

To whom it may concern:

Company Name: Hitachi Metals, Ltd.  
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### Hitachi Metals Changes Representative Executive Officers

Hitachi Metals, Ltd. hereby announces several personnel changes involving representative executive officers decided at a board of directors meeting held on February 3, 2015.

#### 1. Personnel changes involving representative executive officers

##### (1) Reason for the changes

As a manufacturer of highly functional materials with a diversified business structure, Hitachi Metals operates businesses based on materials development and technologies in a wide range of business sectors, striving to achieve sustained growth.

Current Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Mr. Kazuyuki Konishi, since assuming his position in April 2014, has been striving for sustained growth in the global market. Towards this purpose, he has executed measures designed to strengthen the company's corporate foundations, including the creation and expansion of business fields and promotion of global strategies through business portfolio transformation.

Based on these successes, the Hitachi Metals Group will make changes in its representative executive officers as of April 1, 2015, to ensure additionally robust corporate foundations and aim for further growth.

##### (2) Content of personnel changes

New Title	Name	Current Position (As of February 3, 2015)
Chairman of the Board [Promoted]	Kazuyuki Konishi	Representative Executive Officer; Chairman and Chief Executive Officer; Director
Representative Executive Officer; President and Chief Executive Officer; Director	Hideaki Takahashi	Representative Executive Officer; President and Chief Operating Officer; Director
Representative Executive Officer; Vice President and Executive Officer [Newly appointed]	Akitoshi Hiraki	Vice President and Managing Officer; President of High-Grade Metals Company; Deputy General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Office
Representative Executive Officer; Executive Officer [Newly appointed]	Kenichi Nishiie	Deputy General Manager of Magnetic Materials Company; General Manager of Planning Dept.

##### (3) Date of assuming position

April 1, 2015

**Executive Officers** As of April 1, 2015

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Hideaki Takahashi	Representative Executive Officer President and Chief Executive Officer
Akitoshi Hiraki*	Representative Executive Officer Vice President and Executive Officer President, High-Grade Metals Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office
Kenichi Nishiie*	Representative Executive Officer Executive Officer General Manager, Procurement Center General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office
Masashi Aisa*	Executive Officer General Manager, Corporate Sales Administration Center
Masahiro Otsuka*	Executive Officer General Manager, Corporate Management Planning Center General Manager, Corporate Communications Office
Hiroyuki Okada*	Executive Officer Chief Financial Officer General Manager, Finance Center General Manager, Information Systems Center
Shigekazu Suwabe*	Executive Officer President, Magnetic Materials Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office
Eiji Nakano*	Executive Officer President, High-Grade Functional Components Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office
Masato Hasegawa*	Executive Officer President, Cable Materials Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office

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\* Newly appointed

**Managing Officers** As of April 1, 2015

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Junichi Kamata	Vice President and Managing Officer Assistant to President
Fumio Kanaya	Managing Officer Deputy General Manager, Cable Materials Company General Manager, Metal Materials & Component Products Unit
Yasuhiko Sakamoto	Managing Officer Vice President, Cable Materials Company General Manager, Ibaraki Works, Takasago Works, Hitaka Works, Toyoura Works, and Densen Works

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