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## Gennum to Purchase Stake in Toumaz Technology Limited

**Burlington, Ontario (February 27, 2004)** – Gennum Corporation (TSX: GND) today announced that it has agreed to purchase an equity interest in Toumaz Technology Limited, a U.K.-based designer of ultra low-power advanced mixed signal systems. Formed in 2000, Toumaz is a spinout from Imperial College, London.

Gennum has agreed to acquire 12.4% of the outstanding equity of Toumaz. In addition, Gennum has agreed to increase this investment to 16.8% in total upon the achievement of certain business milestones by Toumaz. The first closing is expected to take place within the next week. The total investment will be 1.5 million pounds sterling.

Gennum will be entitled to a seat on the Board of Directors of Toumaz, and the completion of both closings will make Gennum the second largest shareholder in the company.

The two companies have been working closely on the co-development of a leading-edge ultra low-power wireless platform suitable for many application areas, including hearing instruments.

“We are delighted to have an investor and partner of the caliber of Gennum working with us,” said Keith Errey, Chief Executive Officer of Toumaz. “Our common interest in developing ultra low-power wireless devices should serve to benefit both of our businesses going forward.”

Gora Ganguli, Senior Vice-President and General Manager of the Hearing Instrument Products Division of Gennum commented, “Emerging areas in the wireless sector will present extraordinary growth opportunities. We recognize the potential of Toumaz to be an important player in these areas, and appreciate the potential for both our companies to jointly pursue these opportunities.”

*Gennum Corporation is a leading producer of silicon integrated circuits and hybrid circuits for the video, hearing instrument and data communications markets. The company has offices in Burlington and Ottawa, Canada, and subsidiaries in Japan and the United Kingdom. Gennum (TSX: GND) has been in operation since 1973, and its shares have been listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange since 1982.*

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