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<p>People Daily 31.5.2008</p> <p>Kenya Times 31.5.2008</p>	<p>16</p> <p>4</p>	<p>Government to increase rural electrification by 20 percent</p> <p>Power project to cost Govt Sh99b, says PS</p> <p>The Government is determined to increase rural electricity access from the current 10 percent to 20 percent in the next five years, said the Energy Permanent Secretary, Patrick Nyoike, he added that mini-wind turbines would be installed to complement the solar systems in order to provide continuous energy. He was speaking during the official launch of the Solar and Wind Energy Resource Atlas programme.</p>
<p>Business Daily</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>Rwanda bet on methane gas to solve energy woes</p> <p>State hopes to extract the deadly gas from Lake Kivu</p> <p>The Rwandan Government is embarking on a risky project to extract methane from Lake Kivu and use it to generate electricity. Mr. Albert Butare, Rwanda's Minister of state for infrastructure said that it is going to be the first of its kind in the world. The process would involve first extracting gas from underwater and then burn it to fuel an electricity plant. Government officials have expressed optimism that after some false starts, the project would succeed, bolstered by modern technology and economic incentives.</p>
