

BHP BILLITON PLC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Date of

18 March 2005

BHP Billiton Plc

Registration Number 3196209

Neathouse Place

London SW1V 1BH

United Kingdom

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Yes	☐		No	☒
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If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

Date 18 March 2005

Number 11/05

BHP BILLITON LIMITED: DE-LISTING FROM THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

BHP Billiton hereby announces its intention to cancel its secondary listing of BHP Billiton Limited ordinary shares from the Official List of the UK Listing Authority and from trading on the London Stock Exchange.

This action is being taken due to the low liquidity of shares on the London Stock Exchange, the costs associated with the maintenance of the London listing and the confusion caused by having both BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc listed in London.

For the avoidance of doubt, this action does not affect the London listing of BHP Billiton Plc in any way.

Following cancellation, BHP Billiton Limited shares will continue to be traded on the Australian Stock Exchange and as ADRs on the New York Stock Exchange. The Company is circulating full de-listing details to affected shareholders.

It is anticipated that the London listing will be withdrawn with effect from the close of business on Friday 29 April 2005, being not less than 20 business days from the date of this announcement.

Further information on BHP Billiton can be found on our Internet site: <http://www.bhpbilliton.com>

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The BHP Billiton Group is headquartered in Australia

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 Plc
/s/ KAREN WOOD

Karen Wood
Title: Company Secretary
Date: 18 March 2005