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## **Gigamon Awarded Three U.S. Patents For Its Data Access Switching Technology**

*Company's Data Access Network (DAN) Approach Achieves Full Protection; Solution Supports Multiple Network Monitoring Tools, Providing Intelligent Packet Processing for Each*

**MILPITAS, CA – (February 27, 2009)** – Gigamon, the global leading provider of intelligent data access networking products, announced today that it has been awarded U.S. Patents No. 7,424,018; 7,436,832; and 7,440,467, for its innovative data access switching technology. These new patents not only further extend Gigamon's intellectual property portfolio, but also ensure that the company's core Data Access Network (DAN) technology is protected.

“Gigamon's DAN approach, as made available through its GigaVUE family of data access switches, has reshaped the way companies monitor their networks for everything from troubleshooting to lawful intercept. We're pleased that our innovative approach has been recognized with the issuance of U.S. patents,” said Patrick Leong, Gigamon's chief technical officer.

Currently in use at over 400 telecom, industrial, manufacturing, financial, research, medical, retail, utility and government networks in 36 countries around the world, GigaVUE switches allow IT departments to protect their investment in monitoring tools while also ensuring optimum performance. The packet-aware devices provide exactly the data needed for a given tool to carry out its function, at a rate it handle; what's more, due to their out-of-band orientation, GigaVUE switches do not impact network operations.

“With the proliferation of tools for Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, intrusion detection, forensic recording, VoIP analysis and the like, TAP or SPAN ports can be overwhelmed,” explained Leong. “The result is that engineers often have to fight for access to network traffic. “DAN technology avoids this issue by aggregating, replicating and filtering network traffic to any number of different GigE or 10 GigE monitoring tools.”

The ability of GigaVUE switches to intelligently breakdown large loads across different tools, means that both 10 GigE and legacy 1 GigE tools can be employed simultaneously. GigaVUE switches also substantially reduce the capital cost of a conventional monitoring infrastructure.

Finally, GigaVUE switches feature a three-tier user access control configuration, enabling administrators to restrict access to only the data streams required for a particular device. The solution ensures compliance with SOX guidelines for data access security.

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To learn more about Gigamon Data Access Network technology, including a product brief and online presentation on the company's GigaVUE data access switches, or case studies that describe specific customer experiences, log on to [www.gigamon.com](http://www.gigamon.com).

### ***About Gigamon:***

*Founded in 2003 by six veterans of network monitoring and telecommunications equipment companies, Gigamon invents and manufactures innovative solutions for data access networks. Its flagship product, GigaVUE<sup>®</sup>, can support multiple out-of-band monitoring tools for compliance, security, troubleshooting and analysis, sidestepping the hassles presented when too few SPAN ports are available. It also can aggregate and intelligently filter packets from many SPANs or TAPs to one or multiple tools to solve the problem of monitoring flows across complex mesh topologies and virtual networks. GigaVUE<sup>®</sup> data access switches significantly reduce customers' capital budgets and yield immediate ROI benefits. For more information about Gigamon and its award-winning solutions, visit [www.gigamon.com](http://www.gigamon.com).*

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