

BHP BILLITON LTD  
Form 6-K  
September 04, 2008

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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

September 4, 2008

**BHP BILLITON LIMITED**

**(ABN 49 004 028 077)**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA**

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

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

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4 September 2008

To: Australian Securities Exchange

cc: New York Stock Exchange

Swiss Stock Exchange

JSE Limited

London Stock Exchange

Deutsche Bank

UBS Zurich

### Appointment of Mr Alan Boeckmann

Further to the announcement on 14 August 2008 advising of the appointment of Mr Alan Boeckmann as a Director of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited with effect from 1 September 2008, we now advise details of Mr Boeckmann's interests in BHP Billiton shares:

#### Notification of Initial Interests of Directors and Connected Persons

(Australian Securities Exchange Listing Rules Appendix 3X)

| Name of entities | BHP Billiton Limited | BHP Billiton Plc |
|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|                  | ABN 49 004 028 077   | REG NO 3196029   |

As part of a dual listed company structure, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Plc or BHP Billiton Limited have primary or secondary listings, all those interests of directors of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) Listing Rules, the Listing Rules and Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the

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United Kingdom Listing Authority, the Australian Corporations Act, the United Kingdom Companies Act and the Group's Securities Dealing Code.

We (the entities) advise the following information under ASX Listing Rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Australian *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) and otherwise in accordance with the foregoing policy.

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Name of director    | Mr Alan Lee Boeckmann |
| Date of appointment | 1 September 2008      |

Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

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|------------------------------|
| Number & class of securities |
| Nil                          |

Part 2 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Name of holder & nature of interest | Number & class of securities |
| N/A                                 | Nil                          |

Part 3 - Director's interests in contracts

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|---|-----|
| Detail of contract                                    | N/A |
| Nature of interest                                    | N/A |
| Name of registered holder<br>(if issued securities)   | N/A |
| No. and class of securities to which interest relates | Nil |

Part 4 - Contact details

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| Name of authorised officers<br><b>responsible for making this notification on behalf of the entities</b> | Ms F C D Smith - BHP Billiton Limited<br>Ms E A Hopley - BHP Billiton Plc<br>BHP Billiton Plc |
| Contact details  | Ms F C D Smith Tel: +61 3 9609 3179<br>Fax: +61 3 9609 4372                                   |

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**BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077**

Registered in Australia

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**BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209**

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**The BHP Billiton Group is headquartered in Australia**

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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: 4 September 2008

By: Jane McAloon

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Name: Jane McAloon  
Title: Group Company Secretary