

Hitachi Announces Board and Executive-Level Changes in Management

Tokyo, Japan, April 26, 2002 -- Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE: 6501) today announced executive-level changes in management for Directors and Administrative Officers. The changes were approved today at its meeting of the Board of Directors. The appointment of Directors is subject to approval at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 26, 2002.

1) Changes in Directors, effective June 26, 2002.

New candidate for Directors

Newly-Appointed Senior Vice Presidents and Directors

Isao Ono, currently Senior Corporate Officer

Masaharu Sumikawa, currently Senior Corporate Officer

Resigning Directors

Toshihiko Odaka, currently Senior Vice President and Director, to be appointed Fellow of Hitachi, Ltd., effective June 26, 2002.

Kunio Hasegawa, Senior Vice President and Director, to be appointed President and Director, Hitachi Electronics Engineering Co., Ltd., effective June 27, 2002.

Board Change in Status

Katsukuni Hisano, currently Senior Vice President and Director, to be appointed President and Director, UNISIA JECS CORPORATION, effective June 27, 2002 and Director, Hitachi, Ltd.

2) Changes in Administrative Officers, effective June 27 or 28, 2002

Resigning Senior Corporate Officers and Corporate Officers, effective June 27, 2002

Takao Kato, currently Senior Corporate Officer, to be appointed Executive Managing Director, Hitachi Information Systems, Ltd., effective June 27, 2002.

Tomoharu Shimayama, currently Corporate Officer, to be appointed Executive Managing Director, Hitachi Plant Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., effective June 27, 2002.

Toshiyuki Takaoka, currently Corporate Officer, to be appointed Executive Managing Director, Hitachi Transport System, Ltd., effective June 27, 2002.

Toshio Nakajima, currently Corporate Officer, to be appointed President and Director, Hitachi Distribution Software Co., Ltd., effective June 28, 2002.

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