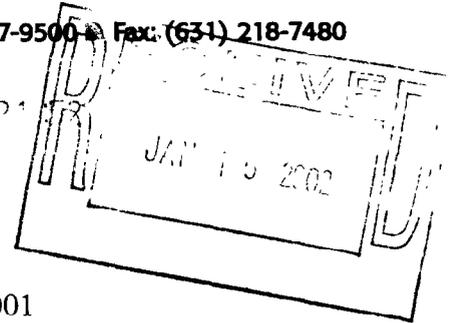




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December 17, 2001

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 Ginkgo Biloba Extract supplement 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:

- Promotes Healthy Brain Function
- Scientific research documents the ability of Ginkgo to maintain peripheral circulation to the arms, legs and brain.
- In addition, Ginkgo helps improve memory, especially occasional mild memory problems associated with aging.
- Ginkgo also possesses antioxidant properties that may help neutralize cell-damaging free radicals.
- Studies have shown that oxidative stress caused by free radicals may contribute to aging.
- To enhance the bioactivity of the standardized Ginkgo, we've added 400 mg of Ginkgo Leaf per serving.

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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Director of Nutrition Communications

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