The Hitachi Group: IP Strategies

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US Patents Issued 2008

Company GroupNumber of PatentsSamsung4,227IBM4,189Hitachi2,289Canon2,132Microsoft2,089Panasonic1,908

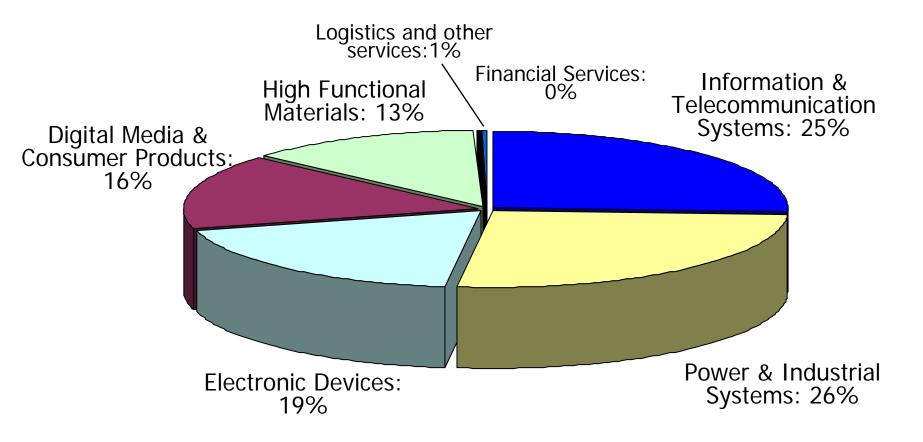
China Patents Laid Open 2008

Company Group	Number of Patents
ZTE Corp.	6,215
Huawei	4,483
Samsung	4,097
LG	3,115
Panasonic	2,285
Hitachi	1,790
Sony	1,722

> Achieve higher presence in 2009 and beyond



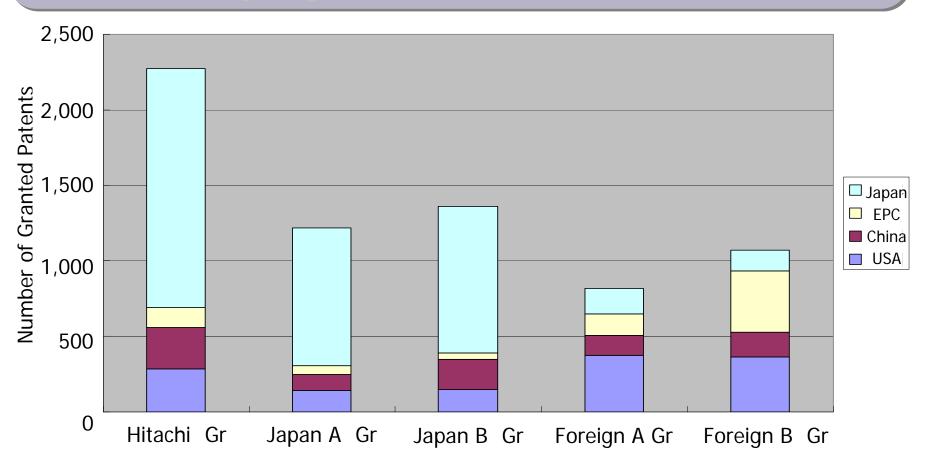
Patents laid open by Industry Segment (2008)



*Aggregation of the number of patents laid open in USA, EU, China and Japan



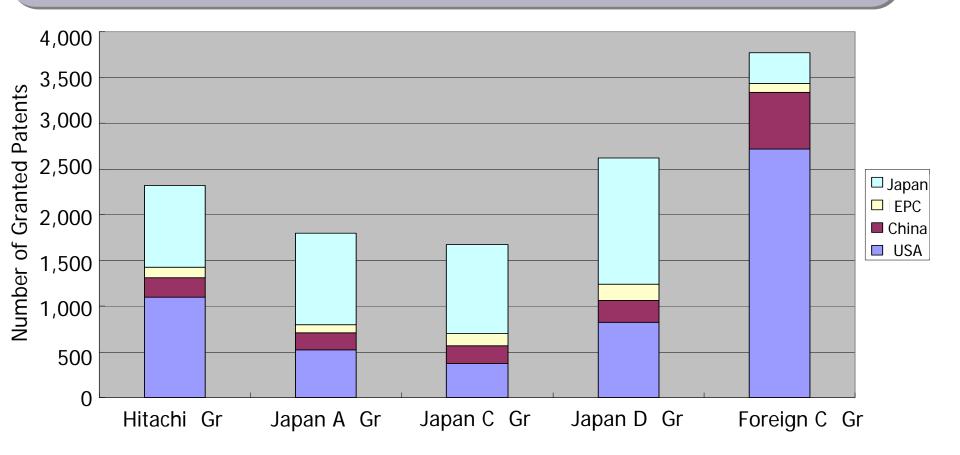
Power&Industry Segment: Number of Granted Patents (2008)



Outnumbers competitors worldwide



Info.&Telecom. Segment: Number of Granted Patents (2008)



