Hitachi Announces the Year-end Dividend for Fiscal 2003

Tokyo, March 11, 2004 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE:6501 / NYSE:HIT) today announced a plan for the year-end dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004 as follows. The plan will be finally authorized at a meeting of the Board of Directors to be held in the middle of May 2004 after the statutory audit of the financial statements etc. under the Commercial Code of Japan.

Plan for the year-end dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2004

5.0 yen per share*

*The Company intends to pay the year-end dividend on or after the day following the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in June 2004.

Reference: Dividends for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2003

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