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BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2011

Annual production records were achieved across four commodities and ten operations as a result of our strategy to invest throughout the economic cycle.

Eleventh consecutive annual production record achieved in Iron Ore while Western Australia Iron Ore shipments rose to an annualised rate of 155 million tonnes per annum in the June 2011 quarter (100% basis).

Annual production and sales records for Hunter Valley Energy Coal (Australia) following the commissioning and ramp up of the MAC20 project and utilisation of our Newcastle Coal Infrastructure Group (NCIG) port capacity.

The successful integration of the Fayetteville Shale (USA), combined with strong underlying performance from existing assets, delivered an increase in annual petroleum production, despite the ongoing impact of permitting delays in the Gulf of Mexico (USA). Annual production records were achieved for natural gas and at North West Shelf (Australia).

Copper production increased during the 2011 financial year as Olympic Dam (Australia) reported annual material mined and milling records. Strong operating performance was similarly reported at Pampa Norte (Chile) and Antamina (Peru), where record annual milling rates were recorded.

Petroleum

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | vs JUN YTD10 | vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids (000 bbl) | 91,874 | 21,288 | -5% | -17% | -2% |
| Natural gas (bcf) | 405.06 | 131.79 | 10% | 45% | 55% |
| Total petroleum products (million boe) | 159.38 | 43.25 | 1% | 6% | 21% |

Total petroleum production The successful integration of the Fayetteville Shale, combined with strong underlying performance from existing assets, delivered an increase in annual petroleum production, despite the ongoing impact of permitting delays in the Gulf of Mexico.

During the June 2011 quarter, BHP Billiton brought the first new deepwater well into production since the Gulf of Mexico moratorium was enacted in May 2010. This important milestone, achieved at the BHP Billiton operated Shenzi field (USA), followed previous regulatory approvals for water injection and production well drilling. However, permitting delays in the Gulf of Mexico continue to impact our Petroleum operations and the drilling of high volume production wells. When excluding volume growth from the Fayetteville Shale acquisition, we continue to expect production to be lower in the 2012 financial year.

Crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids Strong performance from the BHP Billiton operated Pyrenees field (Australia) during the year was offset by lower production in the Gulf of Mexico, planned maintenance at Bass Strait (Australia) and tie-in activities at North West Shelf.

Natural gas Natural gas production was higher than all comparable periods following the acquisition of the Fayetteville Shale, first production from the Angostura Gas Phase II project (Trinidad and Tobago) and record annual performance at North West Shelf. The seasonal increase in demand in South Eastern Australia resulted in higher natural gas production at Bass Strait in the June 2011 quarter.

Aluminium

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Alumina (000 tonnes) (a) | 4,010 | 1,026 | 7% | 7% | 7% |
| Aluminium (000 tonnes) | 1,246 | 313 | 0% | 1% | 3% |

Alumina The ongoing ramp up of the Alumar refinery (Brazil) contributed to a seven per cent increase in total alumina production for the 2011 financial year. A nine per cent increase in alumina production at Worsley (Australia) for the quarter was associated with the processing of hydrate accumulated during the recent calciner outage.

Aluminium Production was in line with comparable periods with all operations running close to capacity.

Base Metals

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Copper (000 tonnes) | 1,139.4 | 272.3 | 6% | -6% | 0% |
| Lead (tonnes) | 244,554 | 58,578 | -2% | -7% | 13% |
| Zinc (tonnes) | 152,127 | 34,733 | -23% | -24% | -14% |
| Silver (000 ounces) | 42,656 | 9,877 | -6% | -13% | 9% |
| Uranium oxide concentrate (Uranium) (tonnes) | 4,045 | 1,015 | 77% | 43% | -5% |

Copper Copper production increased during the 2011 financial year as Olympic Dam reported annual material mined and milling records, further emphasising the strong recovery in performance that followed last year's Clark Shaft outage. Strong operating performance was similarly reported at Pampa Norte and Antamina, where record annual milling rates mitigated the impact of lower grades. Record annual copper cathode production was delivered into a strong pricing environment.

Consistent with prior guidance, production at Escondida (Chile) declined by eight per cent compared with the 2010 financial year, largely due to lower ore grades. While Escondida production is likely to remain largely unchanged in the 2012 financial year, volumes are expected to be weighted to the second half, consistent with the mine plan. Production is expected to improve beyond the 2012 financial year as mining activities progress towards higher grade ore with completion of the Escondida Ore Access project in the main pit.

At 30 June 2011 the Group had 239,156 tonnes of outstanding copper sales that were revalued at a weighted average price of US\$4.25 per pound. The final price of these sales will be determined in the 2012 financial year.

In addition, 236,584 tonnes of copper sales from the 2010 financial year were subject to a finalisation adjustment in 2011. The finalisation adjustment and provisional pricing impact as at 30 June 2011 will increase earnings(b) by US\$650 million for the year (year ended June 2010 was a US\$303 million gain).

Lead/silver Production recovered following weather related disruptions at Cannington (Australia) in the March 2011 quarter.

Zinc Production was lower than all comparable periods as lower zinc grades at Antamina offset strong operating performance that included annual material mined and milling records.

Uranium Olympic Dam achieved record mining and milling rates for the 2011 financial year following the successful repair of the Clark Shaft.

Diamonds & Specialty Products

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Diamonds (000 carats) | 2,506 | 576 | -18% | -22% | 5% |

Diamonds Production was lower than the year and quarter ended June 2010 primarily due to lower average ore grades. Production continues to be influenced by the variability of ore sources due to the mix of open pit and underground mining. Consistent with the mine plan, BHP Billiton expects lower average ore grades to impact EKATI (Canada) production in the 2012 financial year.

Stainless Steel Materials

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Nickel (000 tonnes) (c) | 152.7 | 38.2 | -12% | -16% | 16% |

Nickel The Nickel West Kalgoorlie smelter (Australia) achieved record matte production during the 2011 financial year, offsetting lower metal production that was constrained by the availability of hydrogen supply. Our wholly owned Nickel West mines performed strongly throughout the year, although the adverse movement in currency markets continued to flow through to our cost base.

