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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

October 01 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.

Form 20-F..X.. Form 40-F....

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: Statement re Suspension dated 01 October 2003

Exhibit No. 1

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BRITISH ENERGY PLC ("British Energy" or " the Company")

British Energy announces that it is in the process of signing restructuring agreements with certain of its significant creditors, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry and others. Pending execution of these agreements, the Company has requested a temporary suspension of its ordinary and 'A' shares and bonds, namely the GBP109,861,000 5.949% Guaranteed Bonds due 2003,the GBP163,444,000 6.077% Guaranteed bonds due 2006 and the GBP134,586,0006.202% Guaranteed bonds due 2016. A further announcement incorporating details of the conditions of the restructuring agreements will be made later today.

For further information please 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: October 01 2003 BRITISH ENERGY PLC

By:____Paul Heward____

Name: Paul Heward

Title: Director - Investor Relations