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March 05, 2003

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

March 05, 2003

BRITISH ENERGY PLC  
(Registrant's name)

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Scotland  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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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: February Output Statement dated 05 March 2003

Exhibit No. 1

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BRITISH ENERGY plc - OUTPUT STATEMENT

FEBRUARY OUTPUT STATEMENT

A summary of net output from all of British Energy's power stations in February 2003 is given in the table below, together with comparative data for the previous financial year:

	2001/02				2002/03			
	February		Year to Date		February		Year to Date	
	Output (TWh)	Load Factor (%)	Output (TWh)	Load Factor (%)	Output (TWh)	Load Factor (%)	Output (TWh)	Load Factor (%)
UK Nuclear	5.7	89	62.1	81	5.8	90	5.8	90
UK Other	0.6	43	6.4	41	0.5	41	0.5	41
Bruce Power*	0.8	76	17.9	85	1.1	100	1.1	100
(82.42% owned)								
Amergen**	1.6	100	16.9	87.8	1.7	99.7	1.7	99.7
(50% owned)								

**NOTES:**

- \* Bruce Power      2001/02: The figures cover the period from Financial Close on 12 May 2001 up to 14 February 2002.  
2002/03: The figures cover the period from 1 April 2002 to 14 February 2003.
- \*\* AmerGen          Total capacity was increased following the upgrading in Clinton's capacity in spring 2002 to 1017 Mwe and the upgrading in TMI unit 1 capacity to 840 Mwe in autumn 2001 following a turbine replacement.

**OVERVIEW**

The UK nuclear plants remain on track to achieve the revised output target, announced in August 2002, of

63 TWh (plus or minus 1 TWh) by 31 March 2003.

The output figure for AmerGen remained in line with the plan up until the month end.

On 14 February 2003, British Energy completed the disposal of its interests in Bruce Power. All 4 of Bruce 'B' Units operated at their Maximum Continuous Rating with a 0% forced outage rate through February up to the date of completion.

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### PLANNED OUTAGES

#### UK Nuclear

- \* A statutory outage was started at Dungeness B.
- \* Off-load refuelling was carried out on one reactor at Heysham 1.
- \* Low load refuelling was carried out on one reactor each at Hinkley Point B, Hunterston B and Torness.

### UNPLANNED OUTAGES

#### UK Nuclear

- \* There were a number of minor unplanned outages at several stations in the period.

#### AmerGen

- \* AmerGen - Oyster Creek - Operated at reduced load due to severe weather conditions.

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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: March 05, 2003

BRITISH ENERGY PLC

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

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