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# FORM 6-K

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## Washington, D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer** 

**Change in Presentation of Total Trading Transactions** 

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

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of March 12, 2010

**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: March 12, 2010

## MITSUI & CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Junichi Matsumoto Name: Junichi Matsumoto Title: Executive Vice President Chief Financial Officer For Immediate Release:

To Whom It May Concern

March 12, 2010

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

### **Change in Presentation of Total Trading Transactions**

Mitsui & Co., Ltd. (Mitsui) announced today that it has changed presentation of total trading transactions effective April 1, 2009. Mitsui previously presented total trading transactions for transactions where Mitsui and its subsidiaries were not a contracting party and acted as an agent based on total amounts of the gross transaction volume and the commission they received, because Japanese trading companies comparable to Mitsui generally had the same accounting practice. In light of the risks Mitsui and its subsidiaries have related to such transactions, Mitsui has now changed the presentation to include only the commission amount in total trading transactions. Accordingly, Mitsui will restate total trading transactions for the previous years.

Total trading transactions, as presented in the statements of consolidated income, are voluntary disclosures as permitted by ASC605-45, Revenue Recognition - Principal Agent Considerations, which was formerly Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Emerging Issues Task Force Issue (EITF) No. 99-19, Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent, and represent the gross transaction volume or the aggregate nominal value of the sales contracts in which Mitsui and its subsidiaries act as principal and transactions in which they serve as an agent. Total trading transactions are generally used as an industry benchmark.

In accordance with this change in presentation, Mitsui has revised its forecast total trading transactions to be 10.0 trillion yen, a decline of 1.5 trillion yen, or 13.0%, from 11.5 trillion yen as the previous forecast.

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