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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

September 15, 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

No. 1 RNS Announcement, re: Sale of Offices dated 15 September, 2004

British Energy plc 15 September 2004

SALE OF OFFICES IN EAST KILBRIDE, SCOTLAND

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British Energy announces the sale of its corporate headquarters located at Peel Park, East Kilbride, in Scotland to Kenmore Capital East Kilbride Limited in consideration of;

- 1. a cash payment of GBP6.625m;
- 2. a potential additional cash payment of up to GBP0.25m if certain letting arrangements come to fruition; and
- 3. the Company entering in to a lease of part of the ground floor of Peel Park for a period of 10 years at an initial rent of GBP150k per annum.

It is expected that the sale will be completed in January 2005. The proceeds will be used for working capital purposes.

The sale of this office follows the Company's review of its cost base and operational efficiencies, announced last summer, which set the objective of bringing together the nuclear power station support functions at the Company's office in Barnwood (Gloucester) to create a single centre of expertise.

British Energy signed a lease in August 2004 for a smaller corporate headquarters in Alba Campus, Livingston, Scotland which will be better suited to the Company's future business needs. Plans are also well advanced for the sub-leases of premises at Innovation House, Westway Business Park, Renfrew, Scotland for the relocation from Peel Park of staff from certain engineering support groups.

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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 15, 2004 BRITISH ENERGY PLC

By:____John Searles____

Name: John Searles

Title: Director - Investor Relations