

BHP BILLITON LTD
Form 6-K
January 06, 2011

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

January 6, 2011

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

(ABN 49 004 028 077)
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

BHP BILLITON PLC

(REG. NO. 3196209)
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

ENGLAND AND WALES
(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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UNITED KINGDOM

(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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: January 6, 2011

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

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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

Indirect

Nature of indirect interest

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

(including registered holder)

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

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.

No change to BHP Billiton Plc interests above

Mr Kloppers also has an indirect interest in 123,857* 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

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v) 428 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.

* Note total above reflects shares acquired from this transaction.

Date of change	5 January 2011
No. of securities held prior to change	608,591 (BHP Billiton Plc) Indirect
	123,826 (BHP Billiton Limited) Indirect
	320 (BHP Billiton Limited) Direct
Class	Ordinary Shares in BHP Billiton Limited
Number acquired	31
Number disposed	
Value/Consideration	A\$45.76 per share
No. of securities held after change	608,591 (BHP Billiton Plc) Indirect
	123,857 (BHP Billiton Limited) Indirect
	320 (BHP Billiton Limited) Direct

Nature of change

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

Shareplus is an all-employee share purchase plan. Under the plan, employees contribute monies to purchase shares (Acquired Shares), up to an annual contribution limit of US\$5,000 in any Plan year. Shares are purchased on a quarterly basis using the employees' contributions made each pay period over the preceding 3 months. Any Acquired Shares still held by employees at the end of a 3 year qualification period will be matched by the company on a 1:1 basis.

Any additional information

Part 2 Change of interests in contracts other than as described in Part 4

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 Closed period

Were the interests in the securities or contracts detailed above traded during a closed period where prior written clearance was required?

No. The Shareplus employee share plan trust purchased the shares on the Australian Securities Exchange outside of a close period. Although the shares were allocated to Mr Kloppers during a close period, no written clearance was required because the transaction was instigated by the administrators of the Shareplus scheme in accordance with the rules of that scheme and without consultation with Mr Kloppers.

If so, was prior written clearance provided to allow the trade to proceed during this period?

If prior written clearance was provided, on what date was this provided?

Part 4 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

Period during which or date on which exercisable

Total amount paid (if any) for the grant

Description of securities involved:

class; number

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

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

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

1,385,537 Total

Any additional information

This notification is in respect of the Acquired Shares under the Shareplus (share purchase) scheme (see Part 1).

Part 5 Contact details

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

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