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CHAPTER clxxxv.

An Act to extend the powers of the Central Electric Supply Company Limited and for other purposes. A.D. 1905.

[4th August 1905.]

**W**HEREAS the Central Electric Supply Company Limited (hereinafter called "the Company") were incorporated with the object amongst others of generating and supplying electrical energy and by the Central Electric Supply Company's Act 1899 (hereinafter called "the Act of 1899") were authorised to construct amongst other works a generating station on the lands described in the First Schedule to that Act and powers were conferred upon the Company with respect to the breaking up of streets and the laying down of electric mains in the parish of Saint Marylebone for the purpose of supplying the companies named in the Second Schedule to that Act:

And whereas the Company have erected a generating station on the said lands and have acquired other lands adjoining thereto and are now supplying energy to the companies named in the Second Schedule to the Act of 1899:

And whereas it is expedient that authority be conferred upon the Company to utilize the additional lands so acquired by them for the purpose of a generating station:

And whereas it is expedient that the provisions of the Act of 1899 be amended as hereinafter mentioned:

And whereas the purposes of this Act cannot be effected without the authority of Parliament:

May it therefore please our Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty by  
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A.D. 1905. 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:—

Short title. **1.** This Act may be cited as the Central Electric Supply  
Company's Act 1905.

Incorporation of Acts. **2.** The Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 shall so far  
as the same are applicable for the purposes of and are not  
inconsistent with or expressly varied by this Act be incorporated  
with and form part of this Act.

Interpretation. **3.** In this Act the several words and expressions to which  
meanings are assigned by the Act of 1899 have in this Act the  
same respective meanings unless there be something in the subject  
or context repugnant to such construction.

As to generating station. **4.** The Company may on the lands delineated on the plans  
deposited in respect of this Act with the clerk of the peace for  
the county of London and described in the schedule to this Act  
annexed or on any part thereof erect maintain work and use a  
station or stations for generating transforming transmitting and  
conveying electrical energy with all dynamos batteries accumu-  
lators motors generators engines plant machinery works appliances  
and conveniences for that purpose and may generate transform  
transmit and convey such energy accordingly.

Amendment of Act of 1899. **5.**—(1) So much of section 13 of the Act of 1899 as  
provides that nothing in that Act shall authorise the Company  
to erect maintain work or use a station for generating electrical  
energy on any lands other than those described in the First  
Schedule to that Act is hereby repealed but the Company shall  
not be exonerated from any indictment action or other proceeding  
for nuisance in the event of any nuisance being caused or per-  
mitted by them on any lands for the time being belonging to  
them other than the lands so described and the lands described in  
the schedule to this Act.

(2) So much of section 20 of the Act of 1899 as prohibits  
the opening except with the consent in writing of the vestry of  
the parish of Saint Marylebone of more than one trench with  
such bifurcation as may be necessary for the purpose of obtaining  
access to the area of supply of each of the companies named in  
the Second Schedule to that Act and as relates to the removal  
of mains works or things placed or executed in contravention of

such prohibition is hereby repealed and it shall be lawful for the Company to exercise the powers of that Act for the purposes of laying down maintaining repairing renewing and removing electric lines with all necessary boxes and apparatus connected therewith between the generating station by that Act authorised or the generating station by this Act authorised and the respective areas of supply of the companies named in the Second Schedule to the Act of 1899. A.D. 1905.

6.—(1) The Company shall not either under the powers of this Act or of the Act of 1899 as amended by this Act without the consent in writing of the council of the metropolitan borough of Saint Marylebone open within that borough for the purpose of supplying electrical energy to the companies named in the Second Schedule to the Act of 1899 more than two trenches with such bifurcations as may be necessary for the purpose of obtaining access to the works of each of those companies. Only two trenches to be made for supplying Saint James's and Westminster Companies.

(2) If the Company place any main or other thing or execute any work otherwise than as authorised by the Act of 1899 or by this Act in or under any street in the said borough it shall be lawful for the said council at the cost of the Company to remove any such main work or thing and to reinstate such street and the soil thereunder in the same condition as they were before the doing by the Company of such unauthorised act notwithstanding that such soil may not be vested in the said council.

7. If the council of the metropolitan borough of Saint Marylebone within one month after the receipt of the plan of the works to be served upon them in accordance with the provisions of section 23 of the Act of 1899 give notice in writing to the Company that they object to the proposed route of any electric line proposed to be laid down under the powers of this Act on the ground that it would traverse the principal thoroughfares or busy streets of such borough or be otherwise inconvenient and indicate an alternative route or deviation which in the opinion of the Board of Trade is reasonable such alternative route or deviation shall be adopted and the reasonable and proper costs charges and expenses incurred by the said council in relation to any reference to the Board of Trade under this section shall unless the Board of Trade shall certify that the action of such council in the matter has been unreasonable be paid by the Company Provided that notice as required to be given to the Authority may object to route.

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A.D. 1905. Postmaster-General by section 23 of the Act of 1899 shall be given to him in respect of any such alternative route or deviation as though it were the route originally proposed by the Company.

