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**EBITDA** 

enhancement)

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Information

Relating

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U.S.

court's

judgment.

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The largest mining company by market capitalisation
US\$B
Market Capitalisation as at 31 January 2008
0

20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 180 200 220 \*Rio Tinto Market Cap = Market Cap of Rio Tinto Plc + 62.6% of Market Cap of Rio Tinto Ltd (due to Rio Tinto Plc s approximate 37.4% holding of Rio Tinto Ltd, as per www.riotinto.com/investors/590\_data\_book.asp) \*\*Market value may be unreliable due to a high percentage of non free-float shares. Sources: Investments and Value Management, Datastream, Bloomberg

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Structure driven by customer needs
Petroleum
Energy Coal
Metallurgical Coal

Manganese Iron Ore Stainless Steel Materials Base Metals Aluminium Diamonds & Spec Prod

Diamonds & Spec Prod Note: Location of dots indicative only

BHP Billiton China Page 6 2008-4-18 Core strategy is unchanged Focus on value creation

People

Run current assets at full potential

Accelerate development projects

Create future options

People

Licence to Operate

World Class Assets

The BHP Billiton Way

(Value Added Processes)

Financial Strength

and Discipline

Project Pipeline

Growth

Options

People

Licence to Operate

World Class Assets

The BHP Billiton Way

(Value Added Processes)

Financial Strength

and Discipline

**Project Pipeline** 

Growth

Options

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China is a continental economy supported by six growth drivers
Housing
Manufacturing

Rising Incomes Urbanization Rural Development Reform

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But economic activity still concentrated in the east

West

Mid

East

2007 5 36 59 GDP (%) 13,157 14,328 33,986 **GDP** per capita (RMB) 62 716 535 Pop. (mn)

Data: Economist Intelligence Unit.

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The economy is diversified and increasingly stable 0%
10%
20%

30%

40%

1980

1985

1990

1995

2000

2005

Nominal GDP

GDP Index

Data: CEIC

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China s growth is driven by domestic demand. Net
Exports have risen cyclically in recent years but are
expected to decline in 2008

Data: CEIC

#### Composition of GDP Contribution to GDP Growth -5 0 5 10 15 20 25 Consumption Investment Inventories Net Exports -20 0 20 40 60 80 100

120

Consumption Investment Net Exports

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Investment
expected to be sustainable due to high private sector savings
Data: CEIC

China Fixed Asset Investment: Source of Funds 10,000,000 20,000,000 30,000,000 40,000,000 50,000,000 60,000,000 70,000,000 80,000,000 90,000,000 2004 2005 2006 2007 Other Self-Raised Foreign Direct Investment

Foreign Capital Domestic Loans State Budget

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Higher inflation is expected to have a moderate effect on growth in 08
Data: CEIC
Consumer Price Index

Consumer Frice mae

100 105 110 115 120 125 Jan-06 Jan-07 Jan-08 CPI CPI Core (Ex. Food & Energy) CPI Food Purchasing Price Index 95 105 115 125 135 145 Jan-06 Jan-07 Jan-08

PPI: Fuels & Power PPI: Ferrous Metals PPI: Non Ferrous Metals

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China's export growth to North America is declining.
Asia is China s largest export market by far.
24%
21%

2% 4% 3% 9% 47% Europe Asia North America Oceania Latin America Africa **Export Growth** -10 0 10 20 30

40 50

60

Jan-06

Sep-06

May-07

Jan-08

Asia

Europe

North America

Data: CEIC

Export Share,

2007

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Low value-added processing and assembled products dominate China s exports
Composition Of Exports
0%

25% 50% 75% 100% Jan-04 Jan-05 Jan-06 Jan-07 Jan-08 Ordinary Trade Processing & Assembly **Processing with Imported Components** Other -50 0 50 100 150 200 Feb-00 Feb-02 Feb-04 Feb-06 Feb-08 Asia Europe North America Rest of World Source: CEIC **Export Growth to Major Regions** 2000-01

Tech Collapse

BHP Billiton China Page 16 2008-4-18 0 500 1,000 1,500

2,000

2,500

3,000

3,500

4,000

4,500

5,000

5,500

FY02

H1 03

H2 03

H1 04

H2 04

H1 05

H2 05

H1 06

H2 06

H1 07

H2 07

H1 08

Petroleum

Aluminium

Base Metals

Iron Ore

Met Coal

Manganese

**Energy Coal** 

SSM

Other

China

#### Diversification remains for sales into China

#### Currently 20% of total company revenues

US\$m

431

785

1,075

1,357

371

1,588

Europe

Japan

Other Asia

Nth

America

China

**ROW** 

Australia

2,407

2,946 3,611

3,999 5,293

5,013

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China s copper, nickel, aluminium and iron ore demand and its percentage share of world demand

