are smoking? IT"S OUR BODIES AND SHOULD BE OUR CHOICE!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 3:00 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: NO RIGHT

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GET THE In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, this submission has been deleted. **OUT OF OUR**
LIFES AND FUNNEL YOU
ENERGIES ON
STOPPING WARS,CLEANING
HOUSE ON THE HILL AND PUT
HONEST PEOPLE FOR THE
PEOPLE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

This country is no better than any other country.
The United States Government ,Tells us what to do,how to do it and when to do it.
WHERE ARE OUR RIGHT TO FREEDOM TO CHOOSE GONE?????????

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 3:22 PM
To: TPSAC

i cant tolerate any other brand nor type of smoke..the people have a choice with restrictions already..gee wizz..give us a break. America is not a stress free country..so please dont take away our relief sticks.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: rie taylor (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 3:58 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: FDA ruling

I am a smoker of Newport Menthol and I enjoy the flavor so please just leave my cigarettes alone.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: luke (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 4:03 PM
To: TPSAC

To whom it may concern,

As a tax payer and a veteran to this fine nation of ours, my question to you is- Who do you think you are to take away a right, a freedom from the of age citizens of this country? I fought along side of friends and brothers that died for this country. Smokers and Non-smokers alike, so that we may enjoy simple freedoms and liberties no matter how small. A non-menthol cigarette is no safer than menthol or any other type of tobacco product. I am a mere 25 years old, but I have watched over the years as laws have changed regarding the simplest of matters. I understand the desire and the change of making smoking in public buildings and government offices . against the law. Simply because we smoke doesnt mean that other people should have to smell it or take it in. But I do not feel it is the duty of your panel to take away a choice to a group that know the dangers of smoking simply because YOU feel it is unsafe. We know its unsafe, we all took the D.A.R.E classes as children, we know the risk associated with smoking, but I also dont see you taking any health matter action into account for the alcoholics of this nation either. Do a little digging, how many alchohol related deaths are there on an annual average in this country? And compare that to the number of tobacco related deaths. People get lung cancer for reasons unknown, but do you ever hear of someone getting in an alchohol related incident for no apparent reason. And stop raising tobacco tax thinking you'll make us quit, it wont work. Look at New York, almost \$10 a pack and people still smoke. California, people drive out of state to get tobacco products or have them mailed in. If your so concerned with our health, allow the All Natural Cigarettes produced for sale on the Indian Reservation to be available for sale to the populous. Worry about the important matters, like prescription drugs. Put your budget and spending into doing the proper research to insure the safety of the drugs you're giving the ok on. The prosthetic hips by Depuy, accutane that has given the NOW Generation diseases such as Crohns. Dont think that you are doing us a service by looking out for our best interest, by smoking I am looking out for yours. I know a lot of people say it, but I was given a military order that I was not allowed to quit smoking because when I did try to quit, my superiors feared for the saftey of my fellow brothers at arms. Stop wasting tax payer money and work on something that will actually make a difference.

If you wish to contact me for further discussion I more than welcome it.

Luther Frierson
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kevin M. Trigalet (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 4:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: Potential Ban on Newports

Why is it that everything we as "Americans" do, end up being regulated at some point in time? I thought the whole point of living in the US was for our freedom and the right to choose. Everyday, I feel like more and more of my God given rights are slowly slipping away! Banning Newports will only prove my point even more. Do not do this to us. It would be as if we were banning your favorite alcoholic drink! And please don't tell me that you don't drink. I have seen various bills for drinks and food and other things from people such as Speaker (soon to be ex) Pelosi!

Thank you for listening to what I had to say!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Robert Bell (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 6:17 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

i don;t think you have the right to take away menthol cigs just because you say they are bad. I think we the smokers should have the right to choose. I smoke methol myself and I don;t think you have the right to choose for me what type of cigs I should smoke. I will keep on smoking even if I can't smoke methol cigs and probably end up smoking no filter cigs to get the methol feeling. So once again I don't think you should choose for me. Thank you for your time robert c bell jr

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: David Knezevich (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 6:58 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Smoking..

listen..Lobbyist's, scientist..etc. Leave us alone..your hypocrites to be around the capitol in the first place!!! oohh you think it's your job to decide what we want!! feed the people that are hungry..

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ebony Gillette (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 7:28 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Newports Menthol

As a Newport Menthol customer and smoker I am speaking up!!! I dont think that it is fair to ban Newports Menthol due to the fact of it is the most popular brand where Im from. I mean the Government loves to make money and if its banned then for a fact there will be a decline in the tobacco industry!!!!!! It isnt fair to us smokers of Newport Menthol to have to be involuntarily (forced) to quit smoking which I feel is against our rights as United State of America citizens!!!!!! So in closing if there is a vote I as a Newport smoker and all other Newport smokers of the United States of America I and we vote "NO"!!!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 8:36 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol Cigs

Ok,

My name is Marcus McClarity. I for one am fed up with all the ridiculous up-roar about cigarettes. Yes smoking is bad for you. But so is drinking and driving, which I don't do by the way. No one is making a fuss about alcohol. And I believe the reason is because alcohol is served at the major ball games, football, basketball, baseball, etc. Why attack beer when it is the major money maker at these events. It's also real funny to me that the price of cigarettes has tripled in the past ten years, yet beer seems to stay the same or even cost less. I for one, have never seen a news broadcast where someone was driving down the road and killed someone due to driving while smoking a cigarette (that's legal to do incase all you guys never thought about it). I am pretty sick and tired of my tax dollars being wasted on telling me what I can't do instead of doing something that simply makes sense.

If the government wants to fix a problem, how about this, lower gas prices back to \$1.25 a gal and maybe more people would want to get a job which in turn would be more taxes paid. Leave all of the legal stuff alone and concentrate on how to stop the illegal stuff. Or, better yet, impose a flat 12.5% sales tax, get rid of the income tax and that way everybody is paying taxes and the government can work on fixing the corruption within itself.

Marcus.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Latrice Toney (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 9:48 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: leave newports on the market

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I am a newport smoker and I enjoy them so please keep newports on the market. There is nothing else like a newport b100's

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 10:07 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: about my newport menthol

i been smoking newports menthol fro over 20 years so whats the problem about people who like to smoke menthol cigarettes and i know alot of people who smokes menthol cigarettes so what is the difference between menthol and non menthol cigarettes cause in the end both menthol and non menthol cigarettes cause cancer so i truly think its up to the peolpe to decide if they should or not to smoke menthol or non menthol cigarettes and i know that i might get cancer from smoking menthol or non menthol cigarettes so who should decide if a person smokes menthol or non menthol cigarettes ok (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jackie Scibetta (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 10:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: PLEASE DO NOT BAN MENTHOL

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2010/oct/4/menthol-unrelated-to-cigarette-health-risks/>

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mike Ashmore (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 10:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: stop ban

I make my own decisions!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: laura puehler (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 10:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport ban

I am a Newport customer and do not agree with the decision to ban menthol cigarettes. It doesn't make any sense. Adults have the right to choose what they smoke. The prices have already gone up ridiculously high and we if we choose to still smoke our normal menthol brand then we should be able to. I think we all know what is bad for us and what is not so why is it up to you to decide what we can smoke?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: iesha wilhoite (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DONT BAN MENTHOL

Dont ban menthol...why its our health...not yalls...that wouldnt be a good move...we enjoy our menthol...

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: kathy lambert (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

To whom it may concern,

I am an adult and I enjoy smoking menthol cigarettes!. It is my right as an American to do so. America is so busy making up new laws and regulations that it can't uphold the ones that has already been passed. You people need to mind your own business and stay out of ours!. Get a life and you wouldn't have the time to be stirring up trouble. If you want something to do, then dedicate yourself to upholding the millions of laws that are already in effect!. If you want to live in a communist country....MOVE!!! Thank you...Kathy Lambert

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

do not change anything , i like my menthol .

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: midnite (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:39 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: Newports

keep our Newports !!!!!

Life is short! Forgive quickly! Kiss slowly! Love truly! Laugh uncontrol lably ~

And never regret anything that made you smile

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: raquel manning (b) (6)
Sent: Saturday, December 25, 2010 11:46 PM
To: TPSAC

I am a Newport menthol smoker and i feel there is no difference between a non-menthol and a menthol cigarette. It all causes heart, lung and respiratory diseases and infections. I should have the SAME RIGHTS as a non-menthol smoker.

Sincerely,
Malicia Loeb

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Janice Wasey (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 12:15 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban On Menthol Cigarettes

To Whom It May Concern:

I feel that you are taking away too many rights of Legal adults in the United States. I choose to smoke menthol because I like the taste and now you want to take that right away? What happened to the United States of America being the land of the FREE? The next thing you know you will be telling all of us when we can sleep and what to eat and when as well.

Thank You,

Janice McAlpine
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Christina Baird (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 12:55 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't band menthol!!!

Please don't band menthol cigarettes. Whats the difference between either of them and cigarettes are bad for you anyways so why change. People that smoke know that its not healthy to smoke them let everyone make their own choices if they want to smoke menthol cigarettes. Plus it will be another hit on the economy way to have the worst idea EVER!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Hamza Hamza (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 1:44 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: proud Adult Newport smoker

Excuse me but who do you men think you are??? Sitting around in a panel and deciding how adults should live here in America??. Its my choice to smoke, my choice to do anything thats legal. First the kind of cigarettes you smoke, next the kind of clothes you can wear, next the kind of words you can use, next the kind of books you can read, and whats next after that??? If you continue with this ban then we should change the name of this country to CHINA.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bryan S. Knepel (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 2:02 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning of menthol cigarettes

This sounds like a ridiculous idea. Apparently, there have been enough studies done to prove that menthol in cigarettes does, in no way, add to the toxicity of the product, or the addictive nature of the product. From everything I have read, it will probably be a great catalyst in a black market for cigarettes. Every shred of evidence I have heard, very strongly implies that the ban of menthol cigarettes would not only be senseless, but could very easily be detrimental to everything they are trying to accomplish by doing it! Just curious...do the bigwigs that want to ban menthol have stock in the companies that make non-menthol cigarettes? It makes you wonder if that should be investigated. I've made my feelings on the issue clear. I hope the people making the final decision use their brains and the facts available and come to a realistic decision on this matter. Thank you for your time.

Bryan S. Knepel

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: KENNETH WEAVER (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 2:22 AM
To: TPSAC

This isn't supposed to be a socialist government, but rather a democracy. PLEASE ALLOW US TO HAVE CHOICES. I am a smoker who chooses to smoke menthol.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: maggie massa (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 2:23 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on Menthol cigarettes

I am against the ban of menthol cigarettes. It is my body, my CHOICE. My First Amendment guarantees me the FREEDOM of choice. If you take that away, you take away my freedom. Period.

Magdaelena Crespo

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jenifer Hickman (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 2:29 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on Menthol Cigs

To whom it may concern,

You shouldn't ban menthol cigarettes, it is taking away our freedom of choice in how we wish to smoke. I know that it's not an actual right and all that, however, you are taking away one of our choices. Freedom of our country is what this country was built on, and why the constitution was written. To take away one choice, means that you should take away all the choices, I don't believe I fought in the Navy to have the one pleasure I have be taken away. I enjoy my Newport Menthol, and I enjoy the smooth way they go down, I know it's not the healthiest choice in life, but it's mine! I choose to smoke, and I choose menthol.

All the soldiers that have retired, are POW/MIA, and have recently been discharged honorably have fought for our right to choose. Most of the Navy personnel I know smoke Newport Menthol, and it makes them mellower, less stressed about the work that we do. The military is a stressful place, and most of the people that I have met smoke to relieve that tension, over 50% of the people that I know in the military smoke Newport Menthol.

So I ask this as a Veteran, please do not put a ban on Menthol cigarettes, it is the only true pleasure I have left, and helps me deal with the stress of everyday life.

Thank you,
Very Respectfully,
Hickman, Jenifer

US Navy Veteran, IT3
USS Rushmore (LSD-47)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 6:01 AM
To: TPSAC

Once again.. smoking menthal is MY choice. If you take this. yey another right as sn American that is taken.. So where will this end? r u plannimh on banning non menthal???
Ive always been proud to live in USA, but now I'm. starting to feel many choices we once had, is gone. where will you or the next committee stop
Susan

Sent via DROID on Verizon Wireless

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 6:28 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Band

I Believe it violates our personal rights as US adult citizens, to place a ban on menthol cigarettes. Being a smoker over the age of 21, I believe I should have the option of using any legal product, despite the risks. Menthol & Non-Menthol Cigarettes both have risks, so they should be treated equally. I would like to be able to still choose purchasing menthol cigarettes, leagally....

