

MITSUI & CO LTD  
Form 6-K  
August 28, 2008

## **FORM 6-K**

### **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Vincent Oil Field Commences Production**

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

**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**For the month of August 28, 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: August 28, 2008

**ITSUI & CO., LTD.**

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

August 28, 2008

For Immediate Release

To Whom It May Concern

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

**Vincent Oil Field Commences Production**

Mitsui & Co. Ltd. ( Mitsui ) announced today that the Vincent Oil Project ( the Project ), in which Mitsui's wholly owned subsidiary, Mitsui E&P Australia Pty Ltd ( MEPAU ) owns a 40% interest, has successfully commenced first oil production on August 27. Initial production rates are expected to ramp up to 50,000 barrels of oil per day (MEPAU's share: 20,000 barrels of oil per day), and naturally decline to about 40,000 barrels of oil per day by year end, after which production from additional wells is expected to supplement the decline in production.

Outlined below is a summary of the Project;

Location Permit Block WA-28-L in Offshore Northwestern Australia (refer to attached Map of Permit Blocks )

Production Facility Floating Production Storage & Offloading Facility (FPSO) (Storage Capacity: Approx 1,200,000 barrels of oil)

Operator Woodside Energy Ltd. (60% interest)

In March 2004, MEPAU acquired its 40% interest in each of production license WA-28-L and exploration permit WA-271-P, which together contained three discovered but undeveloped oil fields: Enfield, Vincent and Laverda. Vincent was first discovered in 1998 and the Final Investment Decision was subsequently made in March 2006. The oil field was developed jointly with operator Woodside Energy Ltd., the largest oil and gas exploration and production company in Australia.

Mitsui has positioned the Oceania region as one of the core areas of its oil and gas up-stream business. The region's political stability and competitive location make it a stable source of energy supply for the Asia Pacific countries, including Japan. Mitsui aims to pursue continuous exploration and production of natural resources in the region, contributing to Oceania's regional economics.

Attachment: Map of Permit Block

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