

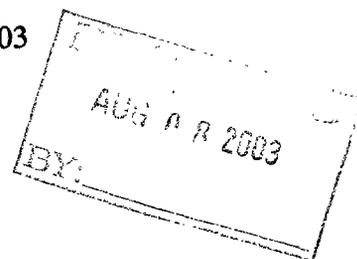


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August 1, 2003



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 statement on our Sea Kelp supplements under the Radiance label:

- Iodine is an essential component of the thyroid hormone that plays a role in growth, development, and metabolic rate.

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

Sincerely,

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