

BHP BILLITON LTD
Form 6-K
December 02, 2004

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

15 November 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	<input type="checkbox"/>		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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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 BHP BILLITON PLC		2.	Name of shareholder having a major interest THE CAPITAL GROUP COMPANIES, INC.		
3.	Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18 NOTIFICATION BY THE CAPITAL GROUP COMPANIES, INC. ON BEHALF OF ITS AFFILIATES		4.	Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them SEE SCHEDULE B ANNEXED HERETO		
5.	Number of shares/amount of stock acquired	6.	Percentage of issued class	7.	Number of shares/amount of stock disposed 23,566,435	8. Percentage of issued class

0.955%

9.

Class of security

ORDINARY US\$0.50

10.

Date of transaction

10 NOVEMBER 2004

11.

Date company informed

12 NOVEMBER 2004

12.

Total holding following this notification

121,181,659

13.

Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

4.910%

14.

Any additional information

ANNOUNCEMENT TRIGGERED BY AFFILIATES DECREASING THEIR INTEREST (SEE SCHEDULE A ANNEXED HERETO)

15.

Name of contact and telephone number for queries

INES WATSON +44 (0)20 7802 4176

16.

Name and signature of authorised company official

responsible for making this notification

INES WATSON, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, BHP BILLITON PLC

Date of notification **15 NOVEMBER 2004**

Schedule of holdings in BHP Billiton Plc as of 10 November 2004

BHP Billiton Plc

Schedule A

	<u>Number of</u>	<u>Percent of</u>
	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>
The Capital Group Companies, Inc. ("CG") holdings	121,181,659	4.910%
Holdings by CG Management Companies and Funds:		

• Capital Guardian Trust Company	28,715,244	1.163%
• Capital International Limited	43,357,871	1.757%
• Capital International S.A	14,982,816	0.607%

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Schedule B

Capital Guardian Trust Company

Registered Name

Local Shares

Bank of New York Nominees

751,336

Bank of New York

3 Birchin Lane

London EC3V 9BY

UK

Bankers Trust

860,387

59 1/2 Southmark Street

2nd Floor

London SE1 0HH

UK

Barclays Bank

317,059

Barclays Global Securities Services

8 Angel Court

London EC2R 7HT

UK

BT Globenet Nominees Ltd.

208,685

1 Appold Street

Broadgate

London EC2A 2HE

UK

Chase Nominees Limited

11,595,643

Woolgate House

Coleman Street

London EC2P 2HD

UK

Citibank

26,600

Citibank London	23,502
11 Old Jewry	
London EC2R 8D8	
UK	
<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Local Shares</u>
HSBC Bank plc	26,372
Securities Services, Mariner House	
Pepys Street	
London EC3N 4DA	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	998,361
Mellon Bank N.A.	69,000
London Branch	
London	
United Kingdom	
Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited	1,416,755
150 Buchanan Street	
Glasgow G1 2DY	
United Kingdom	
Midland Bank plc	5,082,287

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	3,132,869
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M 3XS	
UK	

<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Local Shares</u>
Northern Trust	107,798
c/o NorTrust Nominees Limited	
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M 3XS	
UK	
Royal Trust	30,500
Royal Bank of Scotland	39,105
Regents House, 42 Islington High Street	
London N1 8XL	

UK

ROY Nominees Limited	17,296
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71N Queen Victoria Street

London Ec4V 4DE

UK

State Street Bank & Trust Co	87,738
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State Street Nominees Limited	3,904,641
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Canary Wharf

27th Floor, 1 Canada Square

London E14 5AF

Total	28,715,244
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Capital International Limited

Registered Name

Local Shares

Bank of New York Nominees

10,938,350

Bank of New York

3 Birchin Lane

London EC3V 9BY

Bank One London

443,473

Barclays Bank	607,936
Barclays Global Securities Services	
8 Angel Court	
London EC2R 7HT	
Bankers Trust	357,463
59 1/2 Southwark Street	
2 nd Floor	
London SE1 0HH	
Chase Nominees Limited	6,734,972
Woolgate House	
Coleman Street	
London EC2P 2HD	
Citibank London	588,906
11 Old Jewry	
London EC2R 8D8	
UK	
Citibank NA	206,594
Toronto	
Clydesdale Bank plc	453,480

<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Local Shares</u>
Deutsche Bank AG	1,525,879
23 Great Winchester Street	
London EC2P 2AX	
UK	
HSBC Bank plc	1,069,717
Securities Services, Mariner House	
Pepys Street	
London EC3N 4DA	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	402,600
KAS UK	191,300
Kass Associate	
P O Box 178	
1000 AD Amsterdam	
Lloyds Bank	124,012
Central Settlement Section	
Branches Stock Office	
34 Threadneedle Street	
London	
Mellon Bank N.A.	678,039

