

RIO TINTO PLC
Form 6-K
August 09, 2012

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

9 August 2012

Commission file number: 001-10533

Rio Tinto plc

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

2 Eastbourne Terrace
London, W2 6LG, United Kingdom
(Address of principal executive offices)

Commission file number: 001-34121

Rio Tinto Limited
ABN 96 004 458 404

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Level 33, 120 Collins Street
Melbourne, Victoria 3000, Australia
(Address of principal executive offices)

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EXHIBITS

99.1 8 August 2012 Rio Tinto first half earnings

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

Rio Tinto plc

(Registrant)

By /s/ Ben Mathews

Name Ben Mathews

Title Secretary

Date 9 August 2012

Rio Tinto Limited

(Registrant)

By /s/ Ben Mathews

Name Ben Mathews

Title Assistant Secretary

9 August 2012