Data: Brook Hunt Aluminium Metal Service, February 2008

Data: IISI

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Steel Statistical Yearbook (Dec. 2007); China Customs data
(www.customs.gov.cn);
CRU
"The
Iron
Ore
Market
Service"
Interim
Report, December 2007; The Tex Report (February 2008); Iron ore data
are seaborne traded, based on import statistics
Copper
Nickel
 000 tonnes
Data: CRU Copper Quarterly, January 2008
 000 tonnes
Data: CRU Nickel Quarterly, January 2008
2,000
4,000
6,000
8,000
10,000
12,000
14,000
95
96
97
98
99
00
01
02
03
04
05
06
07
0%
5%
10%
15%
20%
25%
30%
35%
Chinese aluminium
consumption
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% share of global aluminium

consumption (right hand scale) 000 tonnes million tonnes Aluminium Iron Ore 0 500 1,000 1,500 2,000 2,500 3,000 3,500 4,000 4,500 5,000 95 96 97 98 99 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 0% 5% 10% 15% 20% 25% 30% Chinese refined copper consumption % share of world refined copper consumption (right hand scale) 0 50 100 150 200 250 300 350

95 96

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97
98
99
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01
02
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07
0%
5%
10%
15%
20%
25%
30%
Chinese primary nickel
consumption
% share of world primary nickel
consumption (right hand scale)
0
50
100
150
200
250
300
350
400
450
95
96
97
98
99
00
01
02
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04
05
06
07
0%
5%
10%
15%
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20%

25%
30%
35%
40%
45%
50%
Chinese iron ore imports
% share of global seaborne iron ore (right hand scale)

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China accounts for a major share of world commodity demand
Share of World Commodity Demand - 2007
0%
25%

50% 75% 100% Other Europe

Europ

Japan

USA

India

China

Notes: Iron ore is demand for seaborne imports. Steel data are for crude steel production. Coal includes all coal types. Source: CRU Quarterly Reports (January 2008), Brook

Hunt Aluminium Metal Service (February

2008), BP Statistical Review of World Energy June 2007, IISI

Steel Statistical Yearbook (December 2007);

BP Statistical Review of World Energy June 2007

BHP Billiton interim results

BHP Billiton China Page 20 2008-4-18 Highlights Half year ended December 2007

Strong operating and financial results

Cost control focus is yielding excellent results

Project delivery

first production from seven new projects

Healthy volume growth from new production expected in FY 2008

A further four projects approved

Interim dividend increased 45% to 29 US cents per share

Longer term fundamentals remain strong

#### **BHP** Billiton China Page 21 2008-4-18 Underlying EBIT by Customer Sector Group 2006 % Change 2007 Half year ended December (US\$m) Petroleum 1,972 1,612 +22 Aluminium 680 840 -19 Base Metals (including Uranium) 3,367 2,889 +17 Diamonds & Specialty Products 72 78 -8 Stainless Steel Materials 1,427 -44 Iron Ore 1,673 1,404 +19 Manganese

431 105

+311 Metallurgical Coal 523 657 -20 **Energy Coal** 277 242 +15 Group & Unallocated Items (1) (171) (120)BHP Billiton (Total) 9,623 9,134

(1) Includes Technology

+5

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Declining rate of cost increase
H1 FY2005 and H2 FY2005 are shown on the basis of UKGAAP.
Other
periods are calculated under IFRS. All periods excluded third party trading.

4.0% 2.2% 3.0% 1.7% 5.5% 8.4% 5.9% 4.5% 4.3% 5.8% 6.7% 5.6% 4.9% 3.9% 0%1% 2% 3% 4% 5% 6%

H1 FY2005

7% 8% 9%

H2 FY2005

H1 FY2006

H2 FY2006

H1 FY2007

H2 FY2007

H1 FY2008

Total

Excl Non-Cash

Operating cost increase relative to preceding half year

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Outlook
long term fundamentals strong, shorter term more fluid
0
1,000

2,000

3,000

4,000

5,000

India

China

40

42

44

46

48

50 52

54

56

58

Jan-07

Apr-07

Jul-07

Oct-07

Gross domestic product (US\$bn) ISM purchasing manufacturers index

Source: International Monetary Fund

Source: Thomson Financial

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Can Chinese consumption growth offset the shorter term slow down in the US?
0
10

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20
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40
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60
70
80
90
100
Iron Ore
Copper
Energy
China
India
USA
Europe
Share of Consumption
(2007, %)
China Share of Incremental Demand
(1997-2007, %)
0
10
20
30
40
50
60
70
80
90
100
Iron Ore
Copper
Energy
Sources of data: CRU Quarterly Reports (January 2008); IISI
Steel Statistical Yearbook (December 2007);
BP Statistical Review of World Energy June 2007
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Page 25 2008-4-18 A unique balance across high margin CSM, non ferrous and energy commodities 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% Diamonds Aluminium Nickel Copper Ag/Pb/Zn **Energy Coal** Petroleum Met Coal Manganese Iron Ore Note: EBITDA margin excludes third party trading. EBITDA excluded third party trading and Group and Unallocated. EBITDA margin H1 FY 2008 EBITDA H1 FY 2008 (Total = US\$11.4bn)**CSM** Energy Non Ferrous

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Other

49%

24%

26%

1%

Non Ferrous

CSM

Energy Other

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Future growth from high quality opportunities
Future Options
2010
2008
As at 6 February 2008
Proposed
capital expenditure
<\$500m
\$501m-\$2bn

\$2bn+ Feasibility Execution Scarborough SSM Petroleum D&SP **Energy Coal** Aluminium Iron Ore Base Metals Met Coal Manganese **CSG** 2013 Guinea Alumina Samarco 4 Nimba Worsley E&G Pyrenees Samarco Perseverance Deeps Navajo Sth Ekati Canadian Potash Thebe Browse LNG WA Iron Ore Quantum 2 CW Africa Exploration Goonyella Expansions **GEMCO** Exp **CMSA** Pyro Expansion Olympic Dam Expansion 1

