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**BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION REPORT
FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30 JUNE 2005**

BHP Billiton today released its production report for the quarter ended 30 June 2005. BHP Billiton acquired WMC Resources Ltd (WMC), effective 3 June 2005

(1). This report therefore, includes production from the recently acquired assets of Olympic Dam, Nickel West and Queensland Fertilizer Operations (all Australia), for the month of June 2005. Throughout this report, unless otherwise stated, production volumes refer to BHP Billiton share.

- Annual production records were achieved in iron ore, metallurgical coal, natural gas, aluminium, nickel, silver, lead, manganese ore and manganese alloy in a strong demand environment.
- Increased year on year production of energy coal and copper.
- Continued ramp up of oil and condensate production from the recently commissioned Petroleum projects, ROD (Algeria), Mad Dog (USA), and Angostura (Trinidad & Tobago).
- First metallurgical coal production from the newly commissioned Dendrobium mine (Australia) and first diamond production from the Panda Underground project (Canada).
- First reported production from WMC operations.

(1) BHP Billiton took control of WMC on 3 June 2005 achieving a 76.25 per cent interest in WMC's shares. This was increased to 93.27 per cent on 17 June 2005 and subsequently BHP Billiton moved to compulsorily acquire the remaining WMC shares. This process is continuing. BHP Billiton is reporting 100 per cent production from Olympic Dam, Nickel West and Queensland Fertilizer Operations for the month of June 2005.

• **Total Petroleum Products -**

Total production for the June 2005 financial year was 119.0 million barrels of oil equivalent, three per cent lower than the June 2004 financial year. June 2005 quarter production was 33.1 million barrels of oil equivalent, nine per cent higher than the June 2004 quarter and 16 per cent higher than the March 2005 quarter.

- **Oil and Condensate -** Production for the June 2005 quarter was 13.9 million barrels, five per cent higher than the 13.3 million barrels produced in the June 2004 quarter. This primarily reflects new production from ROD, Angostura and Mad Dog, and successful infill drilling at North West Shelf (Australia). This was partially offset by natural field decline at Typhoon/Boris (USA), Bass Strait (Australia), Liverpool Bay (UK) and Griffin (Australia), and the divestment of Laminaria (Australia) in January 2005.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 13 per cent higher than the 12.3 million barrels produced in the March 2005 quarter, this is mainly due to the ramp up of production from ROD, Mad Dog and Angostura, and reduced downtime at Liverpool Bay. This was partially offset by natural field decline and scheduled downtime at Typhoon/Boris.

- ◆ **Natural Gas -** Production for the June 2005 quarter was a record 98.8 billion cubic feet, 16 per cent higher than the 85.1 billion cubic feet produced in the June 2004 quarter. This reflects the commissioning of Minerva (Australia) in January 2005 and higher production from North West Shelf LNG following the commissioning of the 4th LNG Train in September 2004. This was partially offset by lower demand for Bass Strait gas and natural field decline at Bruce (UK) and Typhoon/Boris.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 20 per cent higher than the 82.4 billion cubic feet produced in the March 2005 quarter reflecting seasonal conditions driving higher demand for Bass Strait gas, the ramp up of production from Minerva and lower downtime at Liverpool Bay and North West Shelf LNG. This was partially offset by seasonal conditions driving reduced demand for Zamzama (Pakistan) gas.

• **Alumina**

- Production for the June 2005 financial year of 4.2 million tonnes was in line with the June 2004 financial year.

Production for the June 2005 quarter of 1.1 million tonnes was in line with the June 2004 quarter. Production was three per cent lower than the March 2005 quarter due to processing of stockpiled hydrate at Worsley (Australia) in the prior quarter. Production was also impacted by commissioning difficulties at the Suriname refinery expansion.

• **Aluminium**

- Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 1.33 million tonnes, six per cent higher than the previous year. This primarily reflects the first full year of production from the Mozal 2 (Mozambique) and Hillside 3 (South Africa) expansions, which reached full commissioning in August 2003 and December 2003 respectively.

Production for the June 2005 quarter of 321,000 tonnes was four per cent lower than the June 2004 quarter and three per cent lower than the March 2005 quarter, reflecting lower production at Bayside (South Africa) following a potline outage in April 2005.

• **Copper** - Production for the June 2005 financial year was 1.03 million tonnes, eight per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This mainly reflects record annual production at Escondida (Chile) following the restoration of full capacity and the August 2003 restart of sulphide operations at Tintaya (Peru). The increase also reflects record annual production at Antamina (Peru) following the return to their normal mine plan after the removal of lakebed sediments, and the inclusion of production for June 2005 from Olympic Dam. These increases were partly offset by the sale of the Group's interest in Highland Valley Copper (Canada) in January 2004.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 269,800 tonnes, in line with the June 2004 quarter. Increased production following the acquisition of Olympic Dam was offset by the temporary suspension of production at both Cerro Colorado (Chile) due to an earthquake, and Tintaya following regional unrest. Production was eight per cent higher than the March 2005 quarter reflecting increased production from Escondida as a result of higher head grades and mill throughput, and the inclusion of Olympic Dam production. This was partially offset by the temporarily suspended production at Cerro Colorado and Tintaya.

• **Silver -**

Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 50.0 million ounces, 15 per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This mainly reflects increased mill throughput at Cannington (Australia) resulting from a debottlenecking program.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 11.9 million ounces, seven per cent higher than the June 2004 quarter reflecting increased mill throughput at Cannington. Production was 15 per cent lower than the March 2005 quarter mainly as a result of lower head grades and reduced mill throughput at Cannington.

• **Lead -**

Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 281,970 tonnes, 13 per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This mainly reflects increased mill throughput at Cannington resulting from a debottlenecking program.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 64,652 tonnes, in line with the June 2004 quarter. Production was 20 per cent lower than the March 2005 quarter mainly as a result of lower head grades and reduced mill throughput at Cannington.

• **Uranium Oxide -**

Production of 415 tonnes of uranium oxide concentrate for the June 2005 quarter reflects the inclusion of one month of production from Olympic Dam.

• **Iron Ore**

- Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 96.7 million tonnes, 15 per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This primarily reflects increased production following the completion of several expansion projects at Western Australia Iron Ore underpinned by continuing strong customer demand.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 25.3 million tonnes, 23 per cent higher than the June 2004 quarter and five per cent higher than the March 2005 quarter. The increase reflects the successful ramp up of production following the completion of the Accelerated Expansion Project and Rapid Growth Project 1 in June 2004 and December 2004 respectively. Western Australia Iron Ore production for the quarter was 27.3 million tonnes (100 per cent basis) which represents an annualised rate of 109.2 million tonnes per annum (100 per cent basis).

