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September 12, 2005

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

September 12, 2005

BRITISH ENERGY GROUP PLC  
(Registrant's name)

Systems House  
Alba Campus  
Livingston  
EH54 7EG  
(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                                                        |
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| No. 1   | RNS Announcement, re: Re. Update of Issues dated 12 September 2005 |

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### Update of issues related to Boiler Closure Units at Heysham 1 and Hartlepool

The Company is currently undertaking a planned outage of one unit at Hartlepool. As a result of inspections to boiler closure units, there appears to be the potential for stress corrosion cracking of the primary "holding down" bolts although testing has shown no evidence of cracking at Hartlepool or Heysham 1 to date.

In line with conservative operations, the Company has elected to maintain the shutdown of two reactors at Hartlepool and to shutdown two reactors at Heysham 1. The Company intends to complete the remedial work scheduled for later this year before the units are returned to service. As a consequence, the return to service of the two units at Hartlepool and one unit at Heysham 1 is expected to be delayed by about one month. The return to service of the second unit at Heysham 1 is expected to follow completion of its statutory outage due to commence later this month.

The return to service of all four units is dependent on the successful outcome of the programme of work at each unit.

Subject to the outcome of this programme of work, the net additional unplanned losses are currently expected to be around 1 TWh. Based on current information, the Company re-confirms it expects the annual average nuclear output over the next two years to be approximately 63 TWh.

The Company will provide a further update as soon as possible, expected to be within one month.

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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: September 12, 2005

BRITISH ENERGY GROUP PLC

By:\_\_\_\_John Searles\_\_\_\_

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Title: Director - Investor Relations