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 **Hitachi Capital Corporation**

Loans from Development Bank of Japan -Acquisition of the highest level of “Environmental Responsibility Rating”-

Hitachi Capital Corporation (TSE: 8586) today announced that it acquired the highest level of “DBJ Environmental Responsibility Rating*” provided by the Development Bank of Japan Inc. (President & CEO: Toru Hashimoto) (“DBJ”) and was granted environmental responsibility rating loan.

Under the environmental policy of “aiming at ‘sustainable development of society’ through environmentally sound business activities,” Hitachi Capital has been promoting proactive measures to prevent global warming and promote resource recycling. In the “DBJ Responsibility Environmental Rating,” Hitachi Capital was highly evaluated especially for the following measures.

【Measures highly evaluated by DBJ】

- (1). Increased volume of environmentally responsible leasing transactions
- (2). Improvement in transportation efficiency by communalizing inventory management system at recycle centers
- (3). Adoption and advancement of our own environmental performance evaluation criteria

One of our goals set out in the 2015 Mid-Term Management Plan is to expand our renewable energy business to 320 mega watts (accumulate), and we provide the combined solutions of insurance and trust functions of the Group as “One Hitachi.” We also made investments in the solar-electric power generation business and participate in the power selling business.

We will continue to enhance our financial service functions and further promote business expansion in the renewable energy sector of Hitachi Group.

【Business alliance with DBJ】

We formed a business alliance related to the earthquake disaster reconstruction with DBJ in May 2011 and has been exchanging information related to financial solutions that would contribute to the reconstruction. By taking advantage of the information exchange system under the business alliance, we will continuously promote measures aiming at creation of a resource-recycling society.

*“DBJ Environmental Responsibility Rating” is a screening system (rating system) developed by DBJ for the world’s first financing program using the specialized method of “environmental responsibility rating,” whereby candidate companies are evaluated for their level of environmentally responsible management to identify companies with environmental soundness and three-stage interest rates are applied depending on scores given to respective companies.