

**ARROW'S ENTERPRISE COMPUTING SOLUTIONS UNIT ADDS
HITACHI BLADESYMPHONY TO BLADE SERVER OFFERINGS**

-- Expansion builds on existing relationship between Arrow ECS and Hitachi in North America --

ENGLEWOOD, Colo., and BRISBANE, Calif., December 17, 2007 – The Server Systems Group (SSG) of Hitachi America, Ltd., a subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd. (NYSE: HIT/TSE 6501) , and Arrow Enterprise Computing Solutions (ECS), a business unit of Arrow Electronics, Inc. (NYSE: ARW), today announced an agreement designating Arrow ECS as the first distributor for Hitachi's BladeSymphony® servers.

“This agreement not only expands our Hitachi portfolio but also enhances Arrow ECS' ability to provide authorized partners with required enterprise computing solutions,” said Sean Kerins, vice president of Arrow ECS' Storage Group.

Through this agreement, Arrow ECS will be the first distributor in North America for the Hitachi BladeSymphony 1000 with Virtage and BladeSymphony 320 servers. BladeSymphony addresses the computing needs for all tiers of the datacenter. To address mission-critical computing needs, BladeSymphony with Virtage provides the most efficient virtualization solution for end users today.

Hitachi America, SSG previously sold BladeSymphony through direct sales and select reseller channels in North America. This agreement enables Hitachi to leverage Arrow ECS' extensive relationships and scale to deliver its BladeSymphony solutions to more authorized resellers and end users. As the distributor for nearly 75 leading hardware, software and storage suppliers, Arrow ECS brings the ability to connect its valued reseller partners with complementary products to create complete solutions for end-user needs. The BladeSymphony solutions are designed to work with both Hitachi Data Systems and other third-party storage products distributed by Arrow ECS.

“Arrow ECS brings to partners and customers a solid record of moving products from the manufacturing line to the datacenter. Our agreement with Arrow ECS simplifies the task of providing cutting-edge computing assets at reduced costs,” said Elizabeth King, vice president and general manager of Hitachi America, SSG. “Hitachi expects increased availability and expansion of our BladeSymphony series through this agreement, furthering Hitachi's goal of making BladeSymphony a household name by addressing a broad range of datacenter needs.”

BladeSymphony solutions are also ideally suited for the midmarket as Arrow ECS is creating a robust program to enable its suppliers and partners to reach medium-sized businesses.

With Arrow ECS, partners will receive dedicated, personalized services including presales technical support; order fulfillment management for multi- and single-platform solutions; business planning and marketing services; vertical market services; flexible financing; customized configurations; and engineering support.

ABOUT HITACHI

Hitachi America, Ltd., Information Division, Server Systems Group, supplies highly scalable and performance-oriented server platforms targeting mid- and large-scale enterprise customers with solution offerings ranging from high-end transaction engines to large-scale databases. For more information about Hitachi blade servers, visit www.BladeSymphony.com or contact serversales@hal.hitachi.com.

Hitachi America, Ltd., a subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., markets and manufactures a broad range of electronics, computer systems and products, and consumer electronics, and provides industrial equipment and services throughout North America. For more information, visit www.hitachi.us.

Hitachi, Ltd., (NYSE: HIT / TSE: 6501), headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a leading global electronics company with approximately 384,000 employees worldwide. Fiscal 2006 (ended March 31, 2007) consolidated revenues totaled 10,247 billion yen (\$86.8 billion). The company offers a wide range of systems, products and services in market sectors including information systems, electronic devices, power and industrial systems, consumer products, materials and financial services. For more information on Hitachi, please visit the company's Web site at www.hitachi.com.

ABOUT ARROW ENTERPRISE COMPUTING SOLUTIONS

Arrow ECS, a business unit of Arrow Electronics, Inc. [NYSE: ARW], provides enterprise and midrange computing products, services and solutions to value-added resellers, system integrators, and independent software vendors. Based in Englewood, Colo., Arrow ECS connects its customers to the world's foremost technology suppliers, including HP, IBM, Sun Microsystems, EMC, NetApp, Hitachi Data Systems, and other leading storage networking, software, and security suppliers. Arrow ECS reported \$2.5 billion in worldwide computer products sales in 2006. Visit www.arrowecs.com for more information.

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