



CHAPTER lxi.

An Act to make further and better provision with respect to the supply of electricity in the administrative county of London to confer further powers upon certain of the companies supplying electricity within the said county and for other purposes. A.D. 1925.

[31st July 1925.]

WHEREAS the companies named in the First Schedule to this Act (who are hereinafter referred to as "the London Companies") are companies established under the Companies Acts 1908 to 1917 having powers for the supply of electricity within the administrative county of London (hereinafter referred to as "the county") and adjoining districts:

And whereas the powers of the said companies were originally conferred upon them by special Acts or by Orders made under the Electric Lighting Acts 1882 and 1888 and confirmed by Parliament and such powers have from time to time been enlarged and extended by various other special Acts and Orders relating to or affecting the said companies or some of them:

And whereas the undertakings authorised by the said Acts and Orders are purchaseable pursuant to the Electric Lighting Act 1888 or the special Acts or Orders authorising the undertakings:

And whereas the rights of purchase of the said undertakings or such parts thereof as are situate within

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And whereas it is (inter alia) provided by the said section 23 that the date at which the Council may purchase the undertakings of the London Companies and of certain other companies authorised to supply electricity in the county shall be the twenty-sixth day of August one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and that if the Council do not exercise their right of purchase on that date they may exercise the same at the expiration of any subsequent period of ten years and further that the Council shall not purchase the undertaking or any part of the undertaking of any of the London Companies or of such other companies as aforesaid unless they shall at the same time purchase all the undertakings and parts of undertakings of all the London Companies and such other companies as aforesaid which are purchaseable by them :

And whereas it is provided by the Acts and Orders relating to the London Companies that such companies shall not purchase or acquire the undertaking of or associate themselves with any other company or person supplying electricity unless authorised by Parliament so to do :

And whereas the restrictions so placed upon the London Companies were partially removed by the Act of 1908 :

And whereas with a view to the more efficient and economical supply of electricity in the areas of supply of the London Companies it is expedient that subject to the provisions of this Act the date at which the Council may purchase the undertakings or parts of the undertakings of the London Companies should be postponed and that the London Companies should be wholly freed from the prohibition to which each of such companies is at present subject against the purchase or acquisition of the undertaking of any other of them

and against association with one another and should be permitted to amalgamate their undertakings or any of them or any part or parts thereof and to enter into such other arrangements as are referred to in this Act : A.D. 1925.

And whereas in consideration of the provision contained in this Act with respect to the postponement of the date of purchase and to amalgamation of their undertakings the London Companies are willing that the amount of their profits should be regulated in manner hereinafter appearing :

And whereas by the Romford and District Electric Lighting Order 1913 (hereinafter referred to as "the Order of 1913") the County of London Electric Supply Company's Act 1918 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1918") and the County of London Electric Supply Company's Act 1921 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1921") the County of London Electric Supply Company Limited (hereinafter called "the County Company") were authorised to acquire certain lands at Barking in the county of Essex and to erect thereon a generating station or stations for generating electricity subject to the consent of the Electricity Commissioners under section 11 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1919") and in the Act of 1921 it was provided that if within five years from the passing of that Act a joint electricity authority or other body in lieu thereof should be constituted under the Act of 1919 for a district including the site of the said generating station or stations and should within that period so require the County Company should sell the said generating station or stations and the extra high pressure cables and overhead lines therein mentioned (all of which were therein described as "the Barking supply") to that joint electricity authority or body upon terms to be prescribed by the Electricity Commissioners if and when they should give their consent to the erection of the said generating station or stations :

And whereas the Electricity Commissioners gave their consent to the erection of a generating station by the County Company under the powers of the Order of 1913 and the Acts of 1918 and 1921 and thereby prescribed the terms upon which any such joint electricity

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And whereas it is expedient that in the event of any such joint electricity authority as is referred to in this Act being established for a district comprising or including the whole of the areas of supply of the London Companies all rights of purchase of the undertakings or parts of the undertakings of the London Companies within the county which would otherwise be exercisable by the Council should be transferred to such joint electricity authority and be exercisable upon the terms in this Act contained and that such joint electricity authority should be authorised to purchase the Barking supply of the County Company at the time and on the terms and conditions hereinafter provided:

And whereas it is expedient that in the event of any such joint electricity authority as last aforesaid being established the London Companies should be required to form the sinking funds in this Act mentioned:

And whereas an agreement dated the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four has been entered into between the Council of the one part and the London Companies of the other part and such agreement with certain modifications therein agreed between the parties thereto is set out in the Third Schedule to this Act and it is expedient that the said agreement as so modified should be confirmed and made binding as in this Act mentioned:

And whereas it is expedient that the agreement entered into between the London Companies of which a copy is set forth in the Fourth Schedule to this Act should be confirmed and made binding as in this Act mentioned:

And whereas it is expedient that such other powers as are hereinafter contained should be conferred upon the London Companies and that the other provisions contained in this Act should be made:

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

May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the

Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons in this A.D. 1925.
present Parliament assembled and by the authority of
the same as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the London Electricity Short title.
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2. This Act shall come into force on the day on Commence-
which any order or scheme of the Commissioners providing ment of
for the establishment of the joint authority is approved Act.
by a resolution of each House of Parliament and if such
order or scheme is approved by resolutions of the two
Houses of Parliament passed on different days then
this Act shall come into operation on the day on which
the later of such resolutions is passed: Provided that
if any such order or scheme shall have been approved
by a resolution of each House of Parliament before the
passing of this Act this Act shall come into operation
on the day of the passing thereof.

