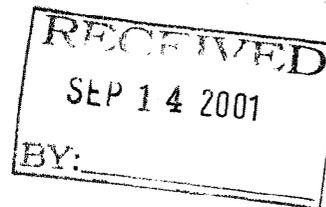




90 Orville Drive, Bohemia, NY 11716-2510 ■ Phone: (631) 567-9500 ■ Fax: (631) 218-7480

Office of Nutritional Products/Labeling & Dietary
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
Food and Drug Administration
200 C Street, SW (HFS-810)
Washington, D.C. 20204

September 10, 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 Time Release Selenium 200 mcg supplement under the Major brand name.

- Antioxidant that protects cells from harmful free radicals.
- Selenium is an essential trace mineral that plays many important roles in the body.
- As a component of the antioxidant enzyme, glutathione peroxidase, selenium helps to protect cells from the harmful effects of free radicals.
- Selenium spares Vitamin E, which in turn boosts the cell's antioxidant defense system.
- Selenium plays a role in the structure of teeth.
- Selenium helps support the immune system.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

Ona Scandurra, MS, RD
Director of Nutrition Communications

OS/lt

97S 0162 LET 8591

77753