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Hitachi Europe Ltd. Announces the Appointment of Masaharu Hanyu as Deputy Chairman

London, UK, February 4, 2013 - Hitachi Europe Ltd. today announced the appointment of Mr Masaharu Hanyu as Deputy Chairman of Hitachi Europe Ltd. and Chief Executive of the Nuclear Power System Business in Europe. Mr Hanyu currently serves as Vice President and Executive Officer, Chief Executive Officer of Nuclear Systems and General Manager of Nuclear Systems Division and Global Nuclear Energy Business Division, Power Systems Company, Power Systems Group, Hitachi, Ltd. The appointment will be effective from April 1, 2013.

Mr Hanyu graduated from the Faculty of Science and Engineering Waseda University and joined Hitachi, Ltd. in 1975. Prior to his current position, he served as President and Representative Director of Hitachi-GE Nuclear Energy, Ltd. from July 2007 to March 2011. He has held supervisory and senior management positions within the Nuclear and Industrial Plant business.

Hitachi promotes global business development centered on its expertise in Social Innovation Business, which combines providing leading social infrastructure solutions, underpinned by highly reliable and efficient information and telecommunications technology. Hitachi is actively pursuing opportunities in Europe, as a key region in its overseas business development plan for its Social Innovation Business.

Hitachi, Ltd. acquired Horizon from RWE and E.ON. at the end of November, 2012 and will continue to proactively support and promote its nuclear business in UK and across Europe.

Biography of Masaharu Hanyu

1. Date of Birth 20th February, 1951

2. Education March, 1975 : Graduated from the faculty of Science and Engineering Waseda University

3. Business Experience

April, 2011 : Vice President and Executive Officer, Chief Executive Officer of Nuclear Systems and General Manager of Nuclear Systems Division and Global Nuclear Energy Business Division, Power Systems Company, Power Systems Group, Hitachi, Ltd.

July, 2007 : President and Representative Director of Hitachi-GE Nuclear Energy, Ltd.

April, 2005 : General Manager of Nuclear Systems Division, Power Systems Group, Hitachi, Ltd.

April, 2004 : Deputy General Manager of Industrial Systems Division, Industrial Systems Group and General manager of Industrial Plant Division, Hitachi, Ltd.

April, 2003 : General Manager of Industrial Plant Division, Power and Industrial Systems Group, Hitachi, Ltd.

January, 2000 : Senior Manager of Nuclear Plant Service Department, Hitachi Engineering and Product Division, Nuclear Systems Division, Power and Industrial Systems Group, Hitachi, Ltd.

April, 1975 : Joined Hitachi, Ltd.

About Hitachi Europe Ltd.

Hitachi Europe Ltd., headquartered in Maidenhead, UK, a subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., and its subsidiary companies offer a broad range of information & telecommunication systems; power and industrial system; rail systems; digital media and consumer products; industrial components and equipment; air conditioning and refrigeration systems; manufacturing systems; and procurement and sourcing with operations throughout 12 countries across Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Hitachi Europe also has three Research and Development laboratories and a design centre. For more information, visit <http://www.hitachi.eu>. For more information on other Hitachi Group companies in Europe, please visit <http://www.hitachi.eu/network/index.html>

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd., (TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 320,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2011 (ended March 31, 2012) consolidated revenues totaled 9,665 billion yen (\$117.8 billion). Hitachi is focusing 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>.

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