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HITACHI POWER SYSTEMS AMERICA, LTD. AWARDED CONTRACT

FROM EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR A SCR SYSTEM

-- Hitachi environmental technology will help reduce power plant emissions --

BASKING RIDGE, NJ, and WINCHESTER, KY, July 29, 2009 – Hitachi Power Systems America, Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi America, Ltd., today announced that it has been awarded a contract for the design and supply of a Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) System from East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. for their John Sherman Cooper Power Station, Unit 2, located near Somerset, Kentucky on the banks of Lake Cumberland. Terms were not disclosed.

The contract includes the design and supply of a SCR System for the station's 225 MW net coal fired unit which utilizes Eastern Bituminous coal as their source of fuel. SCR systems reduce nitrogen oxide emissions, a contributor to the formation of urban ozone and smog. The SCR system being furnished will utilize Hitachi's state-of-the-art catalyst, offering high NO_x removal efficiencies and mercury oxidation over wide operating load ranges and fuel types. This highly reliable system is being designed for continuous operation throughout the year.

Gary Crawford, East Kentucky Power Cooperative's vice president of construction, stated, "We look forward to working with Hitachi on this retrofit at Cooper Station, and are confident it will be a very successful project."

Henry Bartoli, president and CEO of Hitachi Power Systems America, Ltd. stated, "We are extremely pleased to have been selected by East Kentucky Power Cooperative to execute this project and based on the strength of Hitachi's experience and technology. This contract represents another important milestone in the deployment of Hitachi's state-of-the-art catalyst to the U.S. Market and supports our efforts to be an industry leader in the reduction of emissions from power generation facilities."

About East Kentucky Cooperative

East Kentucky Power Cooperative (EKPC) is a not-for-profit organization providing wholesale electricity to 16 distribution cooperatives that serve 500,000 Kentucky homes, farms, businesses and industries across 87 Kentucky counties. EKPC provides power through plants located in Mason, Clark and Pulaski counties, renewable energy plants in Boone, Laurel, Greenup, Hardin and Pendleton counties, along with gas peaking units, hydro power and more than 2,800 miles of transmission lines. Nearly 8 percent of EKPC's generating capacity comes from renewable sources. Together, EKPC and the member cooperatives are known as Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives.

About Hitachi Power Systems America, Ltd.

Hitachi Power Systems America, Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi America, Ltd. is a leading supplier of equipment and services for the Power Generation Market including Thermal, Nuclear, and Hydroelectric facilities. Products include advanced Pulverized Coal Boilers, Heat Recovery Steam Generators, Turbines, Substation Equipment, and Air Quality Control Systems for new plants and retrofit applications. Hitachi Power Systems America is Hitachi's Global Center of Excellence for the emissions market including Wet Flue Gas Desulfurization (WFGD), mercury removal systems and Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) technology. For more information, visit www.hitachipowersystems.us.

About Hitachi America, Ltd.

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