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Office of Nutritional Products
Labeling and Dietary Supplements
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
Food and Drug Administration
5100 Paint Branch Parkway
College Park, MD 20740-3835

Re: NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 6 OF DSHEA

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement and Education Act of 1994 ("DSHEA"), Ricola (USA), Inc., 51 Gibraltar Drive, Morris Plains, NJ 07950, wishes to notify the Food and Drug Administration that within the past 30 days the Company has begun marketing a dietary supplement with a label which bears statements of nutritional support. Ricola is the distributor of the product. The product is manufactured by Ricola Ag, Ricola's parent, of Laufen, Switzerland.

The dietary supplement for which the statements are made is NATURE'S PROTECTION™ Orange-Mint Vitamin C Supplement Drops, which contain the dietary ingredient of Vitamin C 30 mg per drop, 60 mg per serving. The statement of nutritional support for this product reads as follows:

Vitamin C Supplement Drops

Helps Support Immune System

Two drops provide 100% of the Daily Value of Vitamin C to help support the body's immune system in a refreshing, natural way.

A sample of the package for the product is attached.

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VITAMIN C
SUPPLEMENT DROPS

Ricola uses the delicate orange flowers, natural orange flavor and our unique herb mixture to give Ricola Nature's Protection Vitamin C Supplement Drops their distinctive taste.

Two drops provide 100% of the Daily Value of Vitamin C to help support the body's immune system* in a refreshing, natural way.

For more information about Ricola, visit www.ricolausa.com

Manufacturer: Ricola Ltd., 4242 Laufen, Switzerland.
Distributed by: Ricola Inc., Morris Plains, NJ 07950.
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Ricola
Naturally Better Products.®

Batch:

270 DROPS

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Nature's
Protection

ORANGE-MINT
WITH OTHER NATURAL FLAVORS

HELPS SUPPORT IMMUNE SYSTEM*

*THIS STATEMENT HAS NOT BEEN EVALUATED BY THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION. THIS PRODUCT IS NOT INTENDED TO DIAGNOSE, TREAT, CURE OR PREVENT ANY DISEASE.

Vitamin C Supplement Drops
Helps Support Immune System*

Supplement Facts

Serving Size 2 drops

	Amount per Serving	% Daily Value*
Calories	29	
Total Carbohydrates	7g	2%
Sugars	5g	**
Vitamin C	60mg	100%

* Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet.

** Daily Value not established.

Other ingredients: sugar, starch syrup, citric acid, extract of Ricola's herb mixture (thyme, hyssop, lemon balm, sage, peppermint), natural flavors, extract of orange flowers, natural color (paprika).

Suggested use: as a dietary supplement, take 2 to 8 drops per day.

Warnings: if pregnant or breast-feeding, ask a health professional before use. Keep out of reach of children.

Other information: store in a dry place.

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