

PRESS BRIEFS - Wednesday September 7, 2011

PUBLICATION	PAGE	HEADLINE & BRIEF
Nation	Pg 40	Border row disrupts work at power station
		<p>According to the publication, tension on the Turkana and West Pokot borders has forced KenGen employees at the Turkwel hydro-electric power station to leave. Pokot North district commissioner George Onyango said KenGen employees at Turkwel felt insecure and moved out of the area. More police officers had been sent to help reduce tension between the Turkana and Pokot communities and North Rift regional commissioner, Wilson Wanyanga said the situation was under control. On Sunday, an anti-stock theft unit officer was killed as he escorted Turkanas to fetch water at a dam near Turkwel Gorge hours after the Rift Valley provincial commissioner, Osman Warfa held a peace meeting with Turkanas and Pokots. Another officer had been killed the previous day in the neighbourhood by Pokot raiders.</p>
Business Daily	5	Rationing set to ease as KenGen switches on repaired power plants
		<p>The publication indicates that power rationing is expected to ease soon due to improved generation as some of the plants that were shut down for repairs have resumed operations in what will improve supply to the national grid. KenGen MD said that about 143MW have now been restored to the grid following resumption of operations of Turkwel and Sondu Miriu because of improved water levels. He added that one of the gas turbines with a capacity of 30MW that was relocated to Nairobi's Embakasi from Kipevu in Mombasa is now operational while the second one is set to be functional in a week's time.</p>

The Star	31	Energy consumption in buildings put on check
		According to the publication, the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) has said it will introduce regulations to cut down on energy consumption, wastage and losses in commercial buildings, institutions and industries which are major consumers. The regulatory agency said these facilities account for about 35 per cent of total energy consumption in the country and adoption of energy efficiency measures would save firms an estimated Sh2.5 billion annually.