

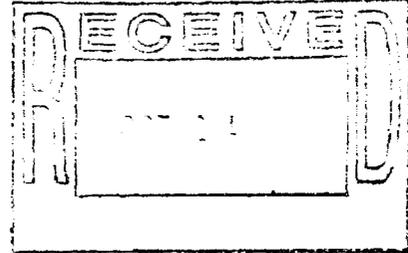


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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 Calcium/Magnesium Liquid dietary supplement under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, Hudson, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition, Vitamin World:

- Calcium is the primary mineral responsible for strong bones.
- The body also uses Calcium for proper muscle contraction and nerve function – and obtains this Calcium mainly from the bones.
- Because the body can't product Calcium, maintaining 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.
- Calcium and Magnesium play essential roles in maintaining proper bone mineralization.
- Calcium and Magnesium are also involved in muscle contractions and nerve impulses.

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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