Production at Cerro Matoso (Colombia) continues to be impacted by the planned furnace replacement, which commenced in February 2011 and is currently being commissioned.

Iron Ore

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Iron ore (000 tonnes) | 134,406 | 35,526 | 8% | 14% | 7% |

Iron ore BHP Billiton's commitment to invest through all phases of the economic cycle delivered an eleventh consecutive annual production record in iron ore. Western Australia Iron Ore benefited from the dual tracking of the company's rail infrastructure, increasing overall system capability. Western Australia Iron Ore shipments rose to a record annualised rate of 155 million tonnes per annum in the June 2011 quarter (100% basis).

Samarco (Brazil) production recovered strongly following planned maintenance in the March 2011 quarter.

Manganese

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Manganese ore (000 tonnes) | 7,093 | 1,790 | 16% | 4% | 32% |
| Manganese alloy (000 tonnes) | 753 | 190 | 29% | -13% | 10% |

Manganese ore Record annual production and sales reflected a full year contribution from the GEMCO (Australia) phase 1 expansion project and the improvement in market demand that occurred notwithstanding a general softening in prices in the latter part of the 2011 financial year. Production in the March 2011 quarter was impacted by safety related downtime at Hotazel (South Africa) and heavy rainfall at GEMCO.

Manganese alloy Metalloys (South Africa) and TEMCO (Australia) reported annual sales records despite maintenance activities that were undertaken during the March and June 2011 quarters.

Metallurgical Coal

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Metallurgical coal (000 tonnes) | 32,678 | 7,922 | -13% | -28% | 19% |

Metallurgical coal The remnant effects of wet weather that persisted for much of the 2011 financial year continued to restrict our Queensland Coal (Australia) business, despite an unrelenting focus on recovery efforts. While production did improve in the June 2011 quarter, sales remained well below the record level achieved in the previous corresponding quarter. We continue to expect production, sales and unit costs to be impacted, to some extent, for the remainder of the 2011 calendar year.

Illawarra Coal (Australia) production was impacted by longwall moves at both Dendrobium and Appin during the June 2011 quarter. A longwall move at West Cliff is scheduled to commence in September 2011.

Energy Coal

| | JUN 2011 YTD | JUN 2011 QTR | JUN YTD11 vs JUN YTD10 | JUN Q11 vs JUN Q10 | JUN Q11 vs MAR Q11 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Energy coal (000 tonnes) | 69,500 | 18,338 | 5% | 13% | 5% |

Energy coal Annual production and sales records for Hunter Valley Energy Coal followed the successful commissioning and ramp up of the MAC20 project and utilisation of our Newcastle Coal Infrastructure Group (NCIG) port capacity. Strong performance at South Africa Coal, which delivered a 13 per cent increase in annual production, was partly offset by planned and unplanned outages at New Mexico Coal (USA) and weather related disruptions at Cerrejon Coal (Colombia).

- (a) Excluding Suriname which was sold effective 31 July 2009.
- (b) Earnings before interest and tax.
- (c) Excluding Yabulu which was sold effective 31 July 2009.

Throughout this report, unless otherwise stated, production volumes refer to BHP Billiton share and exclude suspended and sold operations.

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BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION SUMMARY - CONTINUING OPERATIONS

| | | QUARTER ENDED | | | YEAR TO DATE | | % CHANGE | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|--------|---------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|
| | | JUN | MAR | JUN | JUN | JUN | JUN YTD11 | JUN Q11 | JUN Q11 |
| | | 2010 | 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2010 | vs | vs | vs |
| | | | | | | JUN YTD10 | JUN Q10 | MAR Q11 | |
| PETROLEUM | | | | | | | | | |
| Crude oil & condensate | (000 bbl) | 22,497 | 19,200 | 18,652 | 80,591 | 84,387 | -4% | -17% | -3% |
| Natural gas | (bcf) | 90.98 | 84.90 | 131.79 | 405.06 | 368.57 | 10% | 45% | 55% |
| Natural gas liquid | (000 bbl) | 3,182 | 2,442 | 2,636 | 11,283 | 12,749 | -11% | -17% | 8% |
| Total Petroleum Products | (million boe) | 40.84 | 35.79 | 43.25 | 159.38 | 158.56 | 1% | 6% | 21% |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | | |
| Alumina (a) | (000 tonnes) | 962 | 959 | 1,026 | 4,010 | 3,763 | 7% | 7% | 7% |
| Aluminium | (000 tonnes) | 309 | 305 | 313 | 1,246 | 1,241 | 0% | 1% | 3% |
| BASE METALS | | | | | | | | | |
| Copper | (000 tonnes) | 291.1 | 273.6 | 272.3 | 1,139.4 | 1,075.2 | 6% | -6% | 0% |
| Lead | (tonnes) | 62,916 | 51,910 | 58,578 | 244,554 | 248,486 | -2% | -7% | 13% |
| Zinc | (tonnes) | 45,422 | 40,252 | 34,733 | 152,127 | 198,279 | -23% | -24% | -14% |
| Gold | (ounces) | 35,305 | 49,559 | 45,545 | 196,091 | 141,919 | 38% | 29% | -8% |
| Silver | (000 ounces) | 11,413 | 9,056 | 9,877 | 42,656 | 45,362 | -6% | -13% | 9% |
| Uranium oxide concentrate | (tonnes) | 712 | 1,063 | 1,015 | 4,045 | 2,279 | 77% | 43% | -5% |
| Molybdenum | (tonnes) | 269 | 334 | 418 | 1,445 | 813 | 78% | 55% | 25% |
| DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | |
| Diamonds | (000 carats) | 740 | 551 | 576 | 2,506 | 3,050 | -18% | -22% | 5% |
| STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | | |
| Nickel (b) | (000 tonnes) | 45.7 | 33.0 | 38.2 | 152.7 | 173.4 | -12% | -16% | 16% |
| IRON ORE | | | | | | | | | |
| Iron ore | (000 tonnes) | 31,243 | 33,231 | 35,526 | 134,406 | 124,962 | 8% | 14% | 7% |
| MANGANESE | | | | | | | | | |
| Manganese ore | (000 tonnes) | 1,721 | 1,352 | 1,790 | 7,093 | 6,124 | 16% | 4% | 32% |
| Manganese alloy | (000 tonnes) | 218 | 172 | 190 | 753 | 583 | 29% | -13% | 10% |
| METALLURGICAL COAL | | | | | | | | | |
| Metallurgical coal | (000 tonnes) | 10,927 | 6,670 | 7,922 | 32,678 | 37,381 | -13% | -28% | 19% |
| ENERGY COAL | | | | | | | | | |
| Energy coal | (000 tonnes) | 16,270 | 17,543 | 18,338 | 69,500 | 66,131 | 5% | 13% | 5% |

(a) Excluding Suriname which was sold effective 31 July 2009.