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: AL Mckenzie (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 8:32 AM
To: TPSAC

LEAVE NEW PORT ALONE.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Corey Blackburn (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 8:55 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do not ban

Please do not ban menthol cigarets thank you Corey Blackburn (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Nelsena Day (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 9:24 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do Not Ban My Choice

This note is to tell you just as much as I have to the freedom of speech, religion, and any decisions concerning myself, I therefore informing you to stop, I mean stop trying to control my choice to smoke menthol cigarettes. I know my risk and I know that I'm a citizen and have the right to choose for myself what is good or not good for me. So I suggest you stop trying to tell me what to do. Thank you for kindly and I pray I don't see you as individuals and a gov't entity in court.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Miss Lady (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 9:32 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol ban

I am a menthol smoker and I have tried to quit several times without success. I think its a great idea to ban these addictive killers. It sure will save my lungs and life and it will make it a lot easier to stop! Thanks.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jessica Danico (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 10:07 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport

Please don't get rid of Newport cigarettes

JD

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tina Doe (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 1:08 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol

Honestly I am against the new ban. I say that because I have been smoking Newports for over 10 years (really) I honestly an angered by the whole idea. Are you even aware of how many people smoke Newport menthol cigarettes? Money loss big time. Menthol cigarettes should not be treated any differently from non-menthol cigarettes. It's unfair. Look at it like this everyone knows and is fully aware of how harmful cigarettes in general are, but we all enjoy the fact of having a choice on smoking non menthol or menthol

Sent from me

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lynn Young (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 10:14 AM
To: TPSAC

I like menthol cigarettes. U have enough say in the american peoples lives...leave us alone!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Melanie Jones (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 10:22 AM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: do not ban

Hello I smoke menthol cig. (newports) I do not understand why anyone would want to ban these from the market. I understand that in time people began to understand smoking is bad for them and now we all know this. I know the risks of smoking I even pay more than I think I should have to pay for the right to smoke so do not ban my brand just because it is not a plain type. I like to smoke I do not mind the risks and i do not like the fact that smokers are being segregated against and now people want to take away my type because they may or may not be worse.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: alana fairchild (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 11:01 AM
To: TPSAC

i feel this country is becoming comunist , you are more worried about us that like to smoke than you do about : starving people , homeless , drug dealers , molesters . i could go on for ever . spend your time and money on stopping wars , that would be a great one but no its ok to die that way and all the others . my grandfather was a smoker he lived to be 98 , if he hadnt died from a broken heart he would have lived a healthy longer life , he wasnt allowed to smoke in the house or my grandmothers car but yet she died of cancer and he didnt . cancer is in all of us , but only kills some of us , and not all are smokers . you just want to charge us more or take it away , well why dont you take alcohol off the market it causes alot of problems more than ciggeretts

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: karen s. pesce (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 12:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport

Don't Ban Newport.
If Prohibition taught us
any thing you can't tell
The American People what's
harmful; if they want it they
will get it illegally.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: carol mullen (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 12:32 PM
To: TPSAC

In response to you banning menthol cigarettes...The last time i checked this America home of the free..So were are my rights to you banning something i choose to smoke...I made that choice to smoke and smoke what I want...Quit trying to take my freedom to make my own chioces...Feed our hungry and homeless to me thats important..I have not had a raise in Social Security in 3 Years!!!! Yet you spend money to decide what i can smoke...You are already taxing the ^{In} ~~accor~~ out on me for choosing to smoke.....Give me my raise .

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Carol

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: stephanie sutrick (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 12:52 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Fw: Don't Let FDA Ban Menthol Cigarettes

Do not let FDA Ban Menthol Cigarettes. I have been smoking for 25 years and I smoke menthol cigarettes. It is my right as a law abiding citizen to smoke whatever cigarettes I choose. I enjoy smoking and have no desire to quit. I do not drink and it is the only vice that I have. I feel that we should have our own choice in what we smoke. We know the warnings and if we choose to still smoke that is our decision and it is not right for someone who probably doesn't even smoke to take away our choice of what we smoke.

Stephanie Lembke

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 12:56 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on menthol cigarettes

I do not believe that menthol cigarettes are any more harmful than regular cigarettes. I do not like regular cigarettes and I think it should be my choice of smoking menthol. The fed has no business dictating to me what type of cigarette I smoke.

Thank You,
Daniel Kelley

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: gansta3lg Gongora (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 1:30 PM
To: TPSAC

FDA scientist I am a smoker. I have been for going on 10yrs. now and I have been a menthol smoker for 6yrs. But any who. menthol cigarettes or non menthol cigarettes we know they are bad for our health. They are written on every box. But don't treat menthol cigarettes any different than non menthol cigarettes. American's we as Adults do have a right to choose what every cigarette's flavor we want blend up any richer better flavor cigarettes. FDA don't treat menthol cigarettes different from non menthol cigarettes

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Wendy Lee (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 1:47 PM
To: TPSAC

To whom it may concern

I am writing to you to ask that you do not ban menthol cigarette's. I am a Newport 100 smoker and have been since the late 80's early 90's. I enjoy the menthol taste a lot better than a regular one. I do not see why people think that smoking menthol is any different than smoking regular tobacco. please think of us menthol smokers before you make a big decision like the one you face.

Thank You

Wendy Lee Cleaver

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jennifer Mersinger (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 2:17 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do NOT ban menthol!

Let us customers have the option to smoke what we want! It's our bodies, our health so let it be OUR decision!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: midge decker (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 2:21 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: FW: Don't Let FDA Ban Newport Menthol Cigarettes

general leave newport menthol cigarettts alone. this is the united states.

From: (b) (6)
To: (b) (6)
Subject: FW: Don't Let FDA Ban Newport Menthol Cigarettes
Date: Sat, 25 Dec 2010 07:45:59 -0600

Date: Thu, 23 Dec 2010 14:45:05 -0700
To: (b) (6)
From: Newport@newportpleasures.com
Subject: Don't Let FDA Ban Newport Menthol Cigarettes

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 2:23 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

with me being a menthol smoker i feel you have no right to decide what i can smoke the government is taking ours rights away to choose what we choose to do if they dont smoke THAT is their choice dont take our choices away.....why not ban alcohol,,,,,,,,,,,,,,you never hear somebody being killed by smoking while driving but there is sure enough drunks in this country but your not taking their rights away to drink but your taking our rights away to smoke

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Alex Szuch (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 3:25 PM
To: TPSAC

THERE ARE THOSE WHO CHOOSE NOT TO SMOKE,AND THOSE WHO CHOOSE TO.WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO PICK WHAT WE WANT TO SMOKE. YOU KNOW MOSES' SMOKED A PIPE AND SO DID OUR LORD ,SAVIOR,JESUS CHRIST. I DO NOT RECOMMEND ANT TO SMOKE,BUT EVERTHING IN MODERATION!!! ALEX S.(WHITEBEAR)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Robert B. Krumholz (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 3:30 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Mentholated Cigarettes

To Whom it May Concern-

I am writing with the hopes that you may consider allowing adult citizens the choice to purchase and consume whatever products we prefer. This may ultimately affect one's health adversely- but so does consuming too much alcohol. Both alcoholic beverages and mentholated as well as non-mentholated cigarettes will lead to adverse health effects if consumed in quantity. Why only attack mentholated cigarettes and not cigarettes as a whole category? And what about mentholated chewing or dipping tobacco products? Adult consumers should have the ability and the choice to purchase and consume whatever LEGAL products may be available.

Sincerely -

Robert B. Krumholz

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Caitie Noland (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 3:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: cigarettes

my name is joe schiech and my girl and i are both over eighteen and smoke newports for years..as a matter of fact majority of my family smokes them too. and if we cant have menthol cigarettes we will quit smoking period. My girlfriend works at a minit mart and a ton of customers buy menthol cigarettes and have to her if the fda bands menthol cigarettes they will quit smoking too. we feel if they stop making them they should stop making regular cigarettes too. how is it that we can be told what to smoke. we are adults and by being so we should be able to make our own decissions. please help us keep our cigarettes!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: C (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 3:52 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport menthols

I don't think menthols should be banned they do not do any worse damage than a normal cig.....put limitations on them but don't ban them all together

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Marcus Johns (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 3:58 PM
To: TPSAC

please not ban newports thanks

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Matt (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 4:13 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol

I have smoked menthol since I started smoking 20+years ago and I dont think its any of your concern or bisness what I or anybody else smokes .for once leave the decision to us and quit saying and making our choices for us this is still supposed to be america where we have a choice and not what you decide for us

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Andrew Pickens (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 4:46 PM
To: TPSAC

banning newports you people have no right to take away something adults have been enjoying for years . we have the right to put whatever we like in our bodies,thats why we have the bill of right .since menthol cigarettes are mostly smoked by minorities ,your going to cause a BIG PROBLEM
.....

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sabrina Lyons (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 5:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Free t-shirt

I never recieved my postcard to get a free t-shirt. So how do I get it?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Richard Paschen (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 5:32 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol Cigarettes? FROM (b) (6)

This is going a little to far. I mean smoking menthol's is no different than making the choice to simply smoke a cigarette. Most people already know that menthol cigarette's do contain fiberglass, which in turn is a little worse than a full flavor, health wise, but it is a preference of flavor and if we or I choose to do more damage to myself by deciding to smoke a menthol, than it is no different than simply choosing to smoke a full flavor. I am still "knowingly" doing damage to my body. In closing if you/they are going to band menthol's than you/they might as well just band cigarettes all together to completely remove the choice of doing "harm to ourselves" instead of trying to control what we decide to do with "our" bodies.

P.S

If nothing else put a warning label on them saying "menthol's contain fiberglass which could have more effect on your body" the same way the surgeon general's warning basically saying that cigarettes could cause cancer or whatever it say's.....(JUST PUT A WARNING LABEL ON IT), is it really that hard?

Thank you for taking the time to listen,

Sincerely,
Richard Paschen

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: F C (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 6:14 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: What rights we have left

I believe that it is my choice to smoke menthol cigarettes, matter a fact it is my rights and the freedom our four fathers fought for, for us to have a choice. To me full flavor cigarettes are disgusting, and they should be banned if menthol's are. I know what risks I am taking when I smoke this brand and believe that if I was so concerned about it I would quit. We only have few things we can do legally and once again it is my right to make a choice, don't take this right from me.

Francisco Chapa III

A loyal menthol smoker of Newports

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Dianne Stordy (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 6:21 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: The ban on menthol cigarettes

Dear Sir,

Are we back to the days of prohibition?? Give us smokers a break!! YOU do not have the right to decide that menthol is now bad for us.... What's the catch. Who is making money on this ridiculous ban!! And now... we are offered a \$100.00 electronic "cigarette" that blows out air!!! Gee,thanks for the charging us for the free air we breathe!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Leona Edmonds (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 7:07 PM
To: TPSAC

To Whom It May Concern:

Why ban menthol and not nonmenthol. I am an adult and should have the right to choose.
L. Edmonds

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Renee Carter (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 7:37 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: Leave Menthol Cigs Alone

DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES!!! Ban ALL cigarettes if you are gonna ban anything - do that if you want to make a difference.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: La Richard (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 7:51 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Lorillard

I am a smoker and I like my Newport Menthol, that is the only brand of cigarette that I will smoke. I would like them to stay as menthol cigarette, it is my choice to smoke and I would like to keep my brand of menthol on my cigarettes.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: boompa217 (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 8:12 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on menthol

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Please leave the choice to smoke or not to smoke menthol or any cigarette to the people. This is still a democracy.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lil John (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 8:19 PM
To: TPSAC

I think that if a grown person wants to smoke menthol cigarettes that there should b not anyone that has that say so but them . We got crack heads smoking rocks but y'all are not trying to tell them them can't we know it's illegal but not enough effort is put forth so if we want to smoke a menthol let if be and spend our tax dollars else where
Lil' John

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Debbie Jones (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 8:34 PM
To: TPSAC

If you ban one, you need to ban ALL. I believe that ALL tobacco products come with warning and risk to the consumer. It is the user that chooses to use or not. It should not be up to a comittee of either non smokers or non menthol smokers to make a decision if warnings and facts are clearly written and advertised. Non menthol cigarettes should NOT be banned from the public.....

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 8:36 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: BAN ON MENTHOL CIGARETS

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes. It should be our choice as to whether we want to smoke them or not. What happened to the land of the free?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: adam sklare (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 9:03 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol?????????

Don't understand why.....

I think the people of the U.S. are tired of the gov't making ridiculous laws, and or "bans"!!! I believe one of our for fathers stated: less gov't i ter gov't..... I even hear that the gov't is trying to tax cow In Way to go guys..... Maybe instead of taxing us to bankr accord, you should deduct some off your salary. Come on guys your destroying America, of for fathers are turning in their graves. So don't be stupid. Let me live my life how I wan't to live it!!!!!!!!!! You live your life the you wan't and I won't ban your corruption. We are human you know.... Help us all to love America by keeping it America home of the free!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Live free or die trying!!!!!!!!!! We will die trying!!!!!!!!!!

