

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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180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE,
VICTORIA

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,
UNITED KINGDOM

3000 AUSTRALIA
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No

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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 Kloppers has an indirect interest in 608,591 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc, as follows:

i) 363,520 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc registered in the name of Lynchwood Nominees Limited of which Mr Kloppers is the beneficial holder;

ii) 80,000 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc held by the Kloppers Family Superannuation Fund and registered in the name of Lynchwood Nominees Limited; and

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iii) 165,071 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc held by Maricar Pty Ltd as trustee for the Maricar Family Trust and registered in the name of Lynchwood Nominees Limited.

Mr Kloppers also has an indirect interest in 123,826 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited, as follows:

iv) 123,429 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited held by Maricar Pty Ltd as trustee for the Maricar Family Trust and registered in the name of UBS Wealth Management Australia Nominees Pty Ltd; and

v) 397 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited 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 Kloppers also holds 320 BHP Billiton Limited shares directly.

There is no change to 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.

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:	200,000 Performance Shares under the LTIP
class; number	54,831 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)

Total number of securities over which options or other rights held at the date of this notice

BHP Billiton Plc interests:

225,000 maximum number of Performance Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Plc) under the LTIP

225,000 Total

BHP Billiton Limited interests:

1,283,327 maximum number of Performance Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under the LTIP

101,782 maximum number of Deferred Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under the GIS

397 maximum number of Matched Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under Shareplus

1,385,506 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

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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**