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Hitachi Announces New Directors

Tokyo, April 27, 2007 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT / TSE:6501) today announced new directors in accordance with a decision taken at a meeting of Nominating Committee convened today, and is subject to approval at Hitachi's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in June 2007.

1. Director Candidates <Proposed at Hitachi's Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in June 2007> [* New]

< Chairman of the Board >

Etsuhiko Shoyama, currently Chairman of the Board

<Director>

Kazuo Furukawa, currently Director; Representative Executive Officer, President

Yagi Yoshiki, currently Director

Tadamichi Sakiyama, currently Director

***Toyoaki Nakamura**, currently Representative Executive Officer, Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Finance Department I

<Outside Director>

***Yoshie Ota**, currently Advisor, Japan Institute of Workers' Evolution

***Mitsuo Ohashi**, currently Chairman of the Board, Showa Denko K.K.

***Akihiko Nomiya**, currently Special Advisor, NIPPON MINING HOLDINGS, INC.

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***Kenji Miyahara**, currently Chairman of the Board, Sumitomo Corporation
Tohru Motobayashi, currently Outside Director; Partner, Mori Hamada & Matsumoto

<Director>

***Takeo Ueno**, currently President, Hitachi Via Mechanics, Ltd.
Isao Uchigasaki, currently Director; Director and Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd.
***Michihiro Honda**, currently Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.

Each committee is scheduled to be composed of the following members (Chairman underlined)

- **Nominating Committee:**
Etsuhiko Shoyama, Yoshie Ota, Mitsuo Ohashi, Tohru Motobayashi,
Kazuo Furukawa
- **Audit Committee:**
Yoshiki Yagi, Yoshie Ota, Akihiko Nomiyama, Kenji Miyahara,
Tadamichi Sakiyama
- **Compensation Committee:**
Etsuhiko Shoyama, Akihiko Nomiyama, Kenji Miyahara, Tohru Motobayashi,
Kazuo Furukawa

2. Resigning Directors

Takashi Miyoshi, currently Director
Ginko Sato, currently Outside Director; Honorary President, Japan Association for the Advancement of Working Women
Hiromichi Seya, currently Outside Director; Senior Corporate Advisor, Asahi Glass Co., Ltd.
Takashi Kawamura, currently Director; Director and Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Software Engineering Co., Ltd.
Yoshiro Kuwata, currently Director; Director and Chairman of the Board, Hitachi High-Technologies Corporation
Masayoshi Hanabusa, currently Director; Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Capital Corporation
Ryuichi Seguchi, currently Director; Chairman Emeritus, Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.

3. Biography of New Director Candidates

Toyoaki Nakamura

1. Date of Birth : August 3, 1952
2. Education
March, 1975 : Graduated from Faculty of Economics,
Keio University
3. Business Experience
January, 2006 : General Manager of Finance Department I,
Hitachi, Ltd.
April, 2005 : Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial
Officer of Hitachi Data Systems Solutions
Holding Corporation
April, 2004 : Chief Financial Officer of Hitachi Data
Systems Solutions Holding Corporation
April, 2002 : General Manager of Finance Division,
Information & Telecommunication Systems
Group
April, 2001 : General Manager of Finance Division,
System Solutions Group
June, 2000 : Deputy General Manager of Finance
& Distribution Systems Group
June, 1998 : Senior Manager of Finance Department,
Semiconductor Division
April, 1975 : Joined Hitachi, Ltd.

Yoshie Ota

1. Date of Birth : September 1, 1942
2. Education
March 1966 : Graduated from Faculty of Economics,
Keio University
3. Business Experience
July 2005 : Advisor, Japan Institute of Workers' Evolution
July 1998 : Chairman, Japan Institute of Workers' Evolution
June 1995 : Director-General, Women's Bureau, Ministry of
Labor
June 1994 : Director-General, Minister's Secretariat,
Ministry of Labor
December 1991 : Vice Governor of Ishikawa Prefecture
April 1966 : Joined Ministry of Labor

