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May 30, 2002

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 the Zinc supplements under the Origin brand name:

- Helps Maintain the Immune System
- Zinc is involved in carbohydrate, protein, fat and energy metabolism and helps support the immune system.
- As an important mineral, Zinc is also essential for cell division and growth.

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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