# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

## FORM 6-K

#### REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**September 24, 2009** 

Commission File Number	Translation of registrant's name into English; Address of principal executive offices	
	BHP Billiton Limited (ABN 49 004 028 077) 180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA	
	BHP Billiton Plc (REG. NO. 3196209) NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM	
	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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information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes \_\_ No <u>X</u>

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registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-.

Company Secretariat 23 September 2009

To:

Australian Securities Exchange London Stock Exchange

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New York Stock Exchange Swiss Stock Exchange JSE Limited Deutsche Bank UBS Zurich

Notice of Interim Dividend

Name of entities BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077 BHP Billiton Plc REG NO 3196209

The proposed dates(1) for the 2010 Interim Dividend of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc are as follows:

2010 Interim Dividend

Half Yearly Results Announcement and Dividend Declaration - 10 February 2010
Last day to trade & currency conversion into RAND on JSE Limited - 26 February 2010
Ex-Dividend Date (ASX & JSE Limited) - 1 March 2010
Ex-Dividend Date (London & New York Stock Exchanges(2)) - 3 March 2010
Record Date (including currency conversion and currency election dates for ASX & LSE) - 5 March 2010
Payment Date - 23 March 2010

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- (1) Dates are subject to change.
- (2) BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc shares are listed on the NYSE in the form of American Depository Receipts (ADR's).

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

Registered in Australia

Date: September 24, 2009

Registered Office: 180 Lonsdale Street Melbourne Victoria 3000

BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

Registered in England and Wales

Registered Office: Neathouse Place London SW1V 1BH United Kingdom

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 (ABN 49 004 028 077)

/s/ Jane McAloon Name: Jane McAloon

Title: **Group Company Secretary**