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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 Oyster Shell Calcium + D supplements under the Naturalist label:

Ingredients: Vitamin D, Calcium

- Promotes Bone Health
- Vitamin D assists in the absorption of Calcium.
- The body also uses Calcium for proper muscle contraction and nerve function.
- Vitamin D assists in Calcium absorption and maintaining a healthy immune system.
- Because the body cannot produce Calcium, a balanced diet, regular exercise, healthy lifestyle choices and adequate intake of Calcium and Vitamin D can play a role in maintaining optimal bone health.

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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