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)

180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE,

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,

VICTORIA

UNITED KINGDOM

3000 AUSTRALIA (Address of principal executive offices)

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To: Australian Securities Exchange London Stock Exchange cc: New York Stock Exchange JSE Limited

Notification of Change of Interests of

Persons Discharging Managerial Responsibility

(Listing Rules & Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the UK Listing Authority)

Name of entities BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

BHP Billiton Plc REG NO 3196209

As part of a dual listed company structure, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Limited or BHP Billiton Plc have primary or secondary listings, all those interests of directors and persons discharging managerial responsibilities of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the Listing Rules and Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the United Kingdom Listing Authority and the Group s Securities Dealing document.

We (the entities) advise the following information under the UK Listing Authority Disclosure and Transparency Rule 3.1.4 and as agent for the person discharging managerial responsibilities in accordance with the Group s Securities Dealing document.

Name of person discharging managerial

Mr A Vanselow

responsibilities

Date of last notice14 September 2010Date issuer informed of transaction8 December 2010

Date and place of transaction

6 December 2010 (place of transaction not applicable)

Nature of transaction

Award of Performance Shares under the Long Term Incentive Plan (LTIP) and of Deferred

Shares under the Group Incentive Scheme (GIS).

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

Registered in Australia

Registered in England and Wales Registered Office: 180 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000

Australia

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:	Includ	ed in	this	Part	are:
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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 Vanselow has a direct interest in 270,264 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited.

Mr Vanselow has an indirect interest in 394 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.

There is no change to the above holdings.

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

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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: 105,000 Performance Shares under the LTIP

class; number

26.365 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

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

872,676 maximum number of Performance Shares (ordinary shares

of BHP Billiton Limited) under the LTIP

54,092 maximum number of Deferred Shares (ordinary shares of

BHP Billiton Limited) under the GIS

394 maximum number of Matched Shares (ordinary shares of

BHP Billiton Limited) under Shareplus

927,162 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 Fiona Smith BHP Billiton Limited 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