

RIO TINTO LTD  
Form CB  
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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Form CB**

**TENDER OFFER/RIGHTS OFFERING NOTIFICATION FORM**

Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon to file this Form:

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| Securities Act Rule 801 (Rights Offering)             | .. |
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| Exchange Act Rule 13e-4(h)(8) (Issuer Tender Offer)   | .. |
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| Exchange Act Rule 14e-2(d) (Subject Company Response) | .. |

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**Rio Tinto Limited**

(Name of Subject Company)

**Not applicable**

(Translation of Subject Company's Name into English (if applicable))

**Australia**

(Jurisdiction of Subject Company's Incorporation or Organization)

**BHP Billiton Limited**

**(Name of Person(s) Furnishing Form)**

**Shares**

**(Title of Class of Subject Securities)**

**Not applicable**

**(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities (if applicable))**

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**February 6, 2008**

**(Date of first public announcement of Exchange Offer)**

**(Date Tender Offer/Rights Offering Commenced)**

This Form CB is being furnished by BHP Billiton Limited, a limited company organized under the laws of Australia ( BHP Billiton Limited ), in connection with its proposal to acquire all of the issued and outstanding share capital of Rio Tinto Limited, a limited company organized under the laws of Australia ( Rio Tinto Limited ), pursuant to an unsolicited exchange offer (the Rio Tinto Limited Offer ) under the Australian Corporations Act 2001 as modified by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission in relation to Rio Tinto Limited.

**PART I INFORMATION SENT TO SECURITY HOLDERS**

**Item 1. Home Jurisdiction Documents**

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

**Item 2. Informational Legends**

Each of the Rio Tinto Offer Announcement, the Investor Presentation and the Investor Presentation Script, each as defined below, contains a legend complying with Rule 802(b) under the US Securities Act of 1933, as amended. See the Information for US Holders of Rio Tinto Limited Shares and Information Relating to the Rio Tinto Limited Offer for Rio Tinto Shareholders Located in the US on page 7 of the Rio Tinto Offer Announcement included as Exhibit II-1(a); Disclaimer on page 2 of the Investor Presentation included as Exhibit II-1(b); and Disclaimer on page 1 of the Investor Presentation Script included as Exhibit II-1(c).

**PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED TO BE SENT TO SECURITY HOLDERS**

- (1) (a) BHP Billiton Offer for Rio Tinto: BHP Billiton Limited Offers for Rio Tinto Plc and Rio Tinto Limited, dated February 6, 2008 (the Rio Tinto Offer Announcement ), was made publicly available in accordance with the requirements of Rio Tinto Limited s home jurisdiction and is attached hereto as Exhibit II-1(a).
- (b) The presentation entitled BHP Billiton Pre-conditional Offer for Rio Tinto , dated February 6, 2008 (the Investor Presentation ), was made publicly available in accordance with the requirements of Rio Tinto Limited s home jurisdiction and is attached hereto as Exhibit II-1(b).
- (c) The script entitled BHP Billiton Pre-conditional 2.5 Offer for Rio Tinto: CEO Speech , dated February 6, 2008 (the Investor Presentation Script ), was made publicly available in accordance with the requirements of Rio Tinto Limited s home jurisdiction and is attached hereto as Exhibit II-1(c).
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.

**PART III CONSENT TO SERVICE OF PROCESS**

- (1) BHP Billiton Limited is filing with the Commission a written irrevocable consent and power of attorney on Form F-X concurrently with the furnishing of this Form CB.
- (2) Not applicable.

**PART IV SIGNATURES**

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

BHP BILLITON LIMITED

By: /s/ Jane McAloon  
Jane McAloon  
Group Company Secretary

Dated: February 6, 2008