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Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

for the period ended 02 January 2018

BP p.l.c.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

1 ST JAMES'S SQUARE, LONDON, SW1Y 4PD, ENGLAND

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes                      No      ☒  
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press release

2 January 2018

US tax changes - estimated impact on BP results

BP expects its future US after-tax earnings to be positively impacted by the recently-enacted changes to US corporate taxes, largely due to the reduction of the US federal corporate income tax rate from 35% to 21% (effective 1 January 2018). The ultimate impact of the change in the US corporate income tax rate is subject to a number of complex provisions in the legislation which BP is reviewing.

The lowering of the US corporate income tax rate to 21% requires revaluation of BP's US deferred tax assets and liabilities. The current estimated impact of this will be a one-off non-cash charge to the Group income statement of around \$1.5 billion that will impact BP's fourth quarter 2017 results. Details of the final actual charge are expected to be disclosed in BP's fourth quarter 2017 results announcement, due on 6 February 2018.

Further information :

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Our most recent Annual Report and Form 20-F and other period filings are available on our website at [www.bp.com](http://www.bp.com) , or can be obtained from the SEC by calling 1-800-SEC-0330 or on its website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

Dated: 02 January 2018

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(Registrant)

/s/ D.J. JACKSON

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Company Secretary