• **Metallurgical Coal**

- Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 37.3 million tonnes, five per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This is mainly due to increased production at Queensland Coal (Australia) reflecting continuing growth initiatives, and higher production at Illawarra Coal (Australia) resulting from improved operating performance and the commissioning of Dendrobium in April 2005.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 9.6 million tonnes, three per cent higher than the June 2004 quarter. This primarily reflects the commissioning of Dendrobium in April 2005. Production was eight per cent higher than the March 2005 quarter reflecting increased production at Queensland Coal. Higher production at Illawarra Coal following the commissioning of Dendrobium was offset by a longwall changeout at West Cliff and scheduled maintenance at the West Cliff coal preparation plant.

• **Manganese ore**

- Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 5.5 million tonnes, 10 per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. Production from latent capacity was increased to meet strong customer demand in all markets, particularly China, Japan and Europe.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was a record 1.4 million tonnes, six per cent higher than the June 2004 quarter reflecting strong customer demand. Production was nine per cent higher than the March 2005 quarter reflecting scheduled maintenance shutdowns at the South African operations and seasonal conditions impacting production at Gemco (Australia) in the prior quarter.

• **Manganese alloys -**

Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 755,000 tonnes, six per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This primarily reflects improved operating performance at Metalloys (South Africa) and increased production at Temco (Australia) in response to strong customer demand.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 156,000 tonnes, 23 per cent lower than the June 2004 quarter and 21 per cent lower than the March 2005 quarter. This primarily reflects scheduled maintenance at Metalloys and changes to product mix at Temco.

- **Diamonds**

- Production of 3.6 million carats at Ekati (Canada) was 34 per cent lower than the June 2004 financial year. This decrease primarily reflects the processing of lower grade ore after mining of a high grade zone in the Koala pipe was completed in the June 2004 quarter.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 957,000 carats, 21 per cent lower than the June 2004 quarter reflecting the processing of lower grade ore. While diamond grades were low in the June quarter, they were higher than in the March 2005 quarter, causing carat production to increase by 19 per cent over the prior quarter.

- **Fertilizer -**

Production of 73,902 tonnes of fertilizer for the June 2005 quarter reflects the inclusion of one month of production from Queensland Fertilizer Operations.

- **Energy Coal -**

Production for the June 2005 financial year was 87.4 million tonnes, four per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This primarily reflects the continued ramp up of production at Mt Arthur Coal (Australia) and increased production from New Mexico Coal (USA) following improved dragline availability at Navajo Coal (USA).

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 22.7 million tonnes, six per cent higher than the June 2004 quarter, primarily reflecting inventory building in preparation for a dragline outage at Navajo Coal, and lower production in the June 2004 quarter at San Juan Coal (USA) following a longwall move. Production was 13 per cent higher than the March 2005 quarter reflecting higher production at Ingwe (South Africa) in response to increased domestic demand, a longwall move at San Juan Coal in the March 2005 quarter and the ramp up of production at Mt Arthur Coal.

- **Nickel -** Production for the June 2005 financial year was a record 91,900 tonnes, 12 per cent higher than the June 2004 financial year. This primarily reflects the inclusion of production for June 2005 from Nickel West and the benefits of processing enhancements arising from operating excellence initiatives at Cerro Matoso (Colombia).

Production for the June 2005 quarter was a record 31,800 tonnes, 60 per cent higher than the June 2004 quarter and 53 per cent higher than the March 2005 quarter. This is mainly due to the inclusion of one month of production from Nickel West. Increased production also reflects record quarterly production at both Yabulu (Australia) and Cerro Matoso arising from the conversion of work in process inventories to finished goods at Yabulu following scheduled maintenance in the March 2005 quarter and improved operating efficiencies at Cerro Matoso.

- **Ferrochrome -**

Production for the June 2005 financial year was 954,000 tonnes, seven per cent lower than the June 2004 financial year. This primarily reflects the sale of Samancor Chrome (South Africa), effective 1 June 2005.

Production for the June 2005 quarter was 178,000 tonnes, 33 per cent lower than the June 2004 quarter and 26 per cent lower than the March 2005 quarter reflecting the sale of Samancor Chrome.

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| BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION SUMMARY | | | QUARTER ENDED | | | YEAR ENDED | | % CHANGE | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--|---------------|--------|--------|------------|--------|----------|---------|--------|
| | | | JUNE | MARCH | JUNE | JUNE | JUNE | JUN Q05 | JUN Q05 | YTD 05 |
| | | | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 | vs | vs | vs |
| | | | | | | | | JUN Q04 | MAR Q05 | YTD 04 |
| PETROLEUM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crude oil & condensate | ('000 bbl) | | 13,297 | 12,345 | 13,939 | 50,840 | 58,027 | 5% | 13% | -12% |
| Natural gas | (bcf) | | 85.11 | 82.35 | 98.79 | 345.68 | 324.34 | 16% | 20% | 7% |
| LPG | ('000 tonnes) | | 235.86 | 199.29 | 213.71 | 860.10 | 853.53 | -9% | 7% | 1% |
| Ethane | ('000 tonnes) | | 25.14 | 23.61 | 22.97 | 101.53 | 94.30 | -9% | -3% | 8% |
| Total Petroleum Products | (million boe) | | 30.32 | 28.49 | 33.13 | 119.03 | 122.47 | 9% | 16% | -3% |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alumina | ('000 tonnes) | | 1,059 | 1,092 | 1,054 | 4,182 | 4,224 | 0% | -3% | -1% |

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|--|---------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|-------|------|-------|
| | Aluminium | ('000 tonnes) | 333 | 332 | 321 | 1,330 | 1,256 | -4% | -3% | 6% |
| BASE METALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Copper | ('000 tonnes) | 272.6 | 249.6 | 269.8 | 1,034.0 | 954.4 | -1% | 8% | 8% |
| | Lead | (tonnes) | 64,472 | 80,899 | 64,652 | 281,970 | 249,885 | 0% | -20% | 13% |
| | Zinc | (tonnes) | 29,038 | 32,388 | 28,204 | 105,361 | 159,238 | -3% | -13% | -34% |
| | Gold | (ounces) | 31,145 | 32,152 | 31,882 | 125,413 | 125,764 | 2% | -1% | 0% |
| | Silver | ('000 ounces) | 11,053 | 14,044 | 11,881 | 50,046 | 43,692 | 7% | -15% | 15% |
| | Uranium oxide concentrate | (tonnes) | - | - | 415 | 415 | - | - | - | - |
| | Molybdenum | (tonnes) | 240 | 431 | 492 | 1,806 | 936 | 105% | 14% | 93% |
| CARBON STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Iron ore | ('000 tonnes) | 20,537 | 23,988 | 25,296 | 96,745 | 84,220 | 23% | 5% | 15% |
| | Metallurgical coal | ('000 tonnes) | 9,284 | 8,883 | 9,570 | 37,303 | 35,360 | 3% | 8% | 5% |
| | Manganese ores | ('000 tonnes) | 1,337 | 1,297 | 1,418 | 5,455 | 4,953 | 6% | 9% | 10% |
| | Manganese alloys | ('000 tonnes) | 203 | 197 | 156 | 755 | 712 | -23% | -21% | 6% |
| | Hot briquetted iron | ('000 tonnes) | 294 | - | - | - | 1,716 | -100% | 0% | -100% |
| DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Diamonds | ('000 carats) | 1,211 | 802 | 957 | 3,617 | 5,482 | -21% | 19% | -34% |
| | Fertilizer | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | 73.9 | 73.9 | - | - | - | - |
| ENERGY COAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Energy coal | ('000 tonnes) | 21,494 | 20,079 | 22,703 | 87,416 | 83,885 | 6% | 13% | 4% |
| STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Nickel | ('000 tonnes) | 19.9 | 20.8 | 31.8 | 91.9 | 81.7 | 60% | 53% | 12% |

