

BHP BILLITON LTD
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

March 09, 2010

| <u>Commission File Number</u> | <u>Translation of registrant's name into English; Address of principal executive offices</u> |
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| | BHP Billiton Limited (ABN 49 004 028 077) 180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA |
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| - | BHP Billiton Plc (REG. NO. 3196209) NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM |
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Company Secretariat
8 March 2010

To:
Australian Securities Exchange
London Stock Exchange

cc:
New York Stock Exchange
JSE Limited

Notice of Dividend Currency Exchange Rates – 2010 Interim Dividend

Name of entities
BHP Billiton Limited
ABN 49 004 028 077
BHP Billiton Plc
REG NO 3196209

On 10 February 2010 we announced an interim dividend for the half year ended 31 December 2009 of 42 US cents per share. Included in the announcement was the advice that the currency conversion for Australian cents, British pence and New Zealand cents would be based on the foreign currency exchange rates on the Record Date, 5 March 2010, and for South African cents the last date to trade on the JSE Limited, being 26 February 2010(1). The following table details the currency exchange rates applicable for the dividend:

Dividend 42.0 US cents

Australian cents:
Exchange Rate - 0.90379
Dividend per ordinary share in local currency - 46.470715

British pence:
Exchange Rate - 1.50375
Dividend per ordinary share in local currency - 27.930175

New Zealand cents:
Exchange Rate - 0.690875

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Dividend per ordinary share in local currency - 60.792473

South African cents(1):

Exchange Rate - 7.768440

Dividend per ordinary share in local currency - 326.27910

The dividend will be paid on Tuesday, 23 March 2010.

Jane McAloon
Group Company Secretary

(1) On 26 February 2010 we announced to the London Stock Exchange and the JSE Limited the currency exchange rate applicable to the dividend payable in South African cents.

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077
Registered in Australia
Registered Office: 180 Lonsdale Street Melbourne Victoria 3000

BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209
Registered in England and Wales
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.

Date : March 09, 2010

BHP Billiton Limited (ABN 49 004 028 077)
By: /s/ Jane McAloon
Name: Jane McAloon
Title: Group Company Secretary