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Hitachi Announces Director Candidates

Tokyo, February 4, 2015 – Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE:6501) today announced director candidates to be proposed at its ordinary general meeting of shareholders in June 2015, in accordance with a resolution at a meeting of Nominating Committee convened today.

1. Director Candidates

Note: Director Candidates are listed in Japanese alphabetical order of surname within each grouping.

<Outside Director>

Nobuo Katsumata, currently Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd., Senior Corporate Advisor of Marubeni Corporation

Cynthia Carroll, currently Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd., Non-Executive Director of BP plc. (UK)

Sadayuki Sakakibara, currently Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd., Chairman of the Board, Toray Industries, Inc.

George Buckley, currently Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd., Chairman of Arle Capital Partners Limited (UK)

Harufumi Mochizuki, currently Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd., President and Representative Director of Tokyo Small and Medium Business Investment & Consultation Co., Ltd.

Philip Yeo, currently Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd., Chairman of SPRING Singapore

Hiroaki Yoshihara, currently Outside Director of Hitachi, Ltd., Outside Director of Murata Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

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<Director>

Hiroaki Nakanishi, currently Director, Representative Executive Officer and Chairman & CEO of Hitachi, Ltd.

Toshiaki Higashihara, currently Director, Representative Executive Officer and President & COO of Hitachi, Ltd.

Takashi Miyoshi, currently Director of Hitachi, Ltd.

Nobuo Mochida, currently Director of Hitachi, Ltd.

Each Committee will be composed of the following members (Chair Underlined)

Nominating Committee	<u>Nobuo Katsumata</u> , Sadayuki Sakakibara, Harufumi Mochizuki, Hiroaki Nakanishi
Audit Committee	<u>Takashi Miyoshi</u> , Nobuo Katsumata, Harufumi Mochizuki, Hiroaki Yoshihara, Nobuo Mochida
Compensation Committee	<u>Harufumi Mochizuki</u> , Nobuo Katsumata, Sadayuki Sakakibara, Toshiaki Higashihara

2. Retiring Directors

Takashi Hatchoji, currently Director of Hitachi, Ltd., Chairman of the Board of Hitachi America, Ltd. (Group Chairman for the Americas)

Scheduled to retire Chairman of the Board of Hitachi America, Ltd. (Group Chairman for the Americas) effective March 31, 2015

About Hitachi, Ltd.

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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