

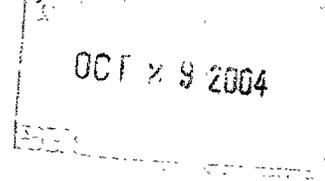


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October 22, 2004



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 L-Arginine supplements under the Naturalist label:

- Arginine supports the effect of exercise and is one of the most important amino acids involved in immune function.

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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