

BHP BILLITON PLC  
Form 6-K  
September 05, 2007

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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

August 31, 2007

**BHP Billiton Plc**

.....  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Neathouse Place London SW1V 1BH United Kingdom

.....  
(Address of principal executive office)

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Issued by: BHP Billiton Plc

To: London Stock Exchange

Cc:  
New York Stock Exchange

JSE Limited

Date: 31 August 2007

For Release: Immediately

## TOTAL VOTING RIGHTS

In conformity with the Transparency Directive's transitional provision 6, BHP Billiton Plc announces the following:

BHP Billiton Plc's issued capital, including treasury shares held by BHP Billiton Plc, consists of 2,328,025,288 Ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each. Of these, 24,610,000 Ordinary shares are held in treasury by BHP Billiton Plc at the date of this announcement and therefore the total number of voting rights in the Company is 2,303,415,288.

The figure of 2,303,415,288 Ordinary shares may be used by shareholders to calculate if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the share capital of BHP Billiton Plc under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

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### Notes

: 1. BHP Billiton Plc also has one Special Voting Share in issue to facilitate joint voting by shareholders of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Ltd on joint electorate actions.

2. At the date of this announcement BHP Billiton Limited holds 24,831,226 of the Ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc.

**BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077**  
Registered in Australia  
Registered Office: Level 27, 180 Lonsdale Street Melbourne

**BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209**  
Registered in England and Wales  
Registered Office: Neathouse Place London SW1V 1BH United

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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

Date: 31 August 2007

By: Jane McAloon

Name: Jane McAloon

Title: Group Company Secretary