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**Azores Collaborates with Corning Tropel for Top-of-the-Line  
High-Resolution Photolithography Equipment**

WILMINGTON, MA – Azores Corp is collaborating with Corning Tropel Corporation for top-of-the-line high-resolution photolithography equipment. Corning Tropel supplies precision lens assemblies to Azores for the company's PanelPrinter™ Systems. Included is the Azores Model 9200 PanelPrinter System, which features a Corning Tropel 200 mm field lens that provides a resolution of 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$  and a depth of focus of more than 9  $\mu\text{m}$ . The lens also provides  $\pm 30$  ppm real-time magnification adjustment with Azores' camera and real-time auto-focus system. Integrating Corning Tropel's precision lens assemblies into Azores' high-precision photolithography equipment enables Azores to manufacture advanced stepper machines that address diverse photolithography applications, such as mobile FPD and x-ray sensing.

Azores integrates multiple subsystems into its step-and-repeat photolithography systems to provide manufacturers with maximum performance and flexibility, including an automated substrate alignment system, a precision X-Y stage, a suite of metrology sensors, and an automated reticle handling and storage system, in addition to the Corning Tropel lens assembly.

Corning Tropel is a world leader in precision optical subsystems and advanced form metrology instrumentation for the semiconductor, data storage, flat panel display, and aerospace and defense industries.

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*About Azores*

Azores Corp designs and manufactures precision photolithography equipment for flat panel display, high density interconnect, and semiconductor industries. Azores provides training, maintenance, and world-class service programs to its customers, as well as local sales support throughout Europe, Asia, and The Americas.

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The PanelPrinter™ is a trademark of Azores Corp.

*About Corning Tropel*

Corning Tropel Corporation is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Corning Incorporated and has worked with Azores since 1999 to develop and supply a sophisticated lens assembly subsystem for use in Azores' photolithography stepper machines.