Hitachi Rail announces showcase at InnoTrans 2014

London, 18 September, 2014 – Hitachi Rail today announced that it will be showcasing its latest rolling stock and signaling operations at InnoTrans 2014, at the Messe Berlin exhibition centre in Berlin, Germany.

The bi-annual rail trade fair, which takes place from September 23 to September 26 2014, will provide the company with an unrivalled opportunity to publicise recent business developments and future prospects.

Located on Stand 304 in Hall 4.2, Hitachi Rail will be promoting the new AT200 train, giving visitors a flavour of the latest travel experience in regional and suburban commuting.

The life-size train mock-up will focus on the train interiors, which are designed around passenger needs and include features such as power points, WiFi access, interactive technology for reservations, ticketing and catering, ample luggage space.

Hitachi Rail will also be using the event to demonstrate its European Train Control System (ETCS) and Communication Based Train Control (CBTC) systems. The on-board centred CBTC can offer efficient metro operational facilities with driverless capability, and it is this technology that has been adapted for the UK network. In addition, Hitachi has high market share of traffic management system used in Shinkansen-and metro-systems in Japan.

This past year has been particularly significant for Hitachi Rail, as a result of its tremendous accomplishments in the UK. It won the contract for an additional 30 trains as part of the Intercity Express Programme (IEP), bringing the total number of trains to be manufactured on both the East Coast and Great Western Main Lines to 122.

Construction of Hitachi's new train factory in Newton Aycliffe, in the north east of England is progressing well, and developments are taking place at maintenance depots across the country. The train factory will create over 700 jobs and, in line with the recent approval of a Hitachi Rail-sponsored University Technical College in the region, will support the skills development of the manufacturers of the future.

All of these achievements have been boosted by the company's work with suppliers from the UK and Europe. When the headquarters of the global rail business moved to Europe, emphasis was placed on Hitachi Rail's commitment to building a strong base here and developing supplier relationships. Hitachi has honoured this commitment and will continue to build and sustain these links as the rail business expands.

For more information about Hitachi Rail and its vision for rail passenger travel and signalling, please visit stand 304 in Hall 4.2 at InnoTrans 2014. Hitachi Rail is proud to be leading the way in the development of ground-breaking technological advances in the sector and would welcome the opportunity to discuss these with you.

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About InnoTrans 2014

With a large number of reference projects and over 220 transport technology firms, Berlin is the main focus of Germany's transport engineering industry and an ideal venue for InnoTrans, an international platform for buyers and sellers of passenger and freight transport technology. InnoTrans has become established as an international industry showplace focusing on Railway Technology. A full range of rail vehicles are presented in static displays on the Messe Berlin tracks located outside the exhibition halls. Other key InnoTrans features include Railway Infrastructure, Interiors (including Travel Catering and Comfort Services), Public Transport and Tunnel Construction.

The InnoTrans Convention taking place in conjunction with the trade show includes a special Dialog Forum organized by Deutsches Verkehrsforum (German Transport Forum), Verband Deutscher Verkehrsunternehmen (VDV, Association of German Transport Companies), the European Rail Transport Industry Association (UNIFE) and Verband der Bahnindustrie in Deutschland (VDB, German Rail Industry Association).

About Hitachi, Ltd.

Hitachi, Ltd. (TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, delivers innovations that answer society's challenges with our talented team and proven experience in global markets. The company's consolidated revenues for fiscal 2013 (ended March 31, 2014) totalled 9,616 billion yen (\$93.4 billion). Hitachi is focusing more than ever on the Social Innovation Business, which includes infrastructure systems, information and telecommunication systems, power

systems, construction machinery, high functional materials and components, automotive systems, healthcare and others. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at http://www.hitachi.com.

About Hitachi Rail Europe Ltd.

Hitachi Rail Europe Ltd., is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi Europe, Ltd. and is headquartered in London, UK.

Hitachi Rail Europe is a total railway system supplier offering rolling stock, traction equipment, signalling, traffic management systems and maintenance depots.

Hitachi draws on many years of experience as a leading supplier of high-speed trains such as the Shinkansen (bullet train) for the Japanese and international markets. In Europe, Hitachi Rail Europe's first rolling stock contract was to deliver a fleet of 29 Class 395 trains, the first domestic high-speed train in the UK, which are maintained at Hitachi's state-of-the-art depot in Ashford, Kent. As part of the British Department for Transport's Intercity Express Programme, Hitachi Rail Europe will replace the UK's ageing fleet of Intercity trains, and will establish a new rolling stock manufacturing facility in Newton Aycliffe, UK for this purpose. The trains will be maintained and serviced in a number of new maintenance depots along the Great Western Main Line and the East Coast Main Line.

For more information about the company, please visit: www.Hitachirail-eu.com.

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