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ricky Henk (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 9:16 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: Ricky David Chappell
Subject: dont banned my cigarette

i would just like to say that i can not smoke full flavored cigs i smoke menthol cigs for my sinuse. and if you take them away i will not be able to breath so please do not take them away it is my right to buy them so leave them alone.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mike Floyd (b) (6)
Sent: Sunday, December 26, 2010 9:53 PM
To: TPSAC

To our political In [redacted],
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When our founding fathers wrote then Constitution, I'm sure they had no idea what our current form of government would do to the people of this great nation. I am a firm believer of our rights and our freedoms that our own people have fought to protect. There are many people that chose to live a lifestyle of their own opinions and beliefs. If we are allowed to engulf our lives with any religion, sexual preference, drugs, alcohol, sexual perversions, abort the life of a human being, with no form of government completely regulating any of the aspects of our twisted lives. But our government, which purpose is to protect our rights and freedoms, seems to be concerned with taking away the choices that should be protected by the few that are attempting to take our ability to chose what we would liketo enjoy out of this lifetime. If anyone is really reading this, I would love to know who I need to call in order to have a genuine explanation of who, how, and why our own leaders of the nation founded on principles of freedom could turn their backs on the people that live and die in this country. Please send me an email of some contact information to have a conversation with someone of importance and influence in this extreme controversy.

Concerned for our nations rights, [redacted] In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above word has been deleted.
-MF
Email me at... (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Robert Cornell (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 12:14 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ciggerettes

leave my ciggs alone go worry about yourselves for a change

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 12:52 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban of menthol cigarettes

My name is keith, I am 24 years old and I am from (b) (6), I've been smoking for about 7 years now and I haven't always smoked menthol cigarettes because I to thought that they were worse for you then non-menthol, but then I started smoking them at about 18 and I see or feel no difference in smoking menthol as opposed to non. In the end all cigarettes actually all tobacco even smokeless is bad for you. I do not think that menthol cigarettes should be banned people should have the right to chose what they want to do with their life. I mean alcohol is a mind altering substance that also has many different products with different strengths and yet it is still legal for people to choose whatever type they want. As I said before cigarettes are just bad for you no matter what so I don't see the difference in letting people smoke menthol. Its not like the chance of you getting cancer is that much less if you smoke non-menthol. So again I am STRONGLY against the ban of menthol cigarettes. Thank you for taking the time to read this email.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tara King (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:47 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ban

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To whom it may concern:

Regardless to the affects or opinions of menthol cigarettes I feel that menthol should me left alone. Do not take that choice we have left away. If someone chooses to smoke cigarettes they have made a choice against being healthy anyways. Why would it matter if you took out menthol or not? The prices are going to be the same and so are the health risks. I petition to leave menthol as a choice. It matters to me.

Thanks, Tara King

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: BOOTS T CAT (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 2:04 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: MENTHOL CIGS

DEAR SIRs...MISSES..

PLEASE DONT CONSIDER MENTHOL SMOKES AS ANY DIFFERENT THEN ALL SMOKES...ITS ALL ADULTS RIGHT TO CHOOSE FOR THEMSELVES...

THANK YOU....

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: EJOHNSON (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 2:29 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban menthol

To whom it may concern:

Please reconsider your opinion about menthol cigarettes. I have tried Newports new non-menthol cigarettes and I feel they would do more harm to me than the regular brand. They actually sting when I smoke them. Marlboro, More, Virginia Slims and Winstons are just not the brands that I choose to smoke and it feels like all I'm doing is inhaling harmful toxins and not really smoking. I do not smoke over a pack a day and just enjoy the flavor of regular Newports. I still believe that it is my choice to choose the brand that I want to smoke and I'm old enough to choose a brand with menthol. Thank you for reading this.

Erika Johnson

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bennett Amanda (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 2:32 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport Menthol

It is my opinion that I should be able to smoke the cigarettes that I choose, and I prefer newport menthol, and as a legal US citizen, I believe that I should have that right. I know many newport smokers, and we pay taxes on these cigarettes like nonmenthol smokers. I really think it would not be fair to ban the newport menthols.

Amanda

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 4:58 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

To whom it may concern,

I am a menthol smoker who has failed quitting multiple attempts. I do not see how its any one persons decision to make judgment on banning menthol cigarettes after they have been legal for years. So if that were to happen,I'd then be doing something illegal due to my addiction-in which would cause a lot of issues for most people. I would prefer to abide by the laws however that would make it very hard for myself and others as well. Also I feel that this government we have is trying to make too many decisions for people that they should not be allowed to make,how does this make our country the land of the free if we cannot do/make decisions that affects us personally? Us smokers have already been dealing with changes such as smoking in public places which should also be our right to have. We are equal,but not being treated that way. Please take into consideration for those of us that do smoke menthol cigarettes and allow it to be our right-not yours.

Thank you,

Addicted to menthol cigarettes smoker!

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michele Lott (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 6:02 AM
To: TPSAC

do not band menthol cigs

Michele Lott

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Katie Brown (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 6:41 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Nonsense

What gives yall the right to decide what and how we smoke ciggarettes something yall put out here and tax and charge ridiculous amounts of money thats all its about yall are suppose to make the right choices from start yall never cared and worried about it then so why now they are just as harmfull as any other ciggarette or cigar this is a sick and cold world part of what we have yall to thank for it look at the bs yall legalize and say is healthy and months even weeks latter people die from those same products so why yall dont stop the real harmful stuff and leave the people who have this habit yall started yall put all that bs out here now look where it is all at thank you sincerly yours katie

This message is from a Virgin Mobile customer. Enjoy.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Raelene Elliott (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 7:22 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT BAN NEWPORT MENTHOL CIGARETTES

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Raelene Elliott

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: michelle perry (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 7:41 AM
To: TPSAC

keep newports

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bowie, Nychelle DDS (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 8:39 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes.

Thank you

Nychelle Bowie

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 8:40 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

if your going to ban menthol cigarettes you should just ban cigarettes all together!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lear, Sandra (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 8:40 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarette use

I am an adult of 62 years old - I buy my own products with my own money & do not appreciate being told by anyone what or what not that should be. My health is my concern and believe me it is considering - quite good...for my age & smoking for almost 45 years. What is the deal except brain washing people slowly over years & years of constantly bringing up - one thing after another...1.) smoking is bad for you...2.) Second hand smoke is bad for you...3.) Third hand smoke is bad for you.....

Over & over again...Get them off the market & quit taking the money for them or quit the **In** about what someone else is doing with their own life...Now, I guess food consumption **accordanc** xt...

Sandra L Lear

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Victoria Carlson (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 8:56 AM
To: TPSAC

I am an adult and smoking is my choice, so many of my rights as a smoker have already been taken away and I consider you choosing what type of cigarette I smoke to be more of the same.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Reva Mitchell (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:05 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol cigarettes

Do not ban menthol cigarettes. I chose to smoke these, my choice not the governments.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:11 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Removing menthol cigarettes

Granted Cigarette smoking is bad for your health, however menthol creates no bigger danger. Please do not ban the menthol brands.

Brenda Greene
(b) (6)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:16 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do Not Ban Menthol Cigarettes

My name is Anne Mastropietro, I am 31 years old and I am a menthol cigarette smoker. I believe it is our right to choose what kind of cigarettes to smoke, as they are both legal-menthol and nonmenthol. Please do not ban menthol cigarettes. I have been a menthol cigarette smoker since the day I started smoking years ago.

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Anne Mastropietro

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tiffany Marshall (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:25 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport's

Hello

My name is Tiffany and I am 23 years old and this is what I have to say on this RIDICULOUS matter:

I started smoking back in 2000 and started with Newport cigarettes. I have tried other brands but Newports are what I like. and now I hear the FDA is actually considering banning them? WHAT COUNTRY DO WE LIVE IN? its bad enough that we get taxed out the **In** for every **In** thing we do, now you want to start restricting us from certain types of cigarettes let alone anything else? This is America and by golly if I want to smoke Newport cigarettes I WILL DO SO. You think that just because you ban newports that is going to change the fact that people die from smoking? well I am hear to tell you that just because you eliminate one little thing your going to get a million more bad things. I am so sick of our government trying to dictate our lives. This isn't Cuba ok. I love my country to death and would do anything for it. But there has got to be a line drawn somewhere. You people have power do GOOD with it. because right now all your doing is **In** off Americans. **accord**

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Thanks

Tiffany Marshall

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: mary calabrese (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:34 AM
To: TPSAC

hello .what is up with that .since when is our country free u keep taking it away from us ..i smoke newport they taste better then any orther u keep taking our freedom away soon we wont have any rights

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Danielle Smith (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:52 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Only menthal cigarette ban??? Really??? Aren't we in America???

If you are going to ban menthal cigarettes you might as well ban them all. I am not a smoker but that is absurd. If you are going to something about the problem do something about the problem. Who are you to tell adult Americas they can only smoke non menthal like they don't cause second hand dangers. It is about second hand not first hand right?? Because we all know the dangers, and those of us who choose to smoke are adults making a conscientious decision. This is America, like I said that ban would be absurd. By the time our great grandchildren are adults we are goin to be a third world country from the looks of it. If you want to do something, if you want to ban something, do it right.

Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: shaquilla foster (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:58 AM
To: TPSAC

Its not ur choice we are grown its our decision go worry about our country and why we are letting it go dwn hill

Sent via Cricket Mobile Email

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mary Hernandez (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:05 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DONT BAN MENTHOL!!!

I have smoked menthol cigarettes for over 20 years...You cannot say that non-menthol are legal and menthol are not that is ridiculous. There are many other things that the FDA needs to be focusing on but this isn't one of them.

Mary Hernandez

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michael O'Meara (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:17 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol??

Hello,

My name is Mike O'Meara and i am a daily methol cigarette smoker. I've been smoking menthol cigarettes for about 10 years or more now and I also smoked non menthol in between and before i starting smoking menthol as a chosen cigarette. In my experience's of smoking there is no difference between non menthol and menthol. They all have same side effects, and they are all the same health risk. Smoking is "smoking" no matter what brand or flavor you choose whether it be, Light, Red, Menthol, or flavored there all the same So if you are going to ban one ban them all. I dont think it is right to just ban one you will have many issues with society if you ban menthol. Many people will probally go into riot and protests and it will be a huge Crisis.. So if you really are taking a look at peoples thoughts just remember its not your life your changing or trying to control by banning a certain brand, Its the People of the united states of america.. and as far as i can remeber this is a "Free" Country, and if cigarettes are going to kill some one its not menthol thats going to do it its Cigarettes in general. And everyone whom smokes is aware of the issues that come along with smoking cigarettes and they still do it.. so with that being said, Let people smoke a brand they enjoy not a brand you control. This will make the world much easier.

Thanks,
Sincerly,

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: connie lee (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:19 AM
To: TPSAC

I so not believe that Newport are any worst than and other cigaretts because I have some alot of brand, please do not take them of the markets

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Isaiah Cox (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:23 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Re: Banning Menthol Cigs

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a loyal menthol cigarette smoker and I do not believe the government should decide weather i smoke menthol or non-menthol first the TAX HIKES now this. Yet you refuse to investigate the use of alcohol it kills more people and is not taxed as much go figure that one. I choose to smoke and accept the consequences of health problems and if the government takes it into their power to say i cant smoke menthol then your over stepping your power.

Isaiah Cox

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Judy A (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:43 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarette ban?!?

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Dear Sirs and Madams,

Please consider the thousands of citizens who currently smoke when determining whether or not all flavor enhancements should be banned from tobacco products. As an adult smoker, I have been addicted to cigarettes for about 40 years now. I have always smoked menthol cigarettes and would be beyond ballistic if the government now stepped in at this late stage and banned products upon which I depend. Of course we know that cigarette smoking is harmful and addictive and want to limit the use for future generations. But don't attack the flavors which make smoking more tolerable for new users while neglecting the rights of all those who have already become addicted to a LEGAL substance. I'm so tired of my rights being chipped away or taxed in excess of the price of a pack. Please quit trying to protect me from life. Thanks for listening.

Judy Andrew

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Beatrice Avila (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:56 AM
To: TPSAC

To whom it may concern, Although I occasionally smoke menthol cigarettes, I believe that menthol cigarettes should not be banned. My son is an avid menthol smoker.

Yes, I know smoking is detrimental to your health, but so is the air we breath, the water we drink and the soil that grows our food supply. It may or may not be too late to change change all the damage that has been done, but what should not change is the freedom of choice. Menthol cigarettes should not be banned.

Thank you, (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kris (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 11:06 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

I believe menthol cigarettes should NOT be treated any differently than non-menthol cigarettes! Its my life & I should be able to smoke which ever kind I want!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: kandij653 (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 11:14 AM
To: TPSAC

stop trying to make us stop smoking by taking everything from us its my choice I'm now addicted to Newports and now you want to take that leave it alone that's my choice.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Shurney, Peggy (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 11:31 AM
To: TPSAC

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Do not band menthol cigarettes

Shurney (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Michelle Harris (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 11:40 AM
To: TPSAC

ITS NOT GOOD AT ALL BECAUS ITS LOT OF PEOPLE OUT HERE THAT SMOKE METHOL NEWPORTS AND IT WILL BE ALOT OF PROBLEMS SO PLEASE DONT BAND THEM.