Puma CMSA Heap Leach 2

Olympic Dam Expansion 2 Olympic Dam Expansion 3 Neptune Shenzi WA Iron Ore RGP 4 **NWS** T5 Cliffs Cerrejon Opt Exp Escondida 3rd Conc Angola & DRC Caroona WA Iron Ore RGP 5 SA Mn Ore Exp Resolution Corridor Sands I Angostura Gas NWS Angel WA Iron Ore Quantum 1 Saraji MKO Talc Gabon Newcastle Third Port Alumar Atlantis North Yabulu Klipspruit Kipper **GEMCO** Zamzama Phase 2 Macedon

Maruwai Stage 1 Turrum

Leach 1 Knotty Head Eastern Indonesian Facility Red Hill UG Kipper Ph 2 **NWS CP** Corridor Sands II Wards Well **RBM** Daunia Boffa/Santou Refinery Peak Downs Exp Shenzi Nth Maya Nickel DRC Smelter Mad Dog **SWR KNS** Exp Cannington Life Ext Hallmark Blackwater UG NWS WFG Kennedy Douglas-Middelburg NWS Nth Rankin B Mt Arthur Coal UG **Bakhuis** 

Maruwai

Neptune Nth

CMSA Heap

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Development spend in high margin businesses

Note:

Represents pipeline projects in execution, feasibility does not include pre-feasibility projects.

EBITDA

margins for business in 12 months to 31 December 2007 not for individual projects. EBITDA margin excluded third party trading. Source: BHP Billiton estimates. 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% Petroleum Iron Ore Aluminium Development pipeline capex (Total US\$16.1bn) **EBITDA** margins (12 months to December 2007) Petroleum Aluminium Iron Ore Other 24% 33% 28%

15%

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4,000
6,000
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12,000
14,000
16,000
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FY2002
FY2003
FY2004
FY2005
FY2006
FY2007
FY2008
H1
H2
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1500
3000
4500
6000
7500
9000
FY2002
FY2003
FY2004
FY2005
FY2006
FY2007
FY2008
Organic Growth<sup>1</sup>
(US$m)
Return to Shareholders<sup>2</sup>
(US$m)
(1)
Capital and Exploration FY expenditures (exclude acquisitions).
Dividends paid and share buy-backs.
FY2005, FY2006, FY2007 and H1 FY2008 have been calculated on the
basis of the IFRS.
Prior periods have been calculated on the basis of UKGAAP.
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7500
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9000

FY2002

FY2003

FY2004

FY2005

FY2006

FY2007

FY2008

Available Cash Flow

(US\$m)

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Continued excellent operating and financial results

Unique portfolio balance provides stability

Project pipeline and global footprint to support future growth

Longer term outlook for global growth remains robust

BHP Billiton s offer to acquire Rio Tinto

BHP Billiton China Page 31 2008-4-18 Background to the offer

Early 2007: BHP Billiton discussed a merger of equals. This concept was rejected by Rio Tinto

1 November 2007: BHP Billiton made a confidential proposal to combine the companies. Rio Tinto rejected the proposal and refused to enter discussions

8 November 2007: BHP Billiton confirmed it had approached Rio Tinto with a proposal

12 November 2007: BHP Billiton announced the proposal following market speculation. Since then:

Global roadshow has indicated a clear understanding of the industrial logic of the combination

Rio Tinto has refused to engage to discuss the proposal

21 December 2007: BHP Billiton required to put up or shut up by 6 February 2008

1 February 2008: Chinalco acquires a c.12% stake in Rio Tinto plc

6 February 2008: BHP Billiton announced offers for all of the outstanding shares of Rio Tinto

BHP Billiton China Page 32 2008-4-18 BHP Billiton offer for Rio Tinto Rio Tinto plc Offer:

Rio Tinto plc shareholders will receive 3.4 BHP Billiton shares for every Rio Tinto plc share held

80% in BHP Billiton Plc shares

20% in BHP Billiton Ltd shares

Separate US offer (which forms part of the Rio Tinto plc Offer) to:

US resident shareholders of Rio Tinto plc shares

All holders of Rio Tinto plc ADRs

UK CGT rollover relief expected to be available for UK resident shareholders accepting the Rio Tinto plc Offer if there are approximately 70% acceptances under the Rio Tinto plc Offer Rio Tinto Ltd Offer:

Rio Tinto Ltd shareholders will receive 3.4 BHP Billiton Ltd shares for every Rio Tinto Ltd share held

If compulsory acquisition is reached in the Rio Tinto Ltd Offer, then Australian CGT rollover relief is expected to be available for Australian resident shareholders accepting the Rio Tinto Ltd

Offer

(a)

With a mix and match

facility

Notes:

a)

To reach the compulsory

acquisition

thresholds

in

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of

Rio

Tinto

Ltd,

some

or

all

of

the Rio

Tinto

plc

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Tinto

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Tinto

Ltd

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by

Rio

Tinto

plc

or

**ASIC** 

will

need

to

provide

relief

from

the

Australian

Corporations

Act.

**ASIC** 

has

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would

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an

application

for

this

relief,

if

it

becomes

apparent

that

the

Rio

Tinto

plc

holding

is having a clear defensive effect.

