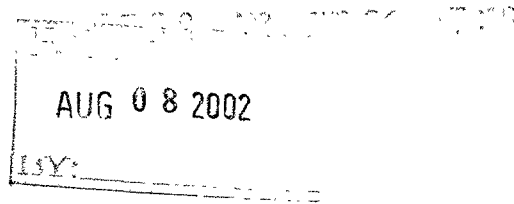




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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30-day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on the Cartilage Companion® supplements under the PhysioLogics brand name:

Ingredients: Methylsulfonylmethane, Glucosamine Sulfate, Chondroitin Sulfate

- Joint Health Formula
- Cartilage Companion® contains potassium-stabilized Glucosamine Sulfate, Chondroitin Sulfate, and Methylsulfonylmethane (MSM).
- Researchers theorize these are involved in the creation of cushioning joint fluid and the promotion of connective tissue health in joints.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,

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