Competitive against domestic competitors



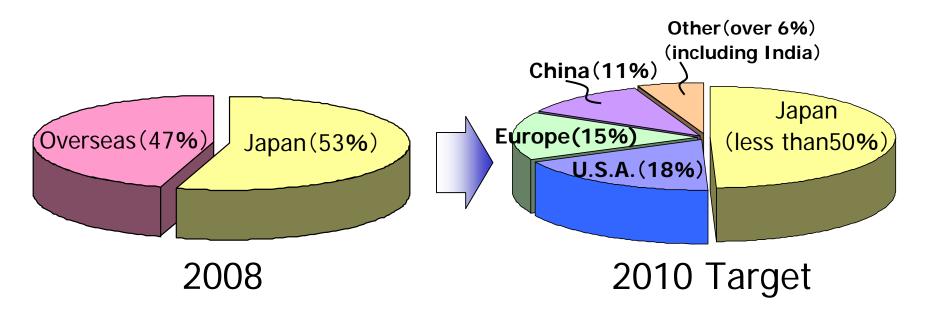
Building a world-class patent portfolio

2010 Target:

Number of Overseas Applications

Number of Domestic Applications

Hitachi Group Domestic & Foreign Patent Applications



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2. Patenting Strategy



Create

Refine

Build a patent portfolio

Flagship (FS) patent activities

- Invention Creation activities based on the R&D roadmap
- Selection of advantageous technology and invention creation for building the patent portfolio

Patent Portfolio Management (PPM) Activities

Building up the portfolio for advantageous technology

Strategic Patent Activities

Early selection of important patent applications Promotion of intensive patent acquisition activities

Five Fighting Patent Activities

Acquiring 5 patents (for each product and competitor) useful in litigations.





Patents related to the core patents

Competitors' Information (markets, prior arts, etc.)

2. Patenting Strategy



Examples of FS (Create) PPM (Refine)

Build world-class patent portfolios in environmental technologies/social innovation

	Theme	Particular Products
ent	High Efficiency Thermal Power Generation	steam turbines, boilers
Environment	Green Mobility	HEV motors, HEV inverters, lithium-ion battery
En	Green IT	data centers with intelligent cooling
	kt Generation Network GN)	router, wideband access controller

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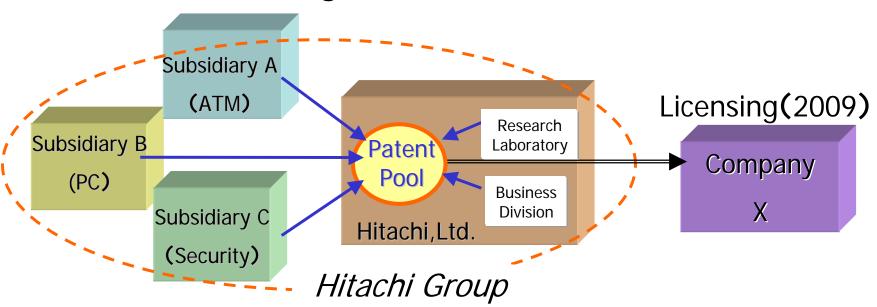
3. Recent Topics: Patent Pool Model



Hitachi Group Patent Pool Model

- -Integrate the management of invention creation and patent filing in a technology field that involves a diverse group of business divisions and subsidiaries.
- Provide one pool license with otherss

Ex: Finger Vein Authentication



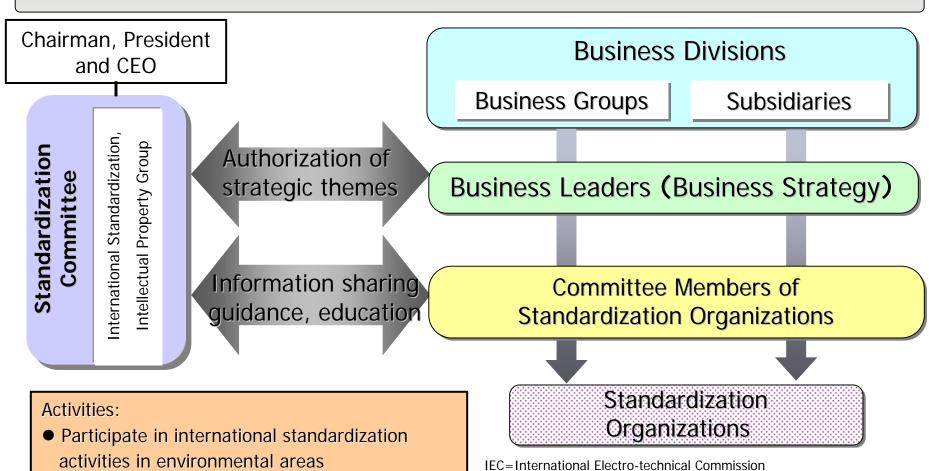
3. Recent Topics: International Standardization

Dispatch committee members to IEC, ISO, ITU



International Standardization Team in IP group (Since Aug. 2008)

Mission: Integrate the standardization activities of business divisions into a Hitachi group-wide activity from a shared corporate perspective



ISO=International Organization of Standardization

ITU=International Telecommunication Union

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