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Offers are inter-conditional

Subject to pre-conditions relating to certain anti-trust clearances in the EU, the US, Australia, Canada and South Africa and FIRB approval in Australia

Conditional on more than 50% acceptances in respect of publicly-held shares

Subject to BHP Billiton shareholder approval and other terms and conditions set out in the offer announcement

Maintenance of BHP Billiton s progressive dividend policy

Proposed initial share buyback of up to US\$30bn following completion if the offer is successful

(a)

Buyback and any refinancing of Rio Tinto s borrowings to be funded through a combination

of

a

US\$55bn

committed

bank

financing

facility,

cash

flow

from

operations,

asset disposal proceeds and, if required, debt financing

Target single A credit rating

DLC structure maintained

Notes:

a)

i.e.

if BHP

Billiton

Billiton

acquires 100%

of

the

shares

in

Rio

Tinto

Limited

and

Rio

Tinto

plc

on

the

3.4:1

offer

terms

announced

offer

terms.

BHP Billiton China Page 34 2008-4-18 Unlocking value Why a combination with Rio Tinto?

Combined entity will have a unique portfolio of tier 1 assets

Enhanced ability to optimise and high-grade portfolio Greater diversity and reduced value at risk Combination makes sense in both a rising and a falling market Uniquely positioned to meet the growing demands of the global economy largely driven by China growth Expected material quantifiable synergies and financial benefits unique to this combination (a) US\$1.7bn nominal per annum from cost savings US\$2.0bn additional nominal per annum primarily from volume acceleration Other combination benefits Broader stakeholders will benefit Customers more product, more quickly and more efficiently Communities, employees and developing countries Notes: a) Estimated incremental **EBITDA** based on publicly available information. To be read in conjunction with the notes

in

Appendix

IV

of

BHP

Billiton s

announcement

dated

6-Feb-

2008.

Full

run

rate

synergies

expected

by

year

7.

BHP Billiton China Page 35 2008-4-18 Indicative timetable Event Date

Satisfaction of regulatory approval pre-conditions

Second half of 2008

Posting of offer documents for Rio Tinto

plc Offer and

Rio Tinto Ltd Offer to shareholders

Day 0

(Within 28 days after the pre-conditions

are satisfied)

Last date for fulfilment of minimum acceptance condition in Rio Tinto

plc Offer

Day 60

Last date for fulfilment of all conditions to the Rio Tinto

plc Offer

and all conditions to the Rio Tinto

Ltd Offer (because offers

are inter-conditional)

Day 81

First date for delivery of consideration under the offers

Within 14 days after the offers become wholly

unconditional

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Financial highlights
2006
2007
Half year ended December (US$m)
Revenue
25,539
22,113
+15
Underlying EBITDA
11,167
10,494
+6
Underlying EBIT
9,623
9,134
+5
Attributable profit (excluding exceptionals)
5,995
6,168
-3
Attributable profit
6,017
6,168
-2
Net operating cash flows
7,870
7,116
+11
EPS (excluding exceptionals) (US cents)
106.8
103.9
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+3

Dividends per share (US cents)

29

20

+45

% Change

Page 38 2008-4-18 Cash flow Operating cash flow and dividends (1) 11,600 10,188 Net interest paid (313)(231)Tax paid (2) (3,417)(2,841)Net operating cash flow 7,870 7,116 Capital expenditure (3,753)(3,466)Exploration expenditure (598)(312)Purchases of investments (153)(31) Proceeds from sale of fixed assets & investments 134 298 Net cash flow before dividends and funding 3,500

**BHP** Billiton China

3,605

# Dividends paid (3) (1,571) (1,122) Net cash flow before funding & buy-backs 1,929 2,483 2007 2006 Half year ended December (US\$m) (1) Operating cash flow includes dividends received. (2) Includes royalty related taxes paid.

Includes dividends paid to minority interests.

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Return on capital and margins

(1)

H1 2008 is calculated on an annualised basis.

(2)

FY2005, FY2006, FY2007 and H1 2008 are shown on the basis of Underlying EBIT. Prior periods are calculated under UKGAAP. All periods excluded third party trading. 35% 38% 30% 44%48%44%29% 21% 13% 11% 40%30% 24% 20% 0%10% 20% 30% 40%50%60%FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2007 H1 2008

Return on Capital EBIT Margin

(2) (1) BHP Billiton China
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Underlying EBIT by Customer Sector Group
2006
% Change
2007
Half year ended December (US\$m)

Record half year EBIT

Record half year production from global continuing operations

Cash costs flat with comparative half

Three major new projects on line in first half: Stybarrow, Atlantis and Genghis Khan

Exploration successful drilling of Thebe and acreage captured in Gulf of Mexico and Falklands Shenzi Petroleum 1,972 1,612 +22.3 BHP Billiton China
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Underlying EBIT by Customer Sector Group
2006
% Change
2007

Production at record levels

Softer prices for metals and cost impacted by weaker US\$

South African power situation will impact metal production Half year ended December (US\$m)

Record copper concentrate production

Contribution of 96,000 tonnes from new projects

Olympic Dam pre-feasibility study progressing well Mozal Olympic Dam

Production and sales volumes improved second quarter

Ravensthorpe ramping up as expected Nickel West Aluminium 680

840

40

-19.0

Base Metals

3,367

2,889

+16.5

Stainless Steel Materials

799

1,427

-44.0

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Underlying EBIT by Customer Sector Group

