

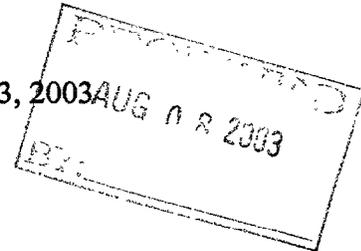


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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 our Spirulina supplements under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Bioenergy Nutrients, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, HealthSmart Vitamins, HealthWatchers, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, PhysioLogics, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition and Vitamin World:

- Contains trace amounts of nutritional factors.
- Spirulina is a blue/green algae that can be found in the world's oceans and lakes.
- Spirulina is an important source of plant enzymes.
- Enzymes are protein molecules that are an integral part of many important systems within the body.
- In addition, Spirulina contains trace amounts of vitamins, minerals and amino acids, plus the important fatty acids your body needs every day.

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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