

MITSUI & CO LTD
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Additional Investment in Brazilian Agricultural Business, Multigrain AG

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

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October 7, 2008

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: October 7, 2008

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

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

October 7, 2008

For Immediate Release

To Whom It May Concern

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

Additional Investment in Brazilian Agricultural Business, Multigrain AG

Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (Mitsui) and CHS Inc. (CHS, head office: USA; listed on NASDAQ), a major energy, grains and foods company in the United States, have agreed to participate in an additional investment of US\$200 million in Multigrain AG (Multigrain, head office: Switzerland) in response to capital needs resulting from an expansion of Multigrain's operations in Brazil.

Mitsui's additional investment is US\$123.75 million, with total investment of US\$210 million. Multigrain will allocate this recent increased capital to expand its business including acquisition of farmland for increasing the production of soybeans, corn and cotton. With this additional investment, Mitsui aims to secure stable supply of food resources through improving Multigrain's production efficiency, and Mitsui's share of ownership in Multigrain rises to 39.35%, making it one of the two largest shareholders of Multigrain on par with CHS.

Mitsui continues to support the growth of Multigrain with a coherent management system from production through processing and exports in Brazil, thereby responding to the global demand for food, and contributing to ensuring food safety and security.

Shareholdings of Multigrain AG after additional investment

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| Mitsui | 39.35% | |
| CHS group | 39.35% | |
| PMG group (*) | 21.30% | *PMG group owns PMG Trading S.A. in Brazil. |

Multigrain AG

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| Established | 2006 |
| Head office location | Zug, Switzerland |
| Business | Owns the 100% subsidiary Multigrain S.A. as its operating company in Brazil, engaged in the origination and export of soybeans, marketing and export of cotton and sugar, import of wheat, flour production, domestic sales of fertilizers, etc. in Brazil. Through its 100% subsidiary Xingu AG, also owns Agricola Xingu S.A., involved in growing soybeans, corn, and cotton, and in cotton ginning (producing ginned cotton from raw), etc. in Brazil. |

CHS Inc.

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| Established | 1998 |
| Head office location | Minnesota, USA |
| Business | A major energy, grains and foods company and listed on NASDAQ. Operations include grain origination and export, and oil refining and sales. |
| Outline of results | 2007 Revenues \$17.2 billion, Earnings \$750 million. Operates Ventura Foods, LLC in 50:50 partnership with Wilsey Foods Inc. (Mitsui's subsidiary) and United Harvest, LLC in 50:50 partnership with United Grain Corp. (Mitsui's subsidiary). |

PMG Trading S.A.

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| Established | 1999 |
| Head office location | Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo State, Brazil |
| Business | PMG transferred control of its soybean, wheat and milling businesses to Multigrain in 2006. |

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