(b) Excluding Yabulu which was sold effective 31 July 2009.

Throughout this report figures in italics indicate that this figure has been adjusted since it was previously reported.

BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

| | BHP Billiton Interest | QUARTER ENDED | | | | YEAR TO DATE | | JUN 2010 |
|---|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| | | JUNE 2010 | SEPT 2010 | DEC 2010 | MAR 2011 | JUN 2011 | JUN 2011 | |
| PETROLEUM | | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Crude oil & condensate (000 bbl) | | 22,497 | 22,087 | 20,652 | 19,200 | 18,652 | 80,591 | 84,387 |
| Natural gas (bcf) | | 90.98 | 105.83 | 82.54 | 84.90 | 131.79 | 405.06 | 368.57 |
| NGL (000 bbl) (a) | | 3,182 | 3,363 | 2,842 | 2,442 | 2,636 | 11,283 | 12,749 |
| Total Petroleum Products (million boe) | | 40.84 | 43.09 | 37.25 | 35.79 | 43.25 | 159.38 | 158.56 |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | |
| ALUMINA | | | | | | | | |
| Production (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| Worsley | 86% | 779 | 756 | 758 | 663 | 725 | 2,902 | 3,054 |
| Suriname (b) | 45% | | | | | | | 78 |
| Alumar | 36% | 183 | 244 | 267 | 296 | 301 | 1,108 | 709 |
| Total | | 962 | 1,000 | 1,025 | 959 | 1,026 | 4,010 | 3,841 |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | |
| Production (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| Hillside | 100% | 177 | 180 | 179 | 173 | 179 | 711 | 710 |
| Bayside | 100% | 24 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 24 | 97 | 98 |
| Alumar | 40% | 43 | 44 | 43 | 44 | 43 | 174 | 174 |
| Mozal | 47% | 65 | 66 | 67 | 64 | 67 | 264 | 259 |
| Total | | 309 | 314 | 314 | 305 | 313 | 1,246 | 1,241 |
| BASE METALS (c) | | | | | | | | |
| COPPER | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| Escondida | 57.5% | 113.2 | 110.7 | 112.7 | 87.7 | 79.4 | 390.5 | 448.1 |
| Antamina | 33.8% | 25.3 | 23.2 | 27.2 | 24.9 | 22.5 | 97.8 | 98.6 |
| Total | | 138.5 | 133.9 | 139.9 | 112.6 | 101.9 | 488.3 | 546.7 |
| Cathode (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| Escondida | 57.5% | 44.2 | 45.0 | 47.1 | 44.4 | 42.6 | 179.1 | 174.2 |
| Pampa Norte (d) | 100% | 69.6 | 66.4 | 66.0 | 64.1 | 75.7 | 272.2 | 244.8 |
| Pinto Valley | 100% | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 5.7 | 6.2 |
| Olympic Dam | 100% | 37.3 | 44.5 | 47.8 | 51.1 | 50.7 | 194.1 | 103.3 |
| Total | | 152.6 | 157.3 | 162.4 | 161.0 | 170.4 | 651.1 | 528.5 |
| LEAD | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| Cannington | 100% | 62,288 | 68,529 | 64,748 | 51,673 | 58,414 | 243,364 | 245,445 |
| Antamina | 33.8% | 628 | 612 | 177 | 237 | 164 | 1,190 | 3,041 |
| Total | | 62,916 | 69,141 | 64,925 | 51,910 | 58,578 | 244,554 | 248,486 |

ZINC

Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------|----------------|---------|
| Cannington | 100% | 13,935 | 15,260 | 14,920 | 16,129 | 14,348 | 60,657 | 62,706 |
| Antamina | 33.8% | 31,487 | 24,937 | 22,025 | 24,123 | 20,385 | 91,470 | 135,573 |
| Total | | 45,422 | 40,197 | 36,945 | 40,252 | 34,733 | 152,127 | 198,279 |

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BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

| | BHP Billiton Interest | JUNE 2010 | QUARTER ENDED | | | JUN 2011 | YEAR TO DATE | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| | | | SEPT 2010 | DEC 2010 | MAR 2011 | | JUN 2011 | JUN 2010 |
| BASE METALS (continued) | | | | | | | | |
| GOLD | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (ounces) | | | | | | | | |
| Escondida | 57.5% | 21,586 | 24,807 | 23,133 | 19,667 | 17,116 | 84,723 | 76,425 |
| Olympic Dam (refined gold) | 100% | 13,719 | 24,554 | 28,493 | 29,892 | 28,429 | 111,368 | 65,494 |
| Total | | 35,305 | 49,361 | 51,626 | 49,559 | 45,545 | 196,091 | 141,919 |
| SILVER | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (000 ounces) | | | | | | | | |
| Escondida | 57.5% | 743 | 803 | 796 | 670 | 580 | 2,849 | 2,874 |
| Antamina | 33.8% | 1,234 | 989 | 1,025 | 813 | 773 | 3,600 | 4,712 |
| Cannington | 100% | 9,324 | 10,159 | 9,509 | 7,315 | 8,242 | 35,225 | 37,276 |
| Olympic Dam (refined silver) | 100% | 112 | 201 | 241 | 258 | 282 | 982 | 500 |
| Total | | 11,413 | 12,152 | 11,571 | 9,056 | 9,877 | 42,656 | 45,362 |
| URANIUM OXIDE CONCENTRATE | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| Olympic Dam | 100% | 712 | 1,010 | 957 | 1,063 | 1,015 | 4,045 | 2,279 |
| Total | | 712 | 1,010 | 957 | 1,063 | 1,015 | 4,045 | 2,279 |
| MOLYBDENUM | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| Antamina | 33.8% | 269 | 208 | 485 | 334 | 418 | 1,445 | 813 |
| Total | | 269 | 208 | 485 | 334 | 418 | 1,445 | 813 |
| DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | |
| DIAMONDS | | | | | | | | |
| Production (000 carats) | | | | | | | | |
| EKATI | 80% | 740 | 703 | 676 | 551 | 576 | 2,506 | 3,050 |
| STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | |
| NICKEL | | | | | | | | |
| Production (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| CMSA | 99.9% | 13.0 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 40.0 | 49.6 |
| Yabulu (e) | 100% | | | | | | | 2.8 |
| Nickel West | 100% | 32.7 | 26.1 | 30.6 | 25.2 | 30.8 | 112.7 | 123.8 |
| Total | | 45.7 | 38.5 | 43.0 | 33.0 | 38.2 | 152.7 | 176.2 |

