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NOTICE TO THE TRADE

To: All Suppliers of Products Fortified with Vitamin A (Retinol Palmitate)
And Vitamin D

It has come to our attention that Vitamin A (Retinol Palmitate) and Vitamin D used in commodity fortification are no longer available in the United States produced from 100 percent domestic origin ingredients.

"Produced in the United States" means manufactured, processed, mined, harvested, or otherwise prepared for sale or distribution, from components originating in the United States. Components originating in the United States which have been exported and subsequently imported back into the United States will not be considered as having been produced in the United States.

After contacting the chemical companies which produce Vitamin A and Vitamin D, it has been determined that it is not currently possible to purchase 100 percent domestic Vitamin A (Retinol Palmitate) and Vitamin D produced in the United States. Therefore, a waiver for the domestic origin requirement is being granted for Vitamin A and Vitamin D used to fortify commodities.

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