



commission for environmental impact assessment

Ministry of Infrastructure
To the Honourable Minister of State in Charge
of Energy and Communications,
Eng. Albert Butare
B.P.24 Kigali
Rwanda

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Advice on Harvesting the Methane Resource and Monitoring the Stratification of Lake Kivu -Rwanda-	+ 31 30 234 76 49	27 August 2007

Dear Minister,

By e-mail dated 10 January 2007 and communications following that mail, you requested the Netherlands Commission for Environmental Assessment (hereafter 'the Commission') to advise on harvesting the methane resource and monitoring the stratification of Lake Kivu. It is my pleasure to submit herewith the advice prepared by a working group of the Commission.

To assist you in establishing progress in this complicated undertaking, you called for an independent advisory body. I have become convinced that the successful workshop, the MoU that DRC and Rwanda signed as well as this advice are just first – but important – steps in a long process. I assume that this process will encounter new complications in the future. I would like to suggest that if such complications arise you call again for assistance of an independent advisor.

The Commission would appreciate to be kept informed about the use that is made of this advice.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman of the Working Group for Monitoring the Stratification of Lake Kivu under
Methane Harvesting, Rwanda.

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