THANK YOU

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Deborah Miller (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 11:50 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport cigarettes

Why is it that the US Government want's to ban them don't we have the right to smoke what we choose to. why should the type of cigarette we choose to smoke have anything to do with the Government ? you have already taxed them to the hill, yes smoking can cause cancer, lung , heart disease but why is the government dictating what a person can or canot smoke our government is constantly interfraring in mattersw that I feel they should leave alone and yet issues that should be addressed are left alone what is wrong with this picture?Senior citizens still in need of health care, childern are still hungry,we still have the military in a war ? all areas where government and their funds are needed yet thay would rather spend money to tell us what to smoke why?? I don't understand how our government works or deciedes what area to harasse it's citizens in .

[The Joy Of The Lord Is My Stregenth](#)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 12:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT! Ban of Menthol Cigarettes

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Good Morning,

Please consider that menthol cigarettes is my right as an American Citizen to choose to smoke them. If you want to ban anything ban alcohol which kills more people everyday than cigarettes do in a year. This is my freedom to choose and every American Citizen has the right to choose or refuse!!!!!!

Carolee Little

(b) (6)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Debra West (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 12:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: do not ban menthol

Hello,

I have been a smoker for 20 years. I abide by all the non smoking rules, go places where no one can breath the smoke. I feel I should have the right to smoke menthol cigarettes if I so chose. Please do not ban them

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Debra West (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 12:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Hello tto whom it make involve

I have been smoking Newport and it is no different that non menthol. something else make it so u smoke n ur car. Its already that way in already have to smoke outside. So in closing please let us have our peace. (b) (6) ban . We e and in

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: mc chris (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:01 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Potential Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

I write as a concerned consumer in regards to your study to explore potential dangers of menthol cigarettes and the ban that could be enacted as a result.

I'll simply say that I find it moderately arrogant to tell legal consumers/smokers who have paid for cigarettes for years what flavor of cigarette they're permitted. Any reasonable smoker is well-appraised of the potential health dangers associated with smoking, as they are conveniently printed ON THE PACKS AND CARTONS! Anti-smoking ads and movements--funded by smokers since most of them are the product of litigation against the companies from which we purchase our cigarettes--have proliferated and there is no excuse for a smoker to be uneducated as to the risks.

As many smokers still choose to smoke regardless of the dangers and still pay the ever-increasing taxes on this product that our government claims to hate so much (which I find morbidly odd, as this country was partially built upon tobacco and it's still an immensely popular product today. Heck, our own president is a user of tobacco products. Funny, that.), I find it suspect that efforts to curtail smoking have reached this apex; that it seems sensible to deny a smoker his or her right to select a preferred flavor of tobacco.

As a group, smokers have been marginalized for years now, forced to adapt to the aforementioned tax increases as a punishment for indulging this practice (thereby making MORE money for the aforementioned government), forced to adapt to changing legislation describing when and where we may smoke, and we've done so. Asking us to all smoke a certain style or flavor of cigarette is utterly ridiculous. There are myriad flavors and styles of alcohol. As a product, alcohol presents a much greater social ill and arguably leads to just as many if not more health problems and incalculably more social problems that long-term users must have treated, burdening the same insurance companies--private and otherwise--often mentioned in discussing smoking legislation. We create shrines to alcoholics, places in which to indulge their habit. And what in the way of anti-drinking commercials and ads clogging the television and magazines we read? "Don't drive drunk. Be drunk, sure, but just don't drive a car then." Brilliant.

So long as the government here enjoys the insane taxes we pay on our cigarettes, there ought not be any efforts to control what flavor of tobacco we elect to smoke. I understand the charges against

menthol cigarettes and the "concerns" this panel endeavors to address, but it's a little late coming, no? Menthol smokers have had decades to grow accustomed to their preferred style of cigarettes and it's just occurred to someone to perform a study aimed at outlawing them? The fact is, no matter what your study reveals, they're cigarettes. Cigarettes present certain risks and concerns to their users and menthol cigarettes are no different.

I stringently disagree with your study, the time, money, and effort being wasted to prosecute it, and the underlying sentiment that menthol cigarettes are on the chopping block in the name of 'science' and 'protecting our citizenry from themselves.' Dedicate that effort and money to curtailing alcoholism in America. As a rule, daily smokers can still handle our daily tasks and function in society; safely parent our children, drive automobiles, be good friends and neighbors, and all without a lousy attitude and obnoxious, slurred speech. Can the same be said for alcoholics? And yet we are singled out continuously and precious time and money is wasted determining that something we already do, something known to be "bad" and unhealthy, might be marginally more dangerous in a certain flavor. Absolutely ridiculous. I protest this study, it's undertakers, and the litigators who deemed it wise. I dissent. Leave us alone and leave us to choose what sort of cigarette we prefer to smoke.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Michael Haley

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jennifer Grant (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:01 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES
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PLEASE DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gules1 (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:05 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Dear Sirs:

I am writing in regard to the consideration of banning menthol cigarettes.

Since when did the US become a communist state? You folks must love Mayor Bloomberg who seems to spend his time looking for the next thing to tell people they cannot do!

I have read a number of NEUTRAL reports and I have seen nothing that says menthol cigarettes do any more harm than any other cigarette. I am an intelligent, educated adult. **QUITE CAPABLE OF MAKING MY OWN DECISIONS!!!!!!**.

I for one can tell you that I **WILL** by the black market menthol cigarettes that will develop because of such an action,...as I do now to avoid money bags Bloomberg's ridiculous taxes in NYC. Franky, I think it is prejudicial to be trying to finance the city of New York on the backs of smokers!

And, as the numbers have shown, all he has done is create a black market and chase people to find other means of getting their cigarettes,..which has actually **DECREASED** the purchases at NYC retailers and has **NOT** raised the money expected by such a ridiculous tax. In his small mind, he thinks it's because less people are smoking,..idiot! He's full of it anyway, because if people really stopped like he "says" he wants,..because he cares about peoples health, the city would be screwed losing the tax money!!!!!!!!!!

CHOICE, INDIVIDUAL FREEDOMS, RIGHTS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! WAKE UP PEOPLE!!

The government does not need to legislate every aspect of people's lives!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

You people make me sick and you spit on the graves of the soldiers who have fought for us to have freedom of choice, individual liberties and **RIGHTS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Given the economy, can't a person at least enjoy having a cigarette of their choice when so stressed over everything else that the government is **FAILING** to fix. There are many, much more important things that the time and money should be spent on then finding another thing to tell people the cannot do!!!!!! Especially when you're taxing the guys eyes out of his head!!!!!!

You people are ridiculous!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! This exactly the kind of thing that is wrong with this country!!!!!!

Discouraged, voting **AMERICAN!!!**

Tom Guiliani

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: dcc (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:18 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol

I would like to know why the FDA feels that it has the right to remove menthol cigarettes from the market? I am a 52 year old man and feel that if you are going to make menthol cigarettes illegal it is discrimination against all menthol smokers. To the best of my knowledge cigarette smoking is legal in the United States of America. It is high time the FDA kept it's nose out of peoples lifestyles. Try doing a better job on our meds made and imported into the states. Thank you Denis Campfield

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Dorsett, Daniel (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:35 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: CIGARETTES

I DISAGREE WITH THE BANNING OF MENTHOL CIGARETTES! I AM ONE WHO HAS BEEN A SMOKER FOR MANY YEARS AND I DO KNOW THE RICKS OF SMOKING!!!!

I TOTALLY DISAGREE WITH YOUR DECISION ON THE BANNING OF MENTHOL CIGARETTES!!!!

I AM ONE OF THE MANY THOUSANDS OF CIGARETTE SMOKERS WHO WILL VOICE THEIR OPINION ON THE BANNING OF MENTHOL CIGARETTES!!!

DANIEL DORSETT
HEALTH BENEFITS ADVISOR
"HAVE A BLESSED DAY!)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tiffany L. Curnal (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:42 PM
To: TPSAC

I want to be able to continue to have the CHOICE to smoke menthol cigarettes. I believe that there should not be any distinction between menthol and non menthol. It's a type of cigarette regardless.

Ms. Tiffany L. Curnal

(b) (6)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kara Ball (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:44 PM
To: TPSAC

I think the F.D.A. Is getting trigger happy with the controlling issues you wont let us have our weed.. Give us Our MENTHOLS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Concentrate on something more important then the smokers of america!!!
iT'S OLD !!!!
<3KareBear<3

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Dave Myles (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I enjoy my menthol cigarettes. I see no reason to differentiate between non-menthol and menthol cigarettes. Cigarettes are legal. I should have my choice to the type I smoke.

Regards,

D. Myles

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Nita Rios (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:56 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't Let FDA Ban Newport Menthol Cigarettes

It dose not matter if u ban or don't ban Newport.. u have to realize no matter What ppl will smoke What they want n when they want to.. u can only help ppl who want to be helped.. if do decide to ban Newport you will have to realize dat u will lose millions of dollars. and with all that money you lose that cigarette companies make and yes cigarettes do cause alot of health problems it still the buyer who puts them self at risk and if u do ban Newport's it will hurt cause no matter what u say or think they (Newport) do help get the message across to the younger ppl about smoking n harmful effects..

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kye Walker (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 1:58 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Ciggarettes

This is to give my opinion to state I am AGAINST the ban on menthol ciggarettes! I do not need Congress or any other lawmaker to govern me in that manner. I do not believe there is anyone in America that does not know the hazards of smoking and if we choose to indulge anyway, that is on us. Menthol and Nonmenthol are the same hazard, therefore neither is better than the other. BOTH should remain on the market.

Kye Walker
(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tha Clip Keeper! (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 2:07 PM
To: TPSAC

if u ban menthol ciggarettes then i am no longer obligated 2 follow the laws i did not agree upon. after all its in the constitution.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: fapuka619 (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 2:43 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Newport

To whom it may concern,

I don't think that is fair to discontinue newport menthol cigarettes. Why don't you stop non menthols or alcohol?? I think I have a right to smoke Newports. please don't discontinue. Thank you

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sean Castaneda (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 3:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Ban

I think you should just go ahead and ban all cigarettes not just menthol. I am a smoker. But there have been numerous studies that say how horrible they are for you to begin with. To try and determine which is worse for you and place a ban on those facts is ridiculous. That is like trying to decide whether dying by hanging or drowning is better either way you still die. It was just years ago that people tried to stand by and say cigarettes weren't bad for you. Well they are. Ban all of them especially when more people die from alcohol and tobacco products each year than most illegal substances. And this is what our government feels is best for US. Now don't get me wrong I love my government and Country even more. But I do not agree with marketing a product that is blatantly engineered to get you addicted and will most certainly cause major health issues is very responsible or caring. That's just my opinion. We can get the tax money somewhere else ladies and gentlemen.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tara Matthews (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 3:27 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC

Menthol cigarettes should not be treated differently.

Sincerely,

Tara Lynne Matthews

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 3:41 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol vs Non menthol

I'LL SAY IT AGAIN... When will it end? I'm referring to the Governments involvement in matters where they don't need to be. There is no way I would believe there aren't pressing issues needing attention. Whether or not cigarettes have menthol IS NOT ONE OF THEM. In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10 the above word has (no pun intended)!

In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above words have been deleted.

Cheryl L. Hunter

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: patti roznowski (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 3:51 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: leave menthol alone

I wish you would leave the cig alone every time a person turns around you pull the rug out on them. find something else to do. It tells you on the cig pack that they are not good for you and its that persons choice to smoke menthol if they want. You pulled the rug out when you went to fire safe cigs . the cigs were just fine untill people like yous step in because someone had a brain In Its a shame that people like yous are always picking on cigs but the alcohol law just let them buy it when ever they want even on sundays now so they can drive drunk and more accidents can happen, at least with menthol cigs you can drive a car and its leagal and i bet there are no accidents. acco

In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above word has been deleted.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Denise Martin (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 4:09 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: stop leave newports alone

Hello my name is Denise Brown and I have always smoked Newport 100 Menthol for about 20 years . I'm now 45 yrs.old. I have a choice and the choice is mine to make . Please leave the cigarettes alone I would greatly be Thankful.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: lorri valinsky (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 4:48 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: non-mentol

I really thought this was a free county and that I had a choice of if I want non-mentol or mentol. Pretty soon the government will tell us when we can ⁱⁿ or not. I've been smoking mentol cigs for 25 years and I don't see what the difference between non ^{acc} and mentol is, and it was my choice what to smoke. If your going to get rid of one why not both if the fda wants to decide how people live

Graham, Tom (CTP)

In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above word has been deleted.

From: Gaylia Spencer (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 4:53 PM
To: TPSAC

I would not like it if you banned these cigarettes they comfort me in a way that relaxes me after a long day or any day. please do not ban newport shorts in a box. I really like them.

[Thanks,](#)
[Gail](#)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Megan Lowry (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 5:52 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Please Do Not Ban Menthols

Dear Scientists,

Please do not vote to ban menthol cigarettes. As a menthol smoker and an adult it is my choice to smoke menthols.