3. In this Act the several words terms and expres- Interpretation.
sions to which by the Electricity (Supply) Acts 1882
to 1922 and the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899
meanings are assigned shall have the same respective
meanings unless varied by this Act or unless there is
something in the subject or context repugnant to such
construction And—

“The London Companies” means the companies
named in the First Schedule to this Act;

“The county” means the administrative county
of London as constituted at the date of the
passing of this Act;

“The Council” means the London County Council;

“The Act of 1908” means the London Electric
Supply Act 1908;

“The Act of 1910” means the London Electric
Supply Act 1910;

“The Commissioners” means the Electricity Com-
missioners established under the provisions of
the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919;

“The joint authority” means any joint electricity
authority which may be established by an
order of the Commissioners made under the
provisions of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919

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and confirmed by the Minister of Transport and approved by both Houses of Parliament pursuant to those provisions for a district (constituted by such Order) comprising or including the entire areas of supply within the county of the London Companies;

“The date of establishment” means the date on which the scheme or order establishing the joint authority comes into operation or the date of the passing of this Act whichever is the later;

“Undertaking” means as respects each of the London Companies the undertaking of that company as authorised by the Acts and Orders relating thereto which—

(a) (so far as regards the section of this Act of which the marginal note is “As to amalgamation”) are mentioned in Parts I. and II. of the Second Schedule to this Act; and

(b) (so far as regards all other provisions of this Act) are mentioned in Part I. of that schedule;

“Physical assets” means lands buildings works machinery plant mains apparatus appliances and other like property;

“The transfer agreement” means the agreement dated the twenty-ninth day of May one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and made between the Council of the one part and the London Companies of the other part of which a copy is set forth in the Third Schedule to this Act.

Transfer of undertakings of London Companies to joint authority.

4. The undertakings or any part of the undertakings of the London Companies which are purchaseable by the Council shall not be purchased by the Council or by the joint authority (except by agreement) before the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one but shall on the said thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one be transferred to the joint authority on the terms set out in the transfer agreement.

5.—(1) The provisions of the Acts of 1908 and 1910 relating to the purchase of any undertaking or any part of any undertaking of any of the London Companies which is purchaseable by the Council by virtue of the said Acts or either of them (including so much of section 28 of the Act of 1908 as relates to the city undertaking of the City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited and to the undertaking of the County of London Electric Supply Company Limited and so much of section 29 of the Act of 1908 as preserves the rights of the council of the metropolitan borough of Lambeth in relation to the re-purchase or otherwise of the undertaking of the South London Electric Supply Corporation Limited) are hereby repealed in so far as such provisions are inconsistent with any provisions of this Act relative to the transfer of any such undertaking or any part of any such undertaking to the joint electricity authority and the said provisions of this Act shall be deemed to be substituted for such first-mentioned provisions in so far as such first-mentioned provisions relate to any such undertaking or part of an undertaking:

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Amendment
of Acts of
1908 and
1910.

Provided that until the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one in the application of the Act of 1908 and the Act of 1910 to the undertakings of the London Electric Supply Companies therein mentioned other than the London Companies as defined by this Act the provisions of the said Acts shall and that notwithstanding anything contained in this Act be read and construed as if no undertaking or part of an undertaking of any of the London Companies were included among the undertakings or the parts of the undertakings of companies to which the provisions of sections 23 to 27 of the Act of 1908 as applied or extended by the Act of 1910 are applicable.

(2) Subsections (3) and (5) of section 23 of the Act of 1908 shall be read and have effect as if the thirty-first day of December had been referred to therein in lieu of the twenty-sixth day of August.

6. Clause 5 of the indenture of the sixteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven referred to in section 29 (Saving rights of Lambeth Borough Council as to purchase) of the Act of 1908

As to rights
of Lambeth
Borough
Council.

A.D. 1925. shall be and is hereby annulled as from the date of establishment but save as aforesaid nothing in this Act shall alter or affect the rights and interests of the mayor aldermen and councillors of the metropolitan borough of Lambeth under that indenture or under the agreement of the eighth day of October one thousand nine hundred and seven also referred to in the said section 29.

Confirma-
tion of
agreement
between
Council and
London
Companies.

7. The agreement of which a copy is set out in the Third Schedule hereto is hereby confirmed and made binding on the parties thereto and on the joint authority and the several provisions thereof shall have effect as if the same had been enacted in this Act.

As to pur-
chase of
Barking
supply.

8. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the County of London Electric Supply Company's Act 1921 (in this section referred to as "the Act of 1921") relative to the undertaking in that Act and in this section referred to as "the Barking supply" or in the consent issued to the County of London Electric Supply Company Limited by the Commissioners on the thirteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two authorising the erection of a generating station at Barking and main transmission lines therefrom the Barking supply shall if the joint authority be established before the twenty-sixth day of August one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six cease to be purchaseable by the joint authority within the period mentioned in the Act of 1921 and on the terms mentioned in the said consent but shall be transferred on the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one to the joint authority on the terms applicable thereto under the provisions of the transfer agreement and for the purpose of such provisions all the physical assets comprised in the Barking supply at the date of establishment shall be deemed to have been properly provided subsequent to the date of establishment.

As to amal-
gamation.

9.—(1) As from the date on which this Act comes into operation all restrictions contained in any Act or Provisional Order or special order upon the right of the London Companies or any of them to purchase or acquire the undertaking of or associate themselves with any other of those companies shall cease to have effect and the London Companies or any two or more of them may

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with the approval of the Commissioners enter into and carry into effect agreements or arrangements for amalgamation or for the purchase or acquisition by any one or more of the companies parties to the agreement or arrangement (which parties are in this section referred to as "the contracting companies") of the undertaking or undertakings of any other or others of the contracting companies or for the combined or joint working of the whole or any part or parts of the undertakings of the contracting companies or any two or more of them or for the transfer to a new company to be formed for the purpose under the Companies Acts 1908 to 1917 (in this section referred to as "the new company") of the undertakings or any part or parts of the undertakings of the contracting companies or any of them and where any such agreement or arrangement involves the transfer (which expression where used in this section includes in addition to a transfer by way of sale the leasing of an undertaking or part of an undertaking for a term of years) of the undertaking or undertakings or any part or parts of the undertaking or undertakings of any one or more of the contracting companies to any other or others of them or to the new company such transfer may subject as hereinafter provided be effected by a deed duly executed by the companies by and to whom such transfer is to be made and approved by the Commissioners Provided that any such agreement or arrangement shall not have any force or effect unless or until the agreement or arrangement shall have been sanctioned by a special resolution of each of the contracting companies and (if and so far as any such agreement or arrangement affects the rights interests or priorities of the holders of any debentures of any of the contracting companies or of any class or classes of such debentures) by a resolution of the holders of such debentures or class or classes of debentures passed by such majority and under such conditions as are by the trust deed for securing such debentures or class or classes of debentures required in order to bind the whole of such holders or (as respects any such debentures which are not secured by a trust deed) by a resolution approved by the holders of such debentures to the amount of at least three-fourths of the total amount of the debentures represented personally or by proxy at any meeting at which such agreement or arrangement is submitted for the sanction of the holders of such debentures:

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Provided further that if any transfer shall comprise only the generating stations and main transmission lines of any of the London Companies the company to whom such transfer shall be made shall not by reason of such transfer acquire any right to supply electricity from the transferred generating station or generating stations except to any of the London Companies or to the joint authority or (subject to the provisions of the Act of 1908) to any authorised undertakers within the county.

