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Please find attached the results of the business conducted at the meetings of shareholders of BHP Billiton Limited ("Limited") held in Perth, Australia on 16 November 2010 and BHP Billiton Plc ("Plc") held in London, United Kingdom on 21 October 2010.

As required by the Dual Listed Companies Structure, a poll was conducted on each of the proposed resolutions. Each resolution is a Joint Electorate Action. The poll results for BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc are attached.

The final proxy position for each company (excluding the proxy votes carried from one meeting to the other meeting by the Special Voting Shares) is detailed in Appendix 1. The additional information required in respect of BHP Billiton Plc by the United Kingdom's Companies Act 2006 (as amended by The Companies (Shareholders' Rights) Regulations 2009) is provided in Appendix 2.

A copy of the resolutions passed at the closure of the poll today has been submitted to the National Storage Mechanism and will shortly be available for inspection at: Hemscott.com/nsm.do



Jane McAloon
Group Company Secretary

The poll results for BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc as follows:

	<u>Business</u>	<u>Votes For</u>	<u>Votes Against</u>	<u>Votes Abstained</u>	<u>Result</u>
1	To receive the 2010 Financial Statements and Reports for BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	2,853,384,210	21,899,359	145,636,981	CARRIED
2	To re-elect Dr John Buchanan as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	3,010,682,697	5,209,946	5,144,995	CARRIED
3	To re-elect Mr David Crawford as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	2,967,628,710	48,249,884	5,151,522	CARRIED
4	To re-elect Mr Keith Rumble as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	3,011,842,332	4,011,384	5,176,737	CARRIED
5	To re-elect Dr John Schubert as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	3,003,515,989	12,257,652	5,258,186	CARRIED
6	To re-elect Mr Jacques Nasser as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	2,993,958,435	21,764,237	5,275,301	CARRIED
7	To elect Mr Malcolm Broomhead as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	3,010,818,207	4,807,437	5,404,050	CARRIED
8	To elect Ms Carolyn Hewson as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	3,008,197,407	7,416,453	5,382,479	CARRIED
9	To reappoint KPMG Audit Plc as the auditor of BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	3,004,084,423	8,458,296	8,472,024	CARRIED
10	To renew the general authority to issue shares in BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)	2,829,347,185	182,792,725	8,926,898	CARRIED

11	To approve the authority to issue shares in BHP Billiton Plc for cash (a special resolution)	2,935,191,846	77,233,384	8,592,649	CARRIED
12	To approve the repurchase of shares in BHP Billiton Plc (a special resolution)	2,998,263,091	14,314,497	8,440,924	CARRIED
13	To approve the 2010 Remuneration Report (a non-binding ordinary resolution)	2,917,996,260	91,390,012	11,488,575	CARRIED
14	To approve amendments to the Long Term Incentive Plan (an ordinary resolution)	2,932,964,474	67,776,286	20,211,417	CARRIED
15	To approve the grant of awards to Mr Marius Kloppers under the GIS and the LTIP (an ordinary resolution)	2,909,902,724	98,375,523	12,683,424	CARRIED
16	To approve amendments to the Constitution of BHP Billiton Limited (a special resolution)	3,000,792,385	8,738,011	11,477,212	CARRIED
17	To approve amendments to the Articles of Association of BHP Billiton Plc (a special resolution)	3,001,079,986	8,547,277	11,384,687	CARRIED

APPENDIX 1
BHP Billiton Limited & BHP Billiton Plc - Final Proxy Position

	Limited	Plc
1 To receive the 2010 Financial Statements and Reports for BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,366,984,329	1,491,111,464
⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,313,701,673	1,471,825,256
◆ was to vote against the resolution	2,770,619	19,127,521
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	144,009,208	1,576,089
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,512,037	158,687
2 To re-elect Dr John Buchanan as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,394,399	1,491,304,267
⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,452,996,746	1,489,960,579
◆ was to vote against the resolution	3,990,856	1,185,476
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	3,685,796	1,383,287
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,406,797	158,212
3 To re-elect Mr David Crawford as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,387,904	1,491,306,189
⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,436,751,428	1,463,201,726
◆ was to vote against the resolution	20,173,344	27,946,323
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	3,691,181	1,381,365
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,463,132	158,140

4	To re-elect Mr Keith Rumble as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,363,915	1,491,305,326
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,453,389,384	1,490,620,044
◆	was to vote against the resolution	3,467,730	527,142
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	3,715,507	1,382,228
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,506,801	158,140
5	To re-elect Dr John Schubert as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,281,697	1,491,307,041
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,452,483,430	1,483,245,071
◆	was to vote against the resolution	4,350,948	7,903,410
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	3,798,599	1,380,513
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,447,319	158,560
6	To re-elect Mr Jacques Nasser as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,205,047	1,491,308,922
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,450,127,349	1,475,977,682
◆	was to vote against the resolution	6,572,749	15,173,100
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	3,835,478	1,378,632
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,504,949	158,140
7	To elect Mr Malcolm Broomhead as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,163,512	1,491,304,499
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,452,393,639	1,490,624,035
◆	was to vote against the resolution	4,237,572	521,339
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	3,915,551	1,383,055
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,532,301	159,125

