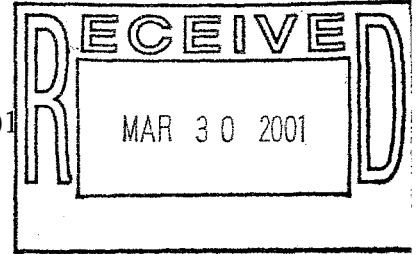




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Dear Sir or Madam:

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

- Chondroitin Sulfate is a popular ingredient found in joint support products.
- Chondroitin Sulfate is a key component of your joint system.
- Chondroitin Sulfate helps support cartilage and joint structure and helps maintain joint cartilage.
- Chondroitin Sulfate is perfect for anyone seeking extra nutritional support for joints and connective tissue.

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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Director of Nutrition Communications

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