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<b>PUBLICATION</b>	<b>PAGE</b>	<b>HEADLINE &amp; BRIEF</b>
<b>Business Daily</b>	<b>2</b>	<p><b>African Leaders asked to relax grip on energy sector</b></p> <p>African governments must loosen their grip on power utility companies to forestall an acute shortage of energy that could slow down growth in budding economies. A regional conference that opened in Nairobi yesterday heard that Africa could fall into a deep crisis in 3 years if it does not expand existing power generating capacity and diversify from over dependence on hydro power. Sector players are proposing adoption of alternative and sustainable energy sources ranging from hydro and solar, wind, geothermal, gas and nuclear. Funding should be the least of our challenges said Mr. Eddy Njoroge the Managing Director of state owned power producer KenGen and President of the UPDEA Mr. Njoroge blamed African governments for appointing power sector managers without resorting to merit.</p>
<b>Nation</b>	<b>72</b>	<p><b>Power output to be raised.</b></p>
<b>Standard</b>	<b>4</b>	<p><b>Access to electricity crucial, says Kibaki.</b></p>
<b>People</b>	<b>17</b>	<p><b>Call for affordable power.</b></p>

<b>People</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>KPLC disconnects power supply to water firm.</b>  KPLC has disconnected electricity supply to Naivasha water and sewerage company's boreholes and water pumping center for non-payment of shs 600,000.00 electricity bill.
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