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**Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas Announces Completion of  
Expansion - Doubling Manufacturing  
Space at Georgia Operations**

Monroe, Georgia, USA, June 27, 2014 --- Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas, Inc., one of the Hitachi Automotive Systems' group companies and regional headquarters of the company for the Americas, today announced that it has completed construction of a third production facility at their Monroe, GA operations. The new facility, along with new equipment for the new and existing facilities, represents an investment of an expected \$80 million by the company.

As a key part of its global business strategy, Hitachi Automotive Systems is moving to respond to growing demand in the important North American market by expanding production capacity in the Americas, including Mexico.

The Monroe facility is situated on 70 acres and currently has two production facilities with a combined manufacturing floor area of 230,000 sq. ft. The new third building will have a manufacturing floor area of 290,000 sq. ft. With more than twice its previous manufacturing floor area, the Monroe plant will continue to produce valve timing controls and propeller shafts at the existing facilities. Production at the new facility is expected to begin in 2016 and will include new products such as electric power steering systems, variable displacement pumps, and others.

The expansion will add up to 250 new jobs by March 2017. The Monroe facility currently has over 350 employees.

Hitachi Automotive Systems is enhancing operational effectiveness in four key overseas regions, most notably the Americas, with special focus on further business expansion under regional strategies giving priority to local production for local consumption.



Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas, Inc. Georgia Plant Third Production Facility

**■About Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas, Inc**

Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas, Inc., a subsidiary of Hitachi America, Ltd., manufactures, remanufactures and markets a wide range of automotive systems including engine management systems, electric power train systems, drive control systems and car information systems for all major automotive original equipment manufacturers and aftermarket customers worldwide, providing leadership within the global operations of Hitachi Automotive Systems, Ltd. as the regional headquarters in the Americas. The company is headquartered in Harrodsburg, KY. For more information, please visit [www.hitachi-automotive.us](http://www.hitachi-automotive.us).

**■About Hitachi Automotive Systems, Ltd**

Hitachi Automotive Systems, Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., headquartered in Tokyo, Japan. The company is engaged in the development, manufacture, sales and services of automotive components, transportation related components, industrial machines and systems, and offers a wide range of automotive systems including engine management systems, electric power train systems, drive control systems and car information systems. For more information, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi-automotive.co.jp/en/>.

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Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, delivers innovations that answer society's challenges with our talented team and proven experience in global markets. The company's consolidated revenues for fiscal 2013 (ended March 31, 2014) totaled 9,616 billion yen (\$93.4 billion). Hitachi is focusing more than ever on the Social Innovation Business, which includes infrastructure systems, information & telecommunication systems, power systems, construction machinery, high functional materials & components, automotive systems, healthcare and others. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi.com>.

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