

PRESS BRIEFS - March 19th to 21st, 2011

PUBLICATION	PAGE	HEADLINE & BRIEF
Weekend Star	12	KPLC invests Sh1.4bn in power quality plan
Business Daily	7	KPLC plans Sh1.4 billion power plant
		<p>According to the publications, the Kenya Power and Lighting Company (KPLC) is investing Sh1.4 billion in a reactive power project to improve voltage profiles in Nairobi city and environs. Eng. Johnson Ole Nchoe told members of the Kenya Association of Manufacturers attending the associations AGM that the huge investment was being made in recognition that commercial and industrial enterprises required clean power to avoid machine downtime and also in order to operate profitably.</p>
The East African	10	EXIM Bank to fund wind power generation plant
		<p>The publication states that the Exim Bank of Beijing, China, has agreed to fund the construction of a 50MW wind power generation plant in Tanzania's Singida Region. It is estimated that more than Sh150 billion would be spent on implementation of the project.</p>
	35	Clean energy demands push EA to nuclear power

		<p>According to the publication, nuclear power has been billed as an attractive "clean energy" option that will reduce dependence on carbon-based fuels as well as allow the region to diversify from often unreliable hydropower as East Africa grapples with serious power shortages. Last year, Kenya announced plans to build its first nuclear power plant by 2017 while several companies are already exploring for uranium deposits in Tanzania. However, the recent earthquake in Sendai, Japan and the consequent nuclear emergency is likely to force a re-assessment of such aspirations.</p>
	37	<p>Irish firm to boost energy production in Tanzania</p>
		<p>The publication indicates that Castletown Enterprises, a Northern Ireland-based construction and civil engineering company has expressed interest in constructing a new pipeline to transport natural gas from the Songo Songo gas field to Dar es Salaam. The project is intended to add 200MW of electricity to the national grid.</p>
The Standard	44	<p>PICTURE: MAIDEN VICTORY</p> <p>Caption: Eddy Njoroge follows his tee during the Orange Golf Day at the Karen Golf and Country Club on Friday.</p>