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| | Ferrochrome | ('000 tonnes) | 264 | 240 | 178 | | 954 | 1,026 | -33% | -26% | -7% |
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| Throughout this report figures in italics indicate that this figure has been adjusted since it was previously reported. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | YEAR ENDED | | |
| | | BHP Billiton | JUNE | SEPT | DEC | MARCH | JUNE | | JUNE | JUNE | |
| | | Interest | 2004 | 2004 | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | | 2005 | 2004 | |
| PETROLEUM | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Crude oil & condensate | (000 bbl) | 13,297 | 12,366 | 12,190 | 12,345 | 13,939 | | 50,840 | 58,027 | |
| | Natural gas | (bcf) | 85.11 | 77.19 | 87.35 | 82.35 | 98.79 | | 345.68 | 324.34 | |
| | LPG | ('000 tonnes) | 235.86 | 231.03 | 216.07 | 199.29 | 213.71 | | 860.10 | 853.53 | |
| | Ethane | ('000 tonnes) | 25.14 | 27.75 | 27.20 | 23.61 | 22.97 | | 101.53 | 94.30 | |
| | Total Petroleum Products | (million boe) | 30.32 | 28.03 | 29.38 | 28.49 | 33.13 | | 119.03 | 122.47 | |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ALUMINA | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Worsley | 86% | 696 | 663 | 686 | 746 | 718 | | 2,813 | 2,799 | |
| | Suriname | 45% | 233 | 223 | 222 | 220 | 209 | | 874 | 918 | |
| | Alumar | 36% | 130 | 114 | 128 | 126 | 127 | | 495 | 507 | |
| | Total | | 1,059 | 1,000 | 1,036 | 1,092 | 1,054 | | 4,182 | 4,224 | |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Hillside | 100% | 167 | 173 | 171 | 169 | 172 | | 685 | 622 | |
| | Bayside | 100% | 46 | 46 | 46 | 45 | 29 | | 166 | 184 | |
| | Alumar | 46.3% | 45 | 44 | 45 | 43 | 44 | | 176 | 156 | |
| | Valesul | 45.5% | 11 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 11 | | 43 | 44 | |

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| | Mozal | 47% | 64 | 65 | 65 | 65 | 65 | 260 | 250 |
| | Total | | 333 | 339 | 338 | 332 | 321 | 1,330 | 1,256 |
| BASE METALS (a) | | | | | | | | | |
| COPPER | | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Escondida | 57.5% | 159.1 | 142.5 | 146.3 | 135.4 | 154.0 | 578.2 | 514.9 |
| | Antamina | 33.8% | 29.9 | 29.9 | 33.4 | 29.9 | 29.9 | 123.1 | 91.9 |
| | Tintaya (b) | 100% | 19.6 | 14.6 | 22.1 | 20.7 | 15.3 | 72.7 | 57.5 |
| | Highland Valley Copper (c) | 33.6% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 28.3 |
| | Selbaie (d) | 100% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4.1 |
| | Total | | 208.6 | 187.0 | 201.8 | 186.0 | 199.2 | 774.0 | 696.7 |
| Cathode ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Escondida | 57.5% | 21.8 | 21.9 | 22.2 | 21.8 | 21.4 | 87.3 | 86.7 |
| | Cerro Colorado (e) | 100% | 31.3 | 28.3 | 30.4 | 29.8 | 24.6 | 113.1 | 125.5 |
| | Tintaya (b) | 100% | 8.7 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 9.6 | 6.4 | 34.4 | 36.0 |
| | Pinto Valley | 100% | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 9.1 | 9.5 |
| | Olympic Dam (f) | 100% | - | - | - | - | 16.1 | 16.1 | - |
| | Total | | 64.0 | 61.8 | 64.0 | 63.6 | 70.6 | 260.0 | 257.7 |
| LEAD | | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Cannington | 100% | 64,472 | 64,910 | 71,509 | 80,899 | 64,652 | 281,970 | 249,885 |
| | Total | | 64,472 | 64,910 | 71,509 | 80,899 | 64,652 | 281,970 | 249,885 |
| ZINC | | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Cannington | 100% | 13,493 | 10,968 | 13,956 | 15,241 | 12,676 | 52,841 | 53,624 |
| | Antamina | 33.8% | 15,545 | 12,883 | 6,962 | 17,147 | 15,528 | 52,520 | 89,603 |
| | Selbaie (d) | 100% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 16,011 |
| | Total | | 29,038 | 23,851 | 20,918 | 32,388 | 28,204 | 105,361 | 159,238 |

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| | Refer footnotes on page 4. | | | | | | | | |
| BASE METALS (continued) | | | | | | | | | |
| GOLD | | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (ounces) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Escondida | 57.5% | 26,044 | 25,370 | 24,475 | 25,987 | 20,774 | 96,606 | 103,835 |
| | Tintaya (b) | 100% | 5,101 | 4,762 | 6,772 | 6,165 | 4,066 | 21,765 | 11,768 |
| | Highland Valley Copper (c) | 33.6% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2,191 |
| | Selbaie (d) | 100% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7,970 |
| | Olympic Dam (f) | 100% | - | - | - | - | 7,042 | 7,042 | - |
| | Total | | 31,145 | 30,132 | 31,247 | 32,152 | 31,882 | 125,413 | 125,764 |
| SILVER | | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate ('000 ounces) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Escondida | 57.5% | 720 | 604 | 639 | 650 | 658 | 2,551 | 2,445 |
| | Antamina | 33.8% | 662 | 692 | 503 | 830 | 749 | 2,774 | 2,179 |
| | Tintaya (b) | 100% | 200 | 134 | 186 | 181 | 129 | 629 | 608 |
| | Highland Valley Copper (c) | 33.6% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 323 |
| | Selbaie (d) | 100% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 717 |
| | Cannington | 100% | 9,471 | 10,339 | 11,025 | 12,383 | 10,283 | 44,030 | 37,420 |
| | Olympic Dam (f) | 100% | - | - | - | - | 62 | 62 | - |
| | Total | | 11,053 | 11,769 | 12,353 | 14,044 | 11,881 | 50,046 | 43,692 |
| URANIUM OXIDE CONCENTRATE | | | | | | | | | |
| Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Olympic Dam (f) | 100% | - | - | - | - | 415 | 415 | - |
| | Total | | - | - | - | - | 415 | 415 | - |
| MOLYBDENUM | | | | | | | | | |