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BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

| | BHP Billiton Interest | QUARTER ENDED | | | | YEAR TO DATE | | JUN 2010 |
|--|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|
| | | JUNE 2010 | SEPT 2010 | DEC 2010 | MAR 2011 | JUN 2011 | JUN 2011 | |
| IRON ORE | | | | | | | | |
| Production (000 tonnes) (f) | | | | | | | | |
| Newman (g) | 85% | 8,478 | 9,640 | 11,213 | 11,912 | 12,480 | 45,245 | 32,097 |
| Goldsworthy Joint Venture | 85% | 422 | 384 | 225 | 305 | 284 | 1,198 | 1,688 |
| Area C Joint Venture | 85% | 9,767 | 10,086 | 10,154 | 9,510 | 10,044 | 39,794 | 38,687 |
| Yandi Joint Venture | 85% | 9,768 | 8,787 | 9,078 | 8,799 | 9,796 | 36,460 | 41,396 |
| Samarco | 50% | 2,808 | 3,086 | 2,996 | 2,705 | 2,922 | 11,709 | 11,094 |
| Total | | 31,243 | 31,983 | 33,666 | 33,231 | 35,526 | 134,406 | 124,962 |
| MANGANESE | | | | | | | | |
| MANGANESE ORES | | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa (h) | 60% | 845 | 938 | 779 | 514 | 776 | 3,007 | 2,718 |
| Australia (h) | 60% | 876 | 1,184 | 1,050 | 838 | 1,014 | 4,086 | 3,406 |
| Total | | 1,721 | 2,122 | 1,829 | 1,352 | 1,790 | 7,093 | 6,124 |
| MANGANESE ALLOYS | | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa (h) (i) | 60% | 152 | 132 | 123 | 111 | 120 | 486 | 364 |
| Australia (h) | 60% | 66 | 67 | 69 | 61 | 70 | 267 | 219 |
| Total | | 218 | 199 | 192 | 172 | 190 | 753 | 583 |
| METALLURGICAL COAL | | | | | | | | |
| Production (000 tonnes) (j) | | | | | | | | |
| BMA | 50% | 7,101 | 6,538 | 4,534 | 3,955 | 4,874 | 19,901 | 24,403 |
| BHP Mitsui Coal (k) | 80% | 1,766 | 1,913 | 1,421 | 1,133 | 1,426 | 5,893 | 6,443 |
| Illawarra | 100% | 2,060 | 1,848 | 1,832 | 1,582 | 1,622 | 6,884 | 6,535 |
| Total | | 10,927 | 10,299 | 7,787 | 6,670 | 7,922 | 32,678 | 37,381 |
| ENERGY COAL | | | | | | | | |
| Production (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa | 100% | 7,237 | 8,997 | 8,507 | 8,596 | 8,228 | 34,328 | 30,459 |
| USA | 100% | 3,413 | 3,177 | 2,296 | 2,360 | 3,779 | 11,612 | 13,478 |
| Australia | 100% | 2,802 | 2,506 | 3,394 | 3,978 | 3,793 | 13,671 | 12,039 |
| Colombia | 33% | 2,818 | 2,426 | 2,316 | 2,609 | 2,538 | 9,889 | 10,155 |
| Total | | 16,270 | 17,106 | 16,513 | 17,543 | 18,338 | 69,500 | 66,131 |

- (a) LPG and Ethane are reported as Natural Gas Liquid (NGL). Product-specific conversions are made and NGL is reported in barrels of oil equivalent (boe).
- (b) Suriname was sold effective 31 July 2009.
- (c) Metal production is reported on the basis of payable metal.

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- (d) Includes Cerro Colorado and Spence.
- (e) Yabulu was sold effective 31 July 2009.
- (f) Iron ore production is reported on a wet tonnes basis.
- (g) Newman includes Mt Newman Joint Venture and Jimblebar.
- (h) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.
- (i) Production includes Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese.
- (j) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.
- (k) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%.

