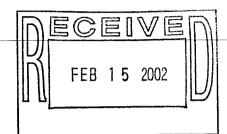


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Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Food and Drug Administration 200 C St. SW Washington, DC 20204

## Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to Section 403(r)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and Section 101.93 of FDA's regulations, we hereby notify you that we are using the following statement(s):

- (1) Name and address of manufacturer:
  Pharmavite Corporation, PO Box 9606, Mission Hills, CA 91346
- Text of the statement(s):

  The health of our intestinal environment can play a significant role in our nutritional status and the function of the immune system. It can also affect cholesterol metabolism and aging. L. Acidophilus is one of the healthy bacteria that colonize in the gut and by doing so can have many beneficial effects.

  Acidophilus supplementation not only promotes a proper intestinal environment, but can support GI health in times of distress.
- (3) Name of the dietary ingredient if not provided in the text of the statement: L. acidophilus (from lactic acid bacteria)
- (4) Name of the dietary supplement: Acidophilus 500 million live cells

The above statement(s) may be used in one or more of the following brands of products: B.J.'s Wholesale, CVS, Duane Reade, Kirkland Signature, Jogmate, Nature Made, Nature's Resource, Optimize, Spring Valley, Walgreens.

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We certify the information in this notice is complete and accurate, and we have substantiation that the above statement(s) is truthful and not misleading.

Sincerely,

David Kropp

Acting Director, Regulatory and Consumer Affairs