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Form 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

November 6, 2006

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

BHP BILLITON PLC

(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

ENGLAND AND WALES

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

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180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

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3000 AUSTRALIA

UNITED KINGDOM

(Address of principal executive offices)

 $(Address\ of\ principal\ executive\ of fices)$

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Notification of Major Interests in Shares

The following notification was received on 3 November 2006 by BHP Billiton Plc in a letter from Barclays PLC, dated 3 November 2006, relating to major interests in shares of BHP Billiton Plc as at 18 October 2006:

"I hereby inform you that as at 18 October 2006 Barclays PLC, through the legal entities listed on the attached schedule, has a notifiable interest in the capital of your Company of 3.98%.

Details of this interest, together with a breakdown between registered holders (as required by Section 202(3) of the Act), are enclosed."

LEGAL ENTITY REPORT

BHP BILLITON PLC SEDOL: 0056650

As at 18 October 2006 Barclays PLC, through the legal entities listed below, had a notifiable interest in 97,171,824 USD0.50 representing 3.98% of the issued share capital of 2,442,727 units.

| Legal Entity | Holding | Percentage Held |
|---|------------|-----------------|
| Barclays Global Japan Trust & Banking | 2,835,649 | 0.1161 |
| Barclays Capital Securities Ltd | 7,612,040 | 0.3116 |
| Barclays Global Investors Japan Ltd | 1,422,083 | 0.0582 |
| Abvest Associates (Pty) Ltd | 335,717 | 0.0137 |
| Barclays Global Investors Ltd | 32,367,447 | 1.3251 |
| Barclays Capital Inc | 301,000 | 0.0123 |
| Barclays Global Investors, N.A. | 31,459,960 | 1.2879 |
| Gerrard Ltd | 5,325,694 | 0.2180 |
| Barclays Private Bank Ltd | 629,591 | 0.0258 |
| Barclays Bank and Trust Company Ltd | 1,000 | 0.0000 |
| Barclays Bank and Trust Company Ltd | 3,739 | 0.0002 |
| Barclays Bank Trust Company Ltd | 20,049 | 0.0008 |
| Barclays Global Investors Canada Ltd | 181,719 | 0.0074 |
| Absa Investment Management Services | | |
| (Pty) Ltd | 10,800 | 0.0004 |
| Barclays Private Bank and Trust Ltd | 202,974 | 0.0083 |
| Absa Fund Managers Ltd | 469,452 | 0.0192 |
| Barclays Global Investors Australia Ltd | 1,376,045 | 0.0563 |
| Barclays Life Assurance Co Ltd | 4,417,625 | 0.1808 |
| Barclays Global Fund Advisors | 8,199,240 | 0.3357 |
| Group Holding | 97,171,824 | 3.9780 |

REGISTERED HOLDERS REPORT

BHP BILLITON PLC SEDOL: 0056650

As at 18 October 2006 Barclays PLC, through the registered holders listed below, had a notifiable interest in 97,171,824 USD0.50 representing 3.98% of the issued share capital of 2,442,727 units.

| Registered Holder | Account Designation | <u>Holding</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| AIMS Retirement Annuity Fund | 281089 | 10,800 |
| Absa Nominees Pty Ltd | | 335,717 |
| Bank of Ireland | 426360 | 25,283 |
| Bank of New York | | 174,737 |

