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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 Curcumin, 800 mg Vcaps, an herbal supplement.

Statements being made in the labeling of Curcumin, 800 mg Vcaps

- (1) Curcumin is the major component of Turmeric (*Curcuma longa* L.), which has a long history of use in India and Southeast Asia as a medicinal herb for a wide variety of health conditions. Extensive scientific research on Curcumin has demonstrated its potent anti-oxidant properties. Through its anti-oxidant mechanisms, Curcumin supports colon health, exerts neuroprotective activity, and helps maintain a healthy cardiovascular system.

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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