

BHP BILLITON LTD
Form 6-K
March 06, 2007

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

March 5, 2007

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

3000 AUSTRALIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

BHP BILLITON PLC

(REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

ENGLAND AND WALES

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,

UNITED KINGDOM

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Notification of Major Interests in Shares

The following notification was received on 5 March 2007 by BHP Billiton Plc in a letter from Cater Allen International Limited, dated 1 March 2007, relating to major interests in shares of BHP Billiton Plc as at 1 March 2007:

"Notification of Interest in Shares pursuant to Part 43 of the 2006 Act.

In accordance with Part 43 of the Companies Act 2006, please note that I have been made aware, as of today that the interests of Cater Allen International Limited (CAIL) in common stock of BHP Billiton Plc has increased to 120,008,196 or 5.05% of the issued share capital.

This holding has arisen from stock loan transactions done under the relevant approved documentation as a principal trading member of the London Stock Exchange."

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

Registered in Australia
Registered Office: Level 27, 180 Lonsdale Street Melbourne
Victoria 3000
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BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

Registered in England and Wales
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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.

BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc

Date: 5 March 2007

By: Karen Wood

Name: Karen Wood

Title: Group Company Secretary