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**Hirata has accepted a large order from Cummins Inc.**

Hirata Corporation announces that it has received an order for an engine assembly line from Cummins Inc., one of the world's leading diesel engine manufacturers.

**1. Background**

Hirata Corporation has engaged in manufacturing and selling production equipment, mainly automotive, Flat Panel Display and semi-conductor related ones globally.

In the Automotive related production equipment business, we have received many orders of assembly lines for engine, transmission and all sorts of automotive components from car makers and automobile component companies both in Japan and abroad, enjoyed high reputation from them for quality of our products and their manufacturing efficiency.

Especially our unique system structure, ACS(Assembly Cell System) concept, enables us to design general-purpose and efficient lines, and gains superiority in multi-objective production, space saving and easiness of maintenance.

Our proposal for the assembly line, based on this ACS concept, was appreciated by Cummins, and lead to this order.

**2. Order in details**

- (1) Structure of the assembly line  
New type engine assembly line (Total length over 800 meters) x 1 line
- (2) Amount of order : Over JP¥2,000,000,000
- (3) Sales time : March 2009

**3. About Cummins Inc.**

- (1) Established : 1919
- (2) Headquarters : Columbus IN, 47202-3005, USA
- (3) Sales : US\$ 11,362,000 (December 2006)
- (4) Employees : 34,600 as of December 31, 2006
- (5) Main Business

- (6) Engine Business Division  
Produces a wide variety of engines ranging from 1.4 to 91 liters in total emission and from 31 to 3,500 horsepower in energy output for trucks, buses, marine vessels and railroads. Sells under the brand name of Cummins.
- (7) Component Business Division  
Provides vehicular filters, mufflers, port systems and turbochargers. Sells under the brand names of Fleetguard, Nelson, Kuss, Universal Silencer and Holset.

**4. Influence on achievements**

This is an issue for sales of March 2009, will make a contribution to the achievements of the time.