

IVANHOE MINES LTD  
Form SC 13D/A  
September 13, 2010

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 13D/A**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 8)\***

Ivanhoe Mines Ltd.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Shares, without par value

(Title of class of securities)

46579N

(CUSIP Number)

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September 13, 2010

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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**1** NAME OF REPORTING PERSON.

Rio Tinto plc

**2** CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a)

(b)  (See Item 4)

**3** SEC USE ONLY

**4** SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

WC

**5** CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)

**6** CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

England and Wales

**7** SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF 0

**8** SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY

267,214,784 (see Items 3 and 5)

**9** EACH REPORTING SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

PERSON 0

WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

**10**

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AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY REPORTING PERSON

**11**

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CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**12**

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

**13**

43.7 per cent (see Item 5)

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

**14**

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**Item 1. Security and Issuer.**

This Amendment No. 8 to Schedule 13D amends and supplements the statement on Schedule 13D originally filed by Rio Tinto plc ( Rio Tinto ) and Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited ( RTIH ) on November 3, 2006 and amended on September 12, 2007, October 26, 2007, January 7, 2008, April 10, 2008, October 30, 2009, March 4, 2010, and July 7, 2010 (as amended and supplemented, the Schedule 13D ) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ), relating to the common shares, without par value (the Shares ), of Ivanhoe Mines Ltd., a corporation continued under the laws of the Yukon Territory, Canada (the Company ).

**Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.**

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is amended and supplemented as follows:

On September 13, 2010, RTIH acquired 40,083,206 Shares of the Company in accordance with the terms of the Facility and which matured on the Maturity Date. The outstanding principal and accrued interest (\$400,832,056) under the Facility converted on maturity into Shares of the Company at a price of US\$10.00 per share.

**Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.**

Item 5 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

The responses of Rio Tinto and RTIH to Rows (11) through (13) of the cover pages of this Schedule 13D and the information set forth in Item 3 are hereby incorporated by reference in this Item 5.

Pursuant to the Private Placement Agreement, on the First Closing Date, RTIH acquired 37,089,883 Shares, representing upon completion 9.95 per cent of the Company's outstanding Shares, and on the Second Closing Date, RTIH acquired an additional 46,304,473 Shares. The Shares acquired were originally intended to produce an aggregate interest of 19.9 per cent of the Company's outstanding Shares but, as a result of Share issues under employee share plans, the aggregate interest has been diluted to 19.7 per cent of the Company's outstanding Shares. Pursuant to RTIH's anti-dilution rights under the Private Placement Agreement (as described in Item 4), RTIH also acquired on December 4, 2008 an additional 243,772 Shares and warrants which are exercisable to purchase an additional 1,440,406 Shares at a price of Cdn\$3.1465 per share.

Also pursuant to the Private Placement Agreement, on the First Closing Date, RTIH acquired the Series A Warrants and the Series B Warrants which are exercisable to purchase an additional 92,053,044 Shares. On the Funding Date, RTIH acquired the Series C Warrants which, pursuant to the Funding Proportion,<sup>3</sup> are currently exercisable to purchase an additional 35,000,000 Shares.

Pursuant to the Acquisition, RTIH acquired 15,000,000 Shares, representing upon issuance 2.7 per cent of the outstanding Shares.

Pursuant to the exercise of the Series A Warrants, RTIH acquired 46,026,522 Shares.

Pursuant to the conversion of the Loan Amount at a price of \$10 per share on September 13, 2010, RTIH acquired 40,083,206 Shares.

Therefore, each of Rio Tinto and RTIH is deemed to beneficially own 267,214,784 Shares which, assuming the exercise of all the Series B Warrants, Series C Warrants and Anti-Dilution Warrants, and the conversion of the Loan Amount into an additional 40,083,206 Shares, in addition to the 37,089,883 Shares acquired by RTIH on the First Closing Date, the 46,304,473 Shares acquired by RTIH on the Second Closing Date, 243,772 Shares acquired by RTIH on December 4, 2008, the 15,000,000 Shares from the completion of the Acquisition and the 46,026,522 Shares acquired by RTIH pursuant to the exercise of the Series A Warrants, would represent 43.7 per cent of the Company's outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis.

The percentage of the class of securities identified pursuant to Item 1 beneficially owned by each of Rio Tinto and RTIH is based on 488,036,669 Shares outstanding as of June 30, 2010, as contained in the Company's Quarterly Financial Report for the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2010. Assuming the exercise of 20.3 million incentive stock options in the Company's Shares outstanding, as contained in the Company's Quarterly Financial Report for the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2010, each of Rio Tinto and RTIH would be deemed to beneficially own 42.3 per cent of the Company's outstanding Shares on a fully diluted basis.

