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STOCKPILE ACCEPTS CRUDE IODINE OFFERS

Ft. Belvoir, VA - The Defense National Stockpile Center today announced the award of approximately 260,000 pounds of crude iodine for an approximate value of \$1.2 million. Offers were received on January 22, 2003, under Solicitation of Offers DLA-IODINE-003. Awards were made to:

Helm AG
New York, NY

West Agro, Inc.
Des Plaines, IL

Crude iodine is offered for sale by negotiation on a quarterly basis. The next offering will be announced at a later date.

Requests for copies of the solicitation or other inquiries should be directed to Sandra Dozier at (703) 767-5480.