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Office of Nutritional Products
Labeling & Dietary Supplements
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
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5100 Paint Branch Parkway
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December 12, 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 our MSM Powder supplement under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Bioenergy Nutrients, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, HealthSmart Vitamins, HealthWatchers, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Physiologics, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition and Vitamin World:

- For Joint Health
- Methylsulfonylmethane (MSM) is an organic source of sulfur, one of the major building blocks of glycosaminoglycans.
- Glycosaminoglycans are key structural components in cartilage and play an important role in the maintenance of joint cartilage.

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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