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STOCKPILE ANNOUNCES TANTALUM/COLUMBIUM BOA SALES FOR OCTOBER 2003

Fort Belvoir, VA - The Defense National Stockpile Center today announced the following awards in October under Basic Ordering Agreement, DLA-TANTALUM-001.

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| Vacuum Grade Ta Metal | 16,000 Pounds |
| Tantalum Oxide | 20,000 Pounds |

These sales generated \$1.34 million in revenues. The winning companies were:

H.C. Stark, Inc., Newton, MA
Mitsui Mining, Tokyo Japan

For additional information on the tantalum/columbium BOA please visit our website at <https://www.dnosc.dla.mil> or contact K. Watt Lough at (703) 767-5402.