

Mechel OAO  
Form 6-K  
August 10, 2009

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Form 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

August 10, 2009

Commission File Number: 333-119497

**Mechel OAO**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

Krasnoarmeyskaya 1,  
Moscow 125993  
Russian Federation

(Address of principal executive office)

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MECHEL ANNOUNCES THE MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION SIGNING WITH MITSUI & Co.

Moscow, Russia - August 10, 2009 - Mechel OAO (NYSE: MTL), one of the leading Russian mining and metals companies, announces the Memorandum of Cooperation signing with Mitsui & Co. Corporation.

On August 6, 2009 the meeting between the heads of both of the companies took place in Moscow office of Mechel OAO. During the above mentioned meeting Memorandum of Cooperation was signed by both parties. From the side of Mechel the memorandum was signed by its CEO Igor Zyuzin, from the side of Mitsui & Co. Ltd. - Noriaki Sakamoto - Member of the Board of Directors.

It is pointed out in the Memorandum, that the parties have great experience in the sphere of production and realization of resources and metallurgical production in Russia, Japan and other countries in the world and have an intention to expand the geography of their activity and assortment of realized production, including high quality products.

In this connection the parties are planning to realize cooperation in different directions, among which - marketing and sale of metal production and resources, including coal, all types of ferroalloys, pig iron, billet and other types of iron and steel products. Joint investment projects are also planned, among which organization of joint ventures in the sphere of primary goods production, production of ferrous and non-ferrous metallurgy, sales and distribution.

The cooperation will also spread to the sphere of logistics, where the parties intend to study the possibilities and take joint actions in order to optimize commodity flows and minimize the expenses on cargo transportation.

In order to develop mutually profitable joint projects the parties also intend to cooperate in the sphere of finance engagement.

Aiming at effective realization of joint arrangements in the frame of this Memorandum the parties will establish working groups, which are to consist of representatives of both parties.

Mitsui & Co. Ltd., is one of the leading global diversified trading and investment enterprises, based in Tokyo, Japan.

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Mechel is one of the leading Russian companies. Its business includes four segments: mining, steel, ferroalloy and power. Mechel unites producers of coal, iron ore concentrate, steel, rolled products, ferroalloys, hardware, heat and electric power. Mechel products are marketed domestically and internationally.

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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.

Mechel OAO

Date: August 10, 2009

By: Igor Zyuzin

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Name: Igor Zyuzin

Title: CEO

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