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Dear Sir or Madam:

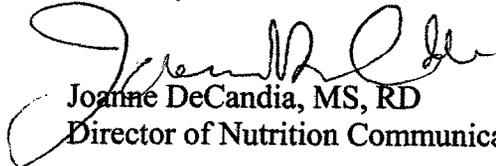
This letter will serve as a 30-day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statement on our Malic Acid supplements under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Bioenergy Nutrients, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, HealthSmart Vitamins, HealthWatchers, Herbal Authority, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, PhysioLogics, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition and Vitamin World:

Ingredients: Magnesium, Malic Acid

- Malic Acid and magnesium play essential roles in the energy cycle in the cell.

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

Sincerely,


 Joanne DeCandia, MS, RD
 Director of Nutrition Communications

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