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Hitachi Announces Management Change

Tokyo, September 24, 2004 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT / TSE:6501) today announced the management changes in accordance with a decision taken at meeting of Board of Directors convened today. The appointment is scheduled for October 1, 2004.

<Executive Vice President and Executive Officer>

Masaharu Sumikawa, in charge of Power Systems, Industrial Systems and Production Technology; currently Executive Officer in charge of Power Systems, Industrial Systems and Production Technology

<Senior Vice President and Executive Officer>

Takuya Tajima, General Manager of Sales Management Division, Department Manager of Customer Satisfaction Promotion Center; currently Vice President and Executive Officer, General Manager of Sales Management Division

<Vice President and Executive Officer>

Shozo Saito, in charge of Power Technology; currently Executive Officer in charge of Power Technology

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE:HIT) headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company, with approximately 326,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2003 (ended March 31, 2004) consolidated sales totaled 8,632.4 billion yen (\$81.4 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 Web site at http://www.hitachi.com.

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