| Barclays Capital Nominees | | 7,311,678 |
|--|-------------|------------|
| BNP Paribas | | 178,955 |
| Barclays Bank PLC (Singapore) | | 1,000 |
| Barclays Capital Securities | | 300,362 |
| Barclays Capital Securities | | 301,000 |
| Barclays Global Investors Canada | | 181,719 |
| Barclays Trust Co DMC69 C00000000000000000000 | | 10,000 |
| Barclays Trust Co R69 C00000000000000000000 | | 10,049 |
| Chase Nominees Ltd | 16376 | 1,244,660 |
| Chase Nominees Ltd | 20947 | 11,977,129 |
| Chase Nominees Ltd | 28270 | 1,030,671 |
| CIBC Mellon Global Securities | | 133,476 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00032349601 | 4,192 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00032449201 | 11,783 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059396501 | 1,666 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059419801 | 602 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059553401 | 3,045 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059571201 | 1,280 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059710301 | 1,223 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059732401 | 4,081 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059737501 | 3,952 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059738301 | 5,183 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00059744801 | 2,524 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00064544201 | 3,663 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00065136101 | 1,378 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00066860401 | 1,110 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00067940101 | 19,039 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00069198801 | 2,061 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00069238601 | 4,745 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00069340401 | 1,100 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00069732901 | 12,850 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00069738801 | 1,350 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00069829501 | 2,185 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00070314001 | 1,290 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00070331001 | 1,500 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00070335301 | 2,621 |
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| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00070339601 | 1,027 |
|-----------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00070387601 | 1,268 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00070388401 | 1,867 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00070391401 | 1,087 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00080750701 | 8,176 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00080766301 | 1,668 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00083011801 | 2,048 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00086680501 | 1,721 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00088608301 | 1,513 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00120010601 | 2,679 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00300000001 | 1,672 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310007101 | 3,440 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310042001 | 2,115 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310092601 | 4,927 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310128001 | 2,323 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310186801 | 1,478 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310205801 | 1,216 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310231701 | 1,381 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310246501 | 18,564 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310254601 | 2,897 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310255401 | 16,147 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310266001 | 978 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310311901 | 1,475 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310589801 | 845 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310590101 | 900 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00310594401 | 1,617 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00700009301 | 1,805 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00700066201 | 1,579 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00700083201 | 1,175 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125 | 00700106501 | 1,576 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225 | 00059579802 | 2,749 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225 | 00070160102 | 3,154 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225 | 00070383302 | 7,376 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225 | 00087093402 | 1,670 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225 | 00310594402 | 421 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0325 | 00070309403 | 1,460 |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0325 | 00087093403 | M57 |
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| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 602698 | 500 |
|--|----------|------------|
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 611717 | 3,650 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 617906 | 1,500 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 635860 | 1,700 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 637739 | 1,000 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 639311 | 1,000 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 642367 | 4,600 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 643975 | 900 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 647291 | 2,300 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 650668 | 3,000 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 652198 | 5,000 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 653035 | 3,700 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 654151 | 750 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 658574 | 2,300 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 658729 | 1,000 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 659792 | 1,200 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 660318 | 12,000 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 660851 | 5,400 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 660968 | 2,930 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 768557 | 8,000 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 770101 | 12,325 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 774160 | 700 |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited | 781271 | 3,600 |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1) | | 600,878 |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Limited | | |
| (GM3) | 126066DA | 1,600 |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM3) | 220805DN | 100,000 |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM3) | 523475DN | 150,000 |
| Investors Bank and Trust Co | | 27,064,032 |
| Investors Bank and Trust Co | | 8,199,240 |
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 16331 | 611,392 |
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 16338 | 146,541 |
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 16341 | 1,807,744 |
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 16342 | 329,012 |
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 16344 | 169,069 |
| | | |

| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 16345 | 280,980 |
|---------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 16400 | 18,924,778 |
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 17011 | 42,216 |
| JP Morgan (BGI Custody) | 18408 | 195,597 |
| JP Morgan Chase Bank | | 52,000 |
| JP Morgan Chase Bank | | 1,376,045 |
| JP Morgan Chase Bank | | 80,849 |
| JP Morgan Chase Bank | | 699,918 |
| JP Morgan Chase Bank | | 2,835,649 |
| Mellon Trust of New England | | 180,354 |
| Master Trust Bank | | 305,111 |
| Mellon Trust - US Custodian | | 404,363 |
| Mitsui Asset | | 42,376 |
| Northern Trust Bank - BG1 SEPA | | 807,743 |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited | | 2,843,660 |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited GP1 | | 221,072 |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1 | | 208,285 |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1 | | 802,593 |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1 | | 165,114 |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1 | | 153,437 |
| Reflex Nominees Limited | | 3,739 |
| State Street Bank & Trust - W1 | | 371,299 |
| State Street Boston | | 1,481,720 |
| State Street Trust of Canada | | 311,546 |
| Standard Bank of SA in trust for | | ,, |
| Absa Unit Trust | | 469,452 |
| The Northern Trust Company - U | | 218,886 |
| Trust & Custody Services Bank | | 374,678 |
| Zeban Nominees Limited | | 629,591 |
| Total | | 97,171,824 |

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

Registered in Australia

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The BHP Billiton Group 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: 6 November 2006 By: Karen Wood

Name: Karen Wood

Title: Group Company Secretary