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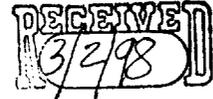


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Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450)
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
Food and Drug Administration
200 C St. S.W.
Washington, DC 20204

RE: Compliance with Food Labeling; Notification Procedures for
Statements on Dietary Supplements.

Dear FDA Consumer Safety Officer,

In compliance with the new food labeling ruling requiring distributors of dietary supplements to notify FDA that they are marketing a dietary supplement product that bears on its label or a statement provided by section 403(r)(6), the following is herein stated:

(i). The name and address of the distributor of the dietary supplement "Vitamin B-1 100 mg." is:

NutriMed, Inc.
3314 W. Columbus Dr.
Tampa, FL 33607-3111, U.S.A.

(ii). The exact text of the statement that is being made is:

■ "Vitamin B-1 is necessary for energy production, carbohydrate usage, fat breakdown, and nerve conduction."

(iii). The name of the dietary supplement that is the subject of the statements being made is:

■ Vitamin B-1 100 mg. (as thiamin hydrochloride).

(iv). The brand name is "NutriMed."

(v). The product "Vitamin B-1 100 mg." contains the following prominently displayed, boxed, and boldface type statement:

"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."

(vi). The product was first marketed on January 19, 1998, in the

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State of Florida by NutriMed, Inc.

(vii). I, Dr. Idel Suárez, Jr., Ph.D., M.S., R.D., as President of NutriMed, Inc., and as a qualified nutrition professional certify that the information above presented is complete and accurate, and our firm is able to substantiate that the statement is truthful and not misleading.

A monograph, which reviews the scientific literature and substantiates the claims made on Vitamin B-1 100 mg. is on file and available upon request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Idel Suárez Jr. Ph.D.".

Dr. Idel Suárez Jr., Ph.D., M.S., R.D.
President of NutriMed, Inc.

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