2006

% Change

2007

Half year ended December (US\$m)

Record Half Year EBIT

Record production and shipments

RGP3 commissioned and RGP4 on schedule

Record production and shipments

Groote Eylandt expansion approved lifting capacity to 4.2mtpa of ore and concentrate

Record shipments benefiting from expanded Hay Point Terminal

EBIT impacted by lower prices

Severe flooding in Queensland will impact production

**TEMCO** 

**BMA** 

Mount Newman

Metallurgical Coal

523

657

-20.4

Manganese

431

105

+310.5 Iron Ore 1,673 1,404 +19.2 BHP Billiton China Page 43 2008-4-18 Underlying EBIT by Customer Sector Group 2006 % Change 2007

Higher export prices driven by strong demand

Record annual production at Hunter Valley and Cerrejon

Approval of Klipspruit (+1.8mtpa export coal) and Newcastle third port Half year ended December (US\$m) BECSA

Koala Underground completed ahead of schedule and budget

Increased exploration activity on diamond targets in Angola and potash opportunity in Canada Ekati Energy Coal

277

242

+14.5

Diamonds & Specialty Products

72

78

-7.7

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0%

10%

20%

30%

40% 50% 60% 70% Petroleum Aluminium Base Metals Diamonds & Specialty Products Stainless Steel Materials Iron Ore Manganese Met Coal Energy Coal 2005

2006

2007

H1 2008

EBIT margin

(1)

by Customer Sector Group

(1)

All periods excluded third party trading.

BHP Billiton China Page 45 2008-4-18 Underlying EBIT analysis Half year ended Dec 2007 vs Dec 2006 3,000 4,000

5,000 6,000 7,000 8,000 9,000 10,000 11,000 12,000 Dec-06 Net Price Volume Exchange Inflation Cash Costs Non Cash Costs Exploration & Bus. Dev Other Dec-07 US\$m 9,134 1,635 461 (506)(206)(199)(61) (222)(413)9,623 (1) Including \$154m of price-linked costs impact. Including \$324m due to increase in volume from new operations.

(1) (2)

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-250

-150

-50

50

150 250 350 450 Impact of major volume changes Half year ended Dec 2007 vs Dec 2006 US\$m Total volume (1) variance US\$461 million Copper 387 Met Coal 83 Iron Ore 81 Aluminium/ Alumina 44 D&SP 24 Energy Coal (9) Petroleum (25) Nickel (226)Other 102 (1) Volume variances calculated using previous year margin and including \$324m due

to increase in volume from new operations.

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Impact of major commodity price
Half year ended Dec 2007 vs Dec 2006
-200
-100

0 100 200 300 400 500 Total price variance US\$1,635 million (1) US\$m Petroleum 466 Base Metals 350 Manganese 346 Iron Ore 333 Energy Coal 308 SSM 97 Diamonds (23)Aluminium (44) Met Coal

(1) Including \$154m of price-linked costs impact.

(198)

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Developing world metals demand to show significant growth

\* 1 January 2008 real US dollars

Sources

of

data:

CRU

Quarterly

Reports

(January

2008);

Brook

Hunt

Aluminium

Metal

Service

(February

2008);

IISI

Steel Statistical Yearbook (December 2007); World Bank (World Development Indicators Online Database, February 2008); BHP Billiton analysis US\$ expenditure (per capita) 10 20 30 40 50 GDP per capita (US\$ 000)\* 10 20 30 40 Aluminium Copper Iron Ore

