

**Hitachi Announces Changes in Composition of the Board of Directors**

Tokyo, February 5, 2007- - - Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE:6501 / NYSE:HIT) today announced the following changes in composition of the Board of Directors.

**1. Effective January 22, 2007**

**<Changes in directors>**

Akira Chihaya (outside director), who was a member of the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee, ceased to be a director due to his decease.

**2. Effective February 5, 2007**

**<Changes in the composition of the Committees>**

**Nominating Committee:**

Masayoshi Hanabusa (Chair), Ginko Sato, Hiromichi Seya, Tohru Motobayashi, Etsuhiko Shoyama

**Audit Committee<sup>(1)</sup>:**

Yoshiki Yagi (Chair), Ginko Sato, Hiromichi Seya

**Compensation Committee<sup>(2)</sup>:**

Masayoshi Hanabusa (Chair), Hiromichi Seya, Tohru Motobayashi

(1) On February 5, 2007, Tadamichi Sakiyama (director) resigned from the Audit Committee. As of the same date, Mr. Sakiyama was appointed to assist in the work of the Audit Committee.

(2) On February 5, 2007, Kazuo Furukawa (director) resigned from the Compensation Committee.

**3. Effective April 1 [current position]**

**Chairman of the Board / Nominating Committee:**

Etsuhiko Shoyama [Representative Executive Officer, Chairman / Nominating Committee]

**Director / Audit Committee (Chair):**

Yoshiki Yagi [Board Director (Chair) / Audit Committee (Chair)]

**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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