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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549 FORM 6-K REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

From: January 5, 2011

IVANHOE MINES LTD.

(Translation of Registrant s Name into English)

Suite 654 999 CANADA PLACE, VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA V6C 3E1

(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- o Form 40-F- b

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes: o No: þ

(If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-____.)

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INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

Exhibits 99.1 to 99.7 to this Form 6-K are hereby incorporated by reference as exhibits to the Registration Statement on Form F-10 (File No. 333-169984) of Ivanhoe Mines Ltd.

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.

IVANHOE MINES LTD.

Date: January 5, 2011 By: /s Beverly A. Bartlett

BEVERLY A. BARTLETT

Vice President & Corporate Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Notice of Guaranteed Delivery for Rights Certificate
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99.3	Notice to Canadian and U.S. Registered Shareholders
99.4	Notice to Canadian and U.S. Beneficial Shareholders
99.5	Notice to Registered Shareholders Resident Outside Canada and the United States
99.6	Notice to Beneficial Shareholders Resident Outside Canada and the United States
99.7	Qualified Holder Status Certificate