

**Chemical Biological Defense
Acquisition Imitative Forum (CBDAIF)**

Protection Sector Report

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Companies in Sector

Air Boss Defense

Lion

Avon

MSA

Calgon Carbon

Olsen Hunter

Camelback

Scott Safety

Drager

TDA

First Line

Tex Shield

Gentex

Health of Sector

- Sector remains viable in terms of commercialization, R&D efforts, and overall growth.
- However, sector health within US DOD is questionable based upon limited opportunities and budget constraints as a result of sequestration.

Major Sector Concerns

- Sequestration has had a major impact on some existing programs
- Production to support US DOD is down which create manufacturing offsets to the industrial base (i.e. companies must remain profitable and efforts will be directed accordingly).
- Protection sector (per recent NBC Group briefing by US DOD rep) is secondary to Detection and Identification

Sector Expectations for CBDAIF Meeting Outcomes

- Accurate feedback with respect to Request for Proposals and other program issues.
- US DOD needs to conduct inquiries to wider industry to determine emerging technology.
- Increased opportunities for companies in all areas to include R&D efforts. Currently, limited opportunities for all companies to leverage expertise towards US DOD projects.