

BHP BILLITON LTD
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Appendix 3X of the Listing Rules

Initial Notification of Interests of Directors and Connected Persons

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| 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 BHP Billiton Group has agreed to adopt the better of the existing governance practices between BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited. As a result, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Plc or BHP Billiton Limited have primary or secondary listings, all those interest of directors of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the ASX Listing Rules, the Listing Rules of the United Kingdom Listing Authority, the Australian Corporations Act, the United Kingdom Companies Act and the Group's Securities Dealing Code.

This Initial Notification is filed in consequence of Listing Rules of the ASX which requires the following information concerning a director on appointment to that office.

We (the entities) advise the following information under ASX Listing Rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Australian Corporations Act and otherwise in accordance with the foregoing policy .

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| Name of Director | Dr J Buchanan |
| Date of appointment | 1 February 2003 |

Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

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| Number & class of securities |
| Nil |

Part 2 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

| Name of holder & nature of interest | Number & class of securities |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| - | - |

Part 3 - Director's interests in contracts

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| Detail of contract | - |
| Nature of interest | - |
| Name of registered holder (if issued securities) | - |

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| No. and class of securities to which interest relates | - |
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Part 4 - Contact details

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