

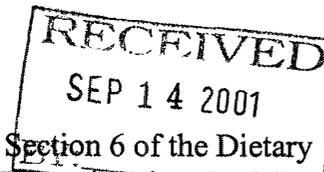


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September 7, 2001

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 Glucosamine MSM Complex 1500 mg supplement under the Major brand name.

- Enhances cartilage and joint support for comfortable movement.
- Methylsulfonylmethane (MSM) is an organic source of sulfur, one of the major building blocks of glycosaminoglycans.
- Glucosamine and glycosaminoglycans are key structural components in cartilage and play an important role in the maintenance of joint cartilage.
- Vitamin C is involved in collagen formation.
- Manganese-containing enzymes play a role in the production of essential cartilage compounds.
- Ginger and White Willow provide natural herbal support to this unique formulation.

The above statements are 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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