

BHP BILLITON LTD
Form 6-K
August 29, 2014

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

August 29, 2014

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

171 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE,

VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA
(Address of principal executive offices)

BHP BILLITON PLC

(REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

ENGLAND AND WALES
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,

UNITED KINGDOM
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Issued by: BHP Billiton Limited
Date: 28 August 2014
To: Australian Securities Exchange¹
For Release: Immediately
Contact: **Prakash Kakkad +44 (0) 20 7802 7410**

BHP Billiton Plc Cancellation of Treasury Shares

Attached is a copy of a notice lodged today with the London Stock Exchange, JSE Limited and New York Stock Exchange advising of the cancellation by BHP Billiton Plc of treasury shares held by the company in itself.

¹ This release was made outside the hours of operation of the ASX market announcements office.

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BHP Billiton Plc Cancellation of Treasury Shares

In conformity with Listing Rule 12.6.4 and Disclosure and Transparency Rule 5.6.1A, BHP Billiton Plc notifies the market of the following:

On 28 August 2014, BHP Billiton Plc cancelled 24,113,658 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each held in treasury by BHP Billiton Plc. Following the cancellation, no treasury shares are held by BHP Billiton Plc.

As at 28 August 2014, BHP Billiton Plc's issued capital consists of 2,112,071,796 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each with voting rights (Ordinary Shares). The total number of voting rights in BHP Billiton Plc are 2,112,071,796.

Shareholders may use the above figure of 2,112,071,796 Ordinary Shares as the denominator for the calculation by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest, or a change to their interest in, BHP Billiton Plc under the FCA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

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Note: BHP Billiton Plc also has one Special Voting Share in issue to facilitate joint voting by shareholders of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited on joint electorate actions.

Further information of BHP Billiton can be found on our website: www.bhpbilliton.com

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

Registered in Australia

Registered Office: 171 Collins Street

Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia

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BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

Registered in England and Wales

Registered Office: Neathouse Place

London SW1V 1LH United Kingdom

Tel +44 20 7802 4000 Fax +44 20 7802 4111

Members of the BHP Billiton group which is headquartered in Australia

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: 29 August, 2014

By: /s/ Nicole Duncan
Name: Nicole Duncan
Title: Company Secretary