

ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI LTD

Form 6-K

February 18, 2009

**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**

Report on Form 6-K dated February 18, 2009

Commission File Number 1-14846

AngloGold Ashanti Limited

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

76 Jeppe Street

Newtown, 2001

(P.O. Box 62117, Marshalltown, 2107)

South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F Form 40-F

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Yes No

Enclosure: Press release

**GRANTING OF OPTIONS TO DIRECTORS AND COMPANY SECRETARIAL
PERSONNEL OF ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI LIMITED IN TERMS OF THE
ANGLOGOLD SHARE INCENTIVE SCHEME**

news release

AngloGold Ashanti Limited \ (Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

(Reg. No.1944/017354/06) \ ISIN Number: ZAE000043485 \ JSE Share Code: ANG

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GRANTING OF OPTIONS TO DIRECTORS AND COMPANY SECRETARIAL PERSONNEL OF ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI LIMITED IN TERMS OF THE ANGLOGOLD SHARE INCENTIVE SCHEME

In terms of JSE Listings Requirement 3.63 we hereby provide the following information regarding the granting of options by the Company in terms of the AngloGold Share Incentive Scheme to directors and company secretarial personnel.

Date of notification

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18 February 2009

Date of grant

:

17 February 2009

On 29 April 2005 (as amended on 2 May 2008), shareholders approved the introduction of two new incentive plans, the key terms of which were disclosed. The **bonus share plan** provides for the vesting of awards in two tranches – 40% in year one from date of grant and 60% in year two. If however during years one and two, no options were exercised, then an additional 20% of awards granted will be issued and be fully vested three years from date of grant, provided that the participant is still in the employ of the company at the dates of vesting. Awards granted in terms of the **long-term incentive plan** (LTIP) vests three years after date of grant, to the extent that the performance conditions, under which the awards were granted, are met. LTIP awards vest on 17 February 2012. Any awards not exercised within 10 years from date of grant will lapse.

Strike price

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NIL cost to participant in accordance with the rules of the above plans

Class of security

:

Awards to acquire ordinary shares

Type of interest

:

Direct beneficial

Clearance was obtained in terms of 3.66 of the JSE Listings Requirements.

Name Designation

Bonus Share

Plan

Long-Term

Incentive Plan

Cutifani : M

Director and CEO

19,992

40,694

Venkatakrisnan : S

Director and CFO

15,268

21,238

Eatwell : L

Company Secretary

1,020

1,856

Total awards granted to directors and company secretarial personnel

36,280 63,788

The awards granted above form part of a total award grant of

740,609 528,538

Number of participants

1,558

87

Market value per award at date of grant

R293.99

R293.99

Total number of ordinary shares currently held by the CEO, CFO and

Company Secretary is 10,000; 5,221 and 130, respectively.

Johannesburg

18 February 2009

JSE Sponsor : UBS Limited

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Certain statements made in this communication, including, without limitation, those concerning the proposed sale of AngloGold Ashanti's joint venture interest in the Boddington Gold Mine, the benefits anticipated from the proposed sale and the timing of the satisfaction of the conditions precedent to the transaction, the timing of the repayment of AngloGold Ashanti's bridge financing and AngloGold Ashanti's strategy to reduce its gold hedging position including the extent and effects of the reduction, contain certain forward-looking statements regarding AngloGold Ashanti's operations, economic performance and financial condition. Although AngloGold Ashanti believes that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, no assurance can be given that such expectations will prove to have been correct. Accordingly, results could differ materially from those set out in the forward-looking statements as a result of unanticipated delays or difficulties in obtaining regulatory or third party approvals and other factors. For a discussion of such factors, that may affect AngloGold Ashanti, including changes in economic and market conditions, success of business and operating initiatives, changes in the regulatory environment and other government actions, fluctuations in gold prices and exchange rates, and business and operational risk management, refer to AngloGold Ashanti's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2007, which was distributed to shareholders on 31 March 2008, and report to shareholders for the quarter and nine months ended 30 September 2008, which was distributed to shareholders on 30 October 2008. AngloGold Ashanti undertakes no obligation to update publicly or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after today's date or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. All subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to AngloGold Ashanti or any person acting on its behalf are qualified by the cautionary statements herein. AngloGold Ashanti posts information that is important to investors on the main page of its website at www.anglogoldashanti.com and under the "Investors" tab on the main page. This information is updated regularly. Investors should visit this website to obtain important information about AngloGold Ashanti.

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.

AngloGold Ashanti Limited

Date: February 18, 2009

By:

/s/ L Eatwell

Name: L EATWELL

Title: Company Secretary