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Antamina | 33.8% | 240 | 323 | 560 | 431 | 492 | 1,806 | 366 |
| | Highland Valley Copper (c) | 33.6% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 570 |
| | Total | | 240 | 323 | 560 | 431 | 492 | 1,806 | 936 |
| CARBON STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | | |
| IRON ORE (g) | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mt Newman Joint Venture | 85% | 5,084 | 6,157 | 6,611 | 6,475 | 6,493 | 25,736 | 24,461 |
| | Goldsworthy Joint Venture | 85% | 1,386 | 1,038 | 1,037 | 1,017 | 1,593 | 4,685 | 5,844 |
| | Area C Joint Venture | 85% | 2,519 | 2,990 | 4,358 | 4,451 | 4,813 | 16,612 | 5,676 |
| | Yandi Joint Venture | 85% | 8,046 | 8,767 | 9,238 | 8,713 | 8,943 | 35,661 | 34,159 |
| | Jimblebar | 100% | 1,566 | 1,675 | 1,622 | 1,509 | 1,558 | 6,364 | 6,355 |
| | Samarco | 50% | 1,936 | 1,918 | 2,050 | 1,823 | 1,896 | 7,687 | 7,725 |
| | Total | | 20,537 | 22,545 | 24,916 | 23,988 | 25,296 | 96,745 | 84,220 |
| METALLURGICAL COAL (h) | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | BMA | 50% | 6,285 | 6,231 | 6,184 | 5,959 | 7,021 | 25,395 | 22,534 |
| | BHP Mitsui Coal (i) | 80% | 1,653 | 1,748 | 1,822 | 1,205 | 882 | 5,657 | 6,981 |
| | Illawarra | 100% | 1,346 | 1,262 | 1,603 | 1,719 | 1,667 | 6,251 | 5,845 |
| | Total | | 9,284 | 9,241 | 9,609 | 8,883 | 9,570 | 37,303 | 35,360 |
| MANGANESE ORES | | | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| | South Africa (j) | 60% | 647 | 632 | 639 | 606 | 631 | 2,508 | 2,502 |
| | Australia (j) | 60% | 690 | 747 | 722 | 691 | 787 | 2,947 | 2,451 |

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| | Total | | 1,337 | 1,379 | 1,361 | 1,297 | 1,418 | | 5,455 | 4,953 |
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| | Refer footnotes on page 4. | | | | | | | | | |
| CARBON STEEL MATERIALS (cont'd) | | | | | | | | | | |
| MANGANESE ALLOYS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | South Africa (j) | 60% | 131 | 121 | 136 | 137 | 98 | | 492 | 462 |
| | Australia (j) | 60% | 72 | 74 | 71 | 60 | 58 | | 263 | 250 |
| | Total | | 203 | 195 | 207 | 197 | 156 | | 755 | 712 |
| HOT BRIQUETTED IRON | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Boodarie™ Iron (k) | 100% | 294 | - | - | - | - | | - | 1,716 |
| DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | | |
| DIAMONDS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 carats) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Ekati™ | 80% | 1,211 | 986 | 872 | 802 | 957 | | 3,617 | 5,482 |
| FERTILIZER | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Queensland Fertilizer Operation (l) | 100% | - | - | - | - | 73.9 | | 73.9 | - |
| ENERGY COAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | South Africa | 100% | 13,768 | 14,588 | 13,745 | 12,769 | 13,548 | | 54,650 | 54,253 |
| | USA | 100% | 3,154 | 3,899 | 3,731 | 3,169 | 4,128 | | 14,927 | 13,230 |

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|--|-------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--------|--------|
| | Australia | 100% | 2,590 | 2,595 | 2,189 | 2,258 | 2,823 | | 9,865 | 8,718 |
| | Colombia | 33% | 1,982 | 2,163 | 1,724 | 1,883 | 2,204 | | 7,974 | 7,684 |
| | Total | | 21,494 | 23,245 | 21,389 | 20,079 | 22,703 | | 87,416 | 83,885 |
| STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| NICKEL | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | CMSA | 99.8% | 12.0 | 11.9 | 12.4 | 13.3 | 13.7 | | 51.3 | 49.1 |
| | Yabulu | 100% | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 8.9 | | 31.4 | 32.6 |
| | Nickel West (m) | 100% | - | - | - | - | 9.2 | | 9.2 | - |
| | Total | | 19.9 | 19.6 | 19.7 | 20.8 | 31.8 | | 91.9 | 81.7 |
| FERROCHROME | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | South Africa (j) (n) | 60% | 264 | 265 | 271 | 240 | 178 | | 954 | 1,026 |
| (a) Metal production is reported on the basis of payable metal. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) Production at Tintaya was temporarily suspended on May 25, 2005 following civil unrest in the Espinar region. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production recommenced on June 20, 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (c) BHP Billiton sold its interest in Highland Valley Copper with effect from January 3, 2004. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (d) Production at Selbaie ceased in February 2004, in accordance with mine plan. Shipments ceased in May 2004. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (e) Production at Cerro Colorado was temporarily suspended on June 14, 2005 following an earthquake. Production recommenced at half capacity on June 30, 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (f) BHP Billiton acquired Olympic Dam with the acquisition of WMC. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production data is shown from June 1, 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (g) Iron ore production is reported on a wet tonnes basis. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (h) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal. | | | | | | | | | | |

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| (i) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%. | | | | | | | | | |
| (j) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%. | | | | | | | | | |
| (k) Production was suspended at Boodarie Iron following an incident in May 2004 and the plant was placed | | | | | | | | | |
| on care and maintenance in November 2004. | | | | | | | | | |
| (l) BHP Billiton acquired Queensland Fertilizer Operation with the acquisition of WMC. | | | | | | | | | |
| Production data is shown from June 1, 2005. | | | | | | | | | |
| (m) BHP Billiton acquired Nickel West with the acquisition of WMC. | | | | | | | | | |
| Production data is shown from June 1, 2005. | | | | | | | | | |
| (n) BHP Billiton sold its interest in Samancor Chrome with effect from June 1, 2005. | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | JUNE | SEPT | DEC | MARCH | JUNE | JUNE | JUNE |
| | | | 2004 | 2004 | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 |
| PETROLEUM | | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | | |
| CRUDE OIL & CONDENSATE ('000 barrels) | | | | | | | | | |
| Bass Strait | | 4,641 | 4,835 | 4,226 | 3,754 | 3,921 | 16,736 | 21,020 | |
| Minerva (a) | | - | - | - | 21 | 33 | 54 | - | |
| North West Shelf - condensate | | 1,367 | 1,330 | 1,274 | 1,305 | 1,431 | 5,340 | 5,414 | |
| North West Shelf - Wanaea/Cossack | | 1,357 | 1,475 | 1,272 | 1,535 | 1,571 | 5,853 | 6,155 | |
| Laminaria (b) | | 803 | 597 | 472 | 84 | - | 1,153 | 3,848 | |
| Griffin | | 585 | 414 | 473 | 403 | 453 | 1,743 | 2,270 | |
| Pakistan | | 49 | 50 | 54 | 58 | 49 | 211 | 205 | |
| Typhoon/Boris | | 1,462 | 1,461 | 1,290 | 907 | 672 | 4,330 | 5,738 | |
| Mad Dog (a) | | - | - | - | 251 | 562 | 813 | - | |
| Other Americas | | 213 | 181 | 180 | 160 | 145 | 666 | 1,739 | |
| Angostura (a) | | - | - | - | 799 | 997 | 1,796 | - | |
| Liverpool Bay | | 1,788 | 1,344 | 1,858 | 1,289 | 1,625 | 6,116 | 8,099 | |
| Bruce/Keith | | 388 | 121 | 321 | 290 | 279 | 1,011 | 1,651 | |

