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**Hitachi Announces Changes of Directors**

Tokyo, February 3, 2011 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT/TSE:6501) today announced the following changes of directors in accordance with a resolution passed by a meeting of the Board of Directors held today.

**[Effective April 1, 2011]**

**Takashi Kawamura**

**New Position:** Chairman of the Board

**Current Position:** Director, Representative Executive Officer and Chairman

**Tadamichi Sakiyama**

**New Position:** Director

**Current Position:** Board Director (Chair)

**About Hitachi, Ltd.**

Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE: HIT / TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 360,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2009 (ended March 31, 2010) consolidated revenues totaled 8,968 billion yen (\$96.4 billion). Hitachi will focus more than ever on the Social Innovation Business, which includes information and telecommunication systems, power systems, environmental, industrial and transportation systems, and social and urban systems, as well as the sophisticated materials and key devices that support them. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi.com>.