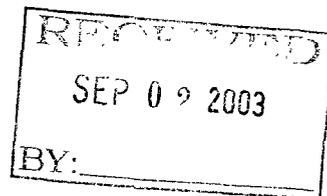




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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 Essential Oils supplements under the Radiance label:

Ingredients: Vitamin E, Flaxseed Oil, Borage Seed Oil, Fish Oil, Omega-3 Fatty Acids, Alpha Linolenic Acid, Eicosapentaenoic Acid, Eicosapentaenoic Acid, Decosahexaenoic Acid, Omega-6 Fatty Acid, Omega-9 Fatty Acids

- Supports Heart Health
- In addition to Flaxseed oil, Essential Oils contains Borage oil, a rich source of gamma-linolenic acid (GLA) which helps regulate a variety of important functions in the body, and fish oil –a rich source of the Omega-3 fatty acids, Eicosapentaenoic and Docosahexaenoic (EPA & DHA)
- EPA helps maintain healthy circulation.
- DHA plays an important role in the brain, eyes and nervous system.
- Flaxseed Oil is just one of three main ingredients that make up Essential Oils is a harmonious blend of oils designed to help provide nutrients for the well-being of the body.

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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