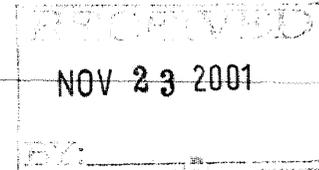




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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 the Time Release Niacin 500 mg 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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