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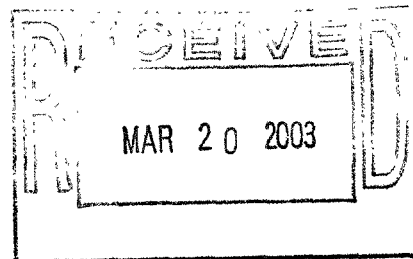
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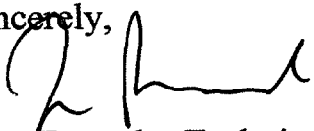


To Whom It May Concern:

Subject: Structure/Function Claims for dietary supplement registration.

- (i) National Vitamin Company
2075 W Scranton Avenue
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- (ii) The dietary supplement Ester C states "Ester C® is a unique ascorbate complex, bound with Calcium Carbonate. Ester C® is manufactured under U.S. Patent No. 4,822,816. Ester C® may help the body assimilate Vitamin C into the system with minimum stomach reaction."
- (iii) The name of the dietary ingredients is Vitamin C (Ester C® Calcium Ascorbate) at 500mg per tablet and Citrus Bioflavonoids at 50mg per tablet.
- (iv) The brand label name is Nature's Blend Ester C® Vitamin C 500mg, 90 tablets per bottle.

Sincerely,

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Tom Rumolo, Technical Director

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