

BHP BILLITON PLC  
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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

16 March 2004

BHP Billiton Plc

Registration Number 3196209

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London SW1V 1BH

United Kingdom

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Date                    16 March 2004

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**BHP BILLITON - MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

BHP Billiton announced today the resignation of Mike Oppenheimer as President of BHP Billiton's Energy Coal Customer Sector Group following an internal reorganisation.

BHP Billiton Chief Executive Officer, Chip Goodyear said: "Mike has done an excellent job running our Energy Coal CSG since June 2001. As a result of the changes to our organisational structure announced today, Mike has decided to leave the company. He will stay on until the end of July to ensure a smooth transition of the business to new leadership. I would like to wish Mike well for the future."

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**

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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**

Plc  
/s/ KAREN WOOD

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Karen Wood  
Title: Company Secretary  
Date:

16 March 2004