

BHP BILLITON LTD
Form 6-K
October 31, 2006

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

October 30, 2006

BHP Billiton

Limited

..... (Translation of registrant's name into English) 180 Lonsdale Street Melbourne VIC 3000 Australia
.....

(Address of principal executive office)

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30 October 2006

Australian Stock Exchange
530 Collins Street
Melbourne Victoria 3000
AUSTRALIA

Appointment of Company Secretary

We advise that Ms Jane McAloon was appointed Secretary of BHP Billiton Limited on Wednesday, 25 October 2006.

Ms McAloon will be based in Melbourne. Her appointment follows the recent appointment of Mr Robert Franklin as Secretary of BHP Billiton Plc, based in London.

Ms McAloon and Mr Franklin both report to the Group Company Secretary, Karen Wood.

Yours faithfully,

Karen Wood
Group Company Secretary

BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

Registered in Australia
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BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

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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

Date: 30 October 2006

By: Karen Wood

Name: Karen Wood

Title: Company Secretary