

RIO TINTO PLC  
Form 6-K  
October 17, 2011

**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**

October 17, 2011

Commission file number: 001-10533

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**Rio Tinto plc**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**Rio Tinto Limited**

ABN 96 004 458 404

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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**EXHIBITS**

99.1 13 October 2011 Third quarter 2011 operations review

**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 17 October 2011

**Rio Tinto Limited**  
(Registrant)

By /s/ Ben Mathews  
Name Ben Mathews  
Title Assistant Secretary

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