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July 23, 2003

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

July 23, 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.01	RNS Announcement, re: Restructuring Update dated 23 July 2003

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Today the European Commission has announced that it has initiated a formal investigation of the UK Government's proposed restructuring state aid to the Company.

British Energy has been expecting the opening of the formal investigation and looks forward to providing all necessary information and assistance that the Commission needs to complete its investigation of the proposed restructuring plan that the UK Government has put forward for the Company.

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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: July 23, 2003

BRITISH ENERGY PLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_Paul Heward\_\_\_\_\_

Name: Paul Heward

Title: Director - Investor Relations