(2) As from the date of execution of any such deed as aforesaid or any subsequent date therein prescribed for the purpose (in this section referred to as "the date of transfer")—

(a) the transfer thereby provided for shall take effect as if it had been effected by this Act;

(b) the company to whom the transfer is made shall be deemed to be within the meaning and for the purposes of the Electricity (Supply) Acts 1882 to 1922 authorised undertakers for an area of supply consisting—

(i) (if the transfer is made to one of the London Companies) of the area of supply of that company as constituted immediately before the date of transfer and the area of supply to which the transferred undertaking or undertakings or part or parts of an undertaking or undertakings relate; and

(ii) (if the transfer is made to the new company) of the areas of supply to which the transferred undertaking or undertakings or part or parts of an undertaking or undertakings relate;

and such company shall in relation to the transferred undertaking or part or parts of an undertaking or undertakings have all the rights and powers and be subject to all the duties and obligations of the company by whom the transfer was made;

(c) for the purposes of this Act and of the Act of 1908 and the Act of 1910 as amended by this Act the company to whom the transfer is made shall be deemed to be one of the London electric

supply companies or a supply company whose undertaking consists— A.D. 1925.

(i) (if the transfer is made to one of the London Companies) of the undertaking of that company as existing immediately before the date of transfer and the undertaking or undertakings or part or parts of an undertaking or undertakings transferred to them; and

(ii) (if the transfer is made to the new company) of the undertaking or undertakings or part or parts of an undertaking or undertakings transferred to them:

Provided that as respects any undertaking or part of an undertaking which is transferred by way of lease the provisions of paragraphs (b) and (c) of this subsection shall only have effect during the term of the lease:

Provided also that any agreement or arrangement for amalgamation under the provisions of this section (including the agreement of which a copy is set forth in the Fourth Schedule to this Act) shall be subject to the approval of the Commissioners and that the provisions of the transfer agreement shall so far as applicable apply to any undertaking the subject of any such agreement or arrangement.

(3) Nothing in this section contained shall prejudicially alter or affect any purchase rights for the time being vested in the local authority of any district outside the county in regard to any undertaking or part of an undertaking within such district.

(4) Nothing in this section contained shall prejudice or affect the obligation of any company or companies in which the undertakings authorised by the Croydon Rural Electric Lighting Order 1905 or the Romford and District Electric Lighting Order 1913 shall for the time being be vested respectively to comply with the provisions of section 9 of the Electric Lighting Act 1882 or any statutory re-enactment or amendment thereof in respect of those undertakings respectively.

10. The agreement dated the twentieth day of May one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four and made between the London Companies of which a copy is set forth in the Fourth Schedule to this Act is hereby confirmed and made binding on the parties thereto. Confirming agreement between London Companies.

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London
Companies
to deliver
certain
particulars
to Com-
missioners.

11. The London Companies shall deliver annually to the Commissioners particulars of the revenue derived from the supplies to the following classes of consumers—

- (a) Railway and traction supplies;
- (b) Bulk supplies;
- (c) Street lighting supplies after deducting expenditure specially relating thereto;
- (d) Supplies to private consumers;

and the total number of units supplied to each such class.

Compensa-
tion for
deprivation
of employ-
ment.

12. The provisions of section 16 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 as amended by section 21 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1922 shall extend and apply to any agreement or arrangement entered into under the provisions of this Act for the amalgamation purchase acquisition leasing or transfer of the whole or any part of any undertaking or undertakings or for the combined or joint working of the whole or any part or parts of any undertakings as if such agreement or arrangement were entered into under or in consequence of the Electricity (Supply) Acts 1919 and 1922 and as if the date of the passing of this Act had been referred to in the said section 16 in lieu of the eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nineteen and as if the five years therein mentioned dated as the case may be from the date of the agreement or arrangement or from the date of transfer under this Act.

As to use of
electricity
supplied to
certain
bodies.

13.—(1) Electricity supplied by any of the London Companies at any point within their area of supply to any company body or person owning or working a railway light railway tramway canal or navigation undertaking partly within and partly without that area may be used for the purposes of haulage or traction on and for the purposes of lighting vehicles or vessels drawn or propelled by such haulage or traction on any part of any such undertaking.

(2) In any case where electricity supplied by any of the London Companies to any company body or person owning or working a railway is used for the purposes of haulage or traction on any part of such railway electricity supplied by any of the London Companies to such company body or person may also be used for signalling

on the railway and for working any appliances at passenger stations on the railway but except so far as may be now or hereafter authorised by Parliament or by special order under subsection (2) of section 5 of the Electric Lighting Act 1909 electricity so supplied shall not be used in any area of supply of any authorised undertakers without the consent in writing of such authorised undertakers for any purpose other than the purposes aforesaid.

(3) Electricity supplied by any of the London Companies at any point within their area of supply to any company body or person owning or working a port docks or waterworks undertaking may be used on any part of such undertaking and for all or any of the purposes thereof.

(4) Electricity supplied by any of the London Companies to any company body or person owning or working any such undertaking as is mentioned in this section may in any place which is not within the area of supply of any authorised undertakers be used on any part of such undertaking and for all or any of the purposes thereof.

(5) Electricity supplied by any of the London Companies at any point within their area of supply to any company body or person authorised to supply electricity in that area may be used for the purposes of any electricity undertaking of such company body or person within the district of the joint authority.

(6) Any electricity supplied by any of the London Companies at any point within their area of supply for the purposes of charging or re-charging vehicles not running on rails may be used on such vehicles whether within or without that area.

(7) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent any undertakers authorised to supply electricity to whom electricity is supplied by any of the London Companies from supplying the same for use for any purposes for which such undertakers may be now or hereafter authorised to supply electricity.

