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**Notification of Change of Interests of Directors and Connected Persons
(Australian Stock Exchange Listing Rules Appendix 3Y)**

Name of entities	BHP Billiton Limited	BHP Billiton Plc
	ABN 49 004 028 077	REG NO 3196029

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 Australian Stock Exchange (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.

We (the entities) advise the following information under ASX Listing Rule 3.19A.2 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 D R Argus AO
Date of last notice	4 September 2003

Part 1 – Change of director’s relevant interests in securities

Included in this Part are:

- in the case of a trust, interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust;
- details of the circumstance giving rise to the relevant interest;
- details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash; and
- changes in the relevant interest of Connected Persons of the director.

Direct or indirect interest	Indirect
Nature of indirect interest (including registered holder)	Alamiste Pty Ltd is the registered holder. It is the trustee of a private superannuation fund of which the director is a potential beneficiary.
Date of change	25 March 2004
No. of securities held prior to change	193,495
Class	Ordinary shares in BHP Billiton Limited
Number acquired	10,000
Number disposed	
Value/Consideration	\$11.81 per share (average)
No. of securities held after change	203,495
Nature of change Example: on-market trade, off-market trade, exercise of options, issue of securities under dividend re-investment plan, participation in buy-back	On-market trade
Any additional information	The companies were notified of this transaction on 26 March 2004

Part 2 – Change of director’s interests in contracts other than as described in Part 3

Included in this Part are:

- only details of a contract in relation to which the interest has changed; and
- details and estimated valuation if the consideration is non-cash.

Detail of contract	—
Nature of interest	—
Name of registered holder (if issued securities)	—
No. and class of securities to which interest related prior to change	—
Interest acquired	—
Interest disposed	—
Value/Consideration	—
Interest after change	—

Part 3 – Change of director’s interests in options or other rights granted by the entities

Included in this Part are only details of options or other rights granted which have changed, save for the total number of securities over which options or other rights are held following this notification.

Date of grant	—
Period during which or date on which exercisable	—
Total amount paid (if any) for the grant	—
Description of securities involved: class; number	—
Exercise price (if fixed at time of grant) or indication that price is to be fixed at time of exercise	—
Total number of securities over which options or other rights held at the date of this notice	—
Any additional information	—

Part 4 - Contact details

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