

Electricity Act 1957

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Generation of electricity by Area Boards, and provision for research

6 Generation of electricity by Area Boards

- (1) If it appears to an Area Board to be expedient that the Board should generate electricity for the purpose of distribution to consumers whom they are required or authorised to supply, the Board, after consultation with the Generating Board and the Electricity Council, may formulate proposals for the generation of electricity by them for that purpose and may submit those proposals to the Minister.
- (2) Where any proposals under this section have been submitted to the Minister and have been approved by him, with or without modifications, the Area Board submitting the proposals shall have power to generate electricity in accordance with those proposals as so approved.
- (3) Subsection (9) of section two of the principal Act (which relates to the construction of provisions conferring powers on Electricity Boards) shall have effect in relation to the provisions of this section as it has effect in relation to the provisions referred to in that subsection.

7 Research

- (1) It shall be the duty of the Electricity Council to settle from time to time, in consultation with the Minister, a general programme of research into matters affecting the supply of electricity and other matters affecting the functions of Area Boards, the Generating Board or the Electricity Council.
- (2) It shall be the duty of the Electricity Council to secure the carrying out of any general programme settled by them under the preceding subsection; and for that purpose they may themselves conduct research into any of the matters mentioned in that subsection and may make arrangements with any other persons, including any of the Electricity Boards, for the conduct of such research by them.
- (3) Any of the Area Boards or the Generating Board may conduct research in accordance with arrangements made by the Electricity Council under this section, and may also,

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after consultation with the Electricity Council, conduct research into such matters affecting the functions of the Board as are not for the time being included in the general programme settled by the Council.