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| PETROLEUM | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | |
| CRUDE OIL & CONDENSATE (000 barrels) | | | | | | | |
| Bass Strait | 2,886 | 2,711 | 2,553 | 2,465 | 2,485 | 10,214 | 12,197 |
| North West Shelf | 1,977 | 2,237 | 2,188 | 1,719 | 1,442 | 7,586 | 8,972 |
| Stybarrow | 784 | 551 | 358 | 862 | 1,037 | 2,808 | 3,524 |
| Pyrenees (a) | 5,071 | 5,516 | 5,362 | 4,326 | 4,584 | 19,788 | 6,601 |
| Other Australia (b) | 13 | 15 | 10 | 13 | 13 | 51 | 246 |
| Atlantis (c) | 3,221 | 3,038 | 2,881 | 2,694 | 2,098 | 10,711 | 15,944 |
| Mad Dog (c) | 1,120 | 1,075 | 874 | 952 | 128 | 3,029 | 4,513 |
| Shenzi (c) (d) | 4,416 | 3,916 | 3,859 | 3,378 | 3,630 | 14,783 | 19,366 |
| Trinidad/Tobago | 349 | 285 | | 299 | 687 | 1,271 | 1,599 |
| Other Americas (c) (e) | 370 | 359 | 430 | 397 | 448 | 1,634 | 1,699 |
| UK | 615 | 611 | 479 | 542 | 534 | 2,166 | 2,688 |
| Algeria | 1,587 | 1,686 | 1,587 | 1,474 | 1,498 | 6,245 | 6,640 |
| Pakistan | 88 | 87 | 71 | 79 | 68 | 305 | 398 |
| Total | 22,497 | 22,087 | 20,652 | 19,200 | 18,652 | 80,591 | 84,387 |
| NATURAL GAS (billion cubic feet) | | | | | | | |
| Bass Strait | 30.02 | 38.81 | 20.94 | 22.31 | 29.97 | 112.03 | 104.34 |
| North West Shelf | 31.24 | 36.49 | 36.47 | 35.11 | 35.44 | 143.51 | 133.42 |
| Other Australia (b) | 4.99 | 6.00 | 3.83 | 4.69 | 4.68 | 19.20 | 21.89 |
| Atlantis (c) | 0.47 | 1.33 | 1.07 | 0.84 | 0.67 | 3.91 | 6.01 |
| Mad Dog (c) | 0.12 | 0.25 | 0.06 | 0.13 | 0.01 | 0.45 | 0.85 |
| Shenzi (c) (d) | 1.27 | 0.75 | 0.77 | 0.64 | 0.67 | 2.83 | 4.97 |
| Onshore US (f) | | | | | 36.43 | 36.43 | |
| Trinidad/Tobago | | | | | 4.69 | 4.69 | |
| Other Americas (c) (e) | 1.45 | 1.40 | 1.32 | 1.33 | 1.42 | 5.47 | 5.85 |
| UK | 6.03 | 6.31 | 6.14 | 6.32 | 5.69 | 24.46 | 23.67 |
| Pakistan | 15.39 | 14.49 | 11.94 | 13.53 | 12.12 | 52.08 | 67.57 |
| Total | 90.98 | 105.83 | 82.54 | 84.90 | 131.79 | 405.06 | 368.57 |
| NGL (000 barrels) | | | | | | | |
| Bass Strait | 1,817 | 2,030 | 1,412 | 1,252 | 1,554 | 6,248 | 6,845 |
| North West Shelf | 425 | 471 | 442 | 434 | 367 | 1,714 | 1,805 |
| Atlantis (c) | 212 | 188 | 177 | 150 | 117 | 632 | 1,002 |
| Mad Dog (c) | 47 | 42 | 42 | 39 | 11 | 134 | 181 |
| Shenzi (c) (d) | 265 | 196 | 336 | 245 | 252 | 1,029 | 1,180 |
| Other Americas (c) (e) | 41 | 42 | 54 | 42 | 47 | 185 | 183 |
| UK | 90 | 60 | 74 | 79 | 66 | 279 | 190 |
| Algeria | 285 | 334 | 305 | 201 | 222 | 1,062 | 1,363 |
| Total | 3,182 | 3,363 | 2,842 | 2,442 | 2,636 | 11,283 | 12,749 |
| TOTAL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS | | | | | | | |
| (million barrels of oil equivalent) (g) | 40.84 | 43.09 | 37.25 | 35.79 | 43.25 | 159.38 | 158.56 |

- (a) Pyrenees achieved first production on 1 March 2010.
- (b) Other Australia includes Griffin and Minerva. Griffin ceased production on 23 October 2009.
- (c) Gulf of Mexico volumes are net of royalties.
- (d) The Genghis Khan operation is reported in Shenzi.
- (e) Other Americas includes Neptune, West Cameron 76, Mustang, Genesis and Starlifter.
- (f) Fayetteville Shale acquisition completed on 31 March 2011.
- (g) Total barrels of oil equivalent (boe) conversions are based on 6000scf of natural gas equals 1 boe.

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| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | |
| ALUMINA | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| Worsley, Australia | 779 | 756 | 758 | 663 | 725 | 2,902 | 3,054 |
| Paranam, Suriname (a) | | | | | | | 78 |
| Alumar, Brazil | 183 | 244 | 267 | 296 | 301 | 1,108 | 709 |
| Total | 962 | 1,000 | 1,025 | 959 | 1,026 | 4,010 | 3,841 |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| Worsley, Australia | 822 | 767 | 735 | 633 | 727 | 2,862 | 3,046 |
| Paranam, Suriname (a) | | | | | | | 74 |
| Alumar, Brazil | 175 | 239 | 271 | 249 | 324 | 1,083 | 727 |
| Total (b) | 997 | 1,006 | 1,006 | 882 | 1,051 | 3,945 | 3,847 |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| Hillside, South Africa | 177 | 180 | 179 | 173 | 179 | 711 | 710 |
| Bayside, South Africa | 24 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 24 | 97 | 98 |
| Alumar, Brazil | 43 | 44 | 43 | 44 | 43 | 174 | 174 |
| Mozal, Mozambique | 65 | 66 | 67 | 64 | 67 | 264 | 259 |
| Total | 309 | 314 | 314 | 305 | 313 | 1,246 | 1,241 |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| Hillside, South Africa | 169 | 148 | 160 | 163 | 181 | 652 | 691 |
| Bayside, South Africa | 32 | 29 | 31 | 38 | 29 | 127 | 110 |
| Alumar, Brazil | 48 | 44 | 43 | 43 | 44 | 174 | 180 |
| Mozal, Mozambique | 78 | 55 | 76 | 66 | 80 | 277 | 259 |
| Total | 327 | 276 | 310 | 310 | 334 | 1,230 | 1,240 |
| Tolling Agreement (b) | | | | | | | 15 |
| | 327 | 276 | 310 | 310 | 334 | 1,230 | 1,255 |

(a) Suriname was sold effective 31 July 2009.

(b) Equity Alumina from Suriname was converted into Aluminium under a third party tolling agreement. These tonnages were allocated to equity sales. This Aluminium is now treated as third party product following the sale of Suriname.