(8) Provided that any electricity supplied under this section shall not be used by the company body or person receiving such supply in such manner as to cause or be likely to cause any interference (whether by induction

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(9) Provided also that nothing in this section shall authorise electricity to be used for haulage or traction on any railway unless the company body or person owning or working such railway is authorised by Act of Parliament or by an Order confirmed by or having the effect of an Act of Parliament to use electricity for those purposes.

Application
of certain
provisions of
Electricity
(Supply)
Act 1919.

14. The provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of section 32 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 shall extend and apply to any such agreements or arrangements as are by this Act authorised to be entered into.

For protec-
tion of Port
of London
Authority.

15. Nothing in this Act shall authorise any of the London Companies except with the consent of the Port of London Authority to interfere in any manner with the bed soil banks and shores of the River Thames or the navigation thereof or any property of the Port of London Authority within the limits of the Port of London as defined by the Port of London (Consolidation) Act 1920 or affect in any manner the rights powers or privileges of the Port of London Authority.

For protec-
tion of
Croydon
Corporation.

16. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act the following provisions for the protection and benefit of the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Croydon (in this section referred to as "the corporation" and "the borough" respectively) shall apply and have effect except so far as may otherwise be agreed in writing between the London Companies or any of them and the corporation (that is to say):—

The London Companies shall not supply electricity to the South Metropolitan Electric Tramways and Lighting Company Limited or other the owners lessees or operators for the time being of—

(a) the tramways authorised by the Croydon and District Electric Tramways Act 1902 which

are in that Act referred to as "the Croydon tramways";

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(b) the tramways authorised by the said Act of 1902 within the several urban districts formerly forming part of the rural district of Croydon;

(c) tramways Nos. 1 2 and 3 authorised by the Croydon and District Electric Tramways (Extensions) Act 1903; and

(d) the light railways authorised by the Mitcham Light Railway Order 1901;

or any of those tramways or light railways for the purpose of moving carriages upon such tramways and light railways or any of them and electricity supplied by any of the London Companies to the South Metropolitan Electric Tramways and Lighting Company Limited or other such owner lessee or operator as aforesaid shall not be used so as to contravene the provisions of section 35 (For protection of corporation of Croydon) of the said Croydon and District Electric Tramways Act 1902 or of section 13 (For protection of corporation of Croydon) of the said Croydon and District Electric Tramways (Extensions) Act 1903.

17.—(1) Nothing in the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "As to use of electricity supplied to certain bodies" shall be deemed to allow electricity supplied by any of the London Companies to the Port of London Authority to be used (save so far as may have been authorised before the passing of this Act or may hereafter be authorised by Parliament or other competent authority) within any dock or part of a dock in the metropolitan borough of Poplar without the consent of the mayor aldermen and councillors of the said metropolitan borough under their common seal except for the purposes of haulage or traction on or lighting vehicles drawn or propelled by such haulage or traction on a railway owned or worked by the Port of London Authority and for the purposes of signalling on any such railway on which electricity so supplied is used for haulage or traction or of working any appliances at passenger stations on any such railway.

For protec-
tion of
Poplar
Borough
Council.

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(2) Nothing in this section shall affect the giving of supplies to vehicles not run on rails or the use of any supply given to them.

(3) For the purposes of section 6 of the Electric Lighting Act 1909 nothing in this section shall be construed as a specific prohibition within the meaning of subsection (4) of the said section 6 against the supply by any of the London Companies of electricity within the said metropolitan borough or any part thereof.

For protec-
tion of
metropoli-
tan borough
of Stepney.

18.—(1) Nothing in the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "As to use of electricity supplied to certain bodies" shall be deemed to allow electricity supplied by any of the London Companies to the Port of London Authority to be used (save so far as may have been authorised before the passing of this Act or may hereafter be authorised by Parliament or other competent authority) within any dock or part of a dock in the metropolitan borough of Stepney without the consent of the mayor aldermen and councillors of the said metropolitan borough under their common seal except for the purposes of haulage or traction on or lighting vehicles drawn or propelled by such haulage or traction on a railway owned or worked by the Port of London Authority and for the purposes of signalling on any such railway on which electricity so supplied is used for haulage or traction or of working any appliances at passenger stations on any such railway.

(2) Nothing in this section shall affect the giving of supplies to vehicles not run on rails or the use of any supply given to them.

(3) For the purposes of section 6 of the Electric Lighting Act 1909 nothing in this section shall be construed as a specific prohibition within the meaning of subsection (4) of the said section 6 against the supply by any of the London Companies of electricity within the said metropolitan borough or any part thereof.

For protec-
tion of West
Ham Cor-
poration.

19.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in this Act or in any Act or Order relating to any of the London Companies neither the London Companies nor any or either of them nor the new company referred to in the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "As to amalgamation" save so far as they may be hereafter authorised so to do by Parliament or other competent

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authority shall without the consent of the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the county borough of West Ham under their corporate seal supply electricity within or for use within the said county borough of West Ham or within or for use within any property of the Port of London Authority which is situate within the said county borough of West Ham or the county borough of East Ham or the part of the metropolitan borough of Woolwich which lies to the north of the River Thames except to a railway company for the purposes of haulage or traction on or lighting vehicles drawn or propelled by such haulage or traction on a railway owned or worked by such railway company and (in cases where they are so supplying for haulage or traction) for the purposes of working or lighting any signalling apparatus owned or worked by such railway company or passenger or luggage hoists lifts escalators or similar appliances for conveying passengers or their luggage from one portion of any passenger station on any such railway to any other portion of such station.

(2) Nothing in this section shall affect the giving of supplies to vehicles not run on rails or the use of any supply given to them.

(3) For the purposes of section 6 of the Electric Lighting Act 1909 nothing in this section shall be construed as a specific prohibition within the meaning of subsection (4) of the said section 6 against the supply by any of the London Companies of electricity within the said county and metropolitan boroughs or either of them or any part thereof respectively.

(4) Nothing contained in section 10 of the Blackheath and Greenwich District Electric Light Company's Act 1903 shall be construed as preventing the said mayor aldermen and burgesses from taking a supply of electricity from the joint electricity authority.

