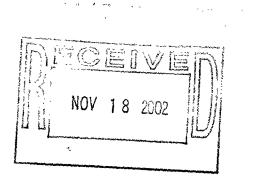
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May 31, 2002

Office of Special Nutritional (HFS-450) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Food and Drug Administration 200 C St. SW Washington, D.C. 20204



Dear Sir or Madam:

I hereby notify the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of the use of a statement of nutritional support in the labeling of Carlson Pantothenic Acid. J. R. Carlson Laboratories, Inc., Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004, is the distributor of Carlson Pantothenic Acid.

Statement being made in the labeling of the above mentioned Carlson product: "It is used to form Coenzyme A, which is necessary for energy metabolism. Pantothenic Acid is important for the production of adrenal hormones."

To the best of my knowledge, and based upon information and belief present at the time of the executing of the notice, I certify that the above information is accurate and complete; and that J.R. Carlson Laboratories, Inc. possesses substantiation that the statements are truthful and not misleading.

J.R. Carlson Laboratories, Inc.

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