

BHP BILLITON LTD  
Form 6-K  
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Company Secretariat

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To: Australian Stock Exchange  
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Australian Stock Exchange Limited (ASX)

Appendix 3X of the Listing Rules

Initial Notification of Interests of Directors and Connected Persons

Name of entities	BHP Billiton Limited	BHP Billiton Plc
	ABN 49 004 028 077	REG NO 3196029

As part of a dual listed company structure, the BHP Billiton Group has agreed to adopt the better of the existing governance practices between BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited. As a result, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Plc or BHP Billiton Limited have primary or secondary listings, all

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those interest of directors of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the ASX Listing Rules, the Listing Rules of the United Kingdom Listing Authority, the Australian Corporations Act, the United Kingdom Companies Act and the Group's Securities Dealing Code.

This Initial Notification is filed in consequence of new Listing Rules of the ASX effective 1 January 2002, and the details are as at that date.

We (the entities) advise the following information under ASX Listing Rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Australian Corporations Act and otherwise in accordance with the foregoing policy -

Name of director	Mr B D Romeril
Date of appointment	BHP Billiton Limited -J9.6.2001 BHP Billiton Plc -I5.10.1999

Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust.

Number & class of securities  10 000 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc
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Part 2 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder

Included in this Part is:

- 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; and
- the relevant interest of Connected Persons as defined in the United Kingdom Companies Act, their identity and relationship to the director. The definition includes spouses and children under 18 years of age.

Name of holder & nature of interest  -	Number & class of securities  -
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Part 3 - Director's interests in contracts other than as described in Part 4

Detail of contract	-
Nature of interest	-
Name of registered holder (if issued securities)	-
No. and class of securities to which interest relates	-

Part 4 - Director's interests in options or other rights granted by the entities

Date of grant	-
Period during which or date on which exercisable	-
Total amount paid (if any) for the grant	-
Exercise price (if fixed at time of grant) or indication that price is to be fixed at time of exercise	-
Total number of securities over which options or other rights held at the date of this notice	-
Any additional information	-

Part 5 - Contact details

Name of authorised officers responsible	Mr R V Taylor - BHP Billiton Limited
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