Northgate Minerals CORP Form 6-K October 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 October 2011

Commission File Number: 001-06138

Northgate Minerals Corporation

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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EXHIBIT LIST

ExhibitDescription99.1Certificate regarding dissemination of meeting materials to shareholders of Northgate Minerals Corporation

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: October 14, 2011

NORTHGATE MINERALS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Matthew J. Howorth
Name: Matthew J. Howorth

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and

Corporate Secretary