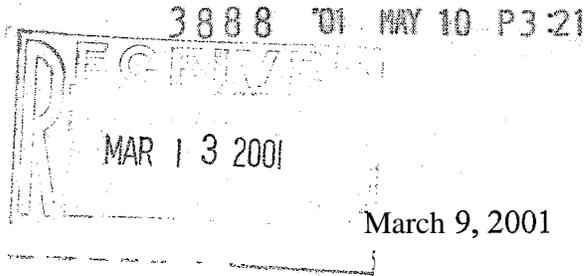




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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30 day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on our Tonalin™ CLA 1000 supplements under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, Hudson, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition, Vitamin World:

- Studies demonstrate that Conjugated Linoleic Acid helps maintain lean muscle mass and helps reduce body fat.

The above statement is accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

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Director of Nutrition Communications

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