

Northgate Minerals CORP  
Form 6-K  
May 11, 2011

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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**

For the month of **May, 2011**

Commission File Number: **001-06138**

**Northgate Minerals Corporation**

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

**815 Hornby Street, Suite 406**

**Vancouver, British Columbia**

**Canada V6Z 2E6**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Exhibits

99.1 Q1 Interim Report 2011

99.2 Certification of Interim Filings - CFO

99.3 Certification of Interim Filings - CEO

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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.

**NORTHGATE MINERALS  
CORPORATION**  
(Registrant)

Date: May 11, 2011

By: */s/ Jon Douglas*

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Jon Douglas  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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