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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

December 19, 2007

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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3000 AUSTRALIA

UNITED KINGDOM

(Address of principal executive offices)

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19 December 2007

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Notification of Change of Interests of Directors and Connected Persons

(Australian Securities Exchange Listing Rules Appendix 3Y)

(Listing Rules & Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the UK Listing Authority)

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

As part of a dual listed company structure, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Limited or BHP Billiton Plc have primary or secondary listings, all those interests of directors and persons discharging managerial responsibilities of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) Listing Rules, the Listing Rules and Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the United Kingdom Listing Authority, the Australian Corporations Act, the United Kingdom Companies Acts and the Group's Securities Dealing Code.

We (the entities) advise the following information under ASX Listing Rule 3.19A.2, the UK Listing Authority Disclosure and Transparency Rule 3.1.4 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Australian Corporations Act and in accordance with the Group's Securities Dealing Code.

Name of director	Mr M Kloppers
Date of last notice	10 October 2007

Date issuer informed of transaction	17 December 2007
Date and place of transaction	14 December 2007 (place of transaction not applicable)
Nature of transaction	Award of Performance Shares under the Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP") and of Deferred Shares under the Group Incentive Scheme ("GIS").

Part 1 - Change of director's relevant interests in securities

Included in this Part are:

- in the case of a trust, interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust;
- details of the circumstance giving rise to the relevant interest;
- details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash; and
- changes in the relevant interest of Connected Persons of the director.

Direct or indirect interest	-
Nature of indirect interest	-
(including registered holder)	
Date of change	-
No. of securities held prior to change	-
Class	-
Number acquired	-
Number disposed	-
Value/Consideration	
No. of securities held after change	
Nature of change	-
Example: on-market trade, off-market trade, exercise of options, issue of securities under dividend reinvestment plan, participation in buy-back	
Any additional information	Mr Kloppers has an indirect interest in 396,683 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc, as follows:

- i. 316,683 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc registered in the name of Vidacos Nominees account "FGN" of which Mr Kloppers is the beneficial holder; and
- ii. 80,000 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc held by the Kloppers Family Superannuation Fund and registered in the name of Vidacos Nominees Limited

Mr Kloppers also has an indirect interest in 33 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited held by Computershare Nominees on behalf of Shareplus participants as Acquired Shares under the scheme. (Shareplus is an all-employee share purchase plan of the BHP Billiton Group).

There is no change to the above holdings.

Part 2 - Change of director's interests in contracts other than as described in Part 3

Included in this Part are:

• only details of a contract in relation to which the interest has changed; and

• details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash.

Detail of contract	-
Nature of interest	-
Name of registered holder	-
(if issued securities)	
No. and class of securities to which interest related prior to change	-
Interest acquired	-
Interest disposed	-
Value/Consideration	-
Interest after change	-

Part 3 - Change

of director's interests in options or other rights granted by the entities

Included in this Part are only details of options or other rights granted which have changed, save for the total number of securities over which options or other rights are held following this notification.

Date of grant	14 December 2007
Period during which or date on which exercisable	 Performance Shares - August 2012 to August 2017 Deferred Shares - August 2009 to August 2012
Total amount paid (if any) for the grant	-
Description of securities involved: class; number	 333,327 Performance Shares under the LTIP 27,582 Deferred Shares under the GIS
Exercise price (if fixed at time of grant) or indication that price is to be fixed at time of exercise	Nil

Part 3 - Change

of director's interests in options or other rights granted by the entities (cont'd)

Total number of securities over which options or other rights held at the date of this notice	Shares Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Plc) 37,300 - maximum number of GIS (ordinary shares (ordinary shares (ordinary shares Of BHP Billiton Plc) N75,000 - maximum number of Performance Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Plc) under the LTIP
	765,071 Total

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	BHP Billiton Limited interests:
	27,582 - maximum number of GIS Deferred Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Plc) K33,327 - maximum number of Performance Shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Plc) under the LTIP K3 - maximum number of matched shares (ordinary shares of BHP Billiton Limited) under Shareplus 360,942 Total
Any additional information	This notification is in respect of the award of Performance Shares under the LTIP and Deferred Shares under the GIS following the approval by shareholders on 28 November 2007.

Part 4 - Contact details

Name of authorised officers responsible for making this notification on behalf of the entities	Ms F Smith - BHP Billiton Limited Mrs I Watson - BHP Billiton Plc - BHP Billiton Plc
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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: 19 December 2007 By: Jane McAloon

Name: Jane McAloon

Title: Group Company Secretary