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To: Australian Securities Exchange¹
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cc: New York Stock Exchange
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FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET BHP BILLITON 2015 GENERAL MEETING RESULTS

Please find attached the results of the business conducted at the meetings of shareholders of BHP Billiton Limited ("Limited") held in Perth, Australia and BHP Billiton Plc ("Plc") held in London, United Kingdom on 6 May 2015.

As required by the Dual Listed Companies Structure, a poll was conducted on the proposed resolution. The 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 resolution passed at the closure of the poll today has been submitted to the National Storage Mechanism and will shortly be available for inspection at: www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/NSM

Rachel Agnew
Company Secretary

¹ This release was made outside the hours of operation of the ASX market announcements office.

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 approve the Demerger of South32 from BHP Billiton (an ordinary resolution)	2,957,735,744	58,925,870	8,716,013	CARRIED

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

	Limited	Plc
1 To approve the Demerger of South32 from BHP Billiton (an ordinary resolution)		
⇒ Total number of proxy votes exercisable by all proxies validly appointed	1,619,833,321	1,401,545,608
⇒ Total number of proxy votes in respect of which the appointments specified that the proxy -		
◆ was to vote for the resolution	1,554,895,826	1,377,845,944
◆ was to vote against the resolution	35,778,994	23,116,529
◆ was to abstain on the resolution	4,829,911	3,820,993
◆ may vote at the proxy's discretion	29,158,501	583,135

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 4 May 2015 London time) are:

<u>Item of Business</u>		<u>Votes cast</u>
		<u>%*</u>
1	To approve the Demerger of South32 from BHP Billiton	66.36%

*This calculation does not include the votes cast at the BHP Billiton Limited General Meeting which are added to the votes cast at the BHP Billiton Plc 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 page 2 of this announcement.

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