CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LTD Form 6-K December 12, 2016 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 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Dated: December 12, 2016

Commission File Number: 333-12138

CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

2100, 855 – 2^D Street S. W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 4J8 (Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F _____

Form 40-F <u>X</u>

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Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated December 12, 2016

Canadian Natural Resources Limited Announces Details of the sale of its interest in The Cold Lake Pipeline

SIGNATURE

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.

Canadian Natural Resources Limited (Registrant)

Date: December 12, 2016

By: /s/ Paul M. Mendes Paul M. Mendes VP, Legal, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary