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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Schedule TO

**TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Sanmina-SCI Corporation

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (as Offeror))

Zero Coupon Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2020

(Title of Class of Securities)

800907AD9/800907AC1

(CUSIP Numbers of Class of Securities)

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on Behalf of Filing Persons)*

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This filing relates solely to a preliminary communication made before the commencement of an anticipated tender offer by Sanmina-SCI Corporation (the "Company"). The following press release was issued by the Company on February 15, 2005.

SANMINA-SCI ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR TENDER OFFER TO REPURCHASE ZERO COUPON CONVERTIBLE SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES DUE 2020

SAN JOSE, CA February 15, 2005 Sanmina-SCI Corporation (NASDAQ NM: SANM) announced today that it plans to commence a cash tender offer on or about February 17, 2005 for up to an expected \$300 million accreted value of its outstanding Zero Coupon Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2020 (the "Debentures") at an expected purchase price of \$543.75 for each \$1,000 principal amount at maturity of the Debentures. The tender offer will expire approximately 20 business days following its commencement, unless extended or earlier terminated by Sanmina-SCI.

The tender offer for the Debentures will be subject to certain conditions described in the offer to purchase, including the closing of its announced offering of \$300 million aggregate principal amount of Senior Subordinated Notes due 2013.

The terms and conditions of the tender offer will appear in Sanmina-SCI's offer to purchase and the related letter of transmittal. Copies of these and other related documents will be mailed to all holders of the Debentures. Subject to applicable law, Sanmina-SCI may, in its sole discretion, waive any condition applicable to the tender offer and may extend or otherwise amend the tender offer. The tender offer will not be conditioned on a minimum amount of the Debentures being tendered. This press release is for informational purposes only and is not an offer to purchase or the solicitation of an offer to sell any of the Debentures or any other security. The tender offer may only be made pursuant to the offer to purchase and the letter of transmittal. Holders of Debentures should read those materials carefully when they become available because they will contain important information, including the various terms of and conditions, relating to the offer.

Banc of America Securities LLC will be the dealer manager for the tender offer, Georgeson Shareholder Communications Inc. will be the information agent, and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., will be the depository. Upon commencement of the tender offer, copies of the offer to purchase, letter of transmittal and related documents may be obtained at no charge from the information agent at (212) 440-9800 (banks and brokerage firms) and (800) 456-6112 (all others), or from the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov. Questions and requests for assistance concerning the offer may be directed to Banc of America Securities LLC, at (212) 933-2200 (collect) or (888) 583-8900 x2200.

About Sanmina-SCI

Sanmina-SCI is a leading electronics contract manufacturer serving growing segments of the global electronics manufacturing services (EMS) market. Sanmina-SCI provides end-to-end manufacturing solutions, delivering quality and support to large OEMs primarily in the communications, defense and aerospace, industrial and medical instrumentation, and computer technology and multimedia sectors. Sanmina-SCI has facilities located in regions throughout the world. Information about Sanmina-SCI is available at www.sanmina-sci.com.

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