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RE: Notification of Nutritional Support Statements

Dear Sir or Madam:

I hereby notify the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) of the use of statements of nutritional support in the labeling of, 7-keto™ DHEA a dietary supplement. Source Naturals<sup>®</sup> is the manufacturer of 7-keto™ DHEA

## Statements being made in the labeling of 7-keto™ DHEA:

- (1) DHEA, the most abundant steroid in the blood of adult humans, peaks in early adulthood and declines with age.
- (2) Animal research indicates that 7-keto<sup>™</sup>, a natural metabolite of DHEA, is a more active inducer of thermogenic enzymes than DHEA.
- (3) Research on humans has shown that supplementation with 7-keto<sup>TM</sup> DHEA is well tolerated. It is not converted to estrogens or androgens, a point of concern for many people.

To the best of my knowledge, and based upon information and belief present 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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