**Coking Coal** 

China: \$2,000 per capita

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But, the dollar value of oil intensity per capita is 10 times
that of non ferrous metals
US$ Expenditure
(per capita)
100
200
300
400
500
GDP per capita (US$ 000)*
10
20
30
40
Crude Oil
Aluminium/Copper
```

China: \$2,000 per capita

1 January 2008 real US dollars
Sources
of
lata:
CRU
Quarterly
Reports
January
2008);
Brook
<b>Funt</b>
Aluminium
Metal
Service
February
2008);
ISI
Steel
Statistical
Yearbook
December
2007);
Vorld
Bank
World
Development
ndicators
Online Online

BP Statistical Review of World Energy June 2007; BHP Billiton analysis

Database, February 2008);

BHP Billiton China Page 50 2008-4-18 But so is Metallurgical coal

Leading position in the seaborne market

100% BMA owned Hay Point limits impact of infrastructure constraints

Significant growth options

Iron Ore is an important part of the mix

Geographic proximity to the growing Asian market

Record H1 production and shipments

Plans underway to expand WAIO to 300mtpa by 2015 And Manganese is a significant contributor

Largest supplier of seaborne manganese ore from high quality resource base

Manganese ore and alloy assets operating at record production levels in a strong demand environment Broad exposure to carbon steel sector demand 20%

64%

Total Carbon Steel Sector H1 FY 2008

**EBIT** 

(Total = US\$2.6bn)

16%

Manganese

Met Coal

Iron Ore

#### BHP Billiton China Page 51 2008-4-18 Source: EIA International Energy Outlook 2007 WNA Global Nuclear Fuel Market 2007 Well positioned to meet energy demand regardless of fuel mix

2025

2030

**Energy Demand** 

Renewables

Nuclear

Gas

Oil

Coal

2007 = 100

Projected world primary energy demand

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China s intensity of aluminium use is rising but it has much further to climb
Aluminium - GDP per capita vs consumption per capita
0

5 10 15 20 25 30 0 5000 10000 15000 20000 25000 30000 35000 40000 45000 50000 GDP/Capita (Jan. 2008 Constant US Dollars) China Germany India Japan Korea, Rep. **United States** Taiwan Note: Based on project of similar growth patterns to the other nations shown Source: World Bank (World Development Indicators Online Database, February

2008); Government

Statistics

for

Taiwan

(www.stat.gov.tw);

Brook

Hunt

Aluminium

Metal

Service

(February 2008)

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China s intensity of copper use is rising but it has much further to climb
Copper - GDP per capita vs consumption per capita
0

5 10 15 20 0 5000 10000 15000 20000 25000 30000 35000 40000 45000 50000 GDP/Capita (Jan. 2008 Constant US Dollars) China Germany India Japan Korea, Rep. **United States** Taiwan \*Note: Based on a project of similar growth patterns to the other nations shown Source: World Bank (World Development Indicators Online Database, February 2008); Government **Statistics** 

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Taiwan

(www.stat.gov.tw);

CRU

Copper Quarterly (January 2008)

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China s intensity of steel use is rising but it has much further to climb
Steel - GDP per capita vs consumption per capita
0

200 400 600 800 1000 1200 0 5000 10000 15000 20000 25000 30000 35000 40000 45000 50000 GDP/Capita (Jan. 2008 Constant US Dollars) China Germany India Japan Korea, Rep. **United States** Taiwan \*Note: Based on project of similar growth patterns to the other nations shown Source: World Bank (World Development Indicators Online Database, February

2008); Government

Statistics for Taiwan

(www.stat.gov.tw);

IISI

Steel Statistical Yearbook (Dec. 2007)

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China s energy use has far to grow, providing strong opportunities for suppliers of energy raw materials
Energy - GDP per capita vs energy use per capita
0

2 4 6 8 10 0 5000 10000 15000 20000 25000 30000 35000 40000 45000 50000 GDP/Capita (Jan. 2008 Constant US Dollars) China Germany India Japan Korea, Rep. **United States** Taiwan \*Note: Based on a project of similar growth patterns to the other nations shown Source: World Bank World Development Indicators Online Database (February

2008), Government

Statistics

for

Taiwan

(www.stat.gov.tw);

BP

Statistical

Review

of

World

Energy June 2007

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Inventories remain at historically low levels;
Real LME metal prices are still high
Monthly Real LME Metal Prices and Stocks
0

20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 180 200 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 LME Price Index (left scale) Stocks (right scale) Source: Macquarie Capital Securities Research, February 2008. London Metal Exchange (LME) prices

and stocks of Al, Cu, Zn, Pb, Ni Stock/consumption ratios very low

BHP Billiton China Page 57 2008-4-18 1920-1945 Great Depression World War II High military demand