London Branch

London

UK

Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited 565,869

150 Buchanan Street

Glasgow G1 2DY

UK

Midland Bank plc 275,659

5 Laurence

Poutney Hill

EC4R 0E

UK

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Registered Name

Local Shares

Morgan Guaranty 239,032

83 Pall Mall

London SW1Y 5ES

UK

MSS Nominees Limited 136,500

Midland Bank plc

Mariner House, Pepys

London EC3N 4DA

National Westminster Bank 514,722

Northern Trust AVFC	388,632
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South Africa

Northern Trust	2,612,516
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c/o NorTrust Nominees Limited

155 Bishopsgate

London EC2M3XS

Nortrust Nominees	5,823,237
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155 Bishopsgate

London ECM 3XS

UK

Royal Bank of Scotland	3,294,469
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Regents House, 42 Islington High St

London N1 8XL

UK

State Street Australia Limited	27,300
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Australia

Registered Name

Local Shares

State Street Bank & Trust Co	3,954,887
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State Street Nominees Limited 1,202,327

Canary Wharf

27th Floor, 1 Canada Square

London E14 5AF

Total	43,357,871
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Capital International S.A.

<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Local Shares</u>
Barclays Bank	1,448,247
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

2,690,595

Woolgate House

Coleman Street

London EC2P 2HD

Citibank London

91,124

11 Old Jewry

London EC2R 8D8

UK

Citibank NA

53,633

Toronto

Credit Suisse London Branch

112,155

24 Bishopsgate

London EC2N 4BQ

UK

Registered Name

Local Shares

Deutsche Bank AG

403,209

23 Great Winchester Street

London EC2P 2AX

UK

HSBC Bank plc	731,257
Securities Services, Mariner House	
Pepys Street	
London EC3N 4DA	
JP Morgan	6,523,796
Lloyds Bank	15,100
Central Settlement Section	
Branches Stock Office	
34 Threadneedle Street	
London	
Midland Bank plc	1,779,211
5 Laurence Poutney Hill	
EC4R 0E	
United Kingdom	
Morgan Stanley	82,205
National Westminster Bank	123,900

Nortrust Nominees Limited	69,986
155 Bishopsgate	
London EC2M3XS	

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Registered Name

Local Shares

Pictet & Cie	96,600
Geneva	

RBSTB Nominees Ltd	286,700
67 Lombard Street	
London EC3 3DL	
UK	

Royal Bank of Scotland	149,206
Regents House, 42 Islington High St	
London N1 8XL	
UK	

State Street Bank & Trust Co	98,581
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State Street Nominees Limited	38,565
Canary Wharf	
27 th Floor, 1 Canada Square	
London E14 5AF	

Total	14,982,816
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Capital International, Inc.

<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Local Shares</u>
Bank of New York Nominees	803,848
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	418,302
One Mellon Bank Center	
Pittsburgh, PA 15258	
Chase Nominees Limited	3,099,310
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	

<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Local Shares</u>
HSBC Bank plc	236,500
Securities Services, Mariner House	
Pepys Street	
London EC3N 4DA	
JP Morgan Chase Bank	740,000
Midland Bank plc	353,814
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
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155 Bishopsgate

London EC2M3XS

Royal Bank of Scotland	342,969
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Regents House, 42 Islington High St

London N1 8XL

UK

RBSTB Nominees Ltd	71,795
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67 Lombard Street

London EC3 3DL

UK

State Street Bank & Trust Co	470,488
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Registered Name

Local Shares

State Street Nominees Limited	4,370,401
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Canary Wharf

27th Floor, 1 Canada Square

London E14 5AF

Sumitomo Trust & Banking

101,000

Fiduciary & Securities Business Dept

1-5 Nihonbashi - Honcho 4-chome

Cho-Ku, Tokyo 103

Total 11,954,701

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Capital Research and Management Company

<u>Registered Name</u>	<u>Local Shares</u>
Chase Nominees Limited	20,671,027
Woolgate House	
Coleman Street	
London EC2P 2HD	
State Street Nominees Limited	1,500,000
Canary Wharf	
27 th Floor, 1 Canada Square	
London E14 5AF	
Total	22,171,027

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

BHP Billiton Plc 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
 Registered Office: Neathouse Place London SW1V 1BH United
 Kingdom
 Telephone +44 20 7802 4000 Facsimile +44 20 7802 4111

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

/s/ KAREN WOOD

Karen Wood

Title: Company Secretary

Date:

15 November 2004