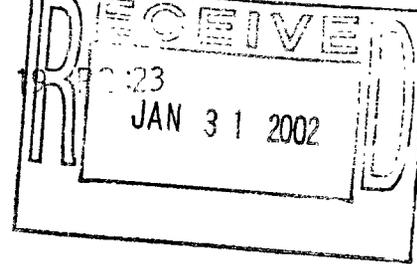




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January 25, 2002

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 the Acidophilus supplements under the Giant Eagle brand name.

- Maintains a Healthy Balance of Intestinal Flora
- Friendly bacteria like L-acidophilus help maintain a healthy intestinal tract by making it slightly more acidic.
- Acidophilus promotes a healthy digestive tract.

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

Sincerely,

Ona Scandurra, MS, RD

Director of Nutrition Communications

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