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Hitachi Announces Changes of Top Managements

Tokyo, January 8, 2014 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE:6501) today announced the change of Chairman and President in accordance with a resolution passed by a meeting of the Board of Directors held today.

Effective April 1, 2014

< Director, Representative Executive Officer, Chairman & CEO >

Hiroaki Nakanishi : currently Director, Representative Executive Officer and President

Hiroaki Nakanishi will be appointed as a Director who chairs meetings of the Board of Directors.

< Representative Executive Officer, President & COO >

Toshiaki Higashihara : currently Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Medical Systems Business, President & CEO of Infrastructure Systems Group and Infrastructure Systems Company

Toshiaki Higashihara will be proposed as a Director candidate at Hitachi's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in June 2014, and, upon approval at the Meeting, Mr. Higashihara will assume the position of Director.

< Director >

Takashi Kawamura : currently Chairman of the Board

Takashi Kawamura will resign as Chairman of the Board on March 31, 2014, and will be appointed as a Chairman Emeritus after retiring from the position of Director at the close of the Hitachi's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in June 2014.

Toshiaki Higashihara

- 1. Date of Birth : February 16, 1955
- 2. Education
 - September, 1990 : Master of Science in Computer Science, Boston University
 - March, 1977 : Graduated from the Faculty of Engineering, The University of Tokushima
- 3. Share Ownership : 37,000 shares (as of January 8, 2014)
- 4. Business Experience
 - April, 2013 : Senior Vice President and Executive Officer President & CEO of Infrastructure Systems Group and Infrastructure Systems Company
 - April, 2012 : Vice President and Executive Officer, Vice President and Executive Officer of Infrastructure Systems Group, General Manager of Water Environment Solutions Division
 - April, 2011 : Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Industrial & Social Systems Business, Hitachi, Ltd.
 - June, 2010 : President and Representative Director of Hitachi Plant Technologies, Ltd.
 - April, 2010 : Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi Plant Technologies, Ltd.
 - April, 2008 : President of Hitachi Power Europe GmbH
 - April, 2007 : Vice President and Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer of Power Systems Group
 - April, 2006 : Chief Operating Officer of Information & Telecommunication Systems Group
 - April, 2004 : General Manager of Information & Control Systems Division, Information & Telecommunication Systems Group
 - October, 2001 : General Manager of Public Utility and Energy Industry Information Systems Division, Information & Control Systems Division, System Solutions Group
 - August, 2000 : Senior Manager of Public Utility and Energy Industry Information Systems Design Department, Information & Control Systems Division, Power & Industrial Systems Group
 - April, 1999 : Senior Manager of Transportation Systems Design Department, Omika Industrial Systems Division, Power & Industrial System Group
 - April, 1977 : Joined Hitachi, Ltd.

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 326,000 employees worldwide. The company's consolidated revenues for fiscal 2012 (ended March 31, 2013) totaled 9,041 billion yen (\$96.1 billion). Hitachi is focusing more than ever on the Social Innovation Business, which includes infrastructure systems, information & telecommunication systems, power systems, construction machinery, high functional material & components, automotive systems and others.

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