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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

March 10, 2017

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

(ABN 49 004 028 077)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

BHP BILLITON PLC

(REG. NO. 3196209)

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

ENGLAND AND WALES

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organisation)

171 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE,

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Group Governance

10 March 2017

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Notice of Dividend Currency Exchange Rates 2017 Interim Dividend

Name of entities BHP Billiton Limited BHP Billiton Plc

ABN 49 004 028 077 Registration Number 3196209

On 21 February 2017, the Board of BHP Billiton determined to pay an interim dividend of 40 US cents per share for the half year ended 31 December 2016. Included in the announcement of the final dividend determination on 21 February 2017 was the advice that the currency conversion for Australian cents, British pence and New Zealand cents would be based on the foreign currency exchange rates on the Record Date, 10 March 2017, and for South African cents one week before the Record Date on the JSE Limited, which was 3 March 20171. The following table sets out the currency exchange rates applicable for the dividend:

Dividend per ordinary share

Dividend 40 US cents per share	Exchange rate	in local currency
Australian cents	0.752200	53.177346
British pence	1.214200	32.943502
New Zealand cents	0.690916	57.894158
South African cents1	13.126000	525.040000

The dividend will be paid on 28 March 2017.

Rachel Agnew

Company Secretary

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¹ On 3 March 2017 we announced to the London Stock Exchange and the JSE Limited the currency exchange rate applicable to the dividend payable in South African cents.

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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: March 10, 2017 By: /s/ Rachel Agnew

Name: Rachel Agnew Title: Company Secretary