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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

The first gas is produced from North West Shelf Project

Train 5 production facility

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

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of September 2, 2008

Commission File Number 09929

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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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: September 2, 2008

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Junichi Matsumoto
Name: Junichi Matsumoto
Title: Executive Director
Executive Vice President
Chief Financial Officer

September 2, 2008

For Immediate Release

To Whom It May Concern

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

The first gas is produced from North West Shelf Project Train 5 production facility

North West Shelf Venture announced on September 1, 2008 that its fifth LNG processing train located at its Karratha Gas Plant in Western Australia is now fully operational and producing gas for export to customers around the world including Japan, China and South Korea.

The participants in the North West Shelf Venture are: Woodside Energy Ltd. (operator); BHP Billiton Petroleum (North West Shelf) Pty Ltd.; BP Developments Australia Pty Ltd.; Chevron Australia Pty Ltd.; Shell Development (Australia) Pty Ltd.; and Japan Australia LNG (MIMI) Pty Ltd., which is ultimately owned equally by Mitsubishi Corporation and Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

With Train 5 now on line, the North West Shelf Venture will produce an additional 4.4 million tonnes of LNG annually, boosting total annual production to 16.3 million tonnes.

LNG is regarded as an environmentally-friendly energy compared with alternative fossil fuels, and the demand for it is increasing worldwide. The increment in supply from an established project such as the North West Shelf Project, which is achieved by the commencement of Train 5, will contribute to the stable energy supply for North Asia and other markets.

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