20.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in this Act or in any Act or Order relating to any of the London Companies neither the London Companies nor any or either of them nor the new company referred to in the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "As to amalgamation" save so far as they may be hereafter authorised so to do by Parliament or other competent authority shall without the consent of the mayor

For protection of East Ham Corporation.

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aldermen and burgesses of the county borough of East Ham under their corporate seal supply electricity within or for use within the said county borough of East Ham except to a railway company for the purposes of haulage or traction on or lighting vehicles drawn or propelled by such haulage or traction on a railway owned or worked by such railway company and (in cases where they are so supplying for haulage or traction) for the purposes of working or lighting any signalling apparatus owned or worked by such railway company or passenger or luggage hoists lifts escalators or similar appliances for conveying passengers or their luggage from one portion of any passenger station on any such railway to any other portion of such station.

(2) Nothing in this section shall affect the giving of supplies to vehicles not run on rails or the use of any supply given to them.

(3) For the purposes of section 6 of the Electric Lighting Act 1909 nothing in this section shall be construed as a specific prohibition within the meaning of subsection (4) of the said section 6 against the supply by any of the London Companies of electricity within the said county borough or any part thereof.

For protec-
tion of
London and
North
Eastern and
London
Midland and
Scottish
Railway
Companies.

21. For the protection of any wire or line of the London and North Eastern Railway Company or the London Midland and Scottish Railway Company (each of whom is in this section referred to as "the railway company") used for the purpose of electric traction on a railway of the railway company section 20 of the schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 shall apply to the constructing laying down placing or working under any powers conferred by this Act of any electric lines or other works of any of the London Companies or of the new company referred to in the section of this Act of which the marginal note is "As to amalgamation" on under or over any lands or property of the railway company in like manner as that section applies for the protection of electric signalling communication.

As to supply
in bulk by
joint
authority.

22. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or in section 12 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 as amended by section 16 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1922 the joint authority in pursuance of any statutory

powers vested in them may supply electricity in bulk to any local authority being at the date of the passing of this Act an authorised undertaker for an area comprising or forming part of the area of supply of any of the London Companies in the county. A.D. 1925.

23. Each of the London Companies 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 so delivered within three months from the passing of this Act any company failing to deliver such copy shall incur a penalty not exceeding two pounds for every day after the expiration of those three months during which the default continues and any director or manager of such company who knowingly and wilfully authorises such default shall incur the like penalty. Copy of Act
to be
registered.

Every penalty under this section shall be recoverable summarily.

On such copy being filed there shall be paid to the registrar by the company in respect of which such copy is filed the like fee as is for the time being payable under the Companies (Consolidation) Act 1908 on registration of any document other than the memorandum or the abstract required to be filed with the registrar by a receiver or manager or the statement required to be sent to the registrar by the liquidator in a winding-up in England.

24. All costs charges and expenses preliminary to and of and incidental to the preparing applying for obtaining and passing of this Act shall be paid by the London Companies in proportion to the respective amounts of their net revenue for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three. Costs of
Act.

A.D. 1925. The SCHEDULES referred to in the foregoing Act.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

THE LONDON COMPANIES.

The City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited.
 The County of London Electric Supply Company Limited.
 The South London Electric Supply Corporation Limited.
 The South Metropolitan Electric Light and Power Company Limited.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

ACTS AND ORDERS RELATING TO THE LONDON COMPANIES.

PART I.

Title of Act or Order.	Act confirming Order.
THE CITY OF LONDON ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMPANY LIMITED.	
City of London Electric Light- ing (Brush) Order 1890.	} Electric Lighting Orders Con- firmation (No. 15) Act 1890.
City of London (East District) Electric Lighting Order 1890.	
Southwark Electric Lighting Order 1891.	Electric Lighting Orders Con- firmation (No. 9) Act 1891.
City of London Electric Light- ing (Brush) Order 1891.	Electric Lighting Orders Con- firmation (No. 10) Act 1891.
City of London Electric Light- ing Act 1893.	—
City of London Electric Light- ing Act 1900.	—
London Electric Supply Act 1908.	—

Title of Act or Order.	Act confirming Order.	A.D. 1925.
THE COUNTY OF LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED.		
County of London (North) Electric Lighting Order 1892 -	} Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act 1892.	
Southwark Electric Lighting Order 1892 - - - -		
Wandsworth Electric Lighting Order 1892 - - - -		
St. Olave Electric Lighting Order 1895.	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (Notting Hill &c.) Act 1896.	
Camberwell Electric Lighting Order 1896 - - - -	} Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act 1896.	
St. Saviour's District Electric Lighting Order 1896 - - -		
County of London (Northern Extensions) Electric Lighting Order 1897.	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Act 1897.	
Holborn and St. Giles' Electric Lighting Order 1898 (No. 1).	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 13) Act 1898.	
Battersea Electric Lighting Order 1900.	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 10) Act 1900.	
County of London Electric Supply Company's Act 1905.	—	
London Electric Supply Act 1908.	—	
Romford and District Electric Lighting Order 1913 (so far as that Order relates to the Barking supply).	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act 1913.	
County of London Electric Supply Company's Act 1918.	—	
County of London Electric Supply Company's Act 1921.	—	
THE SOUTH LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY CORPORATION LIMITED.		
Lambeth Electric Lighting Order 1892.	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act 1892.	
London Electric Supply Act 1908.	—	

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Title of Act or Order.

Act confirming Order.

THE SOUTH METROPOLITAN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER
COMPANY LIMITED.

Crystal Palace and District Electric Lighting Order 1890 (so far as that Order relates to the administrative county of London). Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 12) Act 1890.

Crystal Palace District Electric Lighting Order 1894 (so far as that Order relates to the administrative county of London). Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act 1894.

Blackheath and Greenwich District Electric Lighting Order 1897. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Act 1897.

Blackheath and Greenwich District (Extension) Electric Lighting Order 1899. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 15) Act 1899.

Lewisham Electric Lighting Order 1901. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 12) Act 1901.

Blackheath and Greenwich District Electric Light Company's Act 1903 (so far as that Act relates to the administrative county of London).

London Electric Supply Act 1908.

PART II.

THE COUNTY OF LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED.

Croydon Rural Electric Lighting Order 1905. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Act 1905.

