BHP BILLITON LTD Form 6-K June 30, 2014

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

June 30, 2014

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

BHP BILLITON PLC

(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter) (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

ENGLAND AND WALES

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

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171 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE,

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,

VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA

UNITED KINGDOM

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Issued by: BHP Billiton Plc

Date: 27 June 2014

To: London Stock Exchange

Australian Securities Exchange¹

cc: JSE Limited

New York Stock Exchange

For Release: Immediately

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BHP Billiton Plc Notification of Major Interest in Shares

The following notification was received on Thursday 26 June 2014 by BHP Billiton Plc from Norges Bank relating to major interests in shares of BHP Billiton Plc.

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077 BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

Registered in Australia Registered in England and Wales

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Members of the BHP Billiton group which is headquartered in Australia

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For filings with issuer exclude the annex

TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARESⁱ

| 1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: ii | BHP Billiton Plc | | | | |
|---|------------------|--|--|--|--|
| existing shares to which voting rights are attached. | GB0000566504 | | | | |
| 2 Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes): | | | | | |
| An acquisition or disposal of voting rights | X | | | | |
| An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached " | | | | | |
| An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying financial instruments " | | | | | |
| An event changing the breakdown of voting rights | | | | | |
| Other (please specify): | | | | | |
| 3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation: iii | Norges Bank | | | | |
| 4. Full name of shareholder(s) | | | | | |
| (if different from 3.):iv | N/A | | | | |
| 5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: $^{\rm v}$ | 25 June 2014 | | | | |
| 6. Date on which issuer notified: | 26 June 2014 | | | | |
| 7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: vi, vii | Below 3% | | | | |

8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares $^{viii,\,ix}$

| | Situation previous to the triggering transaction | | Resulting situation after the triggering transaction | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------|--|------------|-------------|----------|-------------------------|
| Class/type of shares | | Number | Number of shares | Number (| O | % of vot | ing rights ^x |
| | Number of | of Voting | | Б | | | . |
| if possible using the ISIN CODE | Shares | Rights | Direct | Direct xi | Indirect xi | i Direct | Indirect |
| GB0000566504 | 63,687,772 | 63,687,772 | 63,081,004 | 63,081,004 | | 2.99% | |

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

rights that may be acquired if the instrument **Expiration** Exercise/ % of voting date xiii Conversion Period exercised/ converted. Type of financial instrument rights N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A

Number of voting

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments xv, xvi

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

| | Exercise/ Expiration Conversion | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|---|-----|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Type of financial instrument | Exercise price | date xvii | perio d lumber ^{xviii} instrum | | ights ‰oof voting Nominal | rights ^{xix, xx} Delta |
| N/A Total (A+B+C) | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

| Number of voting rights | Percentage of voting rights |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 63,081,004 | 2.99% |

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9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: xxi

N/A

Proxy Voting:

10. Name of the proxy holder:Norges Bank

11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold: N/A
12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights: N/A
13. Additional information: None

14. Contact name: R. Sai Aanandha Shankhar

15. Contact telephone number: +47 2407 3134

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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: June 30, 2014 By: /s/Nicole Duncan

Name: Nicole Duncan

Title: Group Company Secretary