Investment dries up Prices collapse and stagnate 1975-2007 Emerging Market growth Maturing of Japan 1990: Collapse of USSR Re-birth of US economy Productivity & IT revolution Commodification Cost benefits from technology and economies of scale China s long boom Renewed call on copper resources Global Copper Prices in 1880-2007 1880-1914 Second Industrial Revolution & US economic expansion Electrification Colonial/imperial raw materials networks Rising real prices Sources of data: **CRU** Quarterly Reports (January 2008, and archives), US Geological Survey Metal Prices in the US Through 1998 (http://minerals.usgs.gov/minerals), US Bureau of

Economic Analysis (US **CPI** Database) 1970s Oil Shocks Inflation/recession Demand slumps Substitution LME pricing Costs and prices fall from peaks 1950-1973 Post-war boom Japan s economic miracle High demand growth Nationalisation in Chile, Peru, Mexico and Africa Costs and prices rise Producer pricing 0.00 0.50 1.00 1.50 2.00 2.50 3.00 3.50 4.00 1880 1890 1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 10-Year Moving

Average

Real Annual

Cu Price

Expansion of US

copper mining

Expansion in

African Copperbelt

Expansion in

Chile/Peru

Escondida &

Freeport

Flotation, open-pit

mining and

mechanisation

Flash smelting

Birth of Sx/Ew

WWI

WWII

Twin Oil

Shocks

Collapse

of USSR

Wall

Street

Crash

1920-2007

China s

Boom

Vietnam

War

Korean

War

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0.0

1.0

2.0

3.0

4.0 5.0 6.0 7.0 8.0 9.0 10.0 FY 2002 FY 2003 FY 2004 FY 2005 FY 2006 FY 2007 FY 2008 Exploration Sustaining Capex Growth Expenditure Capital & exploration expenditure US\$bn 9.9 7.4 6.4 4.3 3.1 3.0 3.2 Total 1.3 0.8 0.8 0.5 0.5 0.3 0.4 Exploration (1) 1.5 1.4 1.4 1.2 0.8 0.7 0.9 Sustaining & Other 7.1 5.2

4.2 2.6

1.8

2.0

1.9

Growth

2008F

2007

2006

2005

2004

2003

2002

**US**\$ Billion

(1)

2008 Forecast includes

US\$600m for Petroleum

F

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Portfolio management
US\$6.1bn of disposals
0
1,000
2,000
3,000
4,000
5,000
6,000
7,000
Sale Proceeds
Base Metals
D&SP
Energy Coal
SSM
Petroleum
Steel
Other
139
Dec 2007
444
FY 2007
6,146
Total proceeds
845
FY 2002
2,472
FY 2003
(1)
277
FY 2004
1,035
FY 2005
934
FY 2006
US\$m
Proceeds from
sale of assets
(1) Includes BHP Steel demerger and BHP Steel loans
(net of cash disposed and costs)
US\$m

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Sanctioned development projects (US\$9.6bn)
Sanctioned
Third coal berth capable
of handling an estimated

30 million tpa
End CY10
390
Energy
Coal
Newcastle Third Port (Australia)
35.5%
Sanctioned
Incremental 1.8 million
tpa
export coal
Incremental 2.1 million
tpa
domestic
H2 CY09
450
Energy
Coal
Klipspruit
Kiipspiuit
100%
Sanctioned
Additional 1 million tpa
manganese concentrate
H1 CY09
110
Mn
Ore
GEMCO (Australia)
60 %
On time and
budget.
_
Increase system capacity
to 155 million tpa
H1 CY10
1,850
Iron Ore
Western Australia Iron Ore RGP
4 (Australia)
86.2%
On time and
budget.
7.6 million tpa
H1 CY08
590
Iron Ore
Samarco
Third Pellet Plant
(Brazil)
50%

On time and

budget.

2 million tpa

Q2 CY09

725

Alumina

Alumar

Refinery Expansion

(Brazil)

36%

**Production Capacity** 

(100%)

Progress

Initial

Production

Target Date

Share of

Approved

Capex

US\$m

Commodity

Minerals Projects

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Sanctioned development projects (US\$9.6bn) cont.
On revised
schedule and
budget

150 million cubic feet gas per day H1 CY08 46 Gas Zamzama Phase 2 (Pakistan) 38.5% On time and budget. LNG processing capacity 4.2 million tpa Late CY08 350 LNG North West Shelf 5th Train (Australia) 16.67% On time and budget. 50,000 barrels and 50 million cubic feet gas per day Q1 CY08 405 Oil/Gas Neptune (US) 35% **Production Capacity** (100%)**Progress** Initial Production Target Date Share of Approved Capex US\$m Commodity Petroleum Projects On revised schedule and budget 45,000 tpa nickel Q1 CY08 556 Nickel Yabulu (Australia)

100%

On time and

budget.

360,000 tpa

nickel ore

H1 CY08

139

Nickel

Cliffs (Australia)

100%

**Production Capacity** 

(100%)

Progress

Initial

Production

Target Date

Share of

Approved

Capex

US\$m

Commodity

Minerals Projects

(cont d)

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Sanctioned development projects (US\$9.6bn) cont.
Sanctioned
10,000 bpd condensate
and processing capacity

gas per day CY11 500 Oil/Gas Kipper (Australia) 32.5%-50% On time and budget. 96,000 barrels of oil and 60 million cubic feet gas per day H1 CY10 1,200 Oil/Gas Pyrenees (Australia) 71.43% On time and budget. Tie-back to Atlantis South H2 CY09 100 Oil/Gas Atlantis North (US) 44% On time and budget. 100,000 barrels and 50 million cubic feet of gas per day Mid CY09 1,940 Oil/gas Shenzi (US) 44% On time and budget. 800 million cubic feet gas per day and 50,000 bpd condensate End CY08 200 Oil/Gas North West Shelf Angel

of 80 million cubic feet

(Australia)

16.67%

**Production Capacity** 

(100%)

Progress

Initial

Production

Target Date

Share of

Approved

Capex

US\$m

Commodity

Petroleum Projects

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Development projects in feasibility (US\$6.5bn)
