



Notification of dividend / distribution

Announcement Summary

Entity name

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

Security on which the Distribution will be paid

BHP - ORDINARY FULLY PAID

Announcement Type

New announcement

Date of this announcement

Tuesday February 21, 2017

Distribution Amount

USD 0.40000000

Ex Date

Thursday March 9, 2017

Record Date

Friday March 10, 2017

Payment Date

Tuesday March 28, 2017

Refer to below for full details of the announcement

Announcement Details

Part 1 - Entity and announcement details

1.1 Name of +Entity

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

1.2 Registered Number Type

ABN

Registration Number

49004028077

1.3 ASX issuer code

BHP

1.4 The announcement is

New announcement

1.5 Date of this announcement

Tuesday February 21, 2017

1.6 ASX +Security Code

BHP



ASX +Security Description

ORDINARY FULLY PAID

Part 2A - All dividends/distributions basic details

2A.1 Type of dividend/distribution

Ordinary

2A.2 The Dividend/distribution:

relates to a period of six months

2A.3 The dividend/distribution relates to the financial reporting or payment period ending ended/ending (date)

Saturday December 31, 2016

2A.4 +Record Date

Friday March 10, 2017

2A.5 Ex Date

Thursday March 9, 2017

2A.6 Payment Date

Tuesday March 28, 2017

2A.7 Are any of the below approvals required for the dividend/distribution before business day 0 of the timetable?

- Security holder approval
- Court approval
- Lodgement of court order with +ASIC
- ACCC approval
- FIRB approval
- Another approval/condition external to the entity required before business day 0 of the timetable for the dividend/distribution.

No

2A.8 Currency in which the dividend/distribution is made ("primary currency")

USD - US Dollar

2A.9 Total dividend/distribution payment amount per +security (in primary currency) for all dividends/distributions notified in this form

USD 0.40000000

2A.9a AUD equivalent to total dividend/distribution amount per +security

2A.9b If AUD equivalent not known, date for information to be released

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Estimated or Actual?

Estimated



2A.10 Does the entity have arrangements relating to the currency in which the dividend/distribution is paid to securityholders that it wishes to disclose to the market?

Yes

2A.11 Does the entity have a securities plan for dividends/distributions on this +security?

We do not have a securities plan for dividends/distributions on this security

2A.12 Does the +entity have tax component information apart from franking?

No

Part 2B - Currency Information

2B.1 Does the entity default to payment in certain currencies dependent upon certain attributes such as the banking instruction or registered address of the +securityholder? (For example NZD to residents of New Zealand and/or USD to residents of the U.S.A.).

Yes

2B.2 Please provide a description of your currency arrangements

BHP Billiton Limited shareholders may have their cash dividends paid directly into their bank account in AUD, NZD, GBP or USD provided that they have submitted direct credit details and if required a valid currency election nominating a financial institution to the BHP Billiton Share Registrar in Australia no later than close of business on the Dividend Record Date. BHP Billiton Limited shareholders who do not provide their direct credit details will receive dividend payments by way of a cheque in Australian dollars.

2B.2a Other currency/currencies in which the dividend/distribution will be paid:

USN - US Dollar (Next day)	USN
GBP - Pound Sterling	GBP
NZD - New Zealand Dollar	NZD

2B.2b Please provide the exchange rates used for non-primary currency payments

Using externally published reference rates (benchmark rates by Central Banks) relevant to each domestic market.

2B.2c If payment currency equivalent and exchange rates not known, date for information to be released **Estimated or Actual?**
 Estimated

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2B.3 Can the securityholder choose to receive a currency different to the currency they would receive under the default arrangements?

Yes



2B.3a Please describe what choices are available to a securityholder to receive a currency different to the currency they would receive under the default arrangements

US Dollar, Pound Sterling, New Zealand Dollar

2B.3b Date and time by which any document or communication relating to the above arrangements must be received in order to be effective for this dividend/distribution

Friday March 10, 2017 17:00:00

2B.3c Please provide, or indicate where relevant forms can be obtained and how and where they must be lodged

Currency elections or any questions can be directed to Computershare Investor Services (within Australia 1300 656 780, outside Australia +61 (0)3 9415 4020 or online at www.investorcentre.com/contact).

Part 3A - Ordinary dividend/distribution

3A.1 Is the ordinary dividend/distribution estimated at this time?

No

3A.1a Ordinary dividend/distribution estimated amount per +security

USD

3A.1b Ordinary Dividend/distribution amount per security

USD 0.40000000

3A.2 Is the ordinary dividend/distribution franked?

Yes

3A.2a Is the ordinary dividend/distribution fully franked?

Yes

3A.3 Percentage of ordinary dividend/distribution that is franked

100.0000 %

3A.3a Applicable corporate tax rate for franking credit (%)

30.0000 %

3A.4 Ordinary dividend/distribution franked amount per +security

USD 0.40000000

3A.5 Percentage amount of dividend which is unfranked

0.0000 %

3A.6 Ordinary dividend/distribution unfranked amount per +security excluding conduit foreign income amount

USD 0.00000000

3A.7 Ordinary dividend/distribution conduit foreign income amount per security

USD 0.00000000

Part 5 - Further information

5.1 Please provide any further information applicable to this dividend/distribution



5.2 Additional information for inclusion in the Announcement Summary