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Mitsuo Ohashi

- 1. Date of Birth : January 18, 1936
- 2. Education
 - March 1959 : Graduated from Faculty of Economics, Keio University
- 3. Business Experience
 - March 2007 : Chairman of the Board, Showa Denko K.K.
 - January 2005 : Representative Director and Chairman of the Board of Directors, Showa Denko K.K.
 - March 1997 : Representative Director and President (CEO), Showa Denko K.K.
 - March 1995 : Senior Managing Director, Showa Denko K.K.
 - March 1993 : Managing Director, Showa Denko K.K.
 - March 1989 : Director; General Manager, Corporate Planning Department, Showa Denko K.K.
 - May 1988 : General Manager, Corporate Planning Department, Showa Denko K.K.
 - March 1985 : General Manager, Petrochemicals Control Department, Showa Denko K.K.
 - December 1961 : Joined Showa Denko K.K.
 - March 1959 : Joined the Mitsui Bank Limited

Akihiko Nomiyaama

- 1. Date of Birth : June 15, 1934
- 2. Education
 - March 1957 : Graduated from Faculty of Law,
the University of Tokyo
- 3. Business Experience
 - June 2006 : Special Advisor, NIPPON MINING HOLDINGS,
INC.
 - June 2003 : Chairman of the Board,
NIPPON MINING HOLDINGS, INC.
 - September 2002 : President and CEO,
NIPPON MINING HOLDINGS, INC.
 - April 2002 : Chairman of the Board,
JAPAN ENERGY CORPORATION
 - June 2000 : Chairman of the Board, President and CEO,
JAPAN ENERGY CORPORATION
 - June 1996 : President and CEO,
JAPAN ENERGY CORPORATION
 - June 1994 : Senior Managing Director,
General Manager of Tokyo Branch Office,
JAPAN ENERGY CORPORATION
 - December 1993 : Managing Director,
General Manager of Corporate Planning Group,
JAPAN ENERGY CORPORATION
 - December 1992 : Managing Director,
General Manager of Corporate Planning Group,
NIKKO KYODO CO., LTD.
 - July 1989 : Managing Director,
NIPPON MINING CO., LTD.
 - July 1984 : Director,
Deputy General Manager of Petroleum Group
NIPPON MINING CO., LTD.
 - July 1981 : General Manager of Administrative Department,
Petroleum Group, NIPPON MINING CO., LTD.
 - April 1957 : Joined NIPPON MINING CO., LTD.

Kenji Miyahara

- 1. Date of Birth : November 5, 1935
- 2. Education
 - March 1958 : Graduated from, Faculty of Law, Kyoto University
- 3. Business Experience
 - June 2001 : Chairman of the Board, Sumitomo Corporation
 - June 1996 : President and Chief Executive Officer, Sumitomo Corporation
 - June 1995 : Executive Vice President, Sumitomo Corporation
 - June 1993 : Senior Managing Director, Sumitomo Corporation
 - June 1990 : Managing Director, Sumitomo Corporation
President and Chief Executive Officer, Sumitomo Corporation of America
 - June 1988 : Director, General Manager, Iron & Steel Import & Export Division Sumitomo Corporation
 - June 1986 : Director, Deputy General Manager, Iron & Steel Import & Export Division Sumitomo Corporation
 - April 1958 : Joined Sumitomo Shoji Kaisha, Ltd.

Takeo Ueno

- 1. Date of Birth : February 9, 1942
- 2. Education
 - March 1964 : Graduated from Faculty of Law, Hitotsubashi University
- 3. Business Experience
 - June 2001 : President, Hitachi Via Mechanics, Ltd.
 - April 2000 : Deputy General Manager, Sales Management Division
 - April 1999 : Corporate Officer,
General Manager, Materials Department
 - May 1995 : General Manager, Materials Department
 - August 1987 : Deputy General Manager, Materials Department
 - December 1983 : General Manager,
Material Division of Hitachi Works
 - April 1964 : Joined Hitachi, Ltd.

Michihiro Honda

- 1. Date of Birth : October 13, 1942
- 2. Education
 - March 1965 : Graduated from Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Shizuoka University
- 3. Business Experience
 - June 2006 : Chairman of the Board, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.
 - June 2003 : President, Chief Executive Officer & Director, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.
 - June 2000 : President & Representative Director, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.
 - June 1999 : Executive Managing Director & Representative Director, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.
 - June 1995 : Member of the Board of Directors, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.
 - April 1993 : General Manager of Yasugi Works, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.
 - April 1965 : Joined Hitachi Metals, Ltd.

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE: HIT / TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 356,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2005 (ended March 31, 2006) consolidated sales totaled 9,464 billion yen (\$80.9 billion). The company offers a wide range of systems, products and services in market sectors including information systems, electronic devices, power and industrial systems, consumer products, materials and financial services. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi.com>.

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