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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

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

For the month of JULY, 2006.

Commission File Number: 001-32558

IMA EXPLORATION INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

#709 - 837 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3N6, Canada

(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 of the
undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

IMA EXPLORATION INC.

Date: July 10, 2006

/s/ Joseph Grosso

Joseph Grosso,
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NEWS RELEASE - JULY 10, 2006

PHASE IV DRILLING AT NAVIDAD INTERSECTS MORE SILVER AT LOMA DE LA PLATA FOR IMA EXPLORATION INC.

IMA EXPLORATION INC. (IMR-AMEX, IMR-TSX.V) is pleased to announce results for the ongoing Phase IV drilling at its 100% owned Navidad Project in Patagonia, Argentina. Sixteen new drill holes are reported on here including five new holes drilled at Loma de la Plata (see Table). Loma de la Plata is one of several zones along the 8km long Argenta Trend, located 3km southwest of the known Navidad deposits. Significant results from the new Loma de la Plata drilling include 11.0m of 897 grams per tonne (g/t) silver in hole 319 and 24.0m of 217 g/t silver in hole 323. Of the remaining eleven holes eight were drilled at Calcite NW and three at Calcite Hill.

Drilling to date has tested a portion of the known mineralization at Loma de la Plata (see attached map) and continues to confirm the results of surface trenching. Mineralization in the five new holes and the five previously drilled holes (October 13, 2005) always starts at surface and is hosted by the favourable upper-volcanic sequence comprised of quartz-eye bearing trachyandesites. This unit dips approximately 25 to 30 degrees towards the northeast and is approximately 20 to 35m thick in the area drilled to date.

Mineralization noted in the Loma de la Plata holes is associated with minor veinlets and narrow intervals of brecciation both of which contain carbonate gangue minerals with lesser amounts of quartz and barite. Sulphide content is generally very low, never exceeding two percent. Minor amounts of galena, copper oxides, probable silver-copper sulphosalts, and traces of native silver were noted during the logging. The form and shape of zones of veinlets and brecciation is not yet well defined, but they are hosted within the trachyandesite upper volcanic rocks. Newly drilled holes show that a sedimentary interval at the base of the favourable volcanic unit can also be mineralized with small quantities of disseminated sulphides and towards the northeast can have grades of potential economic interest (see hole 322 from 29.75 to 37.0m containing 7.25m of 88 g/t silver). No resource estimation has yet been undertaken at Loma de la Plata.

The three holes drilled at Calcite Hill are infill holes to provide more detailed information and the shape and grade of the deposit; holes 317 and 318 produced some of the best ever results at Calcite Hill including 124.0m grading 296 g/t silver and 112.6m grading 209 g/t silver and 2.91% lead respectively.

Similarly eight infill holes were drilled at Calcite NW also produced good results including 33m at 138 g/t silver in hole 310 and 11.0m grading 443 g/t

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silver in hole 314.

Phase IV drilling in 2006 comprises more than 16,000 m in 96 holes and is ongoing. Results have now been released for 72 of these holes and periodic releases will be made to keep shareholders informed of developments at the Project.

An updated summary of collar locations and hole orientations and lengths is available on IMA's website (WWW.IMAEXPLORATION.COM), as is a summary of IMA's rigorous, quality-control and quality-assurance procedures. Dr. Paul Lhotka, P.Geo. is IMA's "Qualified Person" at the Navidad project and has supervised all aspects of the current technical program and has reviewed the contents of this release.

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ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

/s/ Joseph Grosso

Mr. Joseph Grosso, President & CEO

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The TSX Venture Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or the accuracy of this release.

CAUTIONARY NOTE TO US INVESTORS:

This news release may contain information about adjacent properties on which we have no right to explore or mine. We advise U.S. investors that the SEC's mining guidelines strictly prohibit information of this type in documents filed with the SEC. U.S. investors are cautioned that mineral deposits on adjacent properties are not indicative of mineral deposits on our properties. This news release may contain forward-looking statements including but not limited to comments regarding the timing and content of upcoming work programs, geological interpretations, receipt of property titles, potential mineral recovery processes, etc. Forward-looking statements address future events and conditions and therefore involve inherent risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those currently anticipated in such statements.

TABLE. NEW PHASE IV DRILL RESULTS

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DDH	LOCATION	FROM (metres)	TO (metres)	COMPOSITE LENGTH (metres) (1)	(LWA) (2) SILVER (g/t)
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NV06-308	Calcite NW	59.00	83.00	24.00	125
NV06-309	Calcite NW	82.50	133.50	51.00	113
NV06-310	Calcite NW	59.00	92.00	33.00	138
NV06-311	Calcite NW	103.50	110.23	6.73	201
NV06-312	Calcite NW	27.30	44.00	16.70	110
NV06-313	Calcite NW	32.00	47.00	15.00	47
NV06-314	Calcite NW	50.00	60.98	10.98	443
NV06-315	Calcite NW	53.83	64.42	10.59	123
NV06-316	Calcite Hill	64.77	197.00	132.23	60
including	Calcite Hill	64.77	77.00	12.23	75
including	Calcite Hill	110.00	128.00	18.00	104
including	Calcite Hill	168.16	197.00	28.84	135
NV06-317	Calcite Hill	72.98	197.00	124.02	296
including	Calcite Hill	95.00	116.73	21.73	945
NV06-318	Calcite Hill	78.43	191.00	112.57	209
including	Calcite Hill	78.43	94.18	15.75	675

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DDH	LOCATION	FROM (metres)	TO (metres)	COMPOSITE LENGTH (metres) (1)	(LWA) (2) SILVER (g/t)
NV06-319	Loma de la Plata	0.00	11.00	11.00	897
including	Loma de la Plata	0.00	5.00	5.00	1,829
NV06-320	Loma de la Plata	0.00	19.50	19.50	121
NV06-321	Loma de la Plata	0.00	13.70	13.70	185
and	sediment-hosted	23.60	30.10	6.50	37
NV06-322	Loma de la Plata	0.00	17.00	17.00	230
and	sediment-hosted	29.75	37.00	7.25	88
NV06-323	Loma de la Plata	0.00	24.00	24.00	217

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PREVIOUSLY RELEASED HOLES FROM LOMA DE LA PLATA (4)

NV05-241	Loma de la Plata	0.00	31.50	31.50	562
NV05-242	Loma de la Plata	0.00	28.40	28.40	236
including	Loma de la Plata	0.00	19.50	19.50	322
NV05-243	Loma de la Plata	3.00	32.51	29.51	59
including	Loma de la Plata	3.00	11.27	8.27	140
NV05-244	Loma de la Plata	3.00	10.56	7.56	90
including	Loma de la Plata	3.00	7.07	4.07	140
NV05-245	Loma de la Plata	3.00	8.00	5.00	172

Notes:

1. True thickness has not been calculated for these holes.
2. All length weighted averages (LWA) are "uncut" ie have no grade capping.
3. Silver equivalent calculated using US\$6.00/oz silver and \$0.35/lb lead. ($AgEq = Ag + (\%Pb \times 10,000 / 250)$). No attempt has been made to adjust these relative values by accounting for metallurgical recoveries as insufficient information is available to do so. This the same method as used in the resource calculation release on February 16, 2006.
4. Results for hole NV05-241 are corrected herein from the original press release (October 13, 2005) which had a data entry error that affected the length weighted average grade calculation.
5. A complete list of all results to date is available on IMA's website (www.imaexploration.com).