They should not be treated any differently than any other tobacco products. I am aware of the dangers of smoking but it should be left up to the person what kind of cigarettes they smoke. Smoking is harmful but yet millions of smokers are well aware of the risks and still choose to do so. Drinking alcohol is also harmful yet taxes did not get raised on beer as it has been on tobacco and no one is telling legal age drinkers that they can only drink light beers. Can you concede my point.

I would be very grateful if you all would take my opinion into account before making a decision. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Megan Warner

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Chloe Harris (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 6:32 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: banning menthol cigarettes

I think it is absolutely ridiculous that the government is trying to tell grown people that they can not choose between a menthol and a nonmenthol cigarette. That is the whole purpose of creating medium and light cigarettes so that every smoker in

America and anywhere else will have the choice to have menthol, nonmenthol, and even how strong they want their menthol. It's bad enough the newports don't even taste the same, the pack doesn't even say menthol on it and you guys are trying to ban it all together. What's the purpose of coming out with nonmenthol newports if you're still trying to ban menthol cigarettes? Not only that if cigarettes are bad for you then they're bad for you let us make that choice on our own. If there is no difference in the harm and the health between menthol and nonmenthol then why ban it? Part of being an American is having the right to make your own decisions and with any person they can choose their own path, we don't need the government trying to make these decisions for us.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Just Blaze (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 6:40 PM
To: TPSAC

Hi my name is Michael I'm writing to you about stopping this ban on menthol cigarettes. I'm 25 years old, I should be able to choose if I want to smoke menthol or non- menthol. Its is legal and I have the right to want what i want to do as long its no breaking the law. How can u say menthol is worst than non-menthol when in all actuality the two have the same ingredients. I understand that you all trying to promote better health choices, but it's our human right to choose what we want to do with our health. Its not yours and the government choice of what us tax paying citizens smoke. So take into consideration the million people that pay their taxes and millions of way us smoker use cigarettes for. Thank You and have a bless day

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: MARTINA KAMINSKY (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 8:06 PM
To: TPSAC

PLEASE DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGS.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: colleen hamilton (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 8:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol vs. Non-Menthol

To The FDA,

I am a 37 year old woman. It has come to my attention that on January 10-11th there will be another meeting about banning Menthol Cigarettes. I smoke Menthol Cigarettes and I use to smoke Non-Menthol. They both cause many health problems if used. There are warnings on the packs, ads and even from every doctor. It is up to the consumer of legal age to choose. If you ban Menthol Cigarettes think of the unfairness of that. It is like stating 'Non-Menthol cigarettes are better for you than Menthol.' Is that the message you want to send? Not even counting the fact that it will turn to smuggling Menthol just like drugs. Doesn't this country have enough problems trying to stop the contraband with things a lot worse than Menthol Cigarettes? The message I hear from this, if passed is 'Go ahead and keep smoking Cowboy Killers, we are okay with that. But the AMERICAN people can't smoke Menthol Cigarettes because they are harmful.' I believe it is my choice to choose the type, style, brand and flavor of the cigarette's I smoke. The government would have to ban all cigarette's before, if at all, Menthol only. Please do not take this decision lightly. Thank You for the

time you have took reading this letter.

Sincerely,

Colleen Hamilton
Concerned Consumer

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Joe & Michele (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:15 PM
To: TPSAC

dont you have beter things to do

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: heather Hallowell (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 9:54 PM
To: TPSAC

non menthol and menthol cigarettes have the same health effects, how can you ban one and not the other? it should be our choice if we want to smoke menthol!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Stephen Hughes (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:14 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes Banned?

It seems ridiculous to me that you are considering banning menthol cigarettes. That's kind of like telling people that it is o.k. to jump off the 400 foot bridge but not the 300 foot bridge. Sure your going to hit the ground sooner off the 300 footer but the 400 footer is still going to kill you. If your trying to save me from myself then I would say that you have already epically failed. I can buy these harmful little ^{In} ~~accordanc~~ right over the counter. According to you guys Cannabis is more harmful than cocaine, meth and heroin. You have failed to make what seems to be a very simple observation. I don't have faith in you to make an educated guess much less to do actual scientific studies. You have allowed cannabis to be labeled as "the" gateway drug while I'm quite sure that you will find more people that do hardcore drugs started smoking cigarettes before any other drugs that they tried with the exception of alcohol.

You will be doing nothing useful by telling people that they can't smoke the kinds of cigarettes they want. No matter the way you slice it the only thing that is going to happen is you are going to create another illegal market where money is being sent to Mexican drug cartels. Lets go ahead and start another war that the government will never win. To clarify I'm not talking about Iraq, no I am speaking of the war on drugs! Since I'm paying the bills over there I would appreciate it if you would let me know prior to the start of any study's so that I can give approve or disapprove them accordingly.

In conclusion It is my opinion that your should either ban cigarettes and alcohol all together or do nothing at all. You should probably go ahead and get rid of peanuts to, I hear they kill people!

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Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the

obstacles which he has overcome.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Connie martin (b) (6)
Sent: Monday, December 27, 2010 10:52 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

As a smoker, especially one in (b) (6), I have recently lost MANY RIGHTS. I DO NOT want to lose my right to smoke Menthol Cigarettes also.

Although I KNOW there can be health concerns associated with cigarettes in general, it is MY choice to smoke. I consider myself to be a "considerate smoker" I do NOT inflict it upon other people, in my home, I always burn a candle, etc. for OTHER people. And I NEVER just "throw my cigarettes on the ground, or out of the car window!"

But I DO enjoy smoking, and I ENJOY smoking Menthol cigarettes.

I am 41 years old, and in MY 41 years of being around MANY smokers, I have NEVER known ANYONE that has been affected, or effected BY CIGARETTES. Nor do I know ANYONE, or have I heard of anyone ever KILLING SOMEONE ELSE, with a cigarette. I DO however know MANY, MANY people that have been both affected, AND effected by ALCOHOL!

I also know MANY people who have lost THEIR lives, by someone else's choice to DRINK & DRIVE, yet I have NEVER known, or heard of ANYONE, EVER being killed by someone "Smoking & driving!" It baffles me that BIG GOVERNMENT continuously goes after CIGARETTE SMOKERS, yet Alcohol drinkers, who damage themselves, & OTHER people, on a VERY REGULAR basis still pay basically the SAME prices for alcohol, as they have for the last 20 years! You NEVER see the tax on a bottle of beer going up \$3.00 a bottle, yet it IS common to RAISE THE TAX ON CIGARETTES!

Of course this is JUST MY OPINION, however, as MANY taxes as I pay, for smoking, I should be allowed to smoke WHATEVER brand, or type of tobacco I use, be it Menthol, or Non-Menthol.

Thank You
Connie L. Martin

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Christina Foltz (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:04 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: MENTHOL CIGARETTE BAN

I agree with the decision to ban menthol cigarettes. While people feel they are adults and should be able to make the choice themselves the cigarettes are highly addictive and the choice is no longer theirs. It's like any other addictive drug out there; crack cocaine, heroin, etc.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jerry Bridger (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:07 AM
To: TPSAC

Do not ban my smokes..

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:27 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: RE: newport Menthol cigarettes

It is my choice to choose what I want to smoke, and my choice is and always has been Newport 100's mentholated cigarettes. Knowing the health risks, and not ignorant to any of the facts concerning my choice and brand of cigarettes, the government and anyone else involved needs to focus on more dire matters, such as this economy, and global issues. Spend your time regulating the petroleum issues with the EPA, and stopping big businesses from being excluded from the laws.

Mrs. April Louise Boerstler

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: SHEREE MONTGOMERY (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:47 AM
To: TPSAC

I SMOKE NEWPORT 100'S MENTHAL . WHY BAN THEM THEY ARE NO DIFFERENT THAN ANY OTHER CIGGERETT

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rachel Paul (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 2:12 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

If you ban menthol, ban all tobacco products! No use picking and choosing. If you were going to ban liquor, you might as well ban all alcohol because the end result is the same!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Craig G (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 3:59 AM
To: TPSAC
Cc: Newport@newportpleasures.com
Subject: ban on menthol cigarettes

I fail to see why there would be a ban on menthol cigarettes and not regular cigarettes. It seems quite strange that the FDA would limit the choice of one type of cigarette and not ban them all together. I am not aware of any studies that menthol cigarettes are any more dangerous for you than regular cigarettes. If so please let me know the source of the study, so i read it and try to form a more well thought out opinion on the subject.

I have seen the two major things stated by critics as the reason for banning them. First that they are more addictive because of the flavoring. Is cherry coke more addictive then regular coke? both have almost the same amount of ingredients except for cherry flavoring. Its a personal choice that i may enjoy cherry flavoring but the caffeine is the substance that makes it addictive, and buy the way if they where more addictive then cherry coke like menthol cigarettes would be the more popular of the two. We both know this to be completely false.

I smoke personally smoke menthol cigarettes because i enjoy the taste better. If you where to ban them I would not quite smoking for that reason i would just switch to plain or another flavor or even flavored cigars. <WHY BECAUSE AT THIS TIME EVEN THOUGH I AM FULLY AWARE OF THE DANGERS OF SMOKING ,ASK MY FATHER HE ONLY HAS ONE LUNG ;WILLIAM GRIFFIN, I AM NOT WILLING TO QUIT AND NEITHER WILL ANY ONE ELSE

The second and most disturbing is the fact that African Americans are for the most part menthol smokers. I my self am white person that smokes menthol cigarettes, my wife which is black used to smoke light non menthol but no longer does. I asked her opinion on the subject and she feels like its a personal issue of taste and the fact that African American smoke mostly menthol cigarettes might be due to the fact that there parents and there parents parents smoked menthol cigarettes. This fact is that this current demographic was most likely brought on by the price difference in menthol vs non menthol cigarettes, and cigarettes brands and flavors are passed on in a family grouping because kids emulate what they see. <my mother to this day still smokes menthol also white>

PS I believe most people would find the FDA showing a type of racism toward African Americans in banning menthol cigarettes for there own good even though they are as informed and capable of making a decision on whether or not to smoke as any of the rest of us.

You may even take the high road and try say to ban any cigarettes is a good thing but look at what happens in this country when you make something illegal and people still want the thing. Do you want yet another black market industry supporting everyone but American taxes in the revenue that menthol cigarettes bring in. :God forbid " that terrorist use underground profits from banning of menthol and eventually of all cigarettes to make a bomb that could possibly hurt my little girl, or if you have children, your little girl.

PPS Please also think in this fragile economy how many people you will be laying off if you pass this bill. The actions you take today could shape our country for years or even decays to come.

Craig Griffin Age 29 Smoker since i was of legal age of 19 and I am well aware of what can happen if I smoke.

I wrote this email as a casual letter because between friends but in the end I know that the FDA will make the right call and leave this issue to the people as a freedom of choice.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: yAy LuLu (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 5:56 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ban

This is absolutely ridiculous. If it's my choice to smoke cigarettes, it should also be my choice to smoke menthol.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tanya Jones (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 8:34 AM
To: TPSAC

i have been smoking newport menthol for over 10 years and i dont smoke any other brand at all. please reconsider banning the menthol cigarettes from selling. it would create alot of upset customers and decrease sales which is not good for newport. so please take the time to reconsider

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sharon Orwig (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 9:03 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ciggarets

I understand you have a problem with menthol cigarets look i have smoked nenthol all my life and my lungs are clear and i feel as good as a person could feel. I choose to smoke and I choose what to buy nothing you do against smoking i will figure out a way to do it anyways. I am a spoiled american and it is my right as a citizen to do what i want. Leave cigs alone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 9:10 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

Leave me alone....and let me make my personal choice to smoke menthol cigarettes. There are more pressing medical issues the FDA should be dealing with. Try speeding up the process to get new promising drugs approved....but then how would you drag out your govt. salaries. Move on to something more important!! And let people make their own choices!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Reggie Munoz (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 9:11 AM
To: TPSAC

I do not smoke menthol cigarettes, but my brother and sister in-law do, and many of my friends do. I believe we should allow them to choose what type of cigarettes they want to smoke, not take away their privilege to choose. They know it is bad for them, as everyone in the world does. But forcing them not to is wrong on many levels. they are adults, and as adults have the right to choose what they do with their lives, and if smoking menthol Newports is what they want to do, who are we to tell them otherwise. We can advise that they are bad for them, but ultimately it should be their decision.

Regina A Muñoz

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: anthony welch (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 9:26 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do Not Ban Menthol Cigarettes.