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| BASE METALS | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. Metals production is payable metal unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | |
| Escondida, Chile | | | | | | | | |
| Material mined (100%) | (000 tonnes) | 109,098 | 103,841 | 98,167 | 100,966 | 97,705 | 400,679 | 416,642 |
| Sulphide ore milled (100%) | (000 tonnes) | 17,711 | 19,697 | 18,789 | 15,993 | 16,399 | 70,878 | 71,878 |
| Average copper grade | (%) | 1.40% | 1.24% | 1.26% | 1.15% | 1.06% | 1.18% | 1.37% |
| Production ex Mill (100%) | (000 tonnes) | 205.3 | 197.7 | 194.6 | 153.1 | 141.2 | 686.6 | 816.3 |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Payable copper | (000 tonnes) | 113.2 | 110.7 | 112.7 | 87.7 | 79.4 | 390.5 | 448.1 |
| Payable gold concentrate | (fine ounces) | 21,586 | 24,807 | 23,133 | 19,667 | 17,116 | 84,723 | 76,425 |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 44.2 | 45.0 | 47.1 | 44.4 | 42.6 | 179.1 | 174.2 |
| Payable silver concentrate | (000 ounces) | 743 | 803 | 796 | 670 | 580 | 2,849 | 2,874 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| Payable copper | (000 tonnes) | 106.4 | 114.8 | 113.9 | 74.3 | 90.9 | 393.9 | 440.0 |
| Payable gold concentrate | (fine ounces) | 20,604 | 25,661 | 23,357 | 16,754 | 20,251 | 86,023 | 76,016 |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 45.0 | 40.0 | 46.1 | 47.7 | 48.0 | 181.8 | 177.1 |
| Payable silver concentrate | (000 ounces) | 714 | 831 | 804 | 569 | 673 | 2,877 | 2,851 |
| Pampa Norte, Chile | | | | | | | | |
| Cerro Colorado | | | | | | | | |
| Material mined | (000 tonnes) | 15,828 | 15,644 | 18,290 | 16,320 | 17,840 | 68,094 | 63,946 |
| Ore milled | (000 tonnes) | 4,707 | 4,584 | 4,631 | 4,251 | 4,771 | 18,237 | 17,146 |
| Average copper grade | (%) | 0.67% | 0.73% | 0.76% | 0.75% | 0.74% | 0.74% | 0.73% |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 24.8 | 21.7 | 22.4 | 22.6 | 25.7 | 92.4 | 85.2 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 22.4 | 21.4 | 24.7 | 22.5 | 25.7 | 94.3 | 82.6 |
| Spence | | | | | | | | |
| Material mined | (000 tonnes) | 19,191 | 17,148 | 18,389 | 19,046 | 19,487 | 74,070 | 60,841 |
| Ore milled | (000 tonnes) | 4,389 | 4,427 | 4,567 | 4,892 | 4,545 | 18,431 | 15,166 |
| Average copper grade | (%) | 1.29% | 1.25% | 1.28% | 1.23% | 1.22% | 1.24% | 1.38% |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 44.8 | 44.7 | 43.6 | 41.5 | 50.0 | 179.8 | 159.6 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 49.5 | 37.0 | 48.2 | 45.7 | 54.5 | 185.4 | 164.7 |

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| BASE METALS | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. Metals production is payable metal unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | |
| Antamina, Peru | | | | | | | | |
| Material mined (100%) | (000 tonnes) | 30,014 | 30,599 | 32,722 | 33,154 | 41,669 | 138,144 | 113,775 |
| Sulphide ore milled (100%) | (000 tonnes) | 9,328 | 9,041 | 9,347 | 9,288 | 9,253 | 36,929 | 35,402 |
| Average head grades | | | | | | | | |
| - Copper | (%) | 0.99% | 0.93% | 1.06% | 0.99% | 0.90% | 0.97% | 1.06% |
| - Zinc | (%) | 1.53% | 1.35% | 1.11% | 1.15% | 1.03% | 1.16% | 1.70% |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Payable copper | (000 tonnes) | 25.3 | 23.2 | 27.2 | 24.9 | 22.5 | 97.8 | 98.6 |
| Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 31,487 | 24,937 | 22,025 | 24,123 | 20,385 | 91,470 | 135,573 |
| Payable silver | (000 ounces) | 1,234 | 989 | 1,025 | 813 | 773 | 3,600 | 4,712 |
| Payable lead | (tonnes) | 628 | 612 | 177 | 237 | 164 | 1,190 | 3,041 |
| Payable molybdenum | (tonnes) | 269 | 208 | 485 | 334 | 418 | 1,445 | 813 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| Payable copper | (000 tonnes) | 24.3 | 27.7 | 21.8 | 26.1 | 23.5 | 99.1 | 96.8 |
| Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 34,643 | 23,937 | 24,912 | 25,571 | 18,479 | 92,899 | 138,586 |
| Payable silver | (000 ounces) | 893 | 1,242 | 882 | 839 | 658 | 3,621 | 4,072 |
| Payable lead | (tonnes) | 431 | 748 | 503 | 180 | 92 | 1,523 | 3,671 |
| Payable molybdenum | (tonnes) | 203 | 438 | 292 | 394 | 346 | 1,470 | 722 |
| Cannington, Australia | | | | | | | | |
| Material mined | (000 tonnes) | 837 | 742 | 824 | 703 | 841 | 3,110 | 3,230 |
| Ore milled | (000 tonnes) | 776 | 831 | 760 | 713 | 786 | 3,090 | 3,141 |
| Average head grades | | | | | | | | |
| - Silver | (g/t) | 441 | 447 | 459 | 377 | 381 | 417 | 437 |
| - Lead | (%) | 9.4% | 9.6% | 9.9% | 8.6% | 8.6% | 9.2% | 9.2% |
| - Zinc | (%) | 3.1% | 3.0% | 3.3% | 3.6% | 2.9% | 3.2% | 3.3% |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Payable silver | (000 ounces) | 9,324 | 10,159 | 9,509 | 7,315 | 8,242 | 35,225 | 37,276 |
| Payable lead | (tonnes) | 62,288 | 68,529 | 64,748 | 51,673 | 58,414 | 243,364 | 245,445 |
| Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 13,935 | 15,260 | 14,920 | 16,129 | 14,348 | 60,657 | 62,706 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| Payable silver | (000 ounces) | 11,280 | 9,219 | 9,973 | 7,263 | 8,235 | 34,690 | 37,178 |
| Payable lead | (tonnes) | 74,341 | 63,091 | 67,815 | 52,199 | 58,868 | 241,973 | 245,952 |
| Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 16,029 | 12,477 | 16,621 | 12,986 | 14,530 | 56,614 | 64,735 |