Romford and District Electric Lighting Order 1913 (except so far as that Order relates to the Barking supply). Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act 1913.

Title of Act or Order.	Act confirming Order.	A.D. 1925.
THE SOUTH METROPOLITAN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED.		
Crystal Palace and District Electric Lighting Order 1890 (so far as that Order relates to areas outside the administrative county of London).	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 12) Act 1890.	
Crystal Palace District Electric Lighting Order 1894 (so far as that Order relates to areas outside the administrative county of London).	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act 1894.	
Penge Electric Lighting Order 1901.	Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 12) Act 1901.	
Blackheath and Greenwich District Electric Light Company's Act 1903 (so far as that Act relates to areas outside the administrative county of London).	—	

THIRD SCHEDULE.

THIS AGREEMENT made the twenty-ninth of May one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four between THE COUNCIL FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY OF LONDON (hereinafter called "the Council") of the one part and THE CITY OF LONDON ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMPANY LIMITED THE COUNTY OF LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED THE SOUTH LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY CORPORATION LIMITED and THE SOUTH METROPOLITAN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED (hereinafter called "the Companies") of the other part.

WHEREAS by the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 (hereinafter called "the Act of 1919") Electricity Commissioners (hereinafter called "the Commissioners") were established and by the Act of 1919 and the Electricity (Supply) Act 1922 (hereinafter called "the Act of 1922") the Commissioners were empowered

A.D. 1925. — to determine electricity districts and to formulate schemes for effecting the improvement of the existing organisation for the supply of electricity in any such district and the establishment and incorporation where necessary of a Joint Electricity Authority for the district :

And whereas the Act of 1919 provides that the Commissioners may make orders giving effect to such schemes and for the confirmation of such orders by the Minister of Transport and that such orders when so confirmed and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament shall have effect as if enacted in the said Act of 1919 :

And whereas by the Act of 1919 the Commissioners are empowered by any order constituting a Joint Electricity Authority to transfer to that authority any right to purchase the whole or any part of the undertaking of any authorised distributors which is vested in any local authority (including a county council) whose area is comprised within the district of the Joint Electricity Authority subject to providing for adequate representation on the Joint Electricity Authority of the local authority from whom the right is transferred and by the said Act of 1922 the Commissioners may by an order establishing a Joint Electricity Authority suspend any powers of a Joint Electricity Authority or of the Council or any other local authority relating to the purchase of any undertaking or part of an undertaking of any authorised undertakers but no such powers are to be suspended except with the consent of the authority or authorities in whom they are vested :

And whereas the Commissioners gave notice under the Act of 1919 that they had provisionally determined that a certain area comprising the city of London the counties of London and Middlesex and parts of the counties of Berks Buckingham Essex Hertford Kent and Surrey should be constituted a separate electricity district for the purposes of the Act of 1919 :

And whereas the Commissioners in the months of June and July 1921 held an inquiry with reference to the district so provisionally determined by them and for the consideration of schemes for effecting improvement of the existing organisation for the supply of electricity in the said district including proposals for adjustments of the boundaries of the district and the formation of a Joint Electricity Authority for the district :

And whereas no order has yet been made by the Commissioners under the Acts of 1919 and 1922 constituting a Joint Electricity Authority for the said district but the Commissioners have published certain decisions at which they had arrived as the result of the said inquiry from which it appears that it is the intention of the Commissioners by their order to constitute and establish a Joint Electricity Authority for the said district and to

provide a technical scheme for the improvement of the existing organisation for the supply of electricity in the said district : A.D. 1925.

And whereas the authorised undertakers for the supply of electricity in the various London areas of supply are sixteen metropolitan borough councils and fourteen companies including the Companies parties hereto :

And whereas the Council have under the London Electric Supply Act 1908 and the London Electric Supply Act 1910 a right (subject to certain rights hereinafter mentioned) in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and in every subsequent tenth year to purchase on the terms set forth in the said Act of 1908 the undertakings or parts of the undertakings in London of the London Electric Supply Companies named in the First Schedule to the said Act of 1908 and the schedule to the said Act of 1910 and under the provisions of section 23 of the said Act of 1908 the Council may not purchase the undertaking or any part of the undertaking of any of the said companies unless they shall at the same time purchase all the undertakings or parts of undertakings which they are so empowered to purchase :

And whereas it is claimed that certain rights to purchase three of the undertakings of companies supplying electricity in London or portions of such undertakings are vested in the mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London and the councils of the metropolitan boroughs of Camberwell and Lambeth but such rights if exerciseable in any case are only exerciseable in the years one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight :

And whereas the Council and the Companies are of opinion that the co-operation of the Council and the London Electricity Supply Companies is necessary to secure the efficient working of the scheme to be set out in the Order to be made by the Commissioners (hereinafter referred to as "the scheme") and that objections thereto of the Council and of the Companies which might arise should as far as possible be removed in advance and for that purpose negotiations have taken place between the Council and the Companies :

And whereas the Council are desirous that a Joint Electricity Authority should be established and that provision should be made whereby there should be a cheaper and more abundant supply of electricity in London and the Council are prepared to agree to the suspension of their said powers of purchase over the undertakings or parts of the undertakings of the Companies until the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one subject to the establishment of a Joint Electricity Authority and to the Companies accepting the conditions and obligations of this agreement hereinafter set forth :

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Now it is hereby agreed between the Council and the Companies as follows (that is to say) :—

1. The Companies shall not oppose (except on details) the establishment at the earliest possible date of a Joint Electricity Authority by a scheme and order of the Commissioners under the Acts of 1919 and 1922 so long as such order suspends as aforesaid the before-mentioned powers of purchase. The Companies shall also use their best endeavours to obtain an Act of Parliament to confirm this agreement and to make the same binding on the parties hereto and to enable the same to be carried into effect. The Council shall take all such steps as may be necessary to further the establishment of a Joint Electricity Authority and shall at the request and cost of the Companies support the application of the Companies for such an Act of Parliament as aforesaid by evidence or as the circumstances may require but the Council reserve to themselves full liberty to oppose the Bill in respect to any matter affecting the county of London not covered by the terms of this agreement.

2. From and after the first day of January one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five or such later date as the Commissioners may determine the dividends of each of the Companies shall be regulated by the price of electricity sold by the Companies in accordance with the sliding scale of prices and dividends set out in the schedule hereto.

