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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Date of

6 September 2004

BHP Billiton Limited

ABN 49 004 028 077

180 Lonsdale Street

Melbourne Victoria 3000

Australia

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

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Yes	No	X
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If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

"For the information of the local market, please find following notification of major interests in shares filed by BHP Billiton Plc with the London Stock Exchange"

Ines Watson - Assistant Secretary Tel + 44 (0)20 7802 4176

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1.	Name of company			2.	Name of shareholder having a major interest		
					THE CAPITAL GROUP COMPANIES, INC.		
	BHP BILLITON P	LC					
3.	Please state whether indicates that it is in holding of the share 2 above or in respension-beneficial interest.	n respect eholder ct of a	et of named in	4.	•		der(s) and, if more than one s held by each of them
	of an individual holding of that personal children under the a	on's spo age of 1	ouse or 8		SEE SCHEDULE B ANNEXED HERETO		EXED HERETO
	NOTIFICATION E CAPITAL GROUF INC. ON BEHALF AFFILIATES	COMF	PANIES,				
5.	Number of shares/amount of stock acquired	6.	Percentage of issued class	7.	Number of shares/amount of stock disposed 22,892,967	8.	Percentage of issued class 0.928%
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9.	Class of security		10.		Date of 11. transaction		Date company informed

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12.	Total holding following this notification 172,217,718	13.			al percentage holding of issued class owing this notification
14.	Any additional information ANNOUNCEMENT TRIGGERED BY AFFILIATES DECREASING THEIR INTEREST (SEE SCHEDULE A ANNEXED HERETO)	15.			nct and telephone number for queries ON +44 (0)20 7802 4176
16.	Name and signature of authorised comresponsible for making this notification in the second state of the second sec	n		LLITO	ON PLC
Date of no	otification 6 SEPTEMBER 2004				

Schedule of holdings in BHP Billiton Plc as of 1 September 2004

BHP Billiton Plc

Schedule A

	Number of Pe	ercent of
	Shares Ou	utstanding
The Capital Group Companies, Inc. ("CG") holdings	172,217,718	6.978%

Holdings by CG Management Companies and Funds:

Capital Guardian Trust Company	56,840,958	2.303%
Capital International Limited	59,261,008	2.401%
Capital International S.A	21,557,124	0.873%
Capital International, Inc.	12,387,601	0.502%
Capital Research and Management Company	22,171,027	0.898%

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Schedule B

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Capital Guardian Trust Company

Registered Name	<u>Local Shares</u>
Bank of New York Nominees	1,464,431
Bank of New York	
3 Birchin Lane	
London EC3V 9BY	
UK	
Bankers Trust	1,693,182

59 1/2 Southmark Street	
2nd Floor	
London SEI 0HH	
UK	
Barclays Bank	392,759
Barclays Global Securities Services	
8 Angel Court	
London EC2R 7HT	
UK	
BT Globenet Nominees Ltd.	421,585
1 Appold Street	
Broadgate	
London EC2A 2HE	
UK	
Chase Nominees Limited	24,082,379
Woolgate House	
Coleman Street	
London EC2P 2HD	
UK	
Citibank	35,300
Citibank London	23,502

11 Old Jewry	
London EC2R 8D8	
UK	
Registered Name	Local Shares
HSBC Bank plc	29,872
Securities Services, Mariner House	
Pepys Street	
London EC3N 4DA	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	622,000
Mellon Bank N.A.	213,900
London Branch	
London	
United Kingdom	
Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited	2,435,000
150 Buchanan Street	
Glasgow G1 2DY	
United Kingdom	
Midland Bank plc	8,943,828
5 Laurence	
Poutney Hill	

EC4R 0E, United Kingdom

MSS Nominees Limited

16,310

Midland Bank plc	
Mariner House, Pepys	
London EC3N 4DA	
Nortrust Nominees Limited	7,404,599
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M 3XS	
UK	
Registered Name	Local Shares
Northern Trust	303,600
c/o NorTrust Nominees Limited	
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M 3XS	
UK	
Royal Trust	31,600
Royal Bank of Scotland	117,705
Regents House, 42 Islington High Street	
London N1 8XL	
UK	
ROY Nominees Limited	38,096

71N Queen Victoria Street		
London Ec4V 4DE		
UK		
State Street Bank & Trust Co		150,557
State Street Nominees Limited	8	3,420,753
Canary Wharf		
27th Floor, 1 Canada Square		
London E14 5AF		
Total	56	5,840,958
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	Capital International Limited	
Registered Name	Local Shar	<u>res</u>
Bank of New York Nominees	14	4,405,187
Bank of New York		
3 Birchin Lane		
London EC3V 9BY		
Bank One London		957,773

Barclays Bank	832,336
Barclays Global Securities Services	
8 Angel Court	
London EC2R 7HT	
Bankers Trust	516,863
59 1/2 Southwark Street	
2 nd Floor	
London SE1 0HH	
Chase Nominees Limited	9,794,772
Woolgate House	
Coleman Street	
London EC2P 2HD	
Citibank London	1,096,106
11 Old Jewry	
London EC2R 8D8	
UK	
Citibank NA	314,794
Toronto	
Clydesdale Bank plc	471,115

Registered Name

Deutsche Bank AG

1,804,355

Local Shares

23 Great Winchester Street	
London EC2P 2AX	
UK	
HSBC Bank plc	1,191,817
Securities Services, Mariner House	
Pepys Street	
London EC3N 4DA	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	477,000
KAS UK	409,200
Kass Associate	
P O Box 178	
1000 AD Amsterdam	
Lloyds Bank	171,712
Central Settlement Section	
Branches Stock Office	
34 Threadneedle Street	
London	
Mellon Bank N.A.	928,239
London Branch	
London	
UK	
Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited	898,969

