

BHP BILLITON LTD
Form 6-K
December 10, 2010

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

December 10, 2010

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

BHP BILLITON PLC

(REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

ENGLAND AND WALES
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

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VICTORIA
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(Address of principal executive offices)

UNITED KINGDOM
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No

If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): n/a

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8 December 2010

To: Australian Securities Exchange
London Stock Exchange

cc: New York Stock Exchange
JSE Limited

Notification of Change of Interests of

Persons Discharging Managerial Responsibility

(Listing Rules & Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the UK Listing Authority)

Name of entities BHP Billiton Limited
ABN 49 004 028 077

BHP Billiton Plc
REG NO 3196209

As part of a dual listed company structure, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Limited or BHP Billiton Plc have primary or secondary listings, all those interests of directors and persons discharging managerial responsibilities of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules and Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the United Kingdom Listing Authority and the Group's Securities Dealing document.

We (the entities) advise the following information under the UK Listing Authority Disclosure and Transparency Rule 3.1.4 and as agent for the person discharging managerial responsibilities in accordance with the Group's Securities Dealing document.

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| Name of person discharging managerial responsibilities | Mr J M Yeager |
| Date of last notice | 14 September 2010 |
| Date issuer informed of transaction | 8 December 2010 |
| Date and place of transaction | 6 December 2010 (place of transaction not applicable) |
| Nature of transaction | Award of Performance Shares under the Long Term Incentive Plan (LTIP) and of Deferred Shares under the Group Incentive Scheme (GIS). |

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BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077
Registered in Australia
Registered Office: 180 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000
Australia

BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209
Registered in England and Wales
Registered Office: Neathouse Place, London SW1V 1BH UK

Members of the BHP Billiton Group which is headquartered in Australia

Part 1 Change of relevant interests in securities

Included in this Part are:

in the case of a trust, interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust;

details of the circumstance giving rise to the relevant interest;

details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash; and

changes in the relevant interest of Connected Persons of the director.

Direct or indirect interest

Nature of indirect interest

(including registered holder)

Date of change

No. of securities held prior to change

Class

Number acquired

Number disposed

Value/Consideration

No. of securities held after change

Nature of change

Example: on-market trade, off-market trade, exercise of options, issue of securities under dividend reinvestment plan, participation in buy-back

Any additional information

Mr Yeager has a direct interest in 263,636 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited.

Mr Yeager has an indirect interest in 376 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited (held as 188 BHP Billiton Limited ADRs) held by Computershare Nominees on behalf of Shareplus participants as Acquired Shares under the scheme. Shareplus is an all employee share purchase plan of the BHP Billiton Group.

Mr Yeager also holds an indirect interest in 268 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited (held as 134 BHP Billiton ADRs) held by Cede & Company, and they are held on behalf of Mr Yeager as beneficial owner.

There is no change in the above holdings.

Part 2 Change of interests in contracts other than as described in Part 3

Included in this Part are:

only details of a contract in relation to which the interest has changed; and

details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash.

Detail of contract

Nature of interest

Name of registered holder

(if issued securities)

No. and class of securities to which interest related prior to change

Interest acquired

Interest disposed

Value/Consideration

Interest after change

Part 3 Change of interests in options or other rights granted by the entities

Included in this Part are only details of options or other rights granted which have changed, save for the total number of securities over which options or other rights are held following this notification.

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| Date of grant | 6 December 2010 |
| Period during which or date on which exercisable | Performance Shares August 2015 to August 2020 |
| | Deferred Shares August 2012 to August 2015 |
| Total amount paid (if any) for the grant | |
| Description of securities involved: | 105,000 Performance Shares under the LTIP |
| class; number | 31,442 Deferred Shares under the GIS |
| Exercise price (if fixed at time of grant) or indication that price is to be fixed at time of exercise | Nil |

Part 3 Change of interests in options or other rights granted by the entities (cont d)

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| Total number of securities over which options or other rights held at the date of this notice | 862,702 | maximum number of Performance Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under the LTIP |
| | 61,319 | maximum number Deferred Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under the GIS |
| | 376 | maximum number of Matched Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited, held as 188 Limited ADRs) under Shareplus |
| | 924,397 | Total |

Any additional information

This notification is in respect of the award of Performance Shares under the LTIP and Deferred Shares under the GIS.

Part 4 Contact details

Name of authorised officers responsible for making this notification on behalf of the entities

Fiona Smith BHP Billiton Limited

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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.

BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc

Date: December 10, 2010

By: /s/ JANE McALOON
Name: **Jane McAloon**
Title: **Group Company Secretary**