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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 14)*

Ivanhoe Mines Ltd.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Shares, without par value (Title of class of securities)

46579N (CUSIP Number)

Ben Mathews

Rio Tinto plc

2 Eastbourne Terrace

London W2 6LG

United Kingdom

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorised to Receive Notices and Communications)

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December 12, 2011 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

49.0 per cent (see Item 5)
TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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Item 1. Security and Issuer

This Amendment No. 14 to Schedule 13D amends and supplements the statement on Schedule 13D originally filed by Rio Tinto plc (<u>Rio Tinto</u>) and Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited (<u>RTIH</u>) on November 3, 2006, and amended on September 12, 2007, October 26, 2007, January 7, 2008, April 10, 2008, October 30, 2009, March 4, 2010, July 7, 2010, September 13, 2010, December 14, 2010, February 4, 2011, June 28, 2011, August 24, 2011 and September 27, 2011 (as amended and supplemented, the <u>Schedule 13D</u>) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the <u>SEC</u>), relating to the common shares, without par value (the <u>Shares</u>), of Ivanhoe Mines Ltd., a corporation continued under the laws of the Yukon Territory, Canada (the <u>Company</u>). This Amendment No. 14 is being filed to update Rio Tinto and RTIH s intentions with regard to the Company, further to a successful arbitration against the Company in respect of the Company s shareholder rights plan.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is supplemented as follows and should be read in conjunction with the existing Item 4 disclosure previously filed:

From January 19, 2012, Rio Tinto and RTIH will no longer be subject to a standstill agreement with the Company. Thereafter, depending upon their assessment of the Company s business, prospects and financial condition, the market for the Shares, general economic and tax conditions and other factors, Rio Tinto or RTIH may seek opportunities to increase their shareholding in the Company to a majority position, but currently have no intention of making a full takeover bid for the Shares. Rio Tinto and RTIH reserve the right to change their intentions in the future.

Item 7. Materials to be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
A	Joint Filing Agreement between Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited
В	Private Placement Agreement between Ivanhoe Mines Ltd. and Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited*
C	Shareholders Agreement between Robert M Friedland and Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited*
D	Registration Rights Agreement by and between Ivanhoe Mines Ltd. and Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited*
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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 16, 2011

Rio Tinto plc

By: /s/ Ben Mathews Signature

Ben Mathews / Company Secretary Name/Title

Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited

By: /s/ Ben Mathews Signature

> Ben Mathews / Director Name/Title

SCHEDULE A

The response set forth in Schedule A of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety with the information below:

Rio Tinto plc

Directors and Executive Officers

Present Principal

Name Directors	Occupation	Business Address	Citizenship
Jan du Plessis	Chairman of Rio Tinto	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United Kingdom
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Tom Albanese	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United States of America
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Guy Elliott	Finance Director of Rio Tinto	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United Kingdom
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Sam Walsh	Chief Executive of the Iron Ore Group	120 Collins Street	Australia
		Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia	
Robert Brown	Company Director	1188 Sherbrooke Street	Canada
		West, Montreal, Quebec	
		H3A 3G2, Canada	
Vivienne Cox	Company Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United Kingdom
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Mike Fitzpatrick	Company Director	120 Collins Street	Australia
		Melbourne	
		Victoria 3000	
		Australia	
Ann Godbehere	Company Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace	Canada and United Kingdom

London W2 6LG

United Kingdom

Richard Goodmanson Company Director 2 Eastbourne Terrace United States of America

London W2 6LG

United Kingdom

Andrew Gould Chairman and Chief Executive

Officer of Schlumberger Ltd.

2 Eastbourne Terrace

United Kingdom

London W2 6LG

United Kingdom

Lord Kerr Company Director 2 Eastbourne Terrace United Kingdom

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United Kingdom

Christopher Lynch Company Director 120 Collins Street Australia

Melbourne

Victoria 3000

Australia

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	Present Principal		
Name Paul Tellier	Occupation Company Director	Business Address 1188 Sherbrooke Street	Citizenship Canada
		West, Montreal, Quebec	
		H3A 3G2, Canada	
John Varley	Company Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United Kingdom
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Executive Officers			
Hugo Bagué	Group Executive, People and Organisation	2 Eastbourne Terrace	Belgium
	0-8	London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Preston Chiaro	Group Executive, Technology & Innovation	4700 Daybreak Parkway	United States of America
	milovation	South Jordan, Utah	
		84095	
		United States	
Bret Clayton	Group Executive, Business Support and Operations	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United States of America
	support and operations	London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Jacynthe Coté	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Alcan	2 Eastbourne Terrace	Canada
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Andrew Harding	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Copper	2 Eastbourne Terrace	Australia
	Copper	London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Harry Kenyon-Slaney	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Diamonds & Minerals	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United Kingdom
	Diamonds & Minerals	London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Doug Ritchie	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Energy	3 West Tower	Australia
	Literary	410 Ann Street	
		Brisbane, QLD 4000	

Australia

Debra Valentine Group Executive, Legal and

External Affairs

2 Eastbourne Terrace

United States of America

London W2 6LG

United Kingdom

Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited

Directors and Executive Officer

Directors

Dan Larsen Director 2 Eastbourne Terrace United States of America

London W2 6LG

United Kingdom

Ulf Quellmann Director 2 Eastbourne Terrace Germany

London W2 6LG

United Kingdom

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	Present Principal		
Name Ben Mathews	Occupation Director	Business Address 2 Eastbourne Terrace	Citizenship United Kingdom
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
Executive Officer			
Matthew Whyte	Secretary	2 Eastbourne Terrace	United Kingdom
		London W2 6LG	
		United Kingdom	
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