3. With a view to enabling any two or more of the Companies named in the First Schedule to the London Electric Supply Act 1908 or in the schedule to the London Electric Supply Act 1910 which shall have entered into or become bound by an agreement with the Council similar to this agreement to amalgamate all or any of their undertakings or parts of their undertakings the Companies shall take all necessary steps including the seeking of statutory powers by the promotion in the sessions 1924 or 1925 of a Bill in Parliament to obtain the repeal or removal of any restrictions which prevent such amalgamation. The Council shall not oppose any such Bill promoted by the Companies so far as such Bill is intended to give effect to this clause hereof. Provided that no such Bill shall seek to authorise any amalgamation of the undertakings or any part of the undertakings of the Companies or any of them with the undertaking or any part of the undertaking of any company which has not entered into or become bound by an agreement with the Council similar to this agreement.

4. The Council shall not object to the suspension by the scheme or order to be made by the Commissioners establishing a Joint Electricity Authority for the London and Home Counties Electricity District under the Acts of 1919 and 1922 until the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one of any powers of purchase of the undertakings or

any part of the undertakings of the Companies which are now vested in the Council under the London Electric Supply Act 1908 and the London Electric Supply Act 1910 or either of them or otherwise but subject to the provisions of section 23 (2) of the London Electric Supply Act 1908 and any other provisions (if any) to the like effect being amended to such extent as is necessary to enable this agreement to be carried out and to preserve the right of the Council to purchase any undertaking or any part of any undertaking of any company which shall not have entered into or become bound by an agreement with the Council similar to this agreement and to this agreement being confirmed by Parliament but if no order of the Commissioners effectively providing for such suspension shall have been made confirmed and approved as required by the said Acts of 1919 and 1922 before the said statutory provisions shall have been amended by the passing of any Bill promoted by the Companies as aforesaid the Council shall not object to the retention in such Bill of provisions suspending until the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one the said powers of purchase so far as relates to the undertakings or any part of the undertakings of the Companies so long as provisions amending as aforesaid the said statutory provisions and confirming this agreement also remain in such Bill Provided also and it is hereby further expressly declared and agreed that if the provisions in such Bill suspending such powers of purchase are omitted therefrom or any alteration is made in such provisions to which the Council or the Companies shall not agree and at the date of such omission or alteration no such order of the Commissioners providing for such suspension as aforesaid shall have been made confirmed and approved as aforesaid then either party hereto may by notice to the other of them withdraw from this agreement and thereupon the same shall be void and of no effect Provided further that if a Joint Electricity Authority is not established before this agreement is confirmed by Parliament the Council may withdraw from this agreement and thereupon the same shall be void and of no effect.

5. The undertakings or any part of the undertakings of the Companies which are purchasable by the Council shall not be purchased by the Council or by the Joint Electricity Authority (except by agreement) before the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one but shall on the said thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one be transferred to the Joint Electricity Authority on the terms hereinafter appearing and any agreement between any two or more companies which shall have entered into or become bound by an agreement with the Council similar to this agreement or any of those companies whereby provision shall be made for the amalgamation of their undertakings or parts of their undertakings shall be made subject to the terms of this agreement In any Bill or Bills promoted by or on behalf of the Companies

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6.—(1) Such of the lands buildings works machinery plant mains apparatus appliances and other like property (hereinafter called "the physical assets") as form part of the undertaking or of any part of the undertaking of the Companies or any of them which is purchasable by the Council under the London Electric Supply Act 1908 and the London Electric Supply Act 1910 or either of them and as are at the date of transfer to the Joint Electricity Authority comprised in the undertaking or the part of the undertaking so transferred and as shall have been in use or available and suitable for use at the date of the establishment of the Joint Electricity Authority shall on such transfer be transferred by such company to the Joint Electricity Authority free of charge.

(2) Such of the physical assets as shall be at the date of transfer comprised in any such undertaking or part of an undertaking of any such company so transferred and as shall have been properly provided subsequent to the date of the establishment of the Joint Electricity Authority shall on such transfer be transferred by such company to the Joint Electricity Authority on the terms that the Joint Electricity Authority shall pay to such company in respect of such transfer a sum equal to the amount expended in providing such assets as shown by the books and records relating thereto less the amount standing to the credit of sinking fund B hereinafter mentioned.

(3) The stock-in-trade and stores of the Companies as they stand at the date of transfer (other than such physical assets as aforesaid) shall be sold by the Companies and purchased by the Joint Electricity Authority at such price as shall be agreed upon in each case between the Companies and the Joint Electricity Authority or as failing agreement shall be determined by a valuer to be agreed upon between the parties or failing agreement to be nominated by the President of the Surveyors' Institution upon the application of either party.

(4) No further sum than is provided for in this clause shall be payable to the Companies by the Joint Electricity Authority as the purchase price of the physical assets and stores to be transferred to the Joint Electricity Authority in one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one.

All other assets shall be retained by the Companies provided however that the Companies shall hand over to the Joint

Electricity Authority or allow a deduction to be made from the purchase price of the physical assets and stores of a sum equal to the total of the following :—

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- (a) The balance on the revenue account as at the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one remaining after providing for the dividends payable for the year ended on that date and any sum payable to the co-partners for such year less payments by the Companies made in advance in respect of the year one thousand nine hundred and seventy-two;
- (b) The balance of the contingency or special purposes fund as at the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one;
- (c) The balance of the superannuation fund (if any) as at the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one; and
- (d) Any sum to be credited to the Joint Electricity Authority under clause 9 (1) of this agreement :

Provided that in respect of (c) the Joint Electricity Authority shall take over any liability then existing to members of the superannuation fund under any scheme approved by the Commissioners.

The Companies shall be entitled to all debts or sums of money due to the Companies as at the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one and shall discharge all liabilities of the Companies for sums due from the Companies as at such date.

(5) In the event of a new company being formed by the Companies and obtaining an Act of Parliament whereby they shall become an undertaker or authorised undertaker under the Electricity (Supply) Acts 1882 to 1922 in the administrative county of London the undertaking of such new company shall be transferred to the Joint Electricity Authority on the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one upon the terms of this clause.

