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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

3 February 2005

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	No	X
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Australian Stock Exchange Limited (ASX)

Appendix 3X of the Listing Rules

Initial Notification of Interests of Directors and Connected Persons

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 BHP Billiton Group has agreed to adopt the better of the existing governance practices between BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited. As a result, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Plc or BHP Billiton Limited have primary or secondary listings, all those interest of directors of both entities in the securities of both entities (and changes to those interests) which are required to be disclosed under the ASX Listing Rules, the Listing Rules of the United Kingdom Listing Authority, the Australian Corporations Act, the United Kingdom Companies Act and the Group's Securities Dealing Code.

This Initial Notification is filed in consequence of Listing Rules of the ASX which requires the following information concerning a director on appointment to that office.

We (the entities) advise the following information under ASX Listing Rule 3.19A.1 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Australian Corporations Act and otherwise in accordance with the foregoing policy.

Name of Director	Mr Carlos Cordeiro
Date of appointment	3 February 2005

Part 1 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

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Number & class of securities		
Nil		

Part 2 - Director's relevant interests in securities of which the director is not the registered holder

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

Name of holder & nature of interest	Number & class of securities
N/A	Nil

Part 3 - Director's interests in contracts

Detail of contract	N/A
Nature of interest	N/A
Name of registered holder	N/A
(if issued securities)	
No. and class of securities to which interest relates	Nil

Part 4 - Contact details

Name of authorised officers	Mr S A Butcher - BHP Billiton Limited
responsible for making this notification on behalf of the entities	Ms E A Hobley - BHP Billiton Plc
	BHP Billiton Plc
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Yours sincerely,

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Sam Butcher Deputy Company Secretary

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BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209

Registered in Australia

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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 /s/ KAREN WOOD

Karen Wood

Title: Company Secretary

Date:

3 February 2005