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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of July 2006  
Commission File Number 001-32748

CORRIENTE RESOURCES INC.

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

520 - 800 West Pender Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA V6C 2V6

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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DOCUMENTS INCLUDED AS PART OF THIS REPORT

Document

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1. News release, dated July 10, 2006.

DOCUMENT 1

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| Disclosure statements as required |  
| by National Instrument 43-101 are |  
| available at our website |  
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"NEWS RELEASE"

For Immediate Release

July 10, 2006

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## MIRADOR NORTE DRILLING IDENTIFIES SIGNIFICANT COPPER DEPOSIT ADJACENT TO MIRADOR COPPER-GOLD PROJECT

Assays have been received from the most recent program of drilling at Mirador Norte, a newly discovered zone of porphyry copper mineralization located approximately 3 km northwest of the planned Mirador open pit. DRILLING SUCCESSFULLY OUTLINED AN APPROXIMATELY 1200 X 300 X 250 METRE CONTIGUOUS ZONE OF COPPER MINERALIZATION ABOVE A 0.4% COPPER CUTOFF. This body is exposed at the surface but open for expansion at depth and to the south. The data is presently being reviewed by Mine Development Associates of Reno, Nevada in preparation of a formal mineral resource assessment, which has been initiated.

The close proximity of Mirador Norte to Mirador would allow for ore from Mirador Norte to be processed in the planned Mirador concentrator. This means that the stages of open pit mining at Mirador could include a stage of ore production from Mirador Norte earlier in the life of the mine, which could add a period of higher grades and lower strip ratios to enhance cash flow from the combined operations.

The current round of drilling at Mirador Norte is comprised of 39 holes totaling 6780 metres of core and supplements the previous drilling of 29 holes totaling 6825 metres. All new holes with assays above the 0.4% cutoff are listed below and a complete listing of all assays and a map of the current round of drilling can be found at [www.corriente.com](http://www.corriente.com). The longest hole drilled at Mirador Norte to date is MN65, which is in the middle of the deposit and over 420 metres in length. HOLE MN65 HAS AN INTERSECTION OF 350 METRES @ 0.52% Cu AND 0.08 G/T Au, WHICH GENERALLY REPRESENTS THE GRADE OF MIRADOR NORTE'S PRIMARY MINERALIZED BODY.

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Hole	From	To	Width	Au_ppb	Cu_%	Zone
MN30	0	17	17	-	-	overburden
angled 60	17	46	29	116	0.13	leached
045 azimuth	46	64	18	112	1.41	enriched
	64	112.78	48.78	93	0.40	primary
MN31	0	72	72	148	0.18	leached
angled 60	72	114	42	127	0.53	primary
045 azimuth	114	132.59	18.59	153	0.72	primary
MN34	0	12	12	63	0.12	leached
angled 75	12	136	124.00	75	0.34	primary
045 azimuth	136	146	10	201	1.42	primary/veins
	146	159.41	13.41	14	0.09	primary
MN44	0	33	33	59	0.28	leached/mixed
	33	165	132	77	0.52	primary
	165	174.65	9.65	60	0.36	primary
MN45	0	30	30	207	0.10	leached
angled 65	30	35	5	312	0.97	enriched
235 azimuth	35	102.11	67.11	163	0.50	primary
MN46	0	10	10	44	0.05	leached
	10	18	8	70	1.09	enriched
	18	42.67	24.67	74	0.39	primary
MN49	0	67	67	70	0.02	leached
	67	90	23	81	0.32	mixed
	90	96	6	140	0.70	enriched
	96	120.39	24.39	91	0.30	primary
MN51	0	39	39	48	0.03	leached
	39	58	19	54	0.14	mixed
	58	84	26	66	0.93	enriched
	84	123.44	39.44	38	0.29	primary
MN54	0	93	93	72	0.07	leached
	93	123	30	74	0.71	enriched
	123	150.88	27.88	81	0.39	primary
MN55	0	9	9	37	0.18	mixed
	9	13	4	97	1.11	enriched
	13	135	122	84	0.41	primary
	135	298.25	163.25	47	0.28	primary
MN56	0	57	57	31	0.19	mixed

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angled 72	57	159	102	73	0.28	primary
225 azimuth	159	352.12	193.12	72	0.46	primary
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MN57	0	32	32	79	0.11	leached
angled 70	32	38	6	139	1.02	enriched
135 azimuth	38	153	115	120	0.61	primary
	153	210	57	64	0.33	primary
	210	249.94	39.94	24	0.11	primary
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MN58	0	42	42	82	0.17	mixed
	42	127	85	84	0.44	primary
	127	217	90	65	0.33	primary
	217	300.23	83.23	79	0.60	primary
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MN59	0	16	16	82	0.06	leached
angled 75	16	30	14	68	1.12	enriched
090 azimuth	30	87	57	81	0.49	primary
	87	227	140	36	0.23	primary
	227	275.84	48.84	66	0.54	primary
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MN60	0	56	56	-	-	overburden
angled 60	56	171	115	41	0.27	primary
045 azimuth	171	233.17	62.17	57	0.47	primary
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MN61	0	37	37			overburden
angled 60	37	54	17	113	0.23	mixed
045 azimuth	54	75	21	141	0.81	enriched
	75	227.08	152.08	70	0.24	primary
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MN62	0	44	44	-	-	overburden
angled 60	44	52	8	61	1.49	enriched
045 azimuth	52	102	50	53	0.52	primary
	102	210.31	108.31	41	0.22	primary
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MN63	0	46	46			overburden
angled 60	46	88	42	117	0.57	primary
045 azimuth	88	103	15	60	0.30	primary
	103	163	60	66	0.40	primary
	163	245.36	82.36	43	0.20	primary
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MN64	0	29	29	70	0.33	primary
angled 75	29	299	270	112	0.56	primary
045 azimuth	299	378	79	60	0.35	primary
	378	400.81	22.81	22	0.16	primary
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MN65	0	35	35	88	0.14	leached
angled 80	35	70	35	89	0.34	primary
090 azimuth	70	420.62	350.62	75	0.52	primary
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MN66	0	74	74	90	0.34	primary
angled 85	74	206	132	91	0.46	primary
270 azimuth	206	400.81	194.81	18	0.12	primary

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MN67	0	36	36	-	-	overburden
angled 70	36	139	103	107	0.51	primary
045 azimuth	139	201.17	62.17	71	0.40	primary
MN68	0	14	14	-	-	overburden
	14	46	32	178	0.15	leached
	46	111	65	114	0.51	primary
	111	201.41	90.41	50	0.21	primary

Corriente is moving towards construction of a starter operation at its Mirador copper-gold operation. Mirador is one of the few new, sizeable copper projects available for near-term production. Corriente controls a 100% interest in over 50,000 hectares located within the Corriente Copper Belt, Ecuador. The Belt currently contains three copper and copper-gold porphyry deposits, Mirador, Panantza and San Carlos, as well as the newly discovered Mirador Norte prospect. Additional exploration activities will be ongoing, as six additional copper and copper-gold exploration targets have been identified in the Corriente Copper Belt to date.

The Qualified Person for this disclosure is John Drobe, P.Geo, Chief Geologist.

"Ken Shannon"

Kenneth R. Shannon  
Chief Executive Officer

For further information please contact Mr. Dan Carriere, Senior Vice-President at (604) 687-0449 or see our web site at [www.corriente.com](http://www.corriente.com)

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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.

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(Registrant)

Date: July 10, 2006  
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By: /S/ DARRYL F. JONES  
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Name: Darryl F. Jones  
Title: Chief Financial Officer