

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Hitachi Announces Interim Dividend for Fiscal 2005**

Tokyo, September 15, 2005 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE:6501 / NYSE:HIT) today announced that the Company decided on the interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006, at a Board of Directors meeting convened today.

Interim dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006  
5.5 yen per share\*

\*The Company intends to pay interim dividend on December 1, 2005.

Reference: Dividends paid for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005

Interim dividend: 5.5 yen per share

Year-end dividend: 5.5 yen per share

**About Hitachi, Ltd.**

Hitachi, Ltd., (TSE:6501/NYSE: HIT), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 347,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2004 (ended March 31, 2005) consolidated sales totaled 9,027.0 billion yen (\$84.4 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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