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Hitachi Announces New Directors

Tokyo, April 28, 2008 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT / TSE:6501) today announced new directors in accordance with a decision taken at a meeting of Nominating Committee convened today, and is subject to approval at Hitachi's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in June 2008.

1. Director Candidates <Proposed at Hitachi's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in June 2008> [* New]

< Chairman of the Board >

Etsuhiko Shoyama, currently Chairman of the Board

<Director>

Kazuo Furukawa, currently Director, Representative Executive Officer, President

Tadamichi Sakiyama, currently Director

***Michiharu Nakamura**, currently Fellow

Toyoaki Nakamura, currently Director, Representative Executive Officer, Senior Vice President and Executive Officer

<Outside Director>

Yoshie Ota, currently Outside Director, Advisor, Japan Institute of Workers' Evolution

Mitsuo Ohashi, currently Outside Director, Chairman of the Board, Showa Denko K.K.
Akihiko Nomiyama, currently Outside Director, Special Advisor, NIPPON MINING HOLDINGS, INC.

Kenji Miyahara, currently Outside Director, Special Advisor, Sumitomo Corporation

Tohru Motobayashi, currently Outside Director, Lawyer, Partner, Ihara & Motobayashi

<Director>

Takeo Ueno, currently Director, Advisor, Hitachi Via Mechanics, Ltd.

***Shungo Dazai**, currently Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

Michihiro Honda, currently Director, Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.

Each committee is scheduled to be composed of the following members (Chairman underlined)

● **Nominating Committee:**

Etsuhiko Shoyama, Yoshie Ota, Mitsuo Ohashi, Tohru Motobayashi,
Kazuo Furukawa

● **Audit Committee:**

Tadamichi Sakiyama, Yoshie Ota, Akihiko Nomiyama, Kenji Miyahara,
Michiharu Nakamura

● **Compensation Committee:**

Etsuhiko Shoyama, Akihiko Nomiyama, Kenji Miyahara, Tohru Motobayashi,
Kazuo Furukawa

2. Resigning Directors

Yoshiki Yagi, currently Director

Isao Uchigasaki, currently Director, Special Advisor, Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd.

3. Biography of New Director Candidates

Michiharu Nakamura

1. Date of Birth : September 9, 1942

2. Education

March, 1967 : M.Sc. degree in Physics from the Graduate School of Science, The University of Tokyo

3. Business Experience

April, 2007 : Fellow

April, 2004 : Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer

June, 2003 : Senior Vice President and Executive Officer

April, 2003 : Senior Vice President

June, 2001 : Corporate Officer

April, 2001 : General Manager of Research & Development Group

August, 1992 : General Manager of Hitachi Central Research Laboratory

April, 1967 : Joined Hitachi, Ltd.

Shungo Dazai

1. Date of Birth : January 20, 1939

2. Education

March 1961 : Graduated from the Faculty of Engineering, Osaka University

3. Business Experience

April, 2008 Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd

April, 2006 Chairman of the Board, Representative Executive Officer, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

June, 2003 : President, Chief Executive Officer and Director, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

April, 2003 : President and Chief Executive Officer, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

June, 1999 : Senior Vice President, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

June, 1997 : Executive Managing Director, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

June, 1995 : Director, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

October, 1970 : Joined Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

April, 1961 : Joined Hitachi, Ltd

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE: HIT / TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 384,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2006 (ended March 31, 2007) consolidated revenues totaled 10,247 billion yen (\$86.8 billion). The company offers a wide range of systems, products and services in market sectors including information systems, electronic devices, power and industrial systems, consumer products, materials and financial services. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi.com>.

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