T-Nex region/contractor	States	Start healthcare delivery
North (Health Net Federal Services, Inc.)	Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, West Virginia, Virginia (except the Northern Virginia/National Capital Area), North Carolina, Eastern Iowa, Rock Island, IL, Fort Campbell catchment area of Ten- nessee.	1 July 2004.
	Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Penn- sylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Northern Virginia, West Virginia (portion).	1 September 2004.
South (Humana Military Healthcare Services)	Oklahoma, Arkansas and major portions of Texas and Louisiana.	1 November 2004.
	Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, East- ern Louisiana, South Carolina, Tennessee, small area of Arkansas, New Orleans area.	1 August 2004.
West (TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corp.)	Washington, Oregon, Northern Idaho California, Hawaii, Alaska Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Min- nesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Ne- vada, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, western portion of Texas, Wyoming.	1 June 2004. 1 July 2004. 1 October 2004.

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# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

# Office of the Secretary

# **Defense Science Board**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on Strategic Strike Skills will meet in closed session on April 14, 2004, in Arlington, VA. The Task Force will assess the future strategic strike force skills needs of the Department of Defense (DoD).

The mission of the DSB is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. Last summer the DSB assessed DoD needs for future strategic strike forces. Assessed was the application of technology for non-nuclear weapons systems, communications, planning systems, and intelligence as well as the integration of strategic strike with active defenses as part of the new triad. This

"skills" study will complement the previous strategic forces study by focusing on the people and the skills necessary to develop, maintain, plan, and successfully execute future strategic strike forces. At this meeting, the Task Force will: Assess current skills available, both nuclear and non-nuclear of current long-range strike forces; identify, assess and recommend new/ modified/enhanced skill sets necessary for successful future strike force development, planning, and operations; and recommend a strategy for the successful evolution of the current skills to those required by future strike forces.

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. app. II), it has been determined that this Defense Science Board Task Force meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, the meeting will be closed to the public.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Department of the Army

# Army Science Board; Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting: *Name of Committee:* Army Science Board (ASB).

Date(s) of Meeting: April 1–2, 2004. Time(s) of Meeting: 0800–1700, April 1, 2004, 0800–1700, April 2, 2004. Place: Arlington, VA.

Agenda: The FCS Urban Operations Study and Force Balance Study of the Army Science Board FY04 Summer Studies are holding a joint plenary on April 1–2, 2004. The meetings will be held at the Crystal City Sheraton in Arlington, VA and will begin at 0800 hrs on the 1st and will end at approximately 1700 hrs on the 2nd. For further information on the FCS Urban Operations Study, please contact MAJ Al Visconti at (865) 574–8798 or e-mail at *viscontiaj@ornl.gov.* For the Force Balance Study, please contact MAJ Al Klee at (703) 604–2212 or e-mail at *alvin.klee@hqda.army.mil.* 

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# DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### **Defense Logistics Agency**

# Notice of Availability of a Final Environmental Impact Statement

**AGENCY:** Defense National Stockpile Center, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of a Final Mercury Management Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) announces the availability of its Final Mercury Management Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS). This announcement is pursuant to