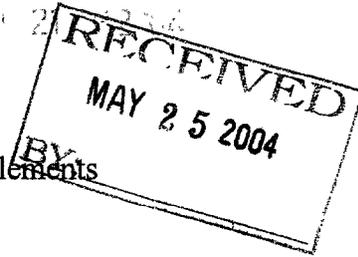


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Food and Drug Administration
 Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
 Office of Nutritional Products, Labeling, and Dietary Supplements
 Division of Nutritional Programs and Labeling
 200 C Street SW
 Washington, DC 20204



Re: 21 U.S.C. Section 343(r)(6), Notification of Statements on Dietary Supplements

Dear Sir/Madam:

I hereby notify the Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") of the use of statements of nutritional support in the labeling of D-Mannose, a dietary supplement.

Statements being made in the labeling of D-Mannose:

(1) D-Mannose is a simple sugar that occurs naturally in some plants, including cranberries. Although small amounts of D-Mannose are metabolized by the human body, much of it is rapidly excreted in the urine. In the bladder, D-Mannose can adhere to bacterial lectins, preventing them from sticking to the lining of the bladder. Bacteria can then be flushed away during urination, thereby precluding the formation of colonies within the urinary tract. Because insubstantial amounts of D-Mannose are used by the body, it does not interfere with blood sugar regulation.

To the best of my knowledge, and based upon information and belief present at the time of the executing of this notice, I certify that the above information is accurate and complete. NOW Foods possesses substantiation that the statements are truthful and not misleading.

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