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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 5, 2004

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 |
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| No. 1 | RNS Announcement, re: Directorate Change dated 5 August, 2004 |

5 August 2004

British Energy plc

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Board Change

British Energy plc announces the resignation of David Gilchrist from the Board with immediate effect. Mr Gilchrist has been with the Company since 1991 and was appointed MD of the nuclear generation business in 2002. Upon the appointment of Roy Anderson as Chief Nuclear Officer ("CNO"), Mr Gilchrist was due to take up the position of Technical Director.

Mike Alexander, CEO commented: "David has worked in a number of positions in technical, financial and general management. He is a strong supporter of the Company's Performance Improvement Programme including the appointment of a CNO and he now wishes to seek a new challenge outside British Energy. We thank him for his past contribution and wish him well for the future."

The Company will now commence the process to seek a replacement Technical Director.

For further details please contact:

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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 5, 2004

BRITISH ENERGY PLC

By: _____ Paul Heward _____

Name: Paul Heward

Title: Director - Investor Relations