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PUBLICATION	PAGE	HEADLINE & BRIEF
Business Daily	Pg 4	Water, Power providers rule out supply disruptions
		The publication reports that the utility service providers have shrugged the gloomy weather outlook and ruled out service disruptions in the first half year, rising business confidence. Chief Manager at KPLC Johnson Ole Nchoe said that KenGen had also stepped up thermal generation with an addition of 115MW from the newly commissioned Kipevu III.
Business Daily	Pg 9	Bidco seeks permit for power generation
		The report states that Bidco Oil has announced plans to set up a biomass power plant to serve its Thika factory. The firm has applied for a power generation permit from the Energy Regulatory Commission for production of 2.1MW of electricity.
Business Daily	Pg 14	Hasten power plan
		The editorial states that there is some hope after the City Council of Nairobi announced last week that it had launched a hunt for partners to help it develop a land fill in Ruai, into a power generating facility. There is a proposal to hasten the project since the city produces 2,400 tonnes of garbage everyday and the collection methods are not adequate.
Business Daily	Pg 16-17	Pressure mounts on ERC to level the playing field in electricity tariff review

		<p>The report indicates that the Energy sector regulator is in mid this year, expected to draft rules to increase electricity tariff in a move that will slow down the economic growth. ERC has already awarded the contract of drafting regulations for petroleum, electricity tariffs and regulatory accounts to Economic Consulting Associates of Britain with Kurrent Technologies as the local partner.</p>
Nairobi Star	Pg 13	Turkana wind power project gets clearance
Daily Nation	Pg 27	Sh50 billion wind power project gets green light after signing deal
		<p>The publication states that the government has signed a deal with Lake Turkana Wind Power Ltd for a Sh50billion wind power project. Treasury Permanent Secretary Joseph Kinyua said that the agreement is part of the government's commitment to attract private investment.</p>
Standard	Pg 31	States slow down use of nuclear energy
		<p>The report states that the struggle to regain control of Fuushima Daiichi has made the global nuclear industry jittery. Italy has put on hold for one year its plans for a return to nuclear energy.</p>
The East African	Pg 38	Govt invites bids for steam power plants a the Bogoria-Silali block
		<p>The report states that the Geothermal Development Company has invited bids for investment in electricity generating plants with capacity of 800MW using underground stem in Bogiria-Silali block. The company's Managing Director Silas Simiyu said that installing of well-head generators is vitalas Kenya's peak power demand of about 1 200MW</p>