3.2 million tpa
H2 CY11
1,000

Alumina Guinea Alumina Project (Guinea) 33.3% 1 million tpa clean coal End CY08 50 Met Coal Maruwai Stage 1 (Indonesia) 100% 6.9 million tpa bauxite H2 CY09 320 Bauxite **Bakhuis** (Suriname) 45% Optimisation of existing reserve base H1 CY08 1,000 **Energy Coal** Douglas-Middelburg Optimisation (South Africa) 84% 5 million tpa clean coal H2 CY10 405 Met Coal Maruwai (Indonesia) 100% 1.1 million tpa End CY10 1,750 Alumina Worsley Efficiency and Growth (Australia) 86% **Project Capacity**  $(100\%)^*$ Forecast Initial Production\*

Estimated Share of Capex\*
US\$m

Commodity
Minerals Projects
(US\$4.7bn)
\*

Indicative only

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Development projects in feasibility (US\$6.5bn) cont.
5.7 million tpa
saleable coal
End CY10

480

**Energy Coal** 

Navajo South Mine Extension

(USA)

100%

Maintain Nickel West system

capacity

H2 CY13

500

Nickel

Perseverance Deeps (Australia)

100%

7 million tpa

saleable coal

End CY10

475

**Energy Coal** 

Mt Arthur Coal UG (Australia)

100%

**Project Capacity** 

(100%)\*

Forecast Initial

Production\*

**Estimated Share** 

of Capex\*

US\$m

Commodity

Minerals Projects

(US\$4.7bn)

LNG processing capacity

2.5 million tpa

H2 CY12

600

LNG

NWS North Rankin B

16.67%

**Project Capacity** 

(100%)\*

Forecast Initial

Production\*

**Estimated Share** 

of Capex\*

US\$m

Commodity

Petroleum Projects

(US\$600m)

\*

Indicative only

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Development projects commissioned since July 2001
Q1 CY04
Q2 CY04
266

299 Products & Capacity Expansion (Australia) 85% Q1 CY04 Q1 CY04 33 50 Cerrejon Zona Norte (Colombia) 33.3% Q4 CY03 Q4 CY03 464 464 Ohanet (Algeria) 45% Q4 CY03 Q2 CY04 411 449 Hillside 3 (South Africa) 100% Q4 CY03 Q4 CY03 380 411 Mt Arthur North (Australia) 100% Q3 CY03 Q4 CY03 171 181 Area C (Australia) 85% Q2 CY03 Q3 CY03 40 40 Zamzama (Pakistan) 38.5%Q2 CY01 Q2 CY01 752

775 Antamina

#### (Peru) 33.75% Q4 CY02 Q2 CY03 34 50 Bream Gas Pipeline (Australia) 50% Q3 CY02 Q3 CY02 543 600 Escondida Phase IV (Chile) 57.5% Q3 CY02 Q3 CY02 143 146 San Juan Underground (US) 100% Q2 CY02 Q2 CY02 120 138 Tintaya Oxide (Peru) 99.9% Q3 CY01 Q3 CY01 114 128 Typhoon (US) 50% Mozal 2 (Mozambique) 47.1% Project **Q2 CY03** Q4 CY03 311 405 **Initial Production Date** Our Share of Capex Actual Budget Actual US\$m

Budget

US\$m

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Development projects commissioned since July 2001
Q2 CY06
Q1 CY06
188

165 Worsley Development Capital Project (Australia) 86% Q4 CY05 Q3 CY05 33 29 Paranam Refinery Expansion (Suriname) 45%Oct 2005 Q4 CY05 251 230 Escondida Norte (Chile) 57.5% Mid CY05 Mid CY05 100 90 BMAPhase 1 (Including Broadmeadow) (Australia) 50% April 2005 Mid CY05 200 200 Dendrobium (Australia) 100% April 2005 Early CY05 139 146

Panda

Underground

# (Canada) 80% Jan 2005 End CY04 337 327 Angostura (Trinidad) 45% Q2 CY04 Q2 CY04 80 83 WA Iron Ore Accelerated Expansion (Australia) 85% Jan 2005 End CY04 370 368 Mad Dog (US) 23.9% Q4 CY04 Q4 CY04 132 132 GoM Pipelines Infrastructure (US) 22/25% Q4 CY04 Q4 CY04 101 95 Western Australia

Iron Ore RGP (Australia)

85% Q4 CY04 Q4 CY04 192

ROD (Algeria)

36%

192

Mid CY04

Mid CY04

252247

NWS Train 4 (Australia)

16.7% Minerva (Australia)

90%

Project Jan 2005

Q4 CY04

157 150

Initial Production Date

Our Share of Capex

Actual

Budget

Actual

US\$m

Budget

US\$m

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Development projects commissioned since July 2001
Q4 CY07
Q4 CY07
144

(1)

140

Pinto

Valley

(USA)

100%

Q4 CY07

Q4 CY07

1,300

(1)

1,300

Western

Australia

Iron

Ore

RGP3

(Australia)

86.2%

Q4 CY07

Q1 CY08

2,079

(1)

2,200

Ravensthorpe

(Australia)

100%

End CY07

End CY07

176

200

Koala

Underground

(Canada)

80%

Q2 CY08

Q2 CY08

380

(1)

380

Stybarrow

(Australia)-

50%

H2 CY07

H2 CY07

1,630

(1)

1,630 Atlantis South (US) 44% H2 CY07 H2 CY07 365 (1) 365 Genghis Khan (US) 44% H1 CY07 Mid CY07 140 (1) 100 Blackwater Coal Preparation (Australia) 50% Q4 CY06 H2 CY06 88 (1) 88 BMAPhase (Australia) 50% Q4 CY06 Q4 CY06 1,100 990 Spence (Chile) 100% **Q2 CY06** H2 CY06 566 500 Escondida

Sulphide

Leach
(Chile)
57.5%
Q2 CY06
H2 CY06
501
489
Western
Australia
Iron
Ore
RGP2
(Australia)
85%
Project
Initial Production Date
Our Share of Capex
Actual
Budget
Actual
US\$m
Budget
US\$m
(1)

Actual cost subject to finalisation.

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Key net profit sensitivities
US$1/t on iron ore price
60
US$1/bbl on oil price
30
US$1/t on metallurgical coal price
USc1/lb on aluminium price
USc1/lb on copper price
US$1/t on energy coal price
25
USc1/lb on nickel price
AUD (USc1/A$) Operations
(2)
65
RAND (0.2 Rand/US$) Operations
(2)
35
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(US\$m)

## Approximate impact

(1)

on FY 2008 net profit after tax of changes of:

- (1) Assumes total volumes exposed to price.
- (2) Impact based on average exchange rate for the period.