

BHP BILLITON PLC  
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

December 31, 2007

**BHP Billiton Plc**

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Neathouse Place London SW1V 1BH United Kingdom

.....  
(Address of principal executive office)

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Issued by: BHP Billiton Plc

To: London Stock Exchange

Cc:  
New York Stock Exchange

JSE Limited

Date: 31 December 2007

For Release: Immediately

## TOTAL VOTING RIGHTS

In conformity with the Disclosure & Rule 5.6.1 Transparency Directive BHP Billiton Plc announces the following:

As at 31 December 2007, BHP Billiton Plc's issued capital, including treasury shares held by BHP Billiton Plc, consists of 2,256,636,552 Ordinary share of US\$0.50 each. Of these, 24,165,516 Ordinary shares are held in treasury by BHP Billiton Plc on 31 December 2007 and therefore the total number of voting rights in the Company is 2,232,471,036.

The figure of 2,232,471,036 Ordinary shares may be used by shareholders to calculate if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the share capital of BHP Billiton Plc under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

### Notes

: 1. BHP Billiton Plc also has one Special Voting Share in issue to facilitate joint voting by shareholders of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Ltd on joint electorate actions.

2. As at 31 December 2007, BHP Billiton Limited holds 25,515,350 of the Ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Plc.

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**BHP Billiton Limited ABN 49 004 028 077**  
Registered in Australia

**BHP Billiton Plc Registration number 3196209**  
Registered in England and Wales

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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 Plc

Date: 31 December 2007

By: Jane McAloon

  
Name: Jane McAloon

Title: Group Company Secretary