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STOCKPILE ANNOUNCES COBALT BOA SALES FOR AUGUST 2003

Fort Belvoir, VA - The Defense National Stockpile Center today announced the aggregate August 2003 cobalt sales results under the Basic Ordering Agreement, DLA-COBALT-001.

During August, DNOSC BOA sales totaled 160,000 pounds of cobalt for an overall value of approximately \$1.4 million.

The companies that were awarded material are:

Ameropa AG Ltd., Binningen Switzerland
Darton Commodities, Guildford, England
Mitsui & Co (Canada) Ltd., Toronto, Canada
OMG Americas, Cleveland, OH

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