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**Hitachi Announces the Method of Settlement Concerning
Tender Offer for Hitachi Kokusai Electric Shares**

Tokyo, January 23, 2009 --- Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE:HIT / TSE:6501) today announced that the method of settlement has been confirmed relating to purchase of additional common stocks of Hitachi Kokusai Electric Inc. (TSE:6756) by way of a public tender offer (hereinafter "Tender Offer"), which was announced on January 14, 2009. Details are below.

Method of Settlement

1. Name and Location of Head Office of Securities Companies/Banks, etc., in Charge of Settlement

Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.
9-1, Nihonbashi 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo

2. Commencement Date of Settlement

Monday, March 16, 2009

3. Method of Settlement

Upon expiration of the Tender Offer Period, Hitachi will, without delay, send notice of Tender Offer purchases and other matters to the addresses of tendering shareholders (in the case of a foreign resident who does not hold a working account with the Tender Offer Agent, to its standing proxy). Purchases will be made in cash. Payment for purchased shares will be made by means of remittance, etc., in accordance with the instructions of tendering shareholders (Fees may be incurred for remitting payment.).

4. Method of Returning Share Certificates, etc.

In the event that Hitachi does not purchase the excess in whole or in part of tendered share certificates, etc.*, Hitachi will return share certificates, etc. by recovering the record to the status immediately before the share certificates, etc. were tendered, soon after the commencement date of settlement (if the Tender Offer is withdrawn, the date of withdrawal). (If share certificates, etc. are to be transferred to an account of a tendering shareholder at another securities company, etc., please provide instructions to that effect.)

Note: Please see Hitachi's news release on January 14, 2009 titled "Hitachi to Commence Tender Offer for Hitachi Kokusai Electric Shares" relating to the conditions that it would not purchase the excess in whole or in part of tendered share certificates, etc.

(Reference) Outline of the Tender Offer

1. Company Name of the Target

Hitachi Kokusai Electric Inc.

2. Duration of the Tender Offer (As Initially Notified)

From Monday, January 26, 2009 to Monday, March 9, 2009 (both inclusive)
(30 business days)

3. Price of Tender Offer

¥780 per share

4. Planned Number of Share Certificates to Be Purchased

Planned Number of Shares to Be Purchased	Planned Minimum Number of Shares to Be Purchased	Planned Maximum Number of Shares to Be Purchased
13,406,000 shares	--- shares	13,406,000 shares

Note: Please see Hitachi's news release on January 14, 2009 titled "Hitachi to Commence Tender Offer for Hitachi Kokusai Electric Shares" for the details of this Tender Offer.

Cautionary Matters

- This announcement is a press release announcing the tender offer and has not been prepared for the purpose of soliciting an offer to sell stocks. If shareholders wish to make an offer to sell their stocks, they should first read the Explanatory Document for the tender offer and make their own decision. This press release does not constitute, nor form part of, any offer or invitation to buy, sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or issue, or any solicitation of any offer to sell or issue, exchange or otherwise dispose of, buy or subscribe for, any securities. In addition, this press release does not constitute, or form part of, any offer or invitation to sell, or any solicitation of any offer to purchase any securities in any jurisdiction, nor shall it (or any part of it) or the fact of its distribution form the basis of or be relied on in connection with, any contract therefore.
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