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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine-Month Period Ended December 31, 2008

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

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of February 4, 2009

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: February 4, 2009

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

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

Consolidated Financial Results for the Nine-Month Period Ended December 31, 2008

[Based on accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP)]

Tokyo, February 3, 2009 Mitsui & Co., Ltd. announced its consolidated financial results for the nine-month period ended December 31, 2008.

Mitsui & Co., Ltd. and subsidiaries

(Web Site: http://www.mitsui.co.jp)

President and Chief Executive Officer: Shoei Utsuda

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- 1. Consolidated financial results (Unreviewed)
- (1) Consolidated operating results information for the three-month period ended December 31, 2008 (from October 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008)

			(Millions	of yen)	
	Three-month period ended				
	December 31,				
	2008		2007	2007	
		%		%	
Revenues	1,176,009	(19.7)	1,465,046	24.6	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes, minority interests and equity in earnings	27,201	(68.8)	87,065	1.2	
Net income	39,153	(52.6)	82,594	(8.0)	

(2) Consolidated operating results information for the nine-month period ended December 31, 2008 (from April 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008)

			(Millions	of yen)	
	Nine-month period ended				
	December 31,				
	2008		2007	2007	
		%		%	
Revenues	4,508,634	7.3	4,202,329	21.3	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes, minority interests and equity in earnings	337,389	8.8	310,163	38.7	
Net income	279,701	(16.4)	334,515	37.0	
Net income per share, basic	153.71		185.67		
Net income per share, diluted	153.26		183.42		
Notes:					

- 1. Percentage figures for Revenues, Income from continuing operations before income taxes, minority interests and equity in earnings, and Net income represent changes from the previous year.
- 2. In accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No.144, Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets, the figures for the nine-month period ended December 31, 2007 relating to discontinued operations have been

reclassified from income from continuing operations.

(2) Consolidated financial position information

		December 31, 2008	March 31, 2008
Total assets	Millions of yen	8,847,577	9,537,829
Shareholders equity	Millions of yen	1,921,111	2,183,660
Shareholders equity ratio	%	21.7	22.9
Shareholders equity per share	Yen	1,054.86	1,202.03
Note:			

The companies adopted FASB Staff Position No. FIN 39-1, Amendment of FASB Interpretation No. 39 effective April 1, 2008. In accordance with this amendment, the companies adjusted the total assets as of March 31, 2008.

2. Dividend information

		Year ended March 31,		Year ending March 31, 2009 (Forecast)
		2009	2008	
Interim dividend per share	Yen	25	23	
Year-end dividend per share	Yen		23	10
Annual dividend per share	Yen		46	35

3. Forecast of consolidated operating results for the year ending March 31, 2009 (from April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009)

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		March 31, 2009
Net income	Millions of yen	310,000
Net income per share, basic	Yen	170.33

- 4. Others
- (1) Increase/decrease of important subsidiaries during the period : None
- (2) Number of shares:

	December 31, 2008	March 31, 2008
Number of shares of common stock issued, including treasury stock	1,824,917,976	1,820,183,809
Number of shares of treasury stock	3,710,961	3,543,891

	Nine-month period ended December 31, 2008	Nine-month period ended December 31, 2007
Average number of shares of common stock outstanding	1,819,668,434	1,801,661,010

A Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements:

This report contains statements (including figures) regarding Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (Mitsui) s corporate strategies, objectives, and views of future developments that are forward-looking in nature and are not simply reiterations of historical facts. These statements are presented to inform stakeholders of the views of Mitsui s management but should not be relied on solely in making investment and other decisions. You should be aware that a number of important risk factors could lead to outcomes that differ materially from those presented in such forward-looking statements. These include, but are not limited to, (i) changes in economic conditions that may lead to unforeseen developments in markets for products handled by Mitsui, (ii) fluctuations in currency exchange rates that may cause unexpected deterioration in the value of transactions, (iii) adverse political developments that may create unavoidable delays or postponement of >

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