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|--|--------------------------------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--------|--------|
| | Ohanet | | 644 | 558 | 432 | 589 | 461 | | 2,040 | 1,888 |
| | ROD (c) | | - | - | 338 | 900 | 1,740 | | 2,978 | - |
| | Total | | 13,297 | 12,366 | 12,190 | 12,345 | 13,939 | | 50,840 | 58,027 |
| NATURAL GAS (billion cubic feet) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Bass Strait | | 34.62 | 35.61 | 27.44 | 20.71 | 31.98 | | 115.74 | 116.47 |
| | Minerva (a) | | - | - | - | 6.63 | 9.79 | | 16.42 | - |
| | North West Shelf - Domestic | | 3.76 | 3.50 | 3.51 | 3.64 | 3.98 | | 14.63 | 15.61 |
| | North West Shelf - LNG | | 15.43 | 17.78 | 22.36 | 20.81 | 22.14 | | 83.09 | 60.84 |
| | Griffin | | 0.67 | 0.68 | 0.71 | 0.54 | 0.70 | | 2.63 | 2.97 |
| | Moranbah Coal Bed Methane (d) | | - | - | 0.53 | 1.07 | 1.64 | | 3.24 | - |
| | Illawarra Coal Bed Methane (e) | | - | 1.34 | 1.65 | 1.39 | 1.10 | | 5.48 | - |
| | Pakistan | | 7.10 | 7.69 | 7.87 | 8.88 | 7.25 | | 31.69 | 30.30 |
| | Typhoon/Boris | | 2.13 | 2.32 | 2.53 | 1.32 | 0.95 | | 7.12 | 8.26 |
| | Mad Dog (a) | | - | - | - | 0.03 | 0.18 | | 0.21 | - |
| | Other Americas | | 2.75 | 1.99 | 2.05 | 1.76 | 1.88 | | 7.68 | 12.33 |
| | Bruce/Keith | | 8.49 | 2.26 | 7.39 | 7.22 | 6.90 | | 23.77 | 35.41 |
| | Liverpool Bay | | 10.16 | 4.02 | 11.31 | 8.35 | 10.30 | | 33.98 | 42.15 |
| | Total | | 85.11 | 77.19 | 87.35 | 82.35 | 98.79 | | 345.68 | 324.34 |
| LPG ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Bass Strait | | 136.52 | 145.85 | 127.70 | 108.56 | 128.50 | | 510.61 | 527.99 |
| | North West Shelf | | 32.95 | 34.66 | 29.43 | 32.28 | 33.15 | | 129.52 | 124.86 |
| | Bruce/Keith | | 19.27 | 6.93 | 18.65 | 17.85 | 16.53 | | 59.96 | 71.44 |
| | Ohanet | | 47.12 | 43.59 | 40.29 | 40.60 | 35.53 | | 160.01 | 129.24 |
| | Total | | 235.86 | 231.03 | 216.07 | 199.29 | 213.71 | | 860.10 | 853.53 |
| ETHANE ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 25.14 | 27.75 | 27.20 | 23.61 | 22.97 | | 101.53 | 94.30 |
| TOTAL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 30.32 | 28.03 | 29.38 | 28.49 | 33.13 | | 119.03 | 122.47 |
| (million barrels of oil equivalent) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (f) | | | | | | | | | | |
| (a) Minerva, Mad Dog and Angostura commenced production in January 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |

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| (b) BHP Billiton sold its interest in Laminaria with effect from January 14, 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (c) ROD commenced production in October 2004. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (d) Moranbah Coal Bed Methane commenced production in September 2004 and was first reported in December 2004. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (e) Illawarra Coal Bed Methane production was first reported in December 2004. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (f) Total barrels of oil equivalent (boe) conversions are based on the following: | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6000 scf of natural gas equals 1 boe; 1 tonne of LPG equals 11.6 boe; 1 tonne of ethane equals 4.4667 boe. | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | JUNE | SEPT | DEC | MARCH | JUNE | JUNE | JUNE |
| | | | | 2004 | 2004 | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | | | |
| ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| ALUMINA | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | | | | |
| Worsley, Australia | | | 696 | 663 | 686 | 746 | 718 | | 2,813 | 2,799 |
| Paranam, Suriname | | | 233 | 223 | 222 | 220 | 209 | | 874 | 918 |
| Alumar, Brazil | | | 130 | 114 | 128 | 126 | 127 | | 495 | 507 |
| Total | | | 1,059 | 1,000 | 1,036 | 1,092 | 1,054 | | 4,182 | 4,224 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | | | |
| Worsley, Australia | | | 732 | 667 | 681 | 734 | 774 | | 2,856 | 2,821 |
| Paranam, Suriname | | | 214 | 239 | 221 | 210 | 221 | | 891 | 918 |
| Alumar, Brazil | | | 111 | 129 | 131 | 118 | 146 | | 524 | 503 |
| Total | | | 1,057 | 1,035 | 1,033 | 1,062 | 1,141 | | 4,271 | 4,242 |
| ALUMINIUM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hillside, South Africa | | | 167 | 173 | 171 | 169 | 172 | | 685 | 622 |
| Bayside, South Africa | | | 46 | 46 | 46 | 45 | 29 | | 166 | 184 |

