

## **Notification of Corporate business status**

As I'm sure you are all aware on Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, an earthquake and the subsequent tsunami of mammoth proportions rattled the Pacific Coast of Tohoku region of Northeast Japan causing tremendous damage to the entire surrounding area.

Our parent company, Hitachi Kokusai Electric, Inc wishes to extend their thanks and gratitude for all of your prayers and condolences that you offered to them during this extremely difficult period and they truly appreciate your thoughts and messages conveyed to them through your calls and emails. It is encouraging to all of our staff here and abroad at Hitachi Kokusai Electric to see your heartfelt kindness and warmth during this very difficult time.

HiKE currently operates three different factories; Koganei and Hamuru Works both located in the Tokyo region, and the Sendai Branch Works near Miyagi. Although our facilities in Tokyo have not been impacted by the earthquake, due to the severity of the earthquake and tsunami in the Sendai area, it has impacted some damage to our Sendai facility and the surrounding area causing concern of our production capabilities because the lifeline of utility supplies, traffic conditions, as well as commuting for our employees in that area is strictly limited and not fully recovered there at this time.

We have confirmed the safety of all of our employees, but the safety of some of their family members is still unconfirmed and quite concerning. I ask that you keep them in your thoughts and prayers until they are accounted for.

HiKE has currently established a task force for emergency operations, headed by our HiKE President, Mr. Shinomoto. They are gathering all the related information to review the damages in order to make a recovery plan, and to implement the countermeasures simultaneously. They are investigating whether or not the damage to the Sendai facility as well as the surrounding area will cause a prolonged delay in production of our products.

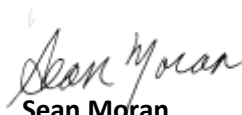
We ask you for your patience and support during this difficult period as we will keep you apprised of any news and developments as they arise.

We wish you all the best, and thank you again for your kindness and support.

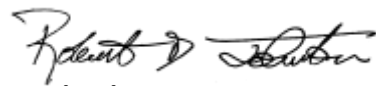
Sincerely,



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