150 Buchanan Street		
Glasgow G1 2DY		
UK		
Midland Bank plc		441,059
5 Laurence		
Poutney Hill		
EC4R 0E		
UK		
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Registered Name		
	<u>Local Shares</u>	
Morgan Guaranty		239,032
83 Pall Mall		
London SW1Y 5ES		
UK		
MSS Nominees Limited		413,400
Midland Bank plc		
Mariner House, Pepys		
London EC3N 4DA		
National Westminster Bank		472,938
Northern Trust AVFC		485,932

South Africa

Northern Trust	2,904,047
c/o NorTrust Nominees Limited	
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M3XS	
Nortrust Nominees	7,362,191
155 Bishopsgate	
London ECM 3XS	
UK	
Royal Bank of Scotland	4,845,557
Regents House, 42 Islington High St	
London N1 8XL	
UK	
State Street Australia Limited	27,300
Australia	
Registered Name	<u>Local Shares</u>
State Street Bank & Trust Co	5,996,987
State Street Nominees Limited	1,802,327

Canary Wharf

27th Floor, 1 Canada Square

London E14 5AF

Total	59,261,008

Schedule of holdings in BHP Billiton Plc as of 1 September 2004

Capital International S.A.

Registered Name	Local Shares
Barclays Bank	1,831,447
Barclays Global Securities Services	
8 Angel Court	
London EC2R 7HT	
Bank of New York Nominees	19,700
Bank of New York	
3 Birchin Lane	
London EC3V 9BY	
Brown Bros	169,046
One Mellon Bank Center	
Pittsburg, PA 15258	
Chase Nominees Limited	4,587,695
Woolgate House	
Coleman Street	
London EC2P 2HD	

Citibank London 103,124 11 Old Jewry London EC2R 8D8 UK Citibank NA 85,633 Toronto Credit Suisse London Branch 147,555 24 Bishopsgate London EC2N 4BQ UK Registered Name **Local Shares** Deutsche Bank AG 551,009 23 Great Winchester Street London EC2P 2AX UK HSBC Bank plc 1,076,657 Securities Services, Mariner House Pepys Street London EC3N 4DA

JP Morgan

9,483,785

Lloyds Bank 39,000 Central Settlement Section **Branches Stock Office** 34 Threadneedle Street London Midland Bank plc 1,921,211 5 Laurence Poutney Hill EC4R 0E United Kingdom Morgan Stanley 132,205 National Westminster Bank 271,584 Nortrust Nominees Limited 127,086 155 Bishopsgate London EC2M3XS

Registered Name

Local Shares

Pictet & Cie	145,200
Geneva	
RBSTB Nominees Ltd	413,100
67 Lombard Street	
London EC3 3DL	
UK	
Royal Bank of Scotland	285,906
Regents House, 42 Islington High St	
London N1 8XL	
UK	
State Street Bank & Trust Co	98,581
State Street Nominees Limited	67,600
Canary Wharf	
27th Floor, 1 Canada Square	
London E14 5AF	
Total	21,557,124

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Capital International, Inc.

Registered Name	Local Shares
Bank of New York Nominees	775,248
Bank of New York	
3 Birchin Lane	
London EC3V 9BY	
Bankers Trust	22,991
59 1/2 Southwark Street	
2 nd Floor	
London SE1 0HH	
Brown Bros	280,002
One Mellon Bank Center	
Pittsburgh, PA 15258	
Chase Nominees Limited	3,129,110
Woolgate House	
Coleman Street	
London EC2P 2HD	
Citibank	32,147
Citibank London	79,205
11 Old Jewry	
London EC2R 8D8	
UK	
Citibank NA	391,544

Toronto

Registered Name	Local Shares
HSBC Bank plc	295,900
Securities Services, Mariner House	
Pepys Street	
London EC3N 4DA	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	740,000
Midland Bank plc	472,414
5 Laurence	
Poutney Hill	
EC4R 0E	
UK	
Northern Trust	49,889
C/o NorTrust Nominees Limited	
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M 3XS	
Nortrust Nominees Limited	370,498
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M3XS	
Royal Bank of Scotland	411,069

Regents House, 42 Islington High St	
London N1 8XL	
UK	
RBSTB Nominees Ltd	88,295
67 Lombard Street	
London EC3 3DL	
UK	
State Street Bank & Trust Co	524,688

Registered Name

Local Shares

State Street Nominees Limited	4,724,601
Canary Wharf	
27 th Floor, 1 Canada Square	
London E14 5AF	
Total	12,387,601

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Capital Research and Management Company

Registered Name Local Shares

Chase Nominees Limited 20,671,027

Week Mark Harry		
Woolgate House		
Coleman Street		
London EC2P 2HD		
State Street Nominees Limited		1,500,000
Canary Wharf		
27th Floor, 1 Canada Square		
London E14 5AF		
Total		22,171,027
BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077	BHP Billiton Plo	Registration number 3196209
Registered in Australia Registered Office: Level 27, 180 Lonsdale Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Telephone +61 1300 554 757 Facsimile +61 3 9609 3015	Registered in England and Wales Pria Registered Office: Neathouse Place London SW1V 1BH United Kingdom Telephone +44 20 7802 4000 Facsimile +44 20 7802 4111	
		artered in Australia
SIGNATURES		
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 19 behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.	934, the registrant ha	as duly caused this report to be signed on its
BHP BILLITON		
LIMITED /s/ KAREN WOOD		
Karen Wood Title: Company Secretary Date:		

6 September 2004