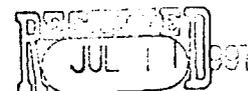




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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 C-Jointin and Extra Strength Chondroitin Complex supplements:

Chondroitin Sulfate and Glucosamine 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.

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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