8	To elect Ms Carolyn Hewson as a Director of BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,099,070	1,491,320,243
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,450,022,638	1,490,649,716
◆	was to vote against the resolution	6,700,855	511,587
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	3,939,826	1,367,311
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,375,577	158,940
9	To reappoint KPMG Audit Plc as the auditor of BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,507,256,794	1,488,081,398
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,452,749,812	1,483,616,613
◆	was to vote against the resolution	4,099,873	4,301,333
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	3,806,413	4,606,156
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,407,109	163,452
10	To renew the general authority to issue shares in BHP Billiton Plc (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,504,034,305	1,490,888,960
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,421,057,662	1,340,433,637
◆	was to vote against the resolution	32,407,003	150,291,771
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	7,081,683	1,797,878
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,569,640	163,552
11	To approve the authority to issue shares in BHP Billiton Plc for cash (a special resolution)		
⇒	Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,504,047,205	1,491,176,433
⇒	Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆	was to vote for the resolution	1,442,474,875	1,424,791,178
◆	was to vote against the resolution	10,936,706	66,220,939
◆	was to abstain on the resolution	7,029,341	1,511,121
◆	may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,635,624	164,316

12 To approve the repurchase of shares in BHP Billiton Plc (a special resolution)

⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,504,159,822	1,491,320,325
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⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -

◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,446,252,407	1,482,181,221
◆ was to vote against the resolution	7,204,418	7,086,264
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	6,909,400	1,365,013
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,702,997	2,052,840

13 To approve the 2010 Remuneration Report (a non-binding ordinary resolution)

⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,502,443,845	1,489,977,151
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⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -

◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,406,872,622	1,457,079,626
◆ was to vote against the resolution	45,877,024	32,741,439
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	8,572,656	2,709,686
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	49,694,199	156,086

14 To approve amendments to the Long Term Incentive Plan (an ordinary resolution)

⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,500,010,241	1,483,807,320
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⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -

◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,408,709,688	1,457,103,862
◆ was to vote against the resolution	41,107,788	26,539,642
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	11,026,590	8,879,517
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,192,765	163,816

15 To approve the grant of awards to Mr Marius Kloppers under the GIS and the LTIP (an ordinary resolution)

⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,502,653,334	1,488,821,459
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⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -

◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,382,766,263	1,473,844,793
◆ was to vote against the resolution	70,677,905	14,820,235
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	8,393,030	3,865,379
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	49,209,166	156,431

16 To approve amendments to the Constitution of BHP Billiton Limited (a special resolution)

⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,504,023,667	1,488,377,903
⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,447,438,453	1,485,404,632
◆ was to vote against the resolution	5,911,214	2,807,171
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	7,047,851	4,308,935
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,674,000	166,100

17 To approve amendments to the Articles of Association of BHP Billiton Plc (a special resolution)

⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,504,024,786	1,488,488,138
⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,447,511,759	1,485,516,289
◆ was to vote against the resolution	5,722,031	2,806,532
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	7,056,981	4,198,700
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	50,790,996	165,317

APPENDIX 2
Additional Information

For the purposes of section 341 of the United Kingdom's Companies Act 2006 (as amended by The Companies (Shareholders' Rights) Regulations 2009) and in respect of BHP Billiton Plc, the votes validly cast* as a percentage of the company's total issued share capital (as at 6pm on 19 October 2010) are:

<u>Item of Business</u>	<u>Votes cast</u> <u>%*</u>
1 Receipt of the Financial Statements and Reports for BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.84
2 Re-election of Dr John Buchanan as a director of each of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.85
3 Re-election of Mr David Crawford as a director of each of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.85
4 Re-election of Mr Keith Rumble as a director of each of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.85
5 Re-election of Dr John Schubert as a director of each of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.85
6 Re-election of Mr Jacques Nasser as a director of each of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.85
7 Election of Mr Malcolm Broomhead as a director of each of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.85
8 Election of Ms Carolyn Hewson as a director of each of BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited	66.85
9 Re-appointment of KPMG Audit Plc as auditor of BHP Billiton Plc	66.71
10 Renewal of the general authority to issue shares in BHP Billiton Plc	66.83
11 Renewal of the right to issue shares in BHP Billiton Plc for cash	66.85
12 Approval of the repurchase of shares in BHP Billiton Plc	66.85
13 Approval of the Remuneration Report	66.79
14 Approval of the amendments to the Long Term Incentive Plan	66.51
15 Approval of the grant of awards to Mr Marius Kloppers under the Group Incentive Scheme and Long Term Incentive Scheme	66.74

16	Approval of the amendments to the Constitution of BHP Billiton Limited	66.72
17	Approval of the amendments to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of BHP Billiton Plc	66.72

*This calculation does not include the votes cast at the BHP Billiton Limited Annual General Meeting which are added to the votes cast at the BHP Billiton Plc Annual General Meeting to give the final result in relation to each resolution. Final poll results for BHP Billiton Plc and BHP Billiton Limited can be found on pages 2 and 3 of this announcement.