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| BASE METALS | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. Metals production is payable metal unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Olympic Dam, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Material mined (a) | (000 tonnes) | 1,363 | 2,710 | 2,513 | 2,433 | 2,675 | 10,331 | 5,265 |
| Ore milled | (000 tonnes) | 1,685 | 2,505 | 2,622 | 2,670 | 2,533 | 10,330 | 5,089 |
| Average copper grade | (%) | 1.94% | 1.91% | 1.78% | 1.84% | 1.92% | 1.86% | 1.85% |
| Average uranium grade | kg/t | 0.58 | 0.54 | 0.50 | 0.54 | 0.54 | 0.53 | 0.58 |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (ER) | (000 tonnes) | 34.9 | 41.6 | 45.0 | 47.8 | 47.0 | 181.4 | 96.3 |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 2.4 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 3.7 | 12.7 | 7.0 |
| Uranium oxide concentrate | (tonnes) | 712 | 1,010 | 957 | 1,063 | 1,015 | 4,045 | 2,279 |
| Refined gold | (fine ounces) | 13,719 | 24,554 | 28,493 | 29,892 | 28,429 | 111,368 | 65,494 |
| Refined silver | (000 ounces) | 112 | 201 | 241 | 258 | 282 | 982 | 500 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (ER) | (000 tonnes) | 29.3 | 42.2 | 45.3 | 48.7 | 46.5 | 182.7 | 95.2 |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 1.5 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 12.5 | 6.9 |
| Uranium oxide concentrate | (tonnes) | 122 | 751 | 1,121 | 930 | 1,143 | 3,945 | 2,381 |
| Refined gold | (fine ounces) | 10,811 | 18,914 | 29,757 | 31,742 | 30,323 | 110,736 | 64,510 |
| Refined silver | (000 ounces) | 49 | 201 | 150 | 334 | 269 | 954 | 466 |
| (a) Material mined refers to run of mine ore mined and hoisted. | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Pinto Valley, USA</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 5.7 | 6.2 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | (000 tonnes) | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 5.9 | 5.5 |

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| DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | |
| DIAMONDS | | | | | | | | |
| <u>EKATI, Canada</u> | | | | | | | | |
| Ore Processed (100%) | (000 tonnes) | 1,235 | 1,196 | 1,162 | 1,122 | 1,212 | 4,692 | 4,930 |
| Production | (000 carats) | 740 | 703 | 676 | 551 | 576 | 2,506 | 3,050 |

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| STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | |
| NICKEL | | | | | | | |
| <u>CMSA, Colombia</u> | | | | | | | |
| Production | 13.0 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 40.0 | 49.6 |
| Sales | 12.5 | 12.0 | 12.8 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 41.8 | 48.7 |
| <u>Yabulu, Australia (a)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| Nickel metal | | | | | | | 2.8 |
| Cobalt | | | | | | | 0.1 |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| Nickel metal | | | | | | | 2.2 |
| Cobalt | | | | | | | 0.1 |
| (a) Yabulu was sold effective 31 July 2009. | | | | | | | |
| <u>Nickel West, Australia</u> | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| Nickel contained in concentrate | 6.1 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 3.3 | 7.5 | 22.6 |
| Nickel contained in finished matte | 15.7 | 13.6 | 21.8 | 12.4 | 16.1 | 63.9 | 44.3 |
| Nickel metal | 10.9 | 11.6 | 7.1 | 11.2 | 11.4 | 41.3 | 56.9 |
| Nickel production | 32.7 | 26.1 | 30.6 | 25.2 | 30.8 | 112.7 | 123.8 |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| Nickel contained in concentrate | 6.3 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 3.9 | 8.5 | 22.4 |
| Nickel contained in finished matte | 15.2 | 14.6 | 19.9 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 64.1 | 41.5 |
| Nickel metal | 9.2 | 12.2 | 9.6 | 9.2 | 12.4 | 43.4 | 55.7 |
| Nickel sales | 30.7 | 28.4 | 30.3 | 26.1 | 31.2 | 116.0 | 119.6 |

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| IRON ORE | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | |
| IRON ORE (a) | | | | | | | |
| <u>Pilbara, Australia</u> | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| Newman (b) | 8,478 | 9,640 | 11,213 | 11,912 | 12,480 | 45,245 | 32,097 |
| Goldsworthy Joint Venture | 422 | 384 | 225 | 305 | 284 | 1,198 | 1,688 |
| Area C Joint Venture | 9,767 | 10,086 | 10,154 | 9,510 | 10,044 | 39,794 | 38,687 |
| Yandi Joint Venture | 9,768 | 8,787 | 9,078 | 8,799 | 9,796 | 36,460 | 41,396 |
| Total (BHP Billiton share) | 28,435 | 28,897 | 30,670 | 30,526 | 32,604 | 122,697 | 113,868 |
| Total production (100%) | 33,452 | 33,996 | 36,082 | 35,913 | 38,358 | 144,349 | 133,961 |
| Shipments | | | | | | | |
| Lump | 7,135 | 7,822 | 7,830 | 7,669 | 7,463 | 30,784 | 31,186 |
| Fines | 21,512 | 21,049 | 23,870 | 22,648 | 25,379 | 92,946 | 82,205 |
| Total (BHP Billiton share) | 28,647 | 28,871 | 31,700 | 30,317 | 32,842 | 123,730 | 113,391 |
| Total sales (100%) | 33,703 | 33,966 | 37,294 | 35,667 | 38,638 | 145,565 | 133,402 |
| (a) Iron ore production and shipments are reported on a wet tonnes basis. | | | | | | | |
| (b) Newman includes Mt Newman Joint Venture and Jimblebar. | | | | | | | |
| <u>Samarco, Brazil</u> | | | | | | | |
| Production | 2,808 | 3,086 | 2,996 | 2,705 | 2,922 | 11,709 | 11,094 |
| Shipments | 2,591 | 2,634 | 3,460 | 2,598 | 2,736 | 11,428 | 11,194 |

