

BHP BILLITON LTD  
Form 6-K  
December 22, 2009

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 21, 2009

## **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)

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ENGLAND AND WALES

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,

UNITED KINGDOM

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Company Secretariat

18 December 2009

To:

Australian Securities Exchange

London Stock Exchange

cc:

New York Stock Exchange

Swiss Stock Exchange

JSE Limited

UBS Zurich

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	BHP Billiton Plc
	ABN 49 004 028 077	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 Procedure.

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 Procedure.

Name of person discharging managerial responsibilities	Mr J M Yeager
Date of last notice	17 August 2009
Date issuer informed of transaction	17 December 2009
Date and place of transaction	14 December 2009 (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").

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	-
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	<p>Mr Yeager has a direct interest in 23,364 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited.</p> <p>Mr Yeager has an indirect interest in 374 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited (held as 187 BHP Billiton Limited ADRs) 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.</p> <p>There is no change to the above holdings.</p>

Part 2 - Change of interests in contracts other than as described in Part 3

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	-
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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	14 December 2009
Period during which or date on which exercisable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance Shares - August 2014 to August 2019</li> <li>• Deferred Shares - August 2011 to August 2014</li> </ul>
Total amount paid (if any) for the grant	-
Description of securities involved: class; number	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 120,000 Performance Shares under the LTIP</li> <li>• 29,877 Deferred Shares under the GIS</li> </ul>
Exercise price (if fixed at time of grant) or indication that price is to be fixed at time of exercise	Nil

## Part 3 - Change

**of interests in options or other rights granted by the entities (cont'd)**

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<p>Total number of securities over which options or other rights held at the date of this notice</p>	<p>86,250 - maximum number Deferred Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under the GIS</p> <p>1,082,702 - maximum number of Performance Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under the LTIP</p> <p>374 - maximum number of Matched Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited, held as 187 Limited ADRs) under Shareplus</p> <hr style="width: 10%; margin: 10px auto;"/> <p>1,169,326 - Total</p>
<p>Any additional information</p>	<p>This notification is in respect of the award of Performance Shares under the LTIP and Deferred Shares under the GIS.</p>

Part 4 - Contact details

<p>Name of authorised officers responsible for making this notification on behalf of the entities</p>	<p>Fiona Smith - BHP Billiton Limited</p> <p>Geof Stapledon - BHP Billiton Plc</p>
<p>Contact details</p>	<p>Fiona Smith Tel: +61 3 9609 3179</p> <p>Fax: +61 3 9609 4372</p> <p>Geof Stapledon Tel: +44 20 7802 4176</p> <p>Fax: +44 20 7802 3054</p>

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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

Registered Office: Neathouse Place London SW1V  
1BH United Kingdom

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 Limited and BHP Billiton Plc

Date: December 21 2009

By: /s/ Jane McAloon

Name: Jane McAloon

Title: Group Company Secretary