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Hitachi Rail Europe selects Nomad Digital for On Board Server solution for IEP

RAILTEX, LONDON, May 1, 2013 – Hitachi Rail Europe Ltd. today announced that it has selected British company Nomad Digital to provide an On Board Server (OBS) solution for the Hitachi Super Express fleet for the Intercity Express Programme (IEP).

The OBS provides a single gateway for transmission of all operational data between the train and the trackside. Data transmitted includes train diagnostics from the Train Management System, energy consumption, seat reservation as well as daily timetable information. The OBS utilises Nomad's R3500 router as the communications gateway and harnesses multiple 3G networks to provide connectivity.

Keith Jordan, Managing Director, Hitachi Rail Europe said: "Nomad Digital is already an existing supplier for our Class 395 train as one of the leading companies in Europe for supplying OBS solutions. We are now extending our working relationship with them. As the IEP contract is a long-term commitment for Hitachi Rail Europe, we will be working with Nomad Digital to future-proof the technology to ensure that it will be the right solution over the duration of the contract. We are very pleased to be working with a supplier, based almost on the doorstep of our new train manufacturing plant in Newton Aycliffe in County Durham."

Alexander Eriksen, Group CEO of Nomad Digital commented: "We are delighted to have been selected as supplier of this innovative communications solution for the IEP fleet. Nomad truly values its relationship with Hitachi and I look forward to developing this during a successful IEP project and beyond."

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About Hitachi Rail Europe Ltd.

Hitachi Rail Europe Ltd., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi Europe, Ltd. and is headquartered in London, UK.

Hitachi Rail Europe is a total railway system supplier offering rolling stock, traction equipment, signalling, traffic management systems, and maintenance depots.

Hitachi draws on many years of experience as a leading supplier of high-speed trains such as the Shinkansen (bullet train) for the Japanese and international markets. In Europe, Hitachi Rail Europe's first rolling stock contract was to deliver a fleet of 29 Class 395 trains, the first domestic high-speed train in the UK, which are maintained at Hitachi's state of the art depot in Ashford, Kent. As part of the British Department for Transport's Intercity Express Programme, Hitachi Rail Europe will replace the UK's ageing fleet of Intercity trains, and will establish a new rolling stock manufacturing facility in the UK for this purpose. The trains will be maintained and services in a number of new maintenance depots along the Great Western Main Line and the East Coast Main Line.

For more information about the company, please visit: www.Hitachirail-eu.com .

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd., (TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 320,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2011 (ended March 31, 2012) consolidated revenues totaled 9,665 billion yen (\$117.8 billion). Hitachi is focusing 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>.

About Nomad Digital

Nomad Digital, headquartered in Newcastle upon Tyne, UK, is the largest global provider of on-board IP connectivity to the rail industry, with contracts across Europe, North America, the Middle East and Asia for deployment of its solutions on more than 8,000 vehicles. Wireless solutions delivered include passenger Wi-Fi and passenger information systems as well as operational services including train diagnostics and CCTV. www.nomadrail.com