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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

December 22, 2014

BHP BILLITON LIMITED (ABN 49 004 028 077)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

BHP BILLITON PLC (REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

ENGLAND AND WALES

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

171 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE,

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,

VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA (Address of principal executive offices)

UNITED KINGDOM (Address of principal executive offices)

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To: Australian Securities Exchange
London Stock Exchange
JSE Limited

Notification of Change of Interests of Directors and Connected Persons

(Australian Securities Exchange Listing Rules Appendix 3Y)

(Listing Rules & Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the UK Listing Authority)

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

As part of a dual listed company structure, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Limited or BHP Billiton Plc have primary or secondary listings, all those interests of directors and persons discharging managerial responsibilities of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) Listing Rules, the Listing Rules & Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the United Kingdom Listing Authority, the Australian Corporations Act, the United Kingdom Companies Acts and the Group s Securities Dealing document.

We (the entities) advise the following information under ASX Listing Rule 3.19A.2, the UK Listing Authority Disclosure and Transparency Rule 3.1.4 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Australian Corporations Act and in accordance with the Group s Securities Dealing document.

Name of person discharging Mr L Maxsted

managerial responsibilities

Date of last notice 29 August 2014

Date issuer informed of 19 December 2014

transaction

Date and place of transaction 19 December 2014 (Australian Securities Exchange)

Nature of transaction On-market purchase of 3,500 BHP Billiton Limited shares

Part 1 Change of relevant interests in securities

Included in this Part are:

in the case of a trust, interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust;

details of the circumstance giving rise to the relevant interest;

details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash; and

changes in the relevant interest of Connected Persons of the director.

Direct or indirect interest

Indirect

Nature of indirect interest (including registered holder)

Mr Maxsted has an indirect interest in 11,500* ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited as follows:

- (1) 3,000 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited registered in the name of Jacobite Investments Pty Ltd which holds the shares on behalf of Mr Maxsted, as beneficial owner; and
- (2) 8,500 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited registered in the name of Align Investments Pty Ltd which holds the shares on behalf of Mr Maxsted, as beneficial owner.
- * Note total above reflects shares acquired from this transaction.

Date of change

19 December 2014

No. of securities held prior to change

8,000

Class

Ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited

Number acquired Number disposed

3,500

Value/Consideration

AUD\$28.68 (average)

No. of securities held after change

11,500

Nature of change

On-market purchase of BHP Billiton Limited shares

Example: on-market trade, off-market trade, exercise of options, issue of securities under dividend reinvestment plan, participation in buy-back

Any additional information

Part 2 Change of interests in contracts other than as described in Part 2

Included in this Part are:

only details of a contract in relation to which the interest has changed; and

details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash.

Detail of contract

Nature of interest -

Name of registered holder

(if issued securities)

No. and class of securities to which

interest related prior to change

Interest acquired Interest disposed Value/Consideration Interest after change -

Part 3 Closed period

Were the interests in the securities or contacts detailed above traded during a closed period where prior written consent was required? No

If so, was prior written clearance provided to allow the trade to proceed during this period?

Under our Securities Dealing Policy a Person Discharging Managerial Responsibilities cannot deal in BHP Billiton Securities without prior written clearance. This requirement applies to all dealings, including those that occur outside of a Close Period.

If prior written clearance was provided, on what date was this provided?

Part 4 Change of interests in options or other rights granted by the entities

Included in this Part are only details of options or other rights granted which have changed, save for the total number of securities over which options or other rights are held following this notification.

Date of grant

Period during which or date on which exercisable

Total amount paid (if any) for the grant

Description of securities involved: class; number

Exercise price (if fixed at time of grant) or indication that price is to be fixed at time of exercise

Total number of securities over which options or other rights held at the date of this notice

Any additional information

Rachel Agnew

Part 5 Contact details

Name of authorised officers responsible for

making this notification on behalf of the

entities

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BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077 BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

Registered in Australia Registered in England and Wales

Registered Office: 171 Collins Street Melbourne Victoria Registered Office: Neathouse Place, London SW1V 1LH

3000 UK

Members of the BHP Billiton Group which 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: December 22, 2014 By: /s/ Rachel Agnew

Name: Rachel Agnew Title: Company Secretary