I smoke menthol cigarettes, it is a choice that I make everyday; I know the health risk that I am taking, if you ban menthol you should ban all types of cigarettes. If you ban menthol you should ban alcohol, cars, guns, hamburgers, fries, ice cream all fatty foods, everyone need to face the facts that one day we all will die, so why not do what you enjoy doing, my mom passed at age 50 and never smoked or dranked, organs was clean as water but still she died of heart break when my dad passed. my grandfather on the other hand smoked all of his life and died at the age of 107. you can smoke drink and eat fatty foods but you have to stay active so you body can regenerate. FDA will never be able to stop all of the things that people lose their life to, if you ban menthol people will find a substitute for it. this is just my opinion.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Anna Steinman (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 9:34 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

DO NOT BAN.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: cheryl kelly (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 10:00 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Please BAN menthol cigarettes and non-memthol cigarettes. I have been trying to quit smoking for over 3 years and have been finding it very hard to do so. Cigarettes has affected my health and contributed to many health factors that I am now dealing with and trying to maintain. I am progressively cutting down and I think if the FDA BANS all cigarettes it would make it easier for people to quit smoking, prohibit teens from picking up their first cigarette (since it's a known fact that tobacco companies target marketing strategies towards teens and young adults) and if the ban is in place this will contribute to more healthy americans.

Tobacco companies have made billions on other people's addiction, it's time to start marketing heathy lifestyles for all Americans young and old.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 11:14 AM
Subject: 100% AGAINST MENTHOL BAN !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

MY NAME IS JENNIFER MUNSON. I HAVE BEEN A NURSE, SINCE 1995. I AM AN EDUCATED, WELL-ROUNDED, SUCCESSFUL, 34 YEAR OLD WOMAN, CURRENTLY LIVING IN THE STATE OF (b) (6). CONSIDERING MY EDUCATION, AS WELL AS THE RESEARCH I HAVE PURSUED, I HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE USAGE OF MENTHOL CIGARETTES. I FEEL IT IS VERY UNFAIR TO BAN THE SALE OF MENTHOL CIGARETTES. I BELIEVE EVERYONE OVER THE AGE OF 18, THAT IS LEGALLY ABLE TO PURCHASE CIGARETTES, SHOULD ALSO BE ABLE TO CHOOSE FOR THEMSELVES, WHETHER OR NOT THEY PREFER TO SMOKE MENTHOL CIGARETTES VS. NON-MENTHOL CIGARETTES. I FEEL THAT BANNING THE SALE/PURCHASE OF MENTHOL CIGARETTES VIOLATES ONE'S HUMAN & PERSONAL RIGHTS, BEING A CITIZEN OF THE USA. THANK-YOU FOR CONSIDERING MY INPUT. JM

tpsac@fda.hhs.gov<tpsac@fda.hhs.gov>

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Taylor, Rochelle (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 11:24 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: DON'T BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES

It is an adults choice to smoke whether it be menthol or non-menthol cigarettes. How can u ban menthol cigarettes and not ban all cigarettes, this doesn't make sense to me. It is just another way "Big Brother" is in our personal business.

Thank you,

Rochelle Taylor

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Britt B (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 11:49 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban Of Menthol Cigarettes

I would LOVE for you guys to ban menthol cigarettes. I have been smoking since I was 16 years old. I am 22 now. I am super addicted. I can never smoke an alternative cigarette...it's Newport Menthols or nothing at all!
If these cigarettes were banned I wouldn't smoke anymore because I wouldn't be able to get Newports Menthols.

Newport actually sent me an email asking me to write you and tell you that "we have the right to make our personal decisions...and not to try to ban them"....but I'm all for the ban of menthol cigarettes.

I hope you guys win!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: DAmico, Cheryl (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 11:57 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I am writing to ask you not to make menthol illegal in cigarettes. It is really amazing to me that I even need to do this. I am appalled at the backward trend on personal liberties in this country and the money our government is spending to attack them. Please do the right thing – this is a particularly slippery slope that you are on.

Cheryl A. D'Amico

Attorney At Law

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rod Aldridge (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

I believe smoking cigarettes or Menthol cigarettes has the same effects as non Menthol cigarettes. I've been smoking for 17years both Menthol and non Menthol. I'm still in good health. I believe most of these vignettes stories is a bunch of crock. Just to Scare folks into not smoking no more! In my opinion cigarettes has been around for years,so you might as well keep it going! .

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Amy Loves Steven (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: banning menthol cigarettes

I am emailing you now to as you to not ban menthol cigarettes. I smoke newport, and have for a long time. I couldnt imagine smoking anything else. Please reconsider your desission. Alot of people smoke menthol, and this should be the peoples choice as well, not just a choice that you guys make to take them off the market. Please take this into consideration. Thank you.

Amy Keller

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Shella Merritt (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Cc: (b) (6)
Subject: Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

Dear Sir/Madam:

It has come to my attention that you may pass a law that would ban menthol cigarettes from being sold. Why? Yes, I am aware that cigarettes can do harm to one's health, but isn't that my decision as an adult? Why are you proposing to ban only menthol cigarettes? Menthols are no more harmful than non-menthols; so why pick on consumers who smoke menthol cigarettes? This is very unfair. If you are going to start banning, then ban ALL cigarettes that way all cigarette smokers will be forced to quit and the big tobacco companies can go broke!

I have a right to smoke if I want and I have a right to smoke the brand I prefer. Americans still have and enjoy FREEDOM! Please leave us menthol smokers alone. If we want to harm ourselves, who are you to take that right away?

PLEASE DO NOT BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES!

Very truly yours,

Shella Merritt

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lola Vaughn (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Allow them to continue being made.

Thanx!

Lola Vaughn

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bobbie Caviness (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 12:58 PM
To: TPSAC

Dear Communist dictators,

Why are you trying to control how I utilize a legal substance? I fought for this country in Operation Desert Storm and Desert Shield and I have earned the right to smoke menthol which incidentally, have the exact same health effects as non menthol. or is it because you know that menthol are predominantly enjoyed by African Americans so you want to take away, and control more freedoms from them, in further racist retaliation, for the election of Barrack Obama?

Sincerely,

An American Soldier

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Yvonne Simmons (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:00 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

I am a menthol cigarette smoker and would like to continue to see them to be sold in stores

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Gabrielle Simeone (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in regards to the fact that you are thinking about banning menthol cigarettes. All I have to say, is that if you ban menthol cigarettes, you will ban all non-menthol cigarettes as well. There is no difference between menthol vs. non-menthol, just the fact that they are flavored different. In the end, we all know that you will not ban all cigarettes, because you will lose out on all the money that the government receives from the taxes(which is ridiculous). You need to tax fast food restaurants more, that are one of the leading causes to obesity and heart attacks in the country today. Better yet, why don't you out law that, and minimize a large problem in our country. You make less money off of fast food industry, and they cause more problems in the long run than the tobacco industry does. All in all, you can't ban menthol cigarettes, because banning them will not stop people from getting them, which again, the government will lose

out on

money, because smokers will be getting them from the black market. Just something for you to think about.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: cody jessup (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:36 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol or no menthol

please dont ban menthol cigarettes! the government has done enough to try and control our way of life. it is our right as sane humans to make decisions about our life banning menthol cigarettes only restricts what we as a people have the choice of doing in our lives.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: LaShownda Watkins (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:38 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on menthol cigarettes

To whom this may concern;

My name is LaShownda, and I am a person who has smoked. I have began the process to quit due to health reasons, but I also wanted to give my own personal opinion on the situation concerning menthol cigarettes. I feel that every person has the right to make their own decisions, and live their life according to what they feel is appropriate for them. Banning only menthol cigarettes seems to be a kind of discrimination, based on the personal decisions that some people make. Each year we have people on the street dying from overdoses, teenagers purchasing cold medicine for the use of getting high, and even people using prescription drugs for other use besides their health. So I feel that there are more serious issues that need to be addressed other than the banning of menthol cigarettes.

Secondly, I would like to make the point that there have been many states that have already made laws to ban smoking in public places. This I feel is enough for those who make the decision to smoke.

Every year it seems to me that there are new laws that further invade a smokers **constitutional rights**, based on yet again a personal choice that; as a **U.S. citizen** we all have the right to make. I feel that these laws are unjust, discriminatory, and severely unfair to everyone. If my memory serves me right this is supposed to be **the land of the FREE!!!**

As a smoker don't we have rights TOO?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mark Ketron (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:48 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Get with the program. I understand you all need jobs in these hard times. But, let Americans do with their lungs what they please. I smoke, I don't mind the damage it's done. It's a win-lose. I enjoy, but I may die. NEWSFLASH!!! None of us are going to make it out of this alive. Get used to it. Your superiors searching for ever-lasting life will fail. The control machine that you're a part of will crash. Who would want to live forever anyway? This place ⁱⁿ ~~accord~~.

In accordance with 21 CFR 20.10, the above word has been deleted.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Hunter Boatman (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 1:49 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: You are not needed, not wanted. FDA should be abolished.

The FDA should not exist to set policy or make decisions. You are to be directed by the people. This is another case of govt. gone amuck!

Go away!

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: sandra layne (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 2:00 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: We are watching what you do and how you go about trying to do it.

So, what's next on the agenda of this obama administration? Yes, I am online writing you this...speaking to you from cyberspace just where you and the other parts of big government seem to be these days. Watch your policies...regulations...WE THE PEOPLE are watching.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: krisdera (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 2:06 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol ciggs
Attachments: --static--bg_xmas_mini_1.gif

Please do not ban methol in ciggs. I myself smoke them as does my husband daughter sister so many of my friends
Hope Tencher

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Ivana9600@mvdsl.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 2:14 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Make Decisions Based on Science, not Politics

As new regulations are implemented, I would request that my tax dollars,
which are collected and delegated to FDA TO PROTECT CITIZENS,

ALL DECISIONS BE BASED ON OBJECTIVE SCIENCE, TO BENEFIT THE HEALTH AND
WELLBEING OF CITIZENS, not to benefit politicians or their cronies!

Thank you.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Linda Williams (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 3:30 PM
To: TPSAC

I BELIEVE I LIVE IN AMERICA WHERE THERE IS NO DICTATORSHIP IF I CHOOSE TO SMOKE AND PAY FOR MY HABIT THAT'S MY CHOICE.

E-Mail = (b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sal LaRosa (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 4:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: FYI

Importance: High

Attachments: (b) (6)

Stop the phoney @#*&% now. Stop wasting our tax dollars on your useless programs.

Sal LaRosa
God Loves You!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: BoB Menefee (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 4:02 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: youyour work effects me

Ill stress just one thing,How your panel's work will stack up against the new science standards? Not good I bet

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: MANDI MERRITT (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 4:08 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: banning menthol cigarettes

I feel as if we have as much right to smoke a menthol cigarette as well as the next person has the right to smoke a non-menthol cigarette. I see no reason to ban these menthol cigarettes from us. It's not right! People dip and chew tobacco of all sorts just as people smoke full flavor, light, & ultra light cigarettes. There's no difference! Please do not ban menthol cigarettes! It is our right and priviledge to choose whether or not we want to smoke menthol and I choose to!!

Miranda Merritt

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Totina Alabi (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 4:21 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: MENTHOL CIGARETTES

I BELIEVE THE PEOPLE WHO SMOKE MENTHOL CIGARETTES SHOULD BE ABLE TO KEEP SMOKING THEM AS LONG AS THAT'S WHAT WE CHOOSE. IF YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE AWAY THE MENTHOL YOU MAY AS WELL TAKE AWAY THE NON MENTHOL AS WELL. I PERSONALLY DON'T WANT TO BE FORCED TO QUIT OR RESULT TO NON MENTOL JUST BECAUSE SOMEONE ELSE CHOSE FOR ME.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 4:45 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: advisory committee

Again another example of GOVm't intrusion into our lives.

We do not need a committee or sceintific guidelines, nor do we need the Govm't deciding what is true or not.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: James Reese (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 8:31 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: government interference

Attachments: (b) (6)

Please stop the continual interference in our lives and start cutting the size of government. Most of America's problems come about because of our learders. Why can't you folks ever think about doing what the people want instead of just continuing to do what gives you something of value.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Leslie Martin (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 8:48 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on Menthol

Please dont Ban Menthol cigarettes they should Not be treated any different then any other cigarettes they are not any worse then any other type!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Charity Freundt-Walker (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 10:05 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Do not ban our Menthol Cigarettes!

To whom it may concern:

I have recently received an e-mail from the Newport company which stated that you are trying to get congress to ban the sale of menthol cigarettes. I wish to be known to you as I am a menthol smoker. I also smoke flavored cigars, and I do not think that banning the sale will make people smoke less. It will simply make many menthol smokers angry and they will only switch brands. Just the same as adding the fire safe feature to the cigarettes has made them more toxic, and they still do not put themselves out if you drop them or leave them in an ashtray. I realize that the FDA is trying to look out for the best interests of the public and the entirety of the people, but these are my lungs, it is my life, and this is my choice. Thank you for listening to my point of view.

A Newport smoker,
Charity J Freundt-Walker

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Debra (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 10:25 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

Dear FDA Scientific Panel,

It has come to my attention that you want to treat menthol cigarettes differently than non-menthol cigarettes, this to me is unacceptable. I have enjoyed smoking for some time and my husband is a smoker also. I do not agree that menthol cigarettes which are LEGAL are or should be regulated differently than any other tobacco product. Little by little our rights are being taken from us and this is an example of another one of my personal choices being taken from us by our government. Smoking is not illegal, it is a personal choice and I for one have the right to enjoy my menthol cigarettes.

