



CHAPTER viii

An Act to amend the enactments relating to the discharge of compensation water by the Taf Fechan Water Supply Board and to confer further powers upon that Board and for other purposes. [27th July 1955.]

WHEREAS—

(1) By the Taf Fechan Water Supply Acts 1921 to 1937 the Taf Fechan Water Supply Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") were constituted and incorporated and the Board so constituted comprises members appointed by the following authorities:—

The mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Merthyr Tydfil ;

The Rhymney Valley Water Board comprising representatives of the councils of the urban districts of Gelligaer Caerphilly Bedwellty Rhymney and Bedwas and Machen ;

The Pontypridd and Rhondda Joint Water Board comprising representatives of the councils of the urban districts of Rhondda and Pontypridd ;

The Llantrisant and Llantwit Fardre Rural District Council ; and

The Aberdare Urban District Council :

(2) By the Taf Fechan Water Supply Acts 1921 to 1937 the Board are under obligation to supply and are supplying water in bulk for distribution by the constituent authorities of the Board and under the powers of those Acts the Board are supplying water in bulk to the mayor aldermen and burgesses

of the borough of Barry and in pursuance of the Cardiff Corporation Act 1943 and the agreement set forth in the First Schedule thereto they are fulfilling their obligation to supply water in bulk to the lord mayor aldermen and citizens of the city of Cardiff by discharging a supplementary quantity of water into the river Taf Fechan:

(3) The Board are the owners of Taf Fechan Reservoir constructed in pursuance of the Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water Act 1911 and by section 20 of that Act (as applied to the Board) the Board are required during every day of twenty-four hours to discharge or deliver in a regular uniform and continuous flow into the river Taf Fechan at a point situated not more than three hundred yards below the foot of the dam of the Taf Fechan Reservoir not less than six million eight hundred and thirty-five thousand gallons of water:

(4) The quantity of water required to be supplied by the Board and by their constituent authorities is increasing and in order that the Board may have available sufficient water to comply with increasing demands it is expedient to amend as by this Act provided the said section 20 of the Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water Act 1911:

(5) The Board are negotiating with the Central Electricity Authority for the purchase of the interest of the Central Electricity Authority as successors of the Merthyr Electric Traction and Lighting Company Limited under a lease dated the twelfth day of October nineteen hundred and thirty-seven and made between Cyfarthfa Estates Limited of the one part and the Merthyr Electric Traction and Lighting Company Limited of the other part in respect of certain water rights in the parish of Merthyr Tydfil:

(6) The purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

(7) In relation to the promotion of the Bill for this Act the provisions of subsection (3) of section 55 of the Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1921 relating to the promotion by the Board of Bills in Parliament have been observed:

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say):—

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1955.

(2) The Taf Fechan Water Supply Acts and Orders 1921 to 1951 and this Act may be cited together as the Taf Fechan Water Supply Acts and Orders 1921 to 1955.

2.—(1) In this Act unless the subject or context otherwise requires— Interpretation.

“ the Act of 1911 ” means the Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water Act 1911 ;

“ the appointed day ” means the date on which the period of three years from the passing of this Act expires or the date on which the Board notify the river board that they have completed the purchase of the leasehold interests referred to in the preamble to this Act (whichever is the later) ;

“ the Board ” means the Taf Fechan Water Supply Board ;

“ the revenues of the Board ” has the meaning assigned to it by section 4 (Interpretation) of the Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1921 as amended by section 4 (Fixed contributions) of the Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1937 ;

“ the river board ” means the Glamorgan River Board.

(2) Except where the context otherwise requires any reference in this Act to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as applied extended amended or varied by or by virtue of any subsequent enactment including this Act.

3. On and after the appointed day subsection (2) of section 20 (Compensation water to river Taf Fechan) of the Act of 1911 shall have effect as if the following paragraph were substituted for paragraph (A) thereof:— Amendment of enactments relating to compensation water.

“ (A) The Corporation shall during every day of twenty-four hours discharge or deliver in a regular uniform and continuous flow into the river Taf Fechan at a point therein situate not more than three hundred yards below the foot of the dam of the Taf Fechan Reservoir not less than four million two hundred thousand gallons of water :

Provided that—

(a) during every day of twenty-four hours (not being more than one hundred and twenty days in any calendar year) in respect of which the river board shall have given not less than forty-eight hours' notice in writing to the water engineer of the Corporation requiring the Corporation to discharge or deliver additional compensation water the Corporation shall discharge or deliver as aforesaid not less than five million five hundred thousand gallons ;

(b) if the appointed day as defined in section 2 (Interpretation) of the Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1955 is any day other than the first day of January in any year paragraph (a) of this proviso shall

have effect during the period beginning on the appointed day and ending on the thirty-first day of December in that year as if for 'one hundred and twenty days' there were substituted such number of days as is equivalent to one-third of the number of days in the said period."

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4. Nothing contained in this Act shall affect the powers and obligations of the Board under the Cardiff Corporation Act 1943 or the agreement set forth in the First Schedule thereto and the water discharged by the Board in pursuance thereof shall be in addition to the quantity of water to be discharged in pursuance of section 20 of the Act of 1911 as amended by this Act.

Costs of Act.

5.—(1) The costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the preparing for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto as taxed by the taxing officer of the House of Lords or of the House of Commons shall be paid by the Board and may be paid out of the revenues of the Board or out of money to be borrowed by them under the powers of this Act.

(2) The Board may borrow at interest the sum or sums requisite for the payment of the said costs charges and expenses and they shall repay all moneys so borrowed within such period as the Board may determine not exceeding five years from the date of borrowing.

(3) The provisions of section 13 (Application of Act of 1933 to borrowing of money by Board) of the Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1937 shall apply to the borrowing of money in pursuance of this section.

Table of Statutes referred to in this Act

Short title	Session and chapter
Merthyr Tydfil Corporation Water Act 1911	1 & 2 Geo. 5 c. xcvi.
Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1921 ...	11 & 12 Geo. 5. c. lxxxix.
Taf Fechan Water Supply Act 1937 ...	1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6 c. lviii.
Cardiff Corporation Act 1943 ...	6 & 7 Geo. 6 c. xvi.

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