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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 6, 2003

BRITISH ENERGY PLC
(Registrant's name)

3 Redwood Crescent
Peel Park
East Kilbride G74 5PR
Scotland
(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No ..X..

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

Exhibit Index

The following document (bearing the exhibit number listed below) is furnished herewith and is made a part of this Report pursuant to the General Instructions for Form 6-K:

| Exhibit | Description |
|---------|---|
| No. 1 | RNS Announcement, re: Output Statement dated 6 May 2003 |

BRITISH ENERGY plc - OUTPUT STATEMENT

A summary of net output from all of British Energy's power stations in April is given in the table below, together with comparative data for the previous

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financial year:-

| | 2002/03 | | | | 2003/04 | |
|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | April Output (TWh) | April Load Factor (%) | Year to Date Output (TWh) | Year to Date Load Factor (%) | April Output (TWh) | April Load Factor (%) |
| UK - Nuclear | 5.71 | 83 | 5.71 | 83 | 5.52 | 80 |
| UK - Coal | 0.29 | 21 | 0.29 | 21 | 0.38 | 27 |
| USA - Amergen | 1.05 | 61 | 1.05 | 61 | 1.73 | 97 |

(50% owned)

UK - Nuclear

Planned Outages

- A statutory outage continued at Dungeness B.
- Off-load refuelling was carried out on the other reactor at Dungeness B.
- Low-load refuelling was carried out on one reactor each at Hinkley Point B, Hunterston B and Torness.

Unplanned Outages

- An outage was completed at Heysham 2 to carry out turbine repairs.

UK - Coal

- A maintenance outage began on one unit at Eggborough

USA

- A minor unplanned outage occurred at Clinton.

Contact:

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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.

Date: May 6, 2003

BRITISH ENERGY PLC

By: _____ Paul Heward _____

Name: Paul Heward

