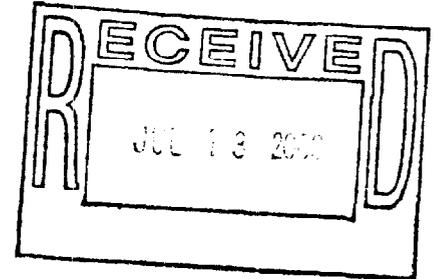




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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 Colloidal Mineral Source supplement under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, Herbal Authority, Hudson, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, US Nutrition, Vitamin World:

- Manganese is a major mineral necessary for skeletal development.
- Both Selenium and Zinc are trace minerals that help support the immune system.
- Colloidal Mineral Source has 1,100 mg of Vitamin B-12, which is essential for the normal formation of blood cells and contributes to the health of the nervous system.

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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