

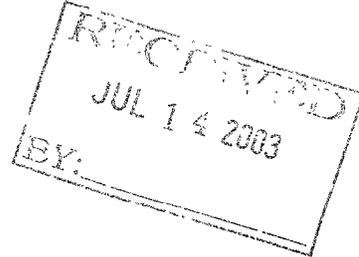


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**VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Office of Nutritional Products  
Labeling and Dietary Supplements  
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition  
Food and Drug Administration  
5100 Paint Branch Parkway  
College Park, MD 20740-3835



**Re: NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 6 OF DSHEA**

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement and Education Act of 1994 ("DSHEA"), Ricola (USA), Inc., 51 Gibraltar Drive, Morris Plains, NJ 07950, wishes to notify the Food and Drug Administration that within the past 30 days the Company has begun marketing a dietary supplement with a label which bears statements of nutritional support. Ricola is the distributor of the product. The product is manufactured by Ricola Ag, Ricola's parent, of Laufen, Switzerland.

The dietary supplement for which the statements are made is NATURE'S PROTECTION™ Cranberry Vitamin C Supplement Drops, which contain the dietary ingredient of Vitamin C 30 mg per drop, 60 mg per serving. The statement of nutritional support for this product reads as follows:

Vitamin C Supplement Drops

Helps Support Immune System

Two drops provide 100% of the Daily Value of Vitamin C to help support the body's immune system in a refreshing, natural way.

A sample of the package for the product is attached.

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These statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer indicating that the statements have not been evaluated by FDA and that the product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease. (The information is printed in a box on the principal display panel and back panel of the package and are referenced by asterisks to the statements of nutritional support.)

The Company certifies that it possesses adequate substantiation for these statements of nutritional support which renders the statements truthful and non-misleading, and thus permissible under DSHEA, and that the information contained in this notice is complete and accurate.

Sincerely,

Robert Anderson  
Vice President Operations  
Ricola USA

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Anderson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Enclosure

Original plus two copies attached.

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VITAMIN C  
SUPPLEMENT DROPS

**CRANBERRY**  
WITH OTHER NATURAL FLAVORS

24 Drops

Ricola uses natural cranberry and chokeberry flavors and our unique herb mixture to give Ricola Nature's Protection Vitamin C Supplement Drops their distinctive taste.

Two drops provide 100% of the Daily Value of Vitamin C to help support the body's immune system\* in a refreshing, natural way.

For more information about Ricola, visit [www.ricolausa.com](http://www.ricolausa.com)

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Distributed by: Ricola Inc., Morris Plains, NJ 07950.  
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HELPS SUPPORT IMMUNE SYSTEM\*

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**Cranberry**

Vitamin C Supplement Drops  
Helps Support Immune System\*

**Supplement Facts**

Serving Size 2 drops

	Amount per Serving	% Daily Value*
Calories	29	
Total Carbohydrates	7g	2%
Sugars	5g	**
Vitamin C	60mg	100%

\*Percent Daily Values are based on a diet of 2,000 calories a day.

\*\*Daily Value not established.

**Other ingredients:** sugar, starch syrup, citric acid, natural flavors, extract of Ricola's herb mixture (thyme, hyssop, lemon balm, sage, peppermint).

**Suggested use:** as a dietary supplement, take 2 to 8 drops per day.

**Warnings:** If pregnant or breast-feeding, ask a health professional before use. Keep out of reach of children.

**Other information:** store in a dry place.

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