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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 15, 2003

BRITISH ENERGY PLC (Registrant's name)

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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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Yes No ..X..

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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: Board Changes dated 15 May 2003

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British Energy Plc ("British Energy") Board Changes

British Energy is pleased to announce the appointment of two new Non-Executive Directors to its Board.

They are:

William A. Coley

Bill Coley retired as Group President of Duke Power, the US based global energy company, in February 2003. Throughout a long career at Duke Power, he held engineering, operational and senior management positions, and played a key role in making Duke Power one of the US's leading operators of nuclear power plants. He is a Non Executive Board Member of CT Communications, Inc, SouthTrust Corporation and Novant Healthcare, and until April 2003, was a Board Member of the Electric Power Research Institute in the US. He is 60 years old and will join the Board on 1 June 2003.

Pascal Colombani

A Nuclear Physicist, he was until recently Non Executive Chairman of Areva, the international nuclear services group in France, which includes Cogema and Framatome. He is a Board Member of Electricite de France. He is a former Board Member of France Telecom and until last year, was Chairman and CEO of CEA (Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique) in France. He is 57 years old and will join the Board on 1 June 2003.

British Energy Chairman Adrian Montague CBE commenting on the new appointments said, "I am delighted at the appointment of such senior and respected professionals to the Board. Bill Coley is a highly experienced nuclear operator who has a track record as a hands-on manager in transforming the performance of nuclear plants.

"Pascal Colombani has a broad strategic view across the nuclear industry, with particular emphasis on safety issues, reactor designs and technological innovations.

Mr Montague added, "These appointments acknowledge the fundamental task we face of improving the reliability and availability of our UK nuclear fleet, whilst continuing to maintain the high level of operational safety we have achieved over the past few years".

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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 15, 2003 BRITISH ENERGY PLC

By:____Paul Heward____

Name: Paul Heward

Title: Director - Investor Relations