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|--|----------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | Payable gold concentrate | (fine ounces) | | | | | | | |
| | Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 21.8 | 21.9 | 22.2 | 21.8 | 21.4 | 87.3 | 86.7 |
| | Payable silver concentrate | ('000 ounces) | 720 | 604 | 639 | 650 | 658 | 2,551 | 2,445 |
| | Sales | | | | | | | | |
| | Payable copper | ('000 tonnes) | 150.4 | 140.0 | 148.3 | 137.1 | 145.9 | 571.3 | 508.7 |
| | Payable gold concentrate | (fine ounces) | 24,874 | 24,732 | 25,462 | 27,882 | 19,816 | 97,892 | 105,738 |
| | Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 21.3 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 18.6 | 26.8 | 90.8 | 89.4 |
| | Payable silver concentrate | ('000 ounces) | 683 | 582 | 690 | 712 | 631 | 2,615 | 2,503 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u>Tintaya, Peru (a)</u> | | | | | | | | |
| | Material mined | ('000 tonnes) | 17,944 | 18,676 | 17,486 | 17,575 | 12,385 | 66,122 | 56,751 |
| | Sulphide Ore milled | ('000 tonnes) | 1,616 | 1,621 | 1,564 | 1,560 | 1,086 | 5,831 | 4,633 |
| | Average copper grade | (%) | 1.45% | 1.14% | 1.64% | 1.56% | 1.67% | 1.49% | 1.48% |
| | Production | | | | | | | | |
| | Payable copper | ('000 tonnes) | 19.6 | 14.6 | 22.1 | 20.7 | 15.3 | 72.7 | 57.5 |
| | Payable gold concentrate | (fine ounces) | 5,101 | 4,762 | 6,772 | 6,165 | 4,066 | 21,765 | 11,768 |
| | Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 8.7 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 9.6 | 6.4 | 34.4 | 36.0 |
| | Payable silver concentrate | ('000 ounces) | 200 | 134 | 186 | 181 | 129 | 629 | 608 |
| | Sales | | | | | | | | |
| | Payable copper | ('000 tonnes) | 20.6 | 5.7 | 25.9 | 23.3 | 17.2 | 72.1 | 54.3 |
| | Payable gold concentrate | (fine ounces) | 4,100 | 1,219 | 8,491 | 7,593 | 7,073 | 24,376 | 11,558 |
| | Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 8.4 | 10.4 | 8.1 | 9.2 | 8.2 | 35.9 | 34.2 |

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| | Payable silver concentrate | ('000 ounces) | 226 | 64 | 234 | 193 | 160 | | 651 | 566 |
| (a) Production at Tintaya was temporarily suspended on May 25, 2005 following civil unrest in the Espinar region. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production recommenced on June 20, 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Cerro Colorado, Chile</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| (a) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Material mined | ('000 tonnes) | 16,697 | 17,554 | 16,378 | 16,856 | 14,805 | | 65,593 | 73,083 |
| | Ore milled | ('000 tonnes) | 4,330 | 4,232 | 4,362 | 3,865 | 3,144 | | 15,603 | 16,781 |
| | Average copper grade | (%) | 0.90% | 0.87% | 0.91% | 1.00% | 0.83% | | 0.91% | 0.95% |
| Production | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 31.3 | 28.3 | 30.4 | 29.8 | 24.6 | | 113.1 | 125.5 |
| Sales | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 35.5 | 28.9 | 28.2 | 32.5 | 24.8 | | 114.4 | 127.4 |
| (a) Production at Cerro Colorado was temporarily suspended on June 14, 2005 following an earthquake. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Production recommenced at half capacity on June 30, 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Antamina, Peru</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Material mined (100%) | ('000 tonnes) | 36,035 | 33,177 | 33,201 | 30,808 | 31,802 | | 128,988 | 123,271 |
| | Sulphide ore milled (100%) | ('000 tonnes) | 8,205 | 8,069 | 8,027 | 7,072 | 7,557 | | 30,725 | 28,450 |
| Average head grades | | | | | | | | | | |
| | - Copper | (%) | 1.37% | 1.26% | 1.45% | 1.41% | 1.35% | | 1.37% | 1.25% |
| | - Zinc | (%) | 0.97% | 1.02% | 0.47% | 1.16% | 1.09% | | 0.93% | 1.55% |
| Production | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Payable copper | ('000 tonnes) | 29.9 | 29.9 | 33.4 | 29.9 | 29.9 | | 123.1 | 91.9 |
| | Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 15,545 | 12,883 | 6,962 | 17,147 | 15,528 | | 52,520 | 89,603 |

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| | Payable silver | ('000 ounces) | 662 | 692 | 503 | 830 | 749 | | 2,774 | 2,179 |
| | Payable molybdenum | (tonnes) | 240 | 323 | 560 | 431 | 492 | | 1,806 | 366 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Sales | | | | | | | | | |
| | Payable copper | ('000 tonnes) | 26.4 | 32.1 | 32.2 | 30.0 | 28.7 | | 123.0 | 87.8 |
| | Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 19,931 | 13,617 | 4,185 | 18,293 | 15,066 | | 51,161 | 87,859 |
| | Payable silver | ('000 ounces) | 655 | 624 | 632 | 718 | 769 | | 2,743 | 1,989 |
| | Payable molybdenum | (tonnes) | 110 | 160 | 300 | 592 | 587 | | 1,639 | 197 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u>Cannington, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Material mined | ('000 tonnes) | 681 | 828 | 844 | 885 | 880 | | 3,437 | 2,746 |
| | Ore milled | ('000 tonnes) | 724 | 730 | 825 | 788 | 746 | | 3,089 | 2,609 |
| | Average head grades | | | | | | | | | |
| | - Silver | (g/t) | 486 | 504 | 500 | 571 | 482 | | 515 | 520 |
| | - Lead | (%) | 10.8% | 10.3% | 10.0% | 11.9% | 9.8% | | 10.5% | 11.1% |
| | - Zinc | (%) | 3.4% | 3.1% | 3.0% | 3.5% | 3.0% | | 3.2% | 3.6% |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | | | | | | | | |
| | Payable silver | ('000 ounces) | 9,471 | 10,339 | 11,025 | 12,383 | 10,283 | | 44,030 | 37,420 |
| | Payable lead | (tonnes) | 64,472 | 64,910 | 71,509 | 80,899 | 64,652 | | 281,970 | 249,885 |
| | Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 13,493 | 10,968 | 13,956 | 15,241 | 12,676 | | 52,841 | 53,624 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Sales | | | | | | | | | |
| | Payable silver | ('000 ounces) | 12,583 | 9,266 | 9,006 | 13,514 | 12,265 | | 44,051 | 38,633 |
| | Payable lead | (tonnes) | 84,315 | 62,774 | 57,286 | 88,237 | 76,680 | | 284,977 | 253,974 |
| | Payable zinc | (tonnes) | 13,410 | 12,170 | 9,146 | 18,628 | 13,415 | | 53,359 | 57,866 |
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| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u>Olympic Dam, Australia (a)</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Material mined (b) | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 855 | | 855 | - |

