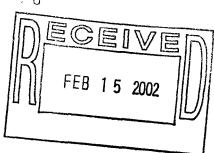


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Office of Special Nutritionals (HFS-450) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Food and Drug Administration 200 C St. SW Washington, DC 20204

Dear Sir or Madam:

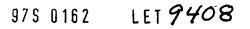
Pursuant to Section 403(r)(6) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act and Section 101.93 of FDA's regulations, we hereby notify you that we are using the following statement(s):

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

Potassium is an extremely important mineral that helps maintain water balance and distribution, pH balance, muscle and nerve cell function, heart function, and kidney and adrenal function in the body. Potassium is also needed for the conversion of blood sugar into its stored form, glycogen. Low potassium could result in decreased levels of stored glycogen, possibly causing fatigue or muscle weakness. The main reasons for supplemental potassium are for potassium depletion (deficiency) and blood pressure regulation. If diet does not meet body potassium requirements, supplementation is essential to good health.

- (3) Name of the dietary ingredient if not provided in the text of the statement: Potassium (from potassium gluconate)
- (4) Name of the dietary supplement: Potassium Gluconate 550 mg

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