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Dear Sirs,

We have made public on Dec 28, 2005, the following messages.

- Bridgestone Names New President

In accordance with the Rule 12g 3-2(b), we herewith enclose above documents.

Sincerely,

Michihiro Suzuki

Treasurer

General Manager, Investor Relations

Bridgestone Corporation

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**Bridgestone Names New President**

Tokyo (January 12, 2006)— Bridgestone Corporation announced today that its Chairman of the Board, CEO and President, Shigeo Watanabe, will be stepping down and that his successor will be Shoshi Arakawa, presently Executive Vice President. The succession will become effective immediately after the general meeting of shareholders on March 30, 2006. Watanabe will continue to serve Bridgestone as the Board Member and Advisor to the Board.

Bridgestone Corporation, headquartered in Tokyo, is the world's largest manufacturer of tires and other rubber products. Tires account for 80 percent of Bridgestone Group sales worldwide. The company also manufactures industrial rubber and chemical products, sporting goods, and other diversified products. It sells its tires and other products in more than 150 nations.

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# Mr. Shoshi ARAKAWA

## Executive Vice President

Born: April 8, 1944

- 1968 (Apr)    Joined Bridgestone Tire Co., Ltd. (Now Bridgestone Corporation)
- 1988 (Mar)    Manager, Executive Secretarial Office
- 1991 (Jul)    General Manager, F21 Planning and Promotion Project Group
- 1992 (Mar)    Managing Director of Thai Bridgestone Co., Ltd.
- 1997 (Mar)    Became a Member of the Board
- 1997 (Aug)    Director, China Div.
- 1998 (Jan)    Director, Asia and Oceania Div.  
concurrently:  
General Manager, China Dept.
- 2000 (Oct)    Director, Asia and Oceania Div.
- 2001 (Mar)    Vice President,  
Delegated on secondment to Bridgestone/Firestone Europe S.A.  
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer thereof
- 2003 (Jan)    Vice President and Senior Officer,  
Delegated on secondment to Bridgestone Europe NV/SA  
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer thereof
- 2003 (Mar)    Senior Vice President,  
Delegated on secondment to Bridgestone Europe NV/SA  
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer thereof
- 2004 (Mar)    Senior Vice President,  
Responsible for International Operations
- 2004 (Nov)    Senior Vice President,  
Responsible for International Operations  
Concurrently: Director, Asia and Oceania Division

2005 (Jan) Senior Vice President,  
Responsible for International Operations

2005 (Jul) Executive Vice President,  
Responsible for International Operations