

**Hitachi secures contract to supply a Flue Gas Desulphurisation (FGD) system for  
Elektrownia "Kozienice" S.A. in Poland**

Tokyo, July 17, 2008 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT / TSE:6501) today announced that it has secured an order for the construction of a Fuel Gas Desulphurisation (FGD) system for the Kozienice coal-fired power plant unit no.10 (500MW) near Warsaw in Poland in partnership with Energo Montaz. Polnoc S.A.( EMP) The total contract amount is EURO net 77,33 million (Approx. PLN 260,86 million) and commercial operations will commence from the beginning of 2011.

In Europe, the regulation for sulphur oxides (SOx) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) is increasingly far-reaching and European electric power companies need to install systems to ensure FGD and Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR). Hitachi's FGD can remove SOx by more than 90%, which helps to prevent air pollution.

Kozienice Power Station is located 80km from Warsaw and is one of the largest power stations (10units: 2,860MW) in Poland. In June 2006 Hitachi was contracted to deliver a 800MW FGD solution for units four to eight of the same power plant, which is the largest in Poland and the largest of its class in Europe. The contract was successfully completed in January 2007. For the new FGD system, Hitachi Group company, Babcock Hitachi K.K. will complete the design, supply the major equipment and be responsible for project management and commissioning. EMP will be responsible for the civil engineering side of the operations and erection work.

Hitachi, Ltd. and it's European subsidiary Hitachi Power Europe GmbH (responsible for Europe, Middle East and Africa markets) are committed to developing solutions that will benefit operators in the European power marketplace and that have a beneficial impact on the environment.

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