As at March 1,  
2010, the  
Funding  
Proportion is  
one, which is  
equal to the  
lesser of one  
and the result  
obtained by  
dividing (i)  
\$350 million,  
the total  
drawdown  
under the  
Facility, by (ii)  
\$350 million.

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In addition, the Shares deemed beneficially owned by each of Rio Tinto and RTIH with respect to which such person (i) has sole voting power, (ii) shares voting power, (iii) has sole dispositive power and (iv) shares dispositive power are listed in the responses to Items 7, 8, 9 and 10, respectively, of the cover page of this Schedule 13D relating to such person.

Except as disclosed in this Schedule 13D, neither Rio Tinto nor RTIH nor, to the best of their knowledge, any of the persons listed in Schedule A hereto, beneficially owns any Shares or has the right to acquire any Shares.

Except as disclosed in this Schedule 13D, neither Rio Tinto nor RTIH nor, to the best of their knowledge, any of the persons listed in Schedule A hereto, presently has the power to vote or to direct the vote or to dispose or direct the disposition of any of the Shares which they may be deemed to beneficially own.

Except as disclosed in this Schedule 13D, neither Rio Tinto nor RTIH nor, to the best of their knowledge, any of the persons listed in Schedule A hereto, has effected any transaction in the Shares during the past 60 days.

To the best knowledge of Rio Tinto and RTIH, no other person has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Shares beneficially owned by Rio Tinto and RTIH.

**Item 7. Materials to be Filed as Exhibits**

Exhibit No.	Description
A	Joint Filing Agreement between Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: September 13, 2010

Rio Tinto plc

By: /s/ Ben Mathews  
Signature

Ben Mathews / Secretary  
Name/Title

Rio Tinto International Holdings Limited

By: /s/ Ben Mathews  
Signature

Ben Mathews / Director  
Name/Title

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## SCHEDULE A

The response set forth in Schedule A of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety with the information below:

**Rio Tinto plc**  
**Directors and Executive Officers**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Present Principal Occupation</b>	<b>Business Address</b>	<b>Citizenship</b>
<b><i>Directors</i></b>			
Jan du Plessis	Chairman of Rio Tinto	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom
Tom Albanese	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United States of America
Guy Elliott	Finance Director of Rio Tinto	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom
Sam Walsh	Chief Executive of the Iron Ore Group	120 Collins Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia	Australia
Robert Brown	Company Director	1188 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Quebec H3A 3G2, Canada	Canada
Vivienne Cox	Company Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom
Sir Rod Eddington	Company Director	120 Collins Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia	Australia
Mike Fitzpatrick	Company Director	120 Collins Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia	Australia
Yves Fortier	Company Director	1188 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Quebec H3A 3G2, Canada	Canada
Ann Godbehere	Company Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	Canada and United Kingdom
Richard Goodmanson	Company Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United States of America
Andrew Gould	Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Schlumberger Ltd.	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom
Lord Kerr	Company Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom

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Paul Tellier	Company Director	1188 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Quebec H3A 3G2, Canada	Canada
<i>Executive Officers</i>			
Hugo Bagué	Group Executive, People and Organisations	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	Belgium
Preston Chiaro	Group Executive, Technology & Innovation	4700 Daybreak Parkway  South Jordan, Utah 84095 United States	United States of America
Bret Clayton	Group Executive, Business Support and Operations	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United States of America

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Present Principal Occupation</b>	<b>Business Address</b>	<b>Citizenship</b>
Jacynthe Coté	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Alcan	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	Canada
Andrew Harding	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Copper	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	Australia
Harry Kenyon-Slaney	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Diamonds & Minerals	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom
Doug Ritchie	Chief Executive of Rio Tinto Energy	3 West Tower 410 Ann Street Brisbane, QLD 4000 Australia	Australia
Debra Valentine	Group Executive, Legal and External Affairs	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United States of America
Sam Walsh	Chief Executive of the Iron Ore Group	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom

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Directors and Executive Officers**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Present Principal Occupation</b>	<b>Business Address</b>	<b>Citizenship</b>
<i>Directors</i>			
Dan Larsen	Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United States of America
Ulf Quellmann	Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	Germany
Ben Mathews	Director	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom
<i>Executive Officers</i>			
Matthew Whyte	Secretary	2 Eastbourne Terrace London W2 6LG United Kingdom	United Kingdom

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