

ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI LTD

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**UNITED STATES**

**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 March 30, 2010

Commission File Number 1-14846

AngloGold Ashanti Limited

(Name of registrant)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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#### **ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI - UPDATE ON GHANAIAN OPERATIONS**

AngloGold Ashanti announced on 19 February 2010, that processing operations had been suspended at its Iduapriem mine in Ghana pending the establishment of a temporary tailings storage facility at the mine. AngloGold Ashanti is announcing today that it has applied for a permit from the Environmental Protection Agency of Ghana (“EPA”) for the construction of this facility and expects gold production to resume at Iduapriem in April. The Company is accelerating the establishment of a water treatment plant and a new tailings storage facility which it aims to commission in the third quarter of 2010 and early 2011 respectively.

During the above period of suspension, the mining operations have continued at Iduapriem for most of the duration and certain plant maintenance scheduled for later this year has been brought forward and completed. The Company continues to assess the rescheduling of production at the mine, with a view to recovering some of the lost production during the remainder of 2010.

At its Obuasi mine in Ghana, AngloGold Ashanti has suspended the operation of gold processing pending the implementation of a revised water management strategy to reduce contaminants contained in its discharge. Details of the strategy have been submitted to the EPA. The essence of the revised plan is to utilise existing infrastructure for the containment and treatment of water on site. The consequence of this is that production from the mine will be around 20,000 to 25,000 ounces lower than anticipated for second quarter of 2010, during which time alternative mining strategies already identified will be refined and implemented to mitigate further shortfalls. With the support and guidance of the EPA, the mine intends to establish additional water holding and treatment facilities progressively over the next 18 months.

In 2009, Iduapriem and Obuasi mines produced 190,000 ounces and 381,000 ounces of gold respectively and together accounted for some 12% of AngloGold Ashanti’s global production. AngloGold Ashanti will provide an update of its full year guidance, taking into account the stoppages at Iduapriem and the above disruption at Obuasi, on or before it releases its first quarter results on 7 May 2010.

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AngloGold Ashanti posts information that is important to investors on the main page of its website at [www.anglogoldashanti.com](http://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: March 30, 2010

By:

/s/ L Eatwell

Name: L EATWELL

Title: Company Secretary