Thank you

Debra Baker

(b) (6)

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Mary Asta (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 10:40 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: new guidelines

This is just another attempt to bypass the congress and ignore the constitution. Ruling by fiat is NOT constitutional. This has got to stop. We The People have had enough. We need to preserve what little freedom is left to us. The founders must be turning over in their graves. This administration is TRYING to provoke a revolution so they can clamp down even more and abolish our constitutional republic. Is that what you want too? Does the socialist (communist) one world government look good to you? I will pray that someone regains their sanity before it is too late.

Mary Asta

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rachel Rejniak (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 11:14 PM
To: TPSAC

I DO NOT AGREE ON BANNING MENTHOL CIGARETTES!!! I BELIEVE IT IS AN INDIVIDUAL'S CHOICE ON WEATHER THEY CHOOSE TO SMOKE MENTHOL CIGARETTES. I SMOKE NEWPORT 100'S MENTHOL. I THINK THIS PROPOSAL TO BAN MENTHOL IS A JOKE!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kenneth Crenshaw (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 11:16 PM
To: TPSAC

how can we trust anything you do when you have bribes in the form of grants going out to almost all of your so called commity members that are to pick and chews who and what to regulate. we who love our liberty despize you ~~In accordance~~

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

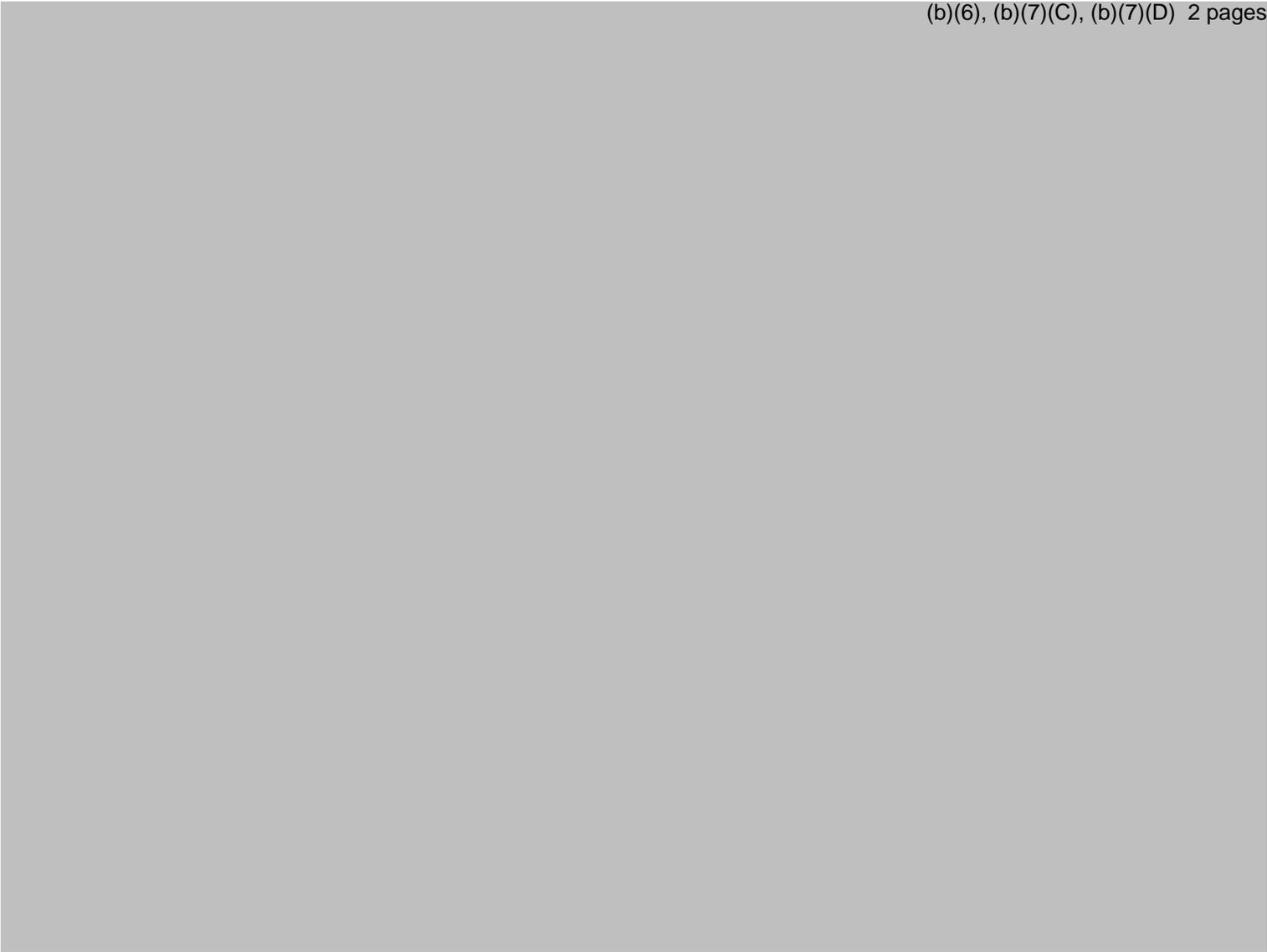
From: Mark Gething (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, December 28, 2010 11:44 PM
To: TPSAC

Your lies are known to us and you will not be funded in the New Year! The House of Representatives runs this country NOT YOU

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: CHER (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 12:03 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: newport cigarettes

I am a menthol smoker and I feel if your going to smoke you have your choice of what brand you want to smoke regardless of how bad it is for you. I currently do not smoke Newports but have for years and occasionly will bum one. Please do not ban these cigarettes. You might as well ban all cigarettes then. Thank You, Cheryl Napier



Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Brenda Fabello (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 2:46 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarette ban

Vote no on the proposed ban.

Sent from my iPhone
Brenda Fabello

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: James Geer (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 8:14 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol in Cigarettes

I find that menthol in cigarettes is my personal right and privilege. I do not believe that you should have the right to decide which legal product I can and cannot use. I have no idea how much money this government of ours is spending on this frivolous study, but in light of what is happening in and to our economy, this money can be well spent somewhere else. Are there other things that should be igniting our frenzy? Are there other things that are more important than consistently dumping on the smokers of this and other countries. The only thing that is going to come out of this study if the ban is imposed is that those countries that are allowed to continue the menthol is going to get rich as someone is going to figure out how to get them to us here in the US. This will do nothing but further erode the economy of the US. Is this what you want to happen. I love the idea of you saying that controls will be put into place to make sure that it does not happen, but trust me that anything that is banned here, someone else is going to figure out how to get it to us. A perfect example of the is the drug trade. This is something that has been illegal for as long as I can remember yet it is consistently making its way across our borders. What controls are in place to make sure that this is not going to be the same thing?????????

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Stephanie Santiago (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 8:26 AM
To: TPSAC

i strongly disagree with banning menthol!!!! everyone has their own choice of what they want.. i think its VERY rediculous to ban them!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Rob Smith (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 9:13 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

to tell you the turth it doesn't matter if your smoking menthol cigarettes or regular cigarettes I smoke menthol because in the winter it helps me breathe better this is retarded

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kelly (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 9:22 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

To whom it may concern-

I understand you may be banning menthol cigarettes. I hope you will reconsider. It should not be up to the government to decide for me what kind of cigarettes I can smoke. I understand the risks of smoking as I am an adult and can read the warnings about smoking, but I do not understand why you think you have the right to chose for me which kind of cigarettes I smoke. All through history there has been people smoking, including in the White House and many other places of political importance. Why now do you feel it is your place to tell me which kind is approved by your standards? Please do not take away another one of my rights as an U.S. citizen-MY RIGHT TO CHOSE!!!

reading,

concerned consumer)

Thank you for

Kelly(A

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: jennifer hunt (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 9:29 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigs

Dear FDA,

You should leave the choice of smoking methol or non -methol up to the consumer. Menthol cigs shouldn't be any different than non- methol.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: P (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 10:43 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

It is my own choice to continue smoking. I know what it does to my body. I know it will eventually kill me. It should also be my choice to continue smoking menthol cigarettes if I want to. I will buy out each store in my area if necessary to continue smoking the cigarettes I like. I think it's ridiculous that the government is trying to control everything that I do. What are you going to do next make it illegal for diabetics to eat sugary foods because it's bad for their health? Or insist that fast-food restaurants stop serving fried foods because it's bad for our health?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Anthony G. (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 11:20 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: What's the difference, They both are bad for your Health

Hello,

I am a smoker, almost something that I feel puts me in a class of people that are disliked by others. Sorry but it's the truth. There are so many things these days that are unhealthy for humans including waking up in the morning. Walking outside, driving a car, eating food, drinking water or just breathing air. If we start to ban all these things then what purpose do we have to be alive. It's not a matter of censorship or control it's a matter of wanting to live life.

I wish I had the power to tell the people in this country what to do and what not to do. I would tell them all to just commit suicide. No matter what they do to protect themselves from the evils of today's society they are going to die anyway. My Grandmother was diagnosed and died from Lung Cancer, she never smoked a cigarette in her life! She never drank alcohol. She never did drugs. She lived her in a very clean and good natured way. And now she is dead from an evil disease that drained the life out of her and she did nothing and I mean nothing to promote it. So you tell me that one thing is worse then the other, I tell you your wrong!

Everything is bad for you as listed above. If we ban all these things we feel are bad for your health we will have no reason to live and we should all just commit suicide.

Thank you,
Anthony DiaMico
U.S.A

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lucy Campagno (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 11:22 AM
To: TPSAC

STOP TAKING MY CIVIL LIBERTIES AWAY. YOU SHOULD NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO TELL ME WHAT LEGAL PRODUCTS I CAN OR CANNOT USE.

WHEN DID THE GOVERNMENT BECOME OUR PARENTS. IF YOU THINK YOU CAN TELL US WHAT WE CAN DO THEN PERHAPS YOU SHOULD STOP TAXING ME, BECAUSE YOU CANT HAVE IT ALL. WE STILL HAVE OUR RIGHTS WEHTER YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE. I AM AN ADULT CAPABLE OF MAKING MY OWN DECISIONS. I WANT TO SMOKE MENTHOL CIGARETTES, I ENJOY THE TASTE & KNOW I AM NOT ADDICTED I CHOICE TO SMOKE OCASSIONALLY.

LUCY CAMPAGNO

(b) (6)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Trish Pettit (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 11:34 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol to Stay

I have been a menthol smoker for more than 20 years. I enjoy the menthol and don't find to be harmful in any more dangerous than a regular cigarette, in fact I find menthol to be more smoother tasting. Non-menthol in my opinion is a more harshness to it. Please to not stop the making of Newport or for that matter any brand of Menthol.

Thank you.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Kim Patton (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 11:37 AM
To: TPSAC

I am a menthol smoker and I think that is wrong that you people are considering banning menthol flavored cigarettes. What is the difference if they are non menthol or menthol cigarettes, they are gonna have their effects regardless, so why take away what some people like. And if you truly believe that menthol are worse shouldn't that be up to the people to wether or not they want to do that to themselves???? I think what the government is trying to do with this is a crock of in accord I thought America was a "free" country so why is it you are taking this away? We the people who choose to smoke menthol cigarettes shouldnt have them taken away, we the people are the ones who should have the right to choose to smoke them or not smoke them!! Its ok to legalize marijuana but cant smoke a menthol cigarette that is just insane!!!

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jennifer Hicks (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 11:58 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Please don't ban menthol cigarettes

I ask you to please don't take my menthol away.
Sent from my iPhone

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Jason Radke (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 12:10 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

hello my name is jason i think you guys need to leave us alone if your going to ban one kind ban them all not just one i think you could just let ppl smoke what they want i really dont think it is your place to ban something that has been here for over 10 years why bother now ?

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Randy Kilgore (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 12:11 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: MY MENTHOL CIGARETTES

My God, this is not prohibition again is it? If I choose to smoke these cigarettes then it's my decision and mine alone. Your panel has no right to interfere. It's just like choosing between a beer or a wine cooler. The government and other so called health organizations are starting to step on people's feet more and more lately. If you have information people should be aware of then publish it and let the people make their own choice. YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO MAKE THAT CHOICE FOR US !!!!!!!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Fanny Larangeira (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 12:38 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Hell no !!!!!!!!!!!!!

My name is fanny & i smoke new port cigs I'm 48 years old & I don't need anyone to tell me what I can or cannot smoke you people have no freaking wright to tell us what we can or cannot do how dare you what the [redacted] in is this country coming to!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Leave us the [redacted] or the parents to decide accor is best for ourselves or our family not you or the [redacted] in [redacted] accorda government !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Billy Shaw (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 12:53 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: dont do it

it's not going to help

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Miranda Huggins (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 1:11 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Ban on Menthol Cigarettes

I don't believe that anyone should be able to tell an adult what kind of cigarettes that he or she can smoke. To be honest what is the difference between menthol and non menthol cigarettes? The all have the same possible "side effects." So before making a huge decision about banning certain cigarettes you mat need to listen to the people who enjoy smoking them.

