

Northgate Minerals CORP  
Form 6-K  
September 14, 2011

**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**

For the month of September 2011

Commission File Number: 001-06138

**Northgate Minerals Corporation**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

815 Hornby Street, Suite 406

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes  No

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**EXHIBIT LIST**

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release dated September 13, 2011 (Aurico Gold And Northgate Minerals Provide Update on Special Shareholder Meetings)

**SIGNATURE**

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 14, 2011

**NORTHGATE MINERALS CORPORATION**

By: /s/ M. Howorth

Name: M. Howorth

Title: VP, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary