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## **Speedbase Btrieve Beta Test Now Available for GSM (Windows NT)**

Global Business Systems is pleased to announce the beta release of a version of Global System Manager PM (Windows NT) that includes the ability to hold Speedbase databases in Btrieve format (such databases are referred to as "Btrieve format Speedbase databases").

The release is to be in two phases. The first release is for Speedbase developers who will be able to recompile their own Speedbase code and generate Btrieve data. This release is available now. The second release, scheduled for the end of the month is available for sites who wish to evaluate Global 3000 V4.3 running with Btrieve data.

We are looking for up to six sites, both reseller and end-user, that wish to utilise the new facilities offered with this release.

A full explanation of the installation and usage of the beta-test software is given in a document "Speedbase Btrieve (Windows NT) beta test notes" (MPMNBETANT) which is distributed with the software. However, the following points are important:-

- The site must already be running GSM (Windows NT);
- Any problems in the beta-test software should be faxed to the Hotline in the normal way; after they are logged they will be passed directly to development for response;
- The Btrieve run-time software (produced by Pervasive Software) is not supplied by either Microsoft or Global Business Systems. It must be obtained separately;
- Global Business Systems cannot give advice on 3rd party utilities that claim an interface to Btrieve format files;
- The beta release is NOT subject to the beta test agreement described in the Reseller Handbook;
- The expiry date for the beta test is 31st August 1997;
- If you, or one of your end-users, wish to become a beta test site for Speedbase Btrieve please contact Andy Smith at Bourne End by Friday 20th June 1997.

