

BHP BILLITON LTD  
Form 6-K  
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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

November 20, 2007

**BHP BILLITON LIMITED**

(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

3000 AUSTRALIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

**BHP BILLITON PLC**

(REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

ENGLAND AND WALES

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON,

UNITED KINGDOM

(Address of principal executive offices)

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### **APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW MACKENZIE**

BHP Billiton announced today that it has appointed Andrew Mackenzie as Group Executive and Chief Executive Non Ferrous. Mr Mackenzie will be a member of the Group Management Committee.

Mr Mackenzie will assume the role following the succession of Marius Kloppers from the position of Group President Non Ferrous to Chief Executive Officer on 1 October this year.

Mr Mackenzie, 50 and British, has around 30 years working experience in minerals, metals, oil and gas. He joins BHP Billiton from Rio Tinto, where he was Chief Executive, Diamonds and Industrial Minerals. Previously he was Group Vice President, BP Petrochemicals. He spent 22 years with BP, primarily in the UK and North America in senior positions including head of Capital Markets in BP Finance, chief reservoir engineer with oversight of oil and gas reserves and production, head of Government and Public Affairs worldwide and Group Vice-President Technology. Mr Mackenzie is a non-executive director of Centrica.

BHP Billiton Chief Executive Officer Marius Kloppers today welcomed Mr Mackenzie to the Group Management Committee. "Andrew has extensive experience in our sector and will be a valuable addition to our executive team. I look forward to working with him as we strive to meet the growing demand for our commodities," Mr Kloppers said.

Mr Mackenzie will be based in London. No start date has yet been fixed. His employment contract with Rio Tinto contains obligations in relation to a period of notice that he will observe.

Further information on BHP Billiton can be found on our Internet site: [www.bhpbilliton.com](http://www.bhpbilliton.com)

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**The BHP Billiton Group is headquartered in Australia**

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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: 20 November 2007

By: Jane McAloon

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Name: Jane McAloon  
Title: Group Company Secretary