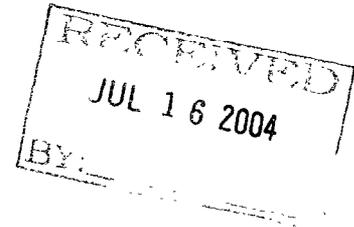




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May 25, 2004



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 our Acetyl L-Carnitine with Alpha Lipoic Acid supplements under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Bioenergy Nutrients, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, HealthSmart Vitamins, HealthWatchers, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition and Vitamin World:

- Supports Antioxidant Health.
- Supports Metabolic Functioning.
- Oxidative stress can lead to a premature aging of the body's cells.
- Research indicates that the combination of Alpha Lipoic Acid and Acetyl L-Carnitine helps promote metabolic functioning to fight against free radicals and oxidative stress.

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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