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PUBLICATION	PAGE	HEADLINE & BRIEF
Standard	24	<p data-bbox="704 369 1289 411">Zambia to boost power output</p> <p data-bbox="704 457 1468 751">Zambia's power utility, Zesco expects to increase generation by 660MW by early 2009 to meet rising demand from copper mining and domestic consumption. Zesco's Public Relations Manager, Monica Chisela told Reuters their generation capacity is 1,640MW, of which only 1,190MW is currently generated for peak nation demand of 1,400MW.</p> <p data-bbox="704 793 1468 970">Zesco is also finalizing the development of the Itezhi-Tezhi power station, which will generate 120MW. The extension of the main Kariba North Bank power station will generate an extra 360MW.</p>
Business Daily	1&4	<p data-bbox="704 1024 1468 1108">Consumers to face even higher power, water bills</p> <p data-bbox="704 1150 1468 1369">Electricity and water tariffs could rise even further following a decision by the water resource management authority to impose a new charge on water users, including hydropower producers and suppliers of tap water.</p> <p data-bbox="704 1411 1468 1621">KenGen will be one of the major casualties of the new fees. The company will pay five cents for every kilowatt-hour of electricity it produces. This means that the cost of electricity could go up by five cents per kilowatt-hour above the current Sh9.50 inclusive of taxes.</p>
	7	<p data-bbox="704 1680 1458 1722">Eskom seeks to raise electricity prices</p> <p data-bbox="704 1764 1468 1978">South Africa's state power utility, Eskom says electricity prices need to double during the next two years to help it deal with a crippling power crisis. The utility said the hikes would provide the financial standing to raise funding for a massive infrastructure upgrade.</p>

