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**HITACHI POWER SYSTEMS AMERICA AWARDED CONTRACT TO SUPPLY  
BOILER FEED PUMP DRIVE TURBINES FOR SANDY CREEK POWER PARTNERS**

BASKING RIDGE, N.J., March, 2008 - Hitachi Power Systems America, Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi America, Ltd., today announced that it has been awarded a contract to supply two boiler feed pump drive turbines for the 900MW Sandy Creek Energy Station, a coal-fired electric generating station located near Riesel, Texas. The facility will reach commercial operation in 2012. Financial terms were not disclosed.

The contract with Sandy Creek Power Partners is the fifth recent order for Hitachi boiler feed pump turbines in the U.S. market. Sandy Creek Power Partners, L.P., is a joint venture composed of Zachry Construction Corporation, Overland Contracting Inc., and Gilbert Industrial Corporation. The project owner, Sandy Creek Energy Associates will benefit from Hitachi's reliable turbine design and extensive experience. The turbines are a double shaft, impulse type design, and each turbine is capable of generating approximately 18MW of total shaft power. Sandy Creek Energy Associates, L.P., is a joint venture between subsidiaries of Dynegy and LS Power Group.

In announcing the agreement, Henry Bartoli, CEO and president of Hitachi Power Systems America stated, "Hitachi's boiler feed pump turbine business has a long history and a proven track record in the industry. Based on the strength of Hitachi's experience, technology, and Project Management at HPSA, we are confident that our turbine drives will continue to play a significant role in the US power business."

About Sandy Creek Power Partners, L.P.

#### 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 Hydro facilities. Products include advanced Pulverized Coal Boilers, HRSG's, Turbines, Substation Equipment, Wind Generation, 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) and Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) technology. For more information, visit <http://www.hitachi.us/hpsa>.

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 <http://www.hitachi.us>.

#### About Hitachi, Ltd.

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