SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

June 01, 2012

Commission File Number	Translation of registrant's name into English; Address of principal executive offices
	BHP Billiton Limited (ABN 49 004 028 077) 180 LONSDALE STREET, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA
-	BHP Billiton Plc (REG. NO. 3196209) NEATHOUSE PLACE, VICTORIA, LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM
	Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will
	file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.
	Form 20-F <u>X</u> Form 40-F
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information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes __ No <u>X</u>

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the

registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-.

Company Secretariat

1 June 2012

To:

Australian Securities Exchange London Stock Exchange

cc:

New York Stock Exchange JSE Limited

Appointment of Pat Davies

Further to the announcement on 14 May 2012 advising of the appointment of Pat Davies as a Director of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited with effect from 1 June 2012 we now advise details of Mr Davies' interests in BHP Billiton shares.

Notification of Initial Interests of Directors and Connected Persons (Australian Securities Exchange Listing Rules Appendix 3X)

Name of entities: BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077

BHP Billiton Plc REG NO 3196029

As part of a dual listed company structure, the Group voluntarily notifies all stock exchanges on which either BHP Billiton Plc or BHP Billiton Limited have primary or secondary listings, all those interests of directors 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 document.

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.

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Name of director: Pat Davies
Date of appointment: 1 June 2012
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
Number & class of securities:
2,352 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc (Mr Davies holds these shares in his capacity as trustee of TAG Family Trust)
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:
Sanlam Private Investments (indirect interest, Mr Davies has a beneficial interest)
Number & class of securities:
1,818 ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc
Part 3 – Director's interests in contracts
Detail of contract: Nil
Nature of interest: N/A
Name of registered holder(if issued securities): N/A
No. and class of securities to which interest relates: N/A
Part 4 - Contact details
Name of authorised officers responsible for making this notification on behalf of the entities:
Nicola Evans BHP Billiton Limited
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Members of the BHP Billiton Group which 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 (ABN 49 004 028 077) BHP Billiton

Plc (REG. NO. 3196209)

Date : June 01, 2012

By: <u>/s/ Jane McAloon</u>
Name: Jane McAloon

Title: Group Company Secretary