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August 28, 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

August 28, 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 |
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| No. 1 | RNS Announcement, re: NYSE Listing Standard dated 28 August 2003 |

New York Stock Exchange - Continued Listing Standard

The Board of British Energy has been notified by the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) that British Energy does not currently comply with the NYSE's continued listing standard relating to the minimum market capitalisation and shareholders'

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equity. The NYSE requires that the average global market capitalisation of a listed company during any 30 day consecutive trading period shall not fall below \$50m and that the total shareholders' equity shall not be below \$50m. In the 30 day consecutive trading period ended 8 August 2003, British Energy's average global market capitalisation was \$49.2m.

British Energy is currently in discussions with the NYSE with respect to its ability to meet the minimum market capitalisation criteria and is reviewing the options available to the Company going forward.

With effect from 29 August, the NYSE will transmit the indicator "BC" along with the trading information relating to British Energy to indicate that the company is currently below the minimum market capitalisation and shareholders' equity criteria for continued listing.

Contacts:

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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: August 28, 2003

BRITISH ENERGY PLC

By: _____Paul Heward_____

Name: Paul Heward

Title: Director - Investor Relations