Northgate Minerals CORP Form 6-K May 10, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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.

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)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Registrant:

Northgate Minerals Corporation

Date: May 10, 2011

By: /s/ Jon Douglas Name: Jon Douglas

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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99.1 News Release dated May 10, 2011 - Northgate Minerals Reports First Quarter Results