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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, D.C. 20204

RE: Notification of Nutritional Support Statements

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Dear Sir or Ma'am:

I hereby notify the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of the use of statements of nutritional support in the labeling of Astaxanthin 2mg dietary supplement. Source Naturals[®] is the manufacturer of Astaxanthin 2mg.

Statements being made in the labeling of Astaxanthin 2mg:

- (1) Astaxanthin, a member of the carotenoid family, is a powerful antioxidant.
- (2) In vitro research demonstrates that Astaxanthin is ten times stronger in scavenging free radicals than other carotenoids such as lutein, zeaxanthin and *beta*-carotene and one-hundred times stronger than *alpha*-tocopherol.
- (3) Astaxanthin has also been shown to prevent low-density lipoprotein oxidation in human blood and to enhance the immune system in animal studies.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, and based upon information available at the time of the execution of this notice, I certify that the above information is accurate and complete. Source Naturals possesses substantiation that the statements are truthful and not misleading.

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President, Source Naturals[®]

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