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**Hitachi announces to donate for earthquake relief efforts
in New Zealand**

Tokyo, Japan, February. 25, 2011 – Hitachi, Ltd. today announced that Hitachi Group has decided to donate NZ\$ 100,000 (approx. 6 million yen) to support earthquake relief efforts in Christchurch in New Zealand.

Hitachi expresses deep condolences for victims of the earthquake and sincerely hopes for the earliest recovery of the people and areas in Christchurch affected by the disaster.

ABOUT HITACHI

Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE: HIT / TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 360,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2009 (ended March 31, 2010) consolidated revenues totaled 8,968 billion yen (\$96.4 billion). Hitachi will focus more than ever on the Social Innovation Business, which includes information and telecommunication systems, power systems, environmental, industrial and transportation systems, and social and urban systems, as well as the sophisticated materials and key devices that support them. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's website at <http://www.hitachi.com>.

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