

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Hitachi Announces Recognizing Extraordinary Item
on an Unconsolidated Basis**

Tokyo, April 27, 2011 -- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT / TSE:6501) today announced that the Company plans to post 52.9 billion yen in write-downs of subsidiaries and affiliated companies shares in line with a decline in market price or actual price as an extraordinary loss on an unconsolidated basis for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2011.

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>.

###

Information contained in this news release is current as of the date of the press announcement, but may be subject to change without prior notice.