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| MANGANESE | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | |
| MANGANESE ORE | | | | | | | |
| <u>South Africa (a)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production | 845 | 938 | 779 | 514 | 776 | 3,007 | 2,718 |
| Sales | 929 | 657 | 947 | 701 | 746 | 3,051 | 3,133 |
| <u>Australia (a)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production | 876 | 1,184 | 1,050 | 838 | 1,014 | 4,086 | 3,406 |
| Sales | 974 | 552 | 1,173 | 1,127 | 1,108 | 3,960 | 3,632 |
| MANGANESE ALLOY | | | | | | | |
| <u>South Africa (a) (b)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production | 152 | 132 | 123 | 111 | 120 | 486 | 364 |
| Sales | 101 | 95 | 153 | 145 | 123 | 516 | 345 |
| <u>Australia (a)</u> | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production | 66 | 67 | 69 | 61 | 70 | 267 | 219 |
| Sales | 75 | 53 | 68 | 62 | 75 | 258 | 257 |

(a) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.

(b) Production includes Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese.

PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENT REPORT

| | QUARTER ENDED | | | | YEAR TO DATE | | |
|--|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|
| | JUNE 2010 | SEPT 2010 | DEC 2010 | MAR 2011 | JUN 2011 | JUN 2011 | JUN 2010 |
| METALLURGICAL COAL | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | |
| METALLURGICAL COAL (a) | | | | | | | |
| Queensland, Australia | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| BMA | | | | | | | |
| Blackwater | 1,627 | 1,458 | 1,134 | 870 | 1,127 | 4,589 | 5,733 |
| Goonyella | 1,946 | 1,863 | 1,086 | 993 | 1,417 | 5,359 | 6,668 |
| Peak Downs | 1,298 | 1,117 | 984 | 758 | 543 | 3,402 | 4,332 |
| Saraji | 932 | 872 | 819 | 532 | 556 | 2,779 | 3,402 |
| Norwich Park | 528 | 468 | 73 | 128 | 386 | 1,055 | 1,870 |
| Gregory Joint Venture | 770 | 760 | 438 | 674 | 845 | 2,717 | 2,398 |
| BMA total | 7,101 | 6,538 | 4,534 | 3,955 | 4,874 | 19,901 | 24,403 |
| BHP Mitsui Coal (b) | | | | | | | |
| South Walker Creek | 1,028 | 1,056 | 765 | 623 | 690 | 3,134 | 3,609 |
| Poitrel | 738 | 857 | 656 | 510 | 736 | 2,759 | 2,834 |
| BHP Mitsui Coal total | 1,766 | 1,913 | 1,421 | 1,133 | 1,426 | 5,893 | 6,443 |
| Queensland total | 8,867 | 8,451 | 5,955 | 5,088 | 6,300 | 25,794 | 30,846 |
| Shipments | | | | | | | |
| Coking coal | 7,268 | 6,641 | 5,243 | 3,475 | 4,865 | 20,224 | 23,764 |
| Weak coking coal | 2,109 | 1,653 | 1,886 | 970 | 1,411 | 5,920 | 6,856 |
| Thermal coal | 339 | 368 | 206 | 125 | 285 | 984 | 1,381 |
| Total | 9,716 | 8,662 | 7,335 | 4,570 | 6,561 | 27,128 | 32,001 |

(a) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.

(b) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%.

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|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------|
| Illawarra, Australia | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| | 2,060 | 1,848 | 1,832 | 1,582 | 1,622 | 6,884 | 6,535 |
| Shipments | | | | | | | |
| Coking coal | 1,652 | 1,388 | 1,495 | 1,374 | 1,407 | 5,664 | 6,137 |
| Thermal coal | 213 | 362 | 536 | 211 | 216 | 1,325 | 731 |
| Total | 1,865 | 1,750 | 2,031 | 1,585 | 1,623 | 6,989 | 6,868 |

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| ENERGY COAL | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (000 tonnes) | | | | | | | |
| South Africa | | | | | | | |
| Production | 7,237 | 8,997 | 8,507 | 8,596 | 8,228 | 34,328 | 30,459 |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| Export | 2,449 | 3,047 | 3,365 | 2,887 | 3,082 | 12,381 | 10,531 |
| Local utility | 4,351 | 5,667 | 5,024 | 5,254 | 5,363 | 21,308 | 18,679 |
| Inland | 47 | 110 | 96 | 78 | 37 | 321 | 198 |
| Total | 6,847 | 8,824 | 8,485 | 8,219 | 8,482 | 34,010 | 29,408 |
| New Mexico, USA | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| Navajo Coal | 1,640 | 1,754 | 1,818 | 1,629 | 2,271 | 7,472 | 7,465 |
| San Juan Coal | 1,773 | 1,423 | 478 | 731 | 1,508 | 4,140 | 6,013 |
| Total | 3,413 | 3,177 | 2,296 | 2,360 | 3,779 | 11,612 | 13,478 |
| Sales - local utility | | | | | | | |
| | 3,005 | 3,361 | 3,339 | 3,385 | 3,106 | 13,191 | 12,824 |
| Hunter Valley, Australia | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| | 2,802 | 2,506 | 3,394 | 3,978 | 3,793 | 13,671 | 12,039 |
| Sales | | | | | | | |
| Export | 2,524 | 2,626 | 3,253 | 3,824 | 3,522 | 13,225 | 9,512 |
| Inland | 474 | 404 | 180 | 339 | 364 | 1,287 | 2,076 |
| Total | 2,998 | 3,030 | 3,433 | 4,163 | 3,886 | 14,512 | 11,588 |
| Cerrejon Coal, Colombia | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | |
| | 2,818 | 2,426 | 2,316 | 2,609 | 2,538 | 9,889 | 10,155 |
| Sales - export | | | | | | | |
| | 2,601 | 2,776 | 2,672 | 2,149 | 2,853 | 10,450 | 10,100 |

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: July 20, 2011

By: Jane McAloon
Name: Jane McAloon
Title: Group Company Secretary