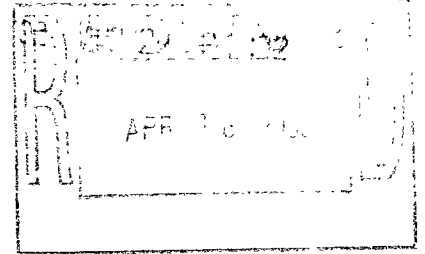




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Dear Sir or Madam:

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 Melatonin supplements under the Duane Reade brand name.

- Nighttime Sleep Aid
- Melatonin works in harmony with your natural sleep cycle to promote rest so you can awaken feeling refreshed.
- Melatonin can be used by anyone experiencing occasional sleeplessness, those with jet lag, or those seeking to improve their quality of rest.

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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