Extending section 20 of Act of 1899. **8.** Any electric lines boxes or apparatus laid down by the Company after the passing of this Act under the powers of this Act or the Act of 1899 as amended by this Act shall be laid down and maintained subject to the provisions of the Act of 1899 for the protection of railways tunnels arches and other works of a railway company and also so as not in any way to injure the subways authorised by the Baker Street and Waterloo Railway Act 1905 and those subways shall for that purpose be deemed to be works belonging to a railway company within the meaning of section 20 of the Act of 1899.

Application of London Building Acts. **9.** The provisions of the London Building Act 1894 and the London Building Act 1894 (Amendment) Act 1898 shall subject to any exemptions therein contained in favour of companies having statutory powers for the supply of electricity apply to the erection construction or execution by the Company of any building structure or works on any lands mentioned in the schedule to this Act.

Restriction on discharge of condensing water into sewers. **10.** The Company shall not except with the consent of the London County Council or in case of emergency discharge any condensing water or water used for condensing purposes from any buildings or works of the Company situate on the lands described in the schedule to this Act into any of the sewers of the London County Council or into any pipe conduit or drain directly or indirectly communicating therewith.

Limitation on powers of Act. **11.** The powers of this Act shall not be used for the supply of electricity to any persons except those named in the Second Schedule to the Act of 1899.

As to generating stations on sites not scheduled. **12.** The Company shall not except with the approval of the Commissioners of Works erect any generating station or take a supply of energy from any generating station unless the site for such generating station is specified in an Act of Parliament or in an Order confirmed by or having the effect of an Act of Parliament Provided always that this section shall not apply to any sub-station for the transformation and distribution of electrical power Provided also that this section shall not apply to any

station which may be in existence and which shall not be extended beyond the limits of the site occupied by the buildings of such station at the time of the passing of this Act.

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**13.** Nothing in this Act or in the Act of 1899 shall authorise the Company to open or break up or in any way to interfere with any street or any water or gas main or pipe drain or culvert which is vested in or is under the control or management of the Commissioners of Works or which is maintained paved repaired lighted or watered by them or to interfere with any rights privileges or powers of whatsoever nature vested in or exerciseable by those Commissioners without their consent in writing (which consent they are hereby empowered to give) and subject to such terms and conditions as those Commissioners may think fit.

For protection of Commissioners of Works.

**14.** The Company on the one hand and the Commissioners of Woods and the Commissioners of Works or either of them on the other hand may enter into and carry into effect vary and rescind contracts agreements and arrangements for or with respect to the exercise by the Company of any of the powers conferred upon them by the Act of 1899 as amended by this Act affecting streets or roads vested in or under the control or management of the said Commissioners or either of them.

Agreements with Commissioners of Woods &c.

**15.** For the protection of the city of Westminster (in this section called "the city") the following provisions shall have effect:—

For protection of Corporation of Westminster.

(1) If and when the council of the city exercise their statutory powers of purchasing the undertakings of the companies named in the Second Schedule to the Act of 1899 or either of such undertakings the said council shall at the same time purchase and the Company shall sell to the said council the generating stations mains and other works and the powers of the Company under the Act of 1899 and this Act:

(2) Any such sale of the generating stations mains works and powers of the Company as aforesaid shall be upon the like terms and subject to the like provisions and with the like consequences as are contained and expressed in section 2 of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 with reference to a sale and purchase under that

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section and for the purposes of any such sale the generating stations mains and works of the Company shall be deemed to be within the jurisdiction of the said council.

Saving  
rights of  
Crown.

**16.** Nothing in this Act shall affect prejudicially any estate right power privilege or exemption of the King's most Excellent Majesty and in particular nothing contained herein shall authorise the Company to take use or in any manner interfere with any land or hereditaments or any rights of whatsoever description belonging to His Majesty in right of His Crown and under the management of the Commissioners of Woods without the consent in writing of the Commissioners of Woods on behalf of His Majesty first had and obtained for that purpose which consent such Commissioners are hereby authorised to give.

Saving  
clause for  
Postmaster-  
General.

**17.** Nothing in this Act shall affect any right or remedy of the Postmaster-General under the Telegraph Acts 1863 to 1904 and all provisions contained in this Act and in the Acts incorporated therewith in favour of the Postmaster-General shall be construed to be in addition to and not in modification of the provisions of those Acts.

Copy of Act  
to be de-  
livered to  
registrar.

**18.** The Company shall deliver to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies a printed copy of this Act and he shall retain and register the same and if such copy is not delivered within three months from the passing of this Act the Company shall incur a penalty not exceeding two pounds for every day after the expiration of the said three months during which the default continues and any director or manager of the Company who knowingly and wilfully authorises such default shall incur the like penalty Every penalty under this section shall be recoverable summarily There shall be paid to the said registrar by the Company on such copy being registered the like fee as is for the time being payable under the Companies Act 1862 on registration of any document other than a memorandum of association.

Expenses of  
Act.

**19.** The costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and incidental to the preparing of and applying for and the obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company.

The **SCHEDULE** referred to in the foregoing Act.

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Certain lands and buildings in the parish and metropolitan borough of Saint Marylebone in the county of London bounded on the north-west by the lands belonging to the Company and described in the First Schedule to the Act of 1899 on the south-east by the towing path of the Regent's Canal on the north-east by lands belonging to the Great Central Railway Company and on the south-west by Grove Road.

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