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| Ore milled | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 933 | | 933 | - |
| Average copper grade | (%) | - | - | - | - | 2.15% | | 2.15% | - |
| Average uranium grade | (%) | - | - | - | - | 0.60% | | 0.60% | - |
| Production | | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (ER) | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 14.5 | | 14.5 | - |
| Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 1.6 | | 1.6 | - |
| Uranium oxide concentrate | (tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 415 | | 415 | - |
| Refined gold | (fine ounces) | - | - | - | - | 7,042 | | 7,042 | - |
| Refined silver | ('000 ounces) | - | - | - | - | 62 | | 62 | - |
| Sales | | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (ER) | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 16.2 | | 16.2 | - |
| Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 1.1 | | 1.1 | - |
| Uranium oxide concentrate | (tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 391 | | 391 | - |
| Refined gold | (fine ounces) | - | - | - | - | 10,555 | | 10,555 | - |
| Refined silver | ('000 ounces) | - | - | - | - | 68 | | 68 | - |
| (a) BHP Billiton acquired Olympic Dam with the acquisition of WMC. Production data is shown from June 1, 2005. For reference, June 2005 quarter copper cathode production decreased by four per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter and by eight per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, reflecting lower head grades. Uranium oxide concentrate production for the June 2005 quarter increased by 10 per cent compared with June 2004 quarter, reflecting higher recoveries and throughput, partially offset by lower grades. Uranium oxide concentrate production for the June 2005 quarter increased by four per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter reflecting higher recoveries. | | | | | | | | | |
| June 2005 quarter copper cathode sales increased by ten per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter and by one per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, reflecting timing of shipments. Uranium oxide concentrate sales for the June 2005 quarter decreased by 25 per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter and by 37 per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, reflecting timing of customer deliveries. | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) Material mined refers to run of mine ore mined and hoisted. | | | | | | | | | |

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|---|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|------------|------|
| Pinto Valley, USA | | | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 9.1 | 9.5 | |
| Sales | | | | | | | | | |
| Copper cathode (EW) | ('000 tonnes) | 2.3 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 8.4 | 9.5 | |
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| | | 2004 | 2004 | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 | |
| CARBON STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | | |
| ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| IRON ORE (a) | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Pilbara, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| Production | | | | | | | | | |
| Mt Newman Joint Venture | | 5,084 | 6,157 | 6,611 | 6,475 | 6,493 | 25,736 | 24,461 | |
| Goldsworthy Joint Venture | | 1,386 | 1,038 | 1,037 | 1,017 | 1,593 | 4,685 | 5,844 | |
| Area C Joint Venture | | 2,519 | 2,990 | 4,358 | 4,451 | 4,813 | 16,612 | 5,676 | |
| Yandi Joint Venture | | 8,046 | 8,767 | 9,238 | 8,713 | 8,943 | 35,661 | 34,159 | |
| Jimblebar | | 1,566 | 1,675 | 1,622 | 1,509 | 1,558 | 6,364 | 6,355 | |
| Total (BHP Billiton share) | | 18,601 | 20,627 | 22,866 | 22,165 | 23,400 | 89,058 | 76,495 | |
| Total production (100%) | | 21,608 | 23,971 | 26,615 | 25,810 | 27,254 | 103,651 | 88,874 | |
| Shipments | | | | | | | | | |
| Lump | | 5,064 | 5,530 | 6,084 | 5,784 | 6,849 | 24,247 | 20,533 | |
| Fines | | 14,067 | 14,544 | 16,052 | 16,086 | 17,052 | 63,734 | 54,550 | |
| Total (BHP | | 19,131 | 20,074 | 22,136 | 21,870 | 23,901 | 87,981 | 75,083 | |

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| | Billiton share) | | | | | | | | | |
| | Total shipments (100%) | | 22,507 | 23,617 | 26,042 | 25,729 | 28,119 | | 103,508 | 88,334 |
| | (a) Iron ore production and shipments are reported on a wet tonnes basis. | | | | | | | | | |
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| | <u>Samarco, Brazil</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | 1,936 | 1,918 | 2,050 | 1,823 | 1,896 | | 7,687 | 7,725 |
| | Shipments | | 1,823 | 1,976 | 2,142 | 1,768 | 1,728 | | 7,614 | 7,640 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | METALLURGICAL COAL (a) | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u>Queensland, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u>BMA</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Blackwater | | 1,864 | 1,638 | 1,709 | 1,615 | 1,603 | | 6,565 | 6,531 |
| | Goonyella | | 935 | 1,112 | 1,254 | 1,355 | 1,740 | | 5,461 | 3,777 |
| | Peak Downs | | 1,223 | 1,198 | 1,164 | 842 | 1,322 | | 4,526 | 4,112 |
| | Saraji | | 806 | 809 | 812 | 752 | 878 | | 3,251 | 2,911 |
| | Norwich Park | | 682 | 700 | 680 | 664 | 836 | | 2,880 | 2,344 |
| | Gregory Joint Venture | | 775 | 774 | 565 | 731 | 642 | | 2,712 | 2,859 |
| | BMA total | | 6,285 | 6,231 | 6,184 | 5,959 | 7,021 | | 25,395 | 22,534 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <u>BHP Mitsui Coal (b)</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Riverside | | 575 | 910 | 951 | 480 | 43 | | 2,384 | 3,323 |
| | South Walker Creek | | 1,078 | 838 | 871 | 725 | 839 | | 3,273 | 3,658 |
| | BHP Mitsui Coal total | | 1,653 | 1,748 | 1,822 | 1,205 | 882 | | 5,657 | 6,981 |
| | <u>Queensland total</u> | | 7,938 | 7,979 | 8,006 | 7,164 | 7,903 | | 31,052 | 29,515 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Shipments | | | | | | | | | |
| | Coking coal | | 4,777 | 5,188 | 5,801 | 5,440 | 5,705 | | 22,134 | 19,989 |
| | Weak coking coal | | 1,569 | 1,665 | 1,722 | 1,609 | 1,619 | | 6,615 | 6,420 |
| | Thermal coal | | 756 | 743 | 527 | 632 | 815 | | 2,717 | 3,347 |

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| | Total | | 7,102 | 7,596 | 8,050 | 7,681 | 8,139 | | 31,466 | 29,756 |
| (a) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%. | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Illawarra, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | 1,346 | 1,262 | 1,603 | 1,719 | 1,667 | | 6,251 | 5,845 |
| | Shipments | | | | | | | | | |
| | Coking coal | | 1,215 | 1,097 | 1,610 | 1,447 | 1,500 | | 5,654 | 5,380 |
| | Thermal coal | | 114 | 82 | 144 | 93 | 27 | | 346 | 386 |
| | Total | | 1,329 | 1,179 | 1,754 | 1,540 | 1,527 | | 6,000 | 5,766 |
| MANGANESE ORES | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>South Africa</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Saleable production (a) | | 647 | 632 | 639 | 606 | 631 | | 2,508 | 2,502 |
| <u>Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Saleable production (a) | | 690 | 747 | 722 | 691 | 787 | | 2,947 | 2,451 |
| MANGANESE ALLOYS | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>South Africa</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Saleable production (a) | | 131 | 121 | 136 | 137 | 98 | | 492 | 462 |
| <u>Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Saleable production (a) | | 72 | 74 | 71 | 60 | 58 | | 263 | 250 |
| HOT BRIQUETTED IRON | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Boodarie™ Iron, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production (b) | | 294 | - | - | - | - | | - | 1,716 |

