

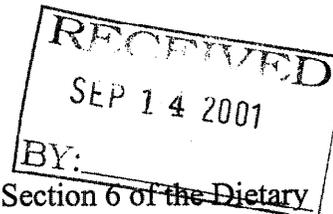


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September 7, 2001

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 Niacin 100 mg and Niacin 250 mg Time Release supplements under the Major brand name.

- Contributes to the health of the nervous system.
- Niacin helps maintain healthy functions of the nervous system, digestive system and skin.
- Niacin is a B-Vitamin that is part of a coenzyme needed for energy metabolism.

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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