

BHP BILLITON LTD
Form 6-K
July 15, 2014

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
Form 6-K
REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
July 15, 2014

BHP BILLITON LIMITED
(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

171 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE,

VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

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REDEMPTION OF PETROHAWK ENERGY CORPORATION 7.25% SENIOR

NOTES DUE 2018 AND 6.25% SENIOR NOTES DUE 2019

Petrohawk Energy Corporation has issued a formal notice of redemption to noteholders of its 7.25% Senior Notes due 2018 and 6.25% Senior Notes due 2019.

All outstanding Senior Notes due 2018 and 2019 will be redeemed on 15 August 2014 at the applicable call prices. The total aggregate principal value of the notes to be redeemed is approximately US\$1.8 billion.

Following the redemption, Petrohawk's financial reporting obligations will cease.

Further information on BHP Billiton can be found at: www.bhpbilliton.com.

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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: July 15, 2014

By: /s/ Nicole Duncan
Name: Nicole Duncan
Title: Company Secretary