

BHP BILLITON PLC  
Form 6-K  
September 25, 2009

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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

September 24, 2009

| <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)<br>180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA<br>3000 AUSTRALIA |
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| - | BHP Billiton Plc (REG. NO. 3196209)<br>NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,<br>UNITED KINGDOM |
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information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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Company Secretariat  
23 September 2009

To:  
Australian Securities Exchange  
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cc:  
New York Stock Exchange  
Swiss Stock Exchange  
JSE Limited  
Deutsche Bank  
UBS Zurich

Notice of Interim Dividend

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

The proposed dates(1) for the 2010 Interim Dividend of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc are as follows:

2010 Interim Dividend

Half Yearly Results Announcement and Dividend Declaration - 10 February 2010  
Last day to trade & currency conversion into RAND on JSE Limited - 26 February 2010  
Ex-Dividend Date (ASX & JSE Limited) - 1 March 2010  
Ex-Dividend Date (London & New York Stock Exchanges(2)) - 3 March 2010  
Record Date (including currency conversion and currency election dates for ASX & LSE) - 5 March 2010  
Payment Date - 23 March 2010

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- (1) Dates are subject to change.  
(2) BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc shares are listed on the NYSE in the form of American Depository Receipts (ADR's).

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

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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.

Date : September 24, 2009

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