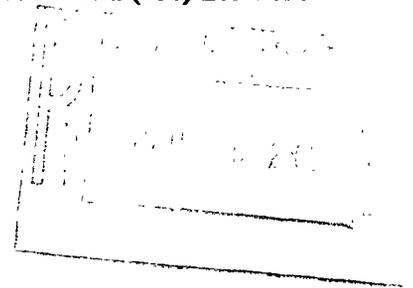




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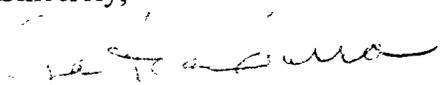
Dear Sir or Madam:

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 statements on our Liquid Calcium Magnesium Citrate supplement under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition and Vitamin World:

- Bone health can be dependent on many factors including heredity, diet, exercise and lifestyle.
- Calcium is the primary mineral responsible for strong bones.
- The body also uses Calcium for proper muscle contraction and nerve function – and obtains this Calcium mainly from the bones.
- Because the body can't produce Calcium, maintaining a balanced diet, regular exercise, healthy lifestyle choices and adequate intake of Calcium and Vitamin D can play a role in maintaining optimal bone health.
- Calcium and Magnesium play essential roles in maintaining proper bone mineralization.
- Calcium and Magnesium are also involved in muscle contractions and nerve impulses.

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

Sincerely,


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