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

Re: 21 U.S.C. Section 343(r)(6), Notification of Statements on Dietary Supplements

Dear Sir/Madam:

I hereby notify the Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") of the use of statements of nutritional support in the labeling of Bone Strength Caps, a dietary supplement.

## Statements being made in the labeling of Bone Strength Caps

(1) Microcrystalline Hydroxyapatite (MCHA) is the natural compound that makes up the crystalline matrix of bone and teeth, and is the substance that gives them their rigidity. MCHA is a source of highly absorbable Calcium and Phosphorus, which are the major mineral components of bone. NOW Bone Strength is a comprehensive bone support product providing 4 g (4000 mg) of MCHA. It also contains Magnesium and Trace Minerals, as well as Vitamins C, D, and K to aid in the synthesis and maintenance of bone tissue.

To the best of my knowledge, and based upon information and belief present at the time of the executing of this notice, I certify that the above information is accurate and complete. NOW Foods possesses substantiation that the statements are truthful and not misleading.

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