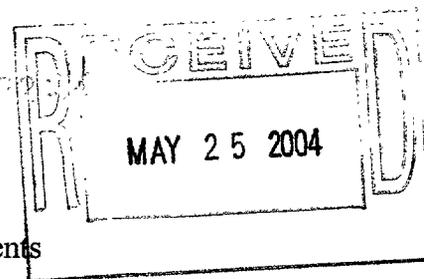




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Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition  
Office of Nutritional Products, Labeling, and Dietary Supplements  
Division of Nutritional Programs and Labeling  
200 C Street SW  
Washington, DC 20204

Re: 21 U.S.C. Section 343(r)(6), Notification of Statements on Dietary Supplements

Dear Sir/Madam:

I hereby notify the Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") of the use of statements of nutritional support in the labeling of AAKG, a dietary supplement.

Statements being made in the labeling of AAKG:

(1) NOW AAKG contains Arginine, a conditionally essential amino acid that has a number of vital roles in human biochemistry. Arginine plays a pivotal role in the urea cycle, helping to rid the body of excess ammonia. This amino acid is also important in protein synthesis as well as for the support of healthy immune function. Here, NOW has paired Arginine with Alpha-Ketoglutarate, another key player in amino acid metabolism, as well as in energy production.

To the best of my knowledge, and based upon information and belief present at the time of the executing of this notice, I certify that the above information is accurate and complete. NOW Foods possesses substantiation that the statements are truthful and not misleading.

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