Maddie's Mama

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 2:38 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: my opinion

hello my name is Daniel Jablonski, I am a 24 year old male that has been smokeing since the age of 18, I belive that it is my choice to smoke, its is my choice to smoke mentonal or non mentonal, what u are all doing is say that u belive that u kno whats better for me that i myself do, u r takeing away my freedoms as an american, and my freedoms of choice, ive have been smokeing newport since i have started smokeing and weather u ban menotal or not i will keep smokeing an other brand thank you and i hope u will please make the right choice

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 3:08 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: no band on menthol

To whom it may concern, you should not dictate what brand of cigarettes we smoke. Just like what brand of alcohol you all drink.its called land of the free. I feel like you are turning our country into dictatorship. Enough is Enough.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: kristy schmarr (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 3:24 PM
To: TPSAC; TPSAC
Subject: DON'T BAN MENTHOLS

To Whom It May Concern,

If you are giving the American people the right to smoke tobacco, which we should have weather or not you give it to us, then we should be able to smoke menthol if we choose. Any way you put it cigarettes are bad for the public weather they have menthol or not so let us smoke what ever we choose!!! You try and tell us what we can eat, drink, and smoke and last time I checked this was a democracy not a communist country. Next you will be telling us when we can go to the bathroom and what time to go to sleep. Alcohol is legal and people will go to the bar and then drive home drunk why don't you try fixing that problem because that endangers innocent people driving down the road. Most smokers will be polite to non-smokers and move away from them if they don't smoke.

You need to fight the battles that are actually dangerous to other people driving down the road minding their own business (like alcohol) and stop picking on menthols.

Thank You,

Kristy

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Sarah Flandro (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 3:57 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: menthol cigarettes

Hello.

It is absolutely ridiculous that people are even CONSIDERING banning menthol cigarettes. Adults should be able to make their own personal choice about whether or not to smoke menthol cigarettes. You should be worried about banning alcohol before the banning of menthol cigarettes. It is our body, it should be OUR choice.

Sarah Flandro

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 4:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarettes

Dear Sir/Madam,

It would be unconstitutional for menthol cigarettes to be banned. Cigarettes are legal with or without menthol, therefore individuals should have the right to make these decisions for themselves without the governments interference. I smoke menthol cigarettes and I already feel discriminated against for that alone but for law makers to make it worse by banning the products that I chose would be even worse. In my opinion if you are going to ban menthol cigarettes, all cigarettes should be made illegal.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: corpro prophecy (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 4:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: banning newport cigarettes

please just stop it... to try to control the quality and characteristics of tobacco is offensive. if anything at all, all tobacco products should be outlawed. For you to decide which and what products should be banned is ridiculous. It shows me that you know what properties of tobacco are dangerous (which is all). Yet you decide what is to be banned? That decision shows me that you and the government know the risks and dangers yet the money is more important. That's okay you will suffer the results of your decisions... just don't try to make a pathetic attempt at trying to make yourselves look good it's hilarious.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Lee, Tiwana N (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 4:51 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: I can chose for my health

There is no reason to keep saying that menthol cigarettes is harmful to people health, they are no more harmful than having relations with people that you just met. Adults can pick their own vices without someone giving unwanted advice.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Hilary Wise (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 6:44 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol Cigarette Ban

To whom this may concern,
I am a smoker of menthol cigarettes, and have just learned that the FDA is considering banning these cigarettes. I would like to exclaim my displeasure in finding out this information. I am over 21 years of age, and feel that it is unnecessary to ban menthol cigarettes whilst keeping full flavor, because non menthol are just as lethal as menthol.
Thank you for your time,
Sincerely,
Hilary Wise

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Joseph Raphael (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 7:05 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: do not ban

You have no right or moral obligation or personal obligation to decide what I can consume or not consume. Cigarettes are legal, all types. It is TABACO. And of course all the other bad ingrediants that can or may cause health issues. But it is my choice, not yours. I can drive myself into a comatose if i chose. I have medical insurance. Spend your time finding a cure for diseases then this **In** **accor**

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Joy Elizabeth (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 7:14 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol Cigarettes?!

To whomever this may concern,
If you're going to ban menthol cigarettes, you might as well ban full flavored cigarettes.. and we both know that's not going to happen anytime soon. Are you crazy? I'm an adult, and I have THE RIGHT to chose if I want to smoke menthol or not. And you cannot take that right away from me. Thank you.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: jennifer hawkins (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 9:37 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: no ban on menthol cigarettes!!!!

My name is Jennifer Hawkins. I currently smoke menthol cigarettes! We are adults and we have a right to use LEGAL substances as we chose. By trying to place a ban on menthol cigarettes, you are trying to take away a part of one of our constitutional rights.. the freedom to chose and you shouldn't be allowed to do that. Just as many people die from alcohol-related deaths as smokers do, if not more... And alcohol is still legal!!!! How many car accidents have resulted in death because of a sober, menthol cigarette smoker?!?!? Chances are... not many. And if they did smoke menthol cigarettes, was the menthol the reason for the accident?!?! Probably not. People are going to smoke no matter what happens. So if menthol is soooo bad, how bad are the regular cigarettes?!?

**NO BAN ON MENTHOL
CIGARETTES!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 10:31 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol Cigs!

I think that Menthol cigs should NOT be banned! That is rediculous and it is unfair to all the menthol smokers. It's a REALLY dumb idea in my opinion. Why ban Menthol cigs? If you are going to ban menthol cigs then why not just ban all cigs? It doesn't make any since and besides you can ask any menthol smoker and they will tell you that regular cigs do not taste the same and they make them sick. DON'T BAN MENTHOL CIGS!!!! I know way too many people that smoke them. If you do, a lot of money will be lost and there will be a lot of angry people. Besides cigs kill people because they cause cancer, and we don't need anymore people on this earth then we already have. Think about it.

CONCERNED MENTHOL SMOKER.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Wednesday, December 29, 2010 11:07 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: what i fell about menthol

i am one of many against the banning of menthol cigarettes i have smoked menthol for about 10 years now and i never liked anyother cigarette at all i got bad head aces and wanting to vomit smoking menthol is sothing and takes away stress in my life, people that dont smoke will never understand. so if you are going to ban menthol you should ban all cigarettes because they all contain tobaco.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 12:12 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: ban on menthol cigarettes

Gentlemen:

If the information that was given to me is correct, you are considering banning menthol cigarettes. Do you realize that cigarette smokers add a huge chunk of change to the treasury via taxation? Now, you are thinking of limiting my choices of cigarettes. Is this the land of the free or the home of restrictions? I think that smoking is a horrible vice, but it is one that I have the right to have. The government should not have the power to limit the choices that people have for a legal activity. Please leave my menthol cigarettes alone.

Sincerely,
Susan Krushenski

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Brenda Freeman (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 12:17 AM
To: TPSAC

I beleive as an adult i have the right to smoke newport menthol so does any body that want ,that should be their choice .i have been smoking all of my adult life and finally found a cig. that i enjoy .i was smoking newports long before they came out with their reward program,i looked at that as newport giving something back to their customers.I am asking you please dont take newport menthol off the market ,let us decide when and if we want to quit. am 54 years old Thank You Brenda Freeman

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: D. Johnson Sr (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 12:32 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol

Please do not take the menthol away!

[D. Johnson Sr](#)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 1:04 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: (no subject)

youre payed to take away my right to smoke..

RICK

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: jlynn wisnoski (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 1:24 AM
To: TPSAC

i think you should get rid of them!!! mentol is just another way to attract underage teens to smokeing.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 7:52 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning Menthol

Dear Sirs,

Why take away my right to enjoy Menthol Cigarettes? I as an Adult that smoking is extremely harmful to "MY" health . But to ban them ,is taking away my "Rights" . As a American we have rights in this country, and this is my right to smoke. Again I know that it is Extremely Harmful. But I am a 54 year old Man,not a child. Next that will happen is that you will Ban my right to my job as a Automobile Tech. because the fumes of the cars are Harmful.

Thank You for taking the time to read my Opinion.

Thomas J Lardieri

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Greg (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 8:56 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Menthol cigarettes

To Whom It May Concern,

Please do not ban menthol cigarettes. I do not feel it would be fair not to have a freedom of choice, especially in America.

Thank you for your cooperation and letting a voice be heard.

Sincerely,
Gregory Gallagher

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: gilbert apuzzo (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 8:58 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: stop trying to ban menthol cigarettes

i don't know what you think your doing, but you are over stepping yourselves. i know for a fact that menthol cigarettes are no more hazardous than any other cigarette. to try and ban menthol cigarettes is doing nothing more than trying to control what people do and doesn't protect anyone. even if you do ban menthol cigarettes someone will find a way to get that menthol flavor but it may just end up being dangerous more dangerous than the cigarettes themselves, so in a way you would be responsible for creating a potential problem that may even cost people their lives. so you would be trading a product that's no more harmful than its non menthol counterpart for a possibly lethal alternative for what? this just another case of the fda overstepping its obligations to push a personal stance.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 11:32 AM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Cigarette Ban Unconstitutional

Dear whomever it concerns

Smoking is a nasty habit, but that does not mean that I will stand idol while the rights of American citizens are trampled. Sure, we are free unless our freedoms hinder the freedom of some one else. If menthol cigarettes are banned, this will set the precedence of other laws that "protect people from themselves." Last time I checked, this is against the very constitution that the United States of America government has sworn to uphold. The availability of menthol cigarettes in no way infringes on any one's rights, but banning them does. I do not look forward to the day that menthol cigarettes are considered a street drug or controlled substance. This should be a 'no brainer.' Please, take my stance in to consideration while making your recommendations. I have nothing to gain from this as the insurance companies do.

Thanks for your time.

Cassie Hakes
(b) (6)

(b) (6)

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Larry Velazquez (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 1:22 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: ridiculas

what difference does it make? tobacco is tobacco. Thats like beeing racist, you know different colors. Why doesn't the government concentrate on the pharماسutical companys.

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Danysha Turnbough (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 2:27 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: hoe dare you

You [people ^{In}]. How and the ^{In} can you tell people what kind of ciggeretts we can smoke. It is our body and our lungs. this is unexceptable.

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Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Daniel Peterson (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 2:49 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Banning menthol cigarettes

Some of us only smoke the menthol brands, besides, why ban one and not the other?? DON'T BAN MENTHOL CIGARETTES!

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Bobbie Ellison (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 3:24 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: KEEP MENTHOL CIGARETTES LEGAL!

Hello,

Im an adult voter and tax payer for many decades. And enjoy my menthol cigarettes. It's my person choice to smoke them. Started smoking non menthol and changed to menthol years later. I Enjoy them very much.

Please keep Menthol cigarettes Legal!!!

Thank you,
Bobbie Ellison

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Tiffany F (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 4:39 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Dont Ban Menthol Please

Dear FDA,

Please do not ban menthol from Newport. I have try their non menthol ones and I did not like it one bit and I always buy the Newport Menthol 100s. So please do not ban it.

Sincerely,
Tiffany Fluehr

Graham, Tom (CTP)

From: Christin Stephens (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, December 30, 2010 5:55 PM
To: TPSAC
Subject: Don't ban Menthol Cigarettes!!!

I am a loyal Newport smoker since day #1. Obviously, as a nicotine addict I will smoke any kind menthol or not. However, my preference is menthol and I would be very upset if I was FORCED to have to smoke non-menthol (which to me tastes like I'm smoking dirt!) I believe that as a citizen of the United States of America I should have the RIGHT to choose what flavor of cigarettes I want to smoke. Isn't that why we live here after all??? FREEDOM!?! If this somehow passes and you take away our rights as citizens of this country to choose the FLAVOR of cigarettes that we smoke, what do you think will be next? Sugar isn't good for you, salt isn't good for you, many things are not GOOD for you. Goodness, breathing out polluted air isn't good for us! We as smokers are very much aware of the risks we take and the damage we do to our health every time that we light up. But should we ban everything that is bad for us? Should we ban sugar from the food and make all of that regular/plain flavor too? That would be what's best for our health. However, by taking away simple rights to make these choices on our own as full grown adults residing in this country, we are taking

away the ONE thing our country is supposed to stand for.... FREEDOM! Today it's menthol cigarettes.... Tomorrow maybe you will be told you have NO CHOICE but to drink your coffee black and bitter because we are no longer allowed to add things that we KNOW are bad for us..... I am a very busy person and don't really have the time to be writing this right now, but I think you should know where I'm going with this and the point I am trying to make here. As AMERICAN'S we should have the freedom of choice according to our Constitution! As the years go on, I believe that many people seem to forget what our country stands for and what the UNITED States of America was founded upon. Think about that ONE FACT when your small group of people are debating amongst yourselves as to whether or not the citizens of this country should be able to make this CHOICE on their own... OR if you should take the CHOICE away from us?

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Get out of the lives of the people. Right, wrong or indifferent, it is THEIR life.

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people should be able to smoke what ever they want to..it's not your lungs

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If your going to ban menthol cigarettes, you should ban alcohol