

MITSUI & CO LTD
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Receipt of a notice of tax assessment based on transfer pricing taxation in Japan

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of June 29, 2007

Commission File Number 09929

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

2-1, Ohtemachi 1-chome Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0004 Japan

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: June 29, 2007

mitsui & co., ltd.

By: /s/ Kazuya Imai
Name: Kazuya Imai
Title: Executive Director
Executive Vice President

Chief Financial Officer

June 29, 2007

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

For immediate release

To whom it may concern

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On June 29, 2007, Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (Mitsui) announced that it received a notice of tax assessment from the Tokyo Regional Tax Bureau (TRTB) in relation to the fiscal year ended March 31, 2001, as a result of an audit on a transfer pricing taxation in connection with the North West Shelf LNG Project in Western Australia.

In last June Mitsui already received a notice of tax assessment in relation to the fiscal year ended March 31, 2000, subsequent to the TRTB s transfer pricing audit. Mitsui is entirely unconvinced by the assessment determination and made a protest to TRTB in August 2006 while it requested a mutual agreement procedure pursuant to a provision in the tax treaty between Japan and Australia in November 2006. Japanese and Australian tax authorities, seeking the elimination of the double taxation, have discussed this issue since September 2006, however, they have yet reached agreement. Following this development, TRTB issued another notice of assessment for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2001 whose statute of the limitations will expire in the end of this June.

The corrected income amount is approximately 8.2 billion yen and the additional tax liabilities for the Corporation Tax, Enterprise Tax and Inhabitant Tax (the principal taxes and the additions to taxes) are to be computed as approximately 3.9 billion yen. Mitsui & Co., Ltd believes that this transaction will not have a material impact on the operating results for the year ending March 2008.

In relation to the assessment this time, Mitsui, while expecting the double taxation to be solved by the agreement between the two competent authorities, will make a protest to the TRTB and will request a mutual agreement procedure pursuant to a provision in the tax treaty between Japan and Australia, as it did last year.

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