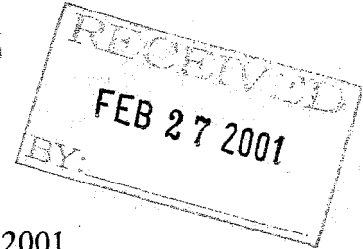




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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 statement on our Dieter's Preferred supplements under one or more of the following brand names: American Health, Body Fortress, Good 'N Natural, Health's Finest, Heartland, Herbal Authority, Herbal Harvest, Herbal Sure, Hudson, Life's Finest, Natural Wealth, Nature's Bounty, Nutrition Headquarters, Nutrition Warehouse, Precision Engineered, Puritan's Pride, Select Herbal, US Nutrition, Vitamin World:

- Dieter's Preferred contains selected nutrients such as Vitamin B-6, for energy, L-Carnitine, to assist in fat breakdown, and Hydroxycitric acid (HCA), a natural ingredient derived from *Garcinia cambogia*, a native fruit of India.

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

Sincerely,

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Director of Nutrition Communications

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