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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

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THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

27 April 2007

BRITISH AIRWAYS Plc  
(Registrant's Name)

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United Kingdom

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Yes No

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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.

BRITISH AIRWAYS Plc

By: /s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: Alan Buchanan  
Title: Company Secretary  
Date 27 April 2007

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Exhibit No.	Description
1.	Longhaul Fuel Surcharge

### LONGHAUL FUEL SURCHARGE INCREASED

British Airways is to increase its longhaul fuel surcharge with effect from Wednesday May 2, 2007 as a result of recent trends in the price of oil.

The fuel surcharge on longhaul flights of less than nine hours will rise from GBP30 per sector (GBP60 return) to GBP33 (GBP66 return) and from GBP35 per sector to GBP38 (GBP76 return) on flights longer than nine hours.

The shorthaul fuel surcharge remains unchanged at GBP8 per sector (GBP16 return).

Robert Boyle, British Airways' commercial director, said: "The latest increase in the longhaul fuel surcharge is regrettable.

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"The cost of fuel has risen significantly in recent weeks. Unfortunately, we have little choice but to pass on some of this extra cost to our customers.

"Fuel continues to be our second largest cost and we expect our fuel bill for the year 2007/2008 to be more than GBP2 billion.

"The price of oil continues to be extremely volatile. Therefore, we believe the fuel surcharge continues to be the most transparent way for our customers to understand what they are paying and allows us to adjust the direct cost to our customers appropriately, whether that is increasing or reducing the fuel surcharge as we did on some of our longhaul flights in January."

British Airways will also increase its fuel surcharges by similar levels in markets outside the UK.

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Notes to editors:

History of fuel surcharges on all British Airways' flights booked in the UK since May 2004.

May 13, 2004: Introduced a GBP2.50 per sector surcharge on longhaul and shorthaul.

For all flights booked outside the UK the airline introduced a fuel surcharge of USD \$4 per sector.

August 11, 2004: Surcharge increased to GBP6 per sector on longhaul. Shorthaul remained at GBP2.50. Outside the UK, the longhaul fuel surcharge increased to USD\$10 per sector with shorthaul remaining at USD \$4.

October 14, 2004: Surcharge increased from GBP6 to GBP10 per sector on longhaul and from GBP2.50 to GBP4 per sector on shorthaul. Equivalent rises in other markets outside the UK.

March 22, 2005: Surcharge increased from GBP10 to GBP16 per sector on longhaul and from GBP4 to GBP6 per sector on shorthaul. Equivalent rises in other markets outside the UK.

June 27, 2005: Surcharge increased from GBP16 to GBP24 per sector on longhaul and from GBP6 to GBP8 per sector on shorthaul. Equivalent rises in other markets outside the UK.

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September 12, 2005: Surcharge increased from GBP24 per sector on longhaul to GBP30 per sector. Shorthaul remained unchanged at GBP8 per sector. Equivalent rises in other markets outside the UK.

April 18, 2006: Surcharge increased from GBP30 per sector on longhaul to GBP35 per sector. Shorthaul remain unchanged at GBP8 per sector. Equivalent rises in other markets outside the UK.

January 12, 2007: Surcharge decreased on longhaul flights of less than nine hours from GBP35 per sector to GBP30 per sector. Shorthaul remain unchanged at GBP8 per sector. Equivalent decreases in other markets outside the UK.

Certain information included in these statements is forward-looking and involves risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward looking statements.

Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, projections relating to results of operations and financial conditions and the Company's plans and objectives for future operations, including, without limitation, discussions of the Company's Business Plan programs, expected future revenues, financing plans and expected expenditures and divestments. All forward-looking statements in this report are based upon information known to the Company on the date of this report. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

It is not reasonably possible to itemize all of the many factors and specific events that could cause the Company's forward looking statements to be incorrect or that could otherwise have a material adverse effect on the future operations or results of an airline operating in the global economy. Information on some factors which could result in material difference to the results is available in the Company's SEC filings, including, without limitation the Company's Report on Form 20-F for the year ended March 2006.