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|--|----------------------|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|
| | | | 318 | - | - | - | - | - | 1,759 |
| (a) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%. | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) Production was suspended at Boodarie Iron following an incident in May 2004 and the plant was placed on care and maintenance in November 2004. | | | | | | | | | |
| PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENT REPORT | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | YEAR ENDED |
| | | | JUNE | SEPT | DEC | MARCH | JUNE | JUNE | JUNE |
| | | | 2004 | 2004 | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 |
| DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS | | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | | |
| DIAMONDS | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Ekati™, Canada</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Ore Processed (100%) | ('000 tonnes) | 1,207 | 1,184 | 1,094 | 1,101 | 1,216 | 4,595 | 4,446 |
| | Production | ('000 carats) | 1,211 | 986 | 872 | 802 | 957 | 3,617 | 5,482 |
| FERTILIZER | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Queensland Fertilizer Operation, Australia (a)</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production (b) | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 73.9 | 73.9 | - |
| | Sales (b) | ('000 tonnes) | - | - | - | - | 105.9 | 105.9 | - |
| (a) BHP Billiton acquired Queensland Fertilizer Operation with the acquisition of WMC. Production data is shown from June 1, 2005. For reference, total June 2005 quarter fertilizer production increased by seven per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter, reflecting higher plant availability. Total fertilizer production decreased by 19 per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, reflecting the impact of the reactor failure in the Phosphoric Acid Plant. | | | | | | | | | |
| June 2005 quarter total fertilizer sales increased 175 per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter and 15 per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, reflecting more favourable weather conditions. | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) Includes diammonium phosphate and monoammonium phosphate. | | | | | | | | | |

| PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENT REPORT | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | YEAR ENDED | |
| | | | JUNE | SEPT | DEC | MARCH | JUNE | JUNE | JUNE |
| | | | 2004 | 2004 | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 |
| ENERGY COAL | | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | | |
| ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Ingwe, South Africa</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | 13,768 | 14,588 | 13,745 | 12,769 | 13,548 | 54,650 | 54,253 |
| | Sales | | | | | | | | |
| | Export | | 4,830 | 5,551 | 4,750 | 5,082 | 5,094 | 20,477 | 20,958 |
| | Local utility | | 8,426 | 8,546 | 8,106 | 7,069 | 7,560 | 31,281 | 31,921 |
| | Inland | | 361 | 383 | 308 | 353 | 186 | 1,230 | 1,355 |
| | Total | | 13,617 | 14,480 | 13,164 | 12,504 | 12,840 | 52,988 | 54,234 |
| <u>New Mexico, USA</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | | | | | | | |
| | Navajo Coal | | 1,714 | 2,083 | 1,765 | 2,008 | 2,389 | 8,245 | 7,216 |
| | San Juan Coal | | 1,440 | 1,816 | 1,966 | 1,161 | 1,739 | 6,682 | 6,014 |
| | Total | | 3,154 | 3,899 | 3,731 | 3,169 | 4,128 | 14,927 | 13,230 |
| | Sales - local utility | | 3,353 | 3,897 | 3,739 | 3,447 | 3,319 | 14,402 | 13,606 |
| <u>Hunter Valley, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | 2,590 | 2,595 | 2,189 | 2,258 | 2,823 | 9,865 | 8,718 |
| | Sales | | | | | | | | |
| | Export | | 1,734 | 1,440 | 1,201 | 1,866 | 1,746 | 6,253 | 5,276 |
| | Inland | | 958 | 1,220 | 595 | 872 | 1,186 | 3,873 | 3,508 |
| | Total | | 2,692 | 2,660 | 1,796 | 2,738 | 2,932 | 10,126 | 8,784 |
| <u>Cerrejon Coal, Colombia</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | 1,982 | 2,163 | 1,724 | 1,883 | 2,204 | 7,974 | 7,684 |
| | Sales - export | | 2,283 | 2,166 | 1,954 | 1,927 | 2,338 | 8,385 | 8,076 |

| PRODUCTION AND SHIPMENT REPORT | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | YEAR ENDED | | | | | | | |
| | | | JUNE | SEPT | DEC | MARCH | JUNE | JUNE | JUNE | |
| | | | 2004 | 2004 | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 | |
| STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. | | | | | | | | | | |
| ('000 tonnes) | | | | | | | | | | |
| NICKEL | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>CMSA, Colombia</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | 12.0 | 11.9 | 12.4 | 13.3 | 13.7 | | 51.3 | 49.1 |
| | Sales | | 12.8 | 10.6 | 13.3 | 13.4 | 12.8 | | 50.1 | 48.2 |
| <u>Yabulu, Australia</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Production | | | | | | | | | |
| | Nickel metal | | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 7.5 | 8.9 | | 31.4 | 32.6 |
| | Cobalt | | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| | Sales | | | | | | | | | |
| | Nickel metal | | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 8.3 | | 31.5 | 32.1 |
| | Cobalt | | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| <u>Nickel West, Australia (a)</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Nickel contained in finished matte | | - | - | - | - | 3.3 | | 3.3 | - |
| | Nickel metal | | - | - | - | - | 5.9 | | 5.9 | - |
| | Nickel production | | - | - | - | - | 9.2 | | 9.2 | - |
| | Nickel contained in finished matte | | - | - | - | - | 3.5 | | 3.5 | - |
| | Nickel metal | | - | - | - | - | 4.7 | | 4.7 | - |
| | Nickel sales | | - | - | - | - | 8.2 | | 8.2 | - |
| <p>(a) BHP Billiton acquired Nickel West with the acquisition of WMC. Production data is shown from June 1, 2005. For reference, June 2005 quarter nickel production (nickel contained in finished matte and nickel metal) increased by nine per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter, mainly reflecting a planned shutdown at the Kalgoorlie nickel smelter during the comparative period. Nickel production (nickel contained in finished matte and nickel metal) decreased by four per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, mainly due to variations in the overall mix of matte products produced.</p> | | | | | | | | | | |

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| June 2005 quarter nickel metal sales from the Kwinana nickel refinery decreased by four per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter and 10 per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, mainly reflecting timing of shipments. Finished nickel matte sales from the Kalgoorlie nickel smelter for the June 2005 quarter decreased by two per cent compared with the June 2004 quarter and 12 per cent compared with the March 2005 quarter, mainly due to timing of shipments. | | | | | | | | | | |
| FERROCHROME | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa (a) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saleable production (b) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 264 | 265 | 271 | 240 | 178 | | 954 | 1,026 |
| (a) BHP Billiton sold its interest in Samancor Chrome with effect from June 1, 2005. | | | | | | | | | | |
| (b) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%. | | | | | | | | | | |
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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

Date: 28 July 2005

By: Karen Wood

Name: Karen Wood
Title: Company Secretary