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BHP BILLITON ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF COMPUTERSHARE LIMITED AS GLOBAL SHARE REGISTRY SERVICE PROVIDER

BHP Billiton today announced the appointment of Computershare Limited as global share registry and employee share plan services provider to BHP Billiton Limited and BHP Billiton Plc, effective 3 February 2003. The global contract will be coordinated from a single point of contact based in Melbourne.

Details of transition arrangements will be announced in due course. In the interim period existing contact details with current providers will remain in place.

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