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Notice of change in status of subsidiaries in accordance with increased capitalization through third-party allocation of shares in subsidiary

In March 2006, CNMP Holdings, Inc. (hereinafter called "CNMP Holdings"), a consolidated subsidiary of Hitachi Cable, Ltd. (in which Hitachi Cable holds an 82.6% equity stake) increased its capital through a third-party allocation of shares. As a result, CNMP Holdings and its subsidiaries CNMP Networks, Inc. (headquarters: United States; representative: Chao Xiang Shi) and CNMP Networks (Beijing), Inc. (headquarters: China; representative: Chao Xiang Shi) will no longer be included in Hitachi Cable's consolidated settlement of accounts, but will be classified as equity-method affiliates. The specifics of this change are given below.

1. Reason for increased capitalization by CNMP Holdings

CNMP Holdings is a holding company owning stock in CNMP Networks and CNMP Networks (Beijing), both of which develop and manufacture next-generation transmission equipment. In preparation for the development of new products and to enable the construction of an internal-control system, CNMP Holdings has implemented this increased capitalization through a third-party allocation of shares to JAFCO Co., Ltd., one of Japan's leading venture-capital firms, and to investment limited partnerships managed by JAFCO. Since this increased capitalization will reduce Hitachi Cable's share of equity in CNMP Holdings, CNMP Holdings and subsidiaries CNMP Networks and CNMP Networks (Beijing) will be classified instead as equity-method affiliates and will no longer be included in Hitachi Cable's consolidated settlement of accounts.

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- 2. Details of increased capitalization by CNMP Holdings
- (1) Total shares issued and outstanding before increased capitalization: 13,485,363 shares
- (2) Total shares issued and outstanding after increased capitalization: 32,500,939 shares
- (3) Issue price: 110 yen/share
- (4) Payment dates: March 3, 2006; March 31, 2006

(5) Shares allocated to: JAFCO Co., Ltd.*1: 1,360,000 shares JAFCO V2 Fund, L.P.: 5,170,728 shares JAFCO V2-R Fund, L.P.: 222,000 shares JAFCO V2-W Fund, L.P.: 520,000 shares Kyushu Venture Partners I, L.P.: 600,000 shares Kyushu Venture Partners II, L.P.: 300,000 shares SBI Broadband Capital KK: 345,000 shares SBI Broadband Fund No. 1 L.P.: 564,000 shares ORIX Fund No. 10: 909,090 shares Aozora Investment Fund No. 2, L.P.: 1,400,000 shares Daiwa Securities SMBC Principal Investments Co. Ltd.: 1,000,000 shares Asahi Life Insurance Capital 2005 Fund: 640,000 shares

*1 Should CNMP Holdings be authorized to engage in new telecommunications or broadcast operations pursuant to the Law for Facilitating Specific Communications and Broadcasting Development Business (Law No. 35 of 1990), JAFCO Co., Ltd. may transfer its holdings of CNMP Holdings stock to the Telecom Venture Fund.

3. Shares owned by Hitachi Cable and ownership ratios before and after increased capitalization
(1) Shares owned by Hitachi Cable before increased capitalization: 15,700,000 (82.6%)
Voting rights held: 15,700,000
(2) Number of new shares issued: 13,485,363
(3) Shares owned by Hitachi Cable after increased capitalization: 15,700,000 (48.3%)

Voting rights held: 15,700,000

| Name | CNMP Holdings, Inc. | CNMP Networks, Inc. | CNMP Networks | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Ivanic | Civini Tiolulligs, Inc. | Civini ivetworks, inc. | (Beijing), Inc. | |
| Democratetion | Chas Views Chi | Chas Views Chi | | |
| Representative | Chao Xiang Shi | Chao Xiang Shi | Chao Xiang Shi | |
| Address | 1-6-1 Otemachi, | 1245 S. Winchester | Room 62431,Friendship | |
| | Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, | Blvd., Suite 208, | Hotel, | |
| | Japan ^{*2} | San Jose, CA 95128 | No.1 Nan Da Jie | |
| | | U.S.A. | Zhongguancun, | |
| | | | Haidian District, Beijing | |
| | | | 100873, P.R. China | |
| Date founded | Dec. 5, 2002 | Nov. 8, 2002 | Jan. 23, 2003 | |
| Primary lines of business | A holding company | Development of | Development of | |
| | owning stock in CNMP | next-generation | next-generation | |
| | Networks and CNMP | transmission equipment | transmission equipment | |
| | Networks (Beijing), both | hardware for | software for | |
| | of which develop, | telecommunications | telecommunications | |
| | manufacture, and sell | carriers and sales of | carriers and sales of | |
| | next-generation | transmission equipment. | transmission equipment. | |
| | transmission equipment | | | |
| | for telecommunications | | | |
| | carriers. Determines | | | |
| | policies related to | | | |
| | business strategies and | | | |
| | development of | | | |
| | transmission equipment; | | | |
| | manages funds for its | | | |
| | operating subsidiaries. | | | |
| Fiscal period ends | December | December | December | |
| Number of employees | 1 | 6 | 25 | |
| | | | | |
| Capital (millions yen) | 493 | 594 | 127 | |

4. Overview of affected subsidiaries (as of December 31, 2005)

| Major shareholders and | Hitachi Cable: 82.6% | CNMP Holdings: 100% | CNMP Holdings: 100% |
|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| percentages of shares | | | |
| owned | | | |

*2 The headquarters of CNMP Holdings relocated to 1-35 Moto-Azabu 3-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan effective March 1, 2006.

5. Trends in business performance of affected companies in the two most recent fiscal years

| | CNMP Holdings | | CNMP Networks, Inc. | | CNMP Networks | |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------|---------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
| | | | | | (Beijing), Inc. | |
| Fiscal year | FY 2003 | FY 2004 | FY 2003 | FY 2004 | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
| Sales (millions yen) | 0 | 0 | 103 | 712 | 0 | 42 |
| Gross profit (millions | | | | | | |
| yen) | 0 | 0 | 26 | 296 | 0 | 3 |
| Operating income (loss) | | | | | | |
| (millions yen) | -6 | -13 | -108 | 138 | -23 | -21 |
| Ordinary income (loss) | | | | | | |
| (millions yen) | -6 | -13 | -106 | 140 | -23 | -13 |
| Net income (loss) | | | | | | |
| (millions yen) | -6 | -13 | -106 | 122 | -23 | -13 |
| Total assets (millions | | | | | | |
| yen) | 750 | 917 | 219 | 606 | 31 | 74 |
| Shareholders' equity | | | | | | |
| (millions yen) | 750 | 917 | 219 | 540 | 30 | 74 |
| Dividends/share (yen) | _ | - | | - | | _ |

6. Effects of this change on future business performance:

This change will have only minor effects on the consolidated business performance of Hitachi Cable. The change will have no effects on the non-consolidated business performance of Hitachi Cable.