

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

FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 27, 2007

IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Canada</u> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<u>0-12014</u> (Commission File Number)	<u>98-0017682</u> (IRS Employer Identification No.)
<u>237 Fourth Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada</u> (Address of principal executive offices)		<u>T2P 3M9</u> (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 1-800-567-3776

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 27, 2007, Imperial Oil Limited, by means of a news release, announced that the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board and the Government of Canada had given conditional approval to Imperial's proposed Kearl Oil Sands Project, following a joint federal and provincial review.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this report on Form 8-K:

- 99.1 Press release of Imperial Oil Limited announcing that the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board and the Government of Canada had given conditional approval to Imperial's proposed Kearl Oil Sands Project, following a joint federal and provincial review.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED

Date: March 2, 2006

By: /s/ Brian Livingston

Name: Brian Livingston
Title: Vice-President, General Counsel and
Corporate Secretary

By: /s/ Brent Latimer

Name: Brent Latimer
Title: Assistant Secretary



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News Release

Regulators Approve Imperial Oil's Kearl Oil Sands Mining Project

Calgary, Alberta - February 27, 2007 -- Imperial Oil announced today that the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB) and the Government of Canada have given conditional approval to Imperial's proposed Kearl Oil Sands Project, following a joint federal and provincial review.

"This decision is a significant milestone for our project and our company," said Randy Broiles, senior vice-president of resources, Imperial Oil. "It has taken many years of work to get to this point and we appreciate the efforts of everyone who has been involved, especially our local stakeholders."

This is a key approval in progressing the Kearl Oil Sands Project, a proposed oil-sands mining project in Alberta.

"Our next steps involve reviewing the decision approved conditions and further advancing engineering work to define the project design, execution strategies and project cost estimate," said Mr. Broiles.

The Kearl project is similar in design to existing oil-sands mines in the Fort McMurray region, using large-scale shovels, trucks, crushers and oil-sands hydrotransport technology. The current plan is to develop the mine in a staged manner, with an initial mine train with production capacity of about 100,000 barrels a day. Subsequent expansions could increase capacity to approximately 300,000 barrels a day. The mine plan does not include any on-site bitumen upgrading. Any future upgrading capacity to support the Kearl project would be the subject of a separate application.

The Kearl Oil Sands Project is a joint venture with Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Limited (70%) and ExxonMobil Canada Properties (30%). Imperial Oil Resources is the designated operator of the project.

Imperial Oil is one of Canada's largest corporations and a leading member of the country's petroleum industry. It is one of Canada's largest producers of crude oil and natural gas and is also the country's largest refiner and marketer of petroleum products, sold primarily under the Esso and Mobil brand names through a coast-to-coast supply network that includes close to 2,000 retail outlets.

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