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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of July, 2006

SPIRENT COMMUNICATIONS plc

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Spirent House, Crawley Business Quarter, Fleming Way, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 9QL, UK.

(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): 82-

Spirent Communications plc announces that on 21 July 2006 it purchased from JPMorgan Cazenove Limited 700,000 Spirent Communications plc ordinary shares at an average price of 34.4525 pence per share. The purchased shares will be held as treasury shares. Following the above purchase, Spirent Communications plc holds 32,440,000 Spirent Communications plc ordinary shares in treasury, and has 938,435,758 Spirent Communications plc ordinary shares in issue (excluding treasury shares).

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Signatures

Pursuant	to	the	requ	irement	s of	the	Sec	curi	tie	es Excha	ange	Act	of	193	34,	the
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	LUKE THOMAS
	(Registrant)
Date21 July 2006	By/s/ Luke Thomas
	(Signature)*