(6) From and after any such transfer to the Joint Electricity Authority as is provided for by this clause of any undertaking or part of an undertaking all powers and obligations in relation thereto of the company transferring such undertaking or part of an undertaking shall vest in and be exerciseable by and binding on the Joint Electricity Authority in substitution for such company and shall cease to be exerciseable by or binding on such company. Provided that no contract entered into by any such company after the confirmation of this agreement (otherwise than in pursuance of heads of agreement in writing entered into before such confirmation) and extending for more than three years beyond the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one shall be binding on the Joint Electricity Authority

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6A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the County of London Electric Supply Company's Act 1921 relative to the undertaking in that Act and hereinafter referred to as "the Barking supply" or in the consent issued to the County of London Electric Supply Company Limited by the Commissioners on the thirteenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and twenty-two authorising the erection of a generation station at Barking and main transmission lines therefrom the Companies shall in any Bill promoted by them to confirm and give effect to this agreement insert a provision that in the event of the establishment of a Joint Electricity Authority prior to the twenty-sixth day of August one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six the Barking supply shall cease to be purchasable by the Joint Electricity Authority within the period mentioned in the said Act of 1921 and on the terms mentioned in the said consent but shall be transferred on the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one to the Joint Electricity Authority on the same terms as are provided by clause 6 (2) (3) and (4) hereof. Provided also that in the event of the Joint Electricity Authority being established before such Bill receives the Royal Assent the Joint Electricity Authority shall not exercise the power of purchase referred to in the Act of 1921 until after the termination of the Parliamentary Session for 1925.

7.—(i) Each of the Companies shall provide a sinking fund A by setting aside annually out of their revenue such sums as with interest thereon will be sufficient to liquidate within such period or periods as may be approved by the Commissioners and in any event by the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one the value as shown in the schedule relating to such company provided for in clause 8 hereof of any physical assets of such company which are or may become by the terms of clause 6 hereof transferable by such company to the Joint Electricity Authority free of charge and to liquidate any other sums being at the date of the establishment of the Joint Electricity Authority capital properly expended by such company as shown by their books and records. In the event of any such asset being transferred by such company to a company to be formed the foregoing provisions of this clause shall as from the date of such transfer apply to the company to be formed in respect of the asset so transferred in lieu of such company. Provided that if any of the Companies are under an obligation to provide a sinking fund for the redemption of loan capital and are required to set aside annual contributions therefor the future contributions to such sinking fund shall be taken into account in calculating the annual sum to be set aside for sinking fund A.

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(ii) Each of the Companies shall provide a sinking fund B by setting aside annually out of their revenue such sums as with interest thereon will be sufficient to liquidate within such periods as may be approved by the Commissioners the cost of any assets which may be provided by such company and any other expenditure properly chargeable to capital account which may be incurred by such company after the establishment of the Joint Electricity Authority.

(iii) Interest on the moneys forming any such sinking fund at the rate allowed for in calculating the annual contribution to such sinking fund shall be paid annually to such sinking fund out of the revenue of the company by which the sinking fund is set aside and the interest or dividends arising from any investment on account of any such sinking fund shall be included in the revenue of the said company.

(iv) When any capital asset shall become worn out or disused or be replaced the value or cost thereof standing in the capital account of the Companies shall be written off and charged to the appropriate sinking fund.

(v) On any transfer to the Joint Electricity Authority of the undertaking or any part of the undertaking of any of the companies as provided for by clause 5 of this agreement any sinking fund formed by such company shall be retained by such company.

(vi) In the event of any difference arising as to whether any capital has been properly expended or not such difference shall be referred to the Commissioners whose decision shall be final.

(vii) Any moneys forming any part of any such sinking fund may be invested in the undertaking of the company forming the sinking fund.

8. For the identification of such of the physical assets of the Companies as shall be in use or available and suitable for use at the date of the establishment of the Joint Electricity Authority and for the determination of the value thereof at the said date each of the Companies shall prepare and deliver to the Joint Electricity Authority not later than six months after the date of establishment of the Joint Electricity Authority or such further time as may be allowed by the Commissioners firstly a schedule of the said assets grouped under the heads appearing in the capital account in the statutory form of account and of the Acts and orders obtained by such company either alone or jointly with any other company or companies before that date or for which applications were pending at that date and secondly a statement under the same heads of the value as at the date of establishment of the Joint Electricity Authority of the assets contained in such schedule and of the cost to such company then standing to capital account of and incidental to obtaining any such Act or order or incurred in any such application and shall

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allow the Joint Electricity Authority to inspect their books and records for the purpose of checking and verifying the entries in such schedule and statement. The value of the said physical assets as appearing in the said statement shall be deemed to be a sum equal to the capital properly expended in the provision of such assets as shown by the books and records relating thereto of the company delivering the same (including appropriate charges already allocated in such books and records for supervision not exceeding five per centum on the relative expenditure) less depreciation calculated at the rates allowed by the Board of Inland Revenue for wear and tear of plant and machinery that is to say three per centum on the written down value of cables and five per centum on the written down value of plant and machinery. Each such schedule and statement if and so far as it is agreed by the Joint Electricity Authority or if not objected to by the Joint Electricity Authority within six months from the date of its receipt from the company delivering the same or such further time as may be allowed by the Commissioners shall be conclusive and binding on such company and the Joint Electricity Authority for the purposes of this agreement but in the event of any difference arising as to the inclusion in or exclusion from any such schedule of particular assets or as to the value of any asset therein contained or otherwise as to the correctness of any such schedule or statement of values in any respect such difference shall be referred to arbitration in the manner set out in clause 17 hereof. In the event of any difference arising as to whether capital has been properly expended or not or as to whether any such cost is properly standing to capital account or not such difference shall be referred to the Commissioners whose decision shall be final.

9.—(1) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this agreement nothing in this agreement shall be deemed to restrict the financial and administrative independence of the Companies or to restrict the right of the Companies to carry on their respective undertakings until the thirty-first day of December one thousand nine hundred and seventy-one in the ordinary course of business. Provided always that any moneys arising from any sale or disposal by the Companies in the ordinary course of business (otherwise than to the said company to be formed) of any assets which but for this clause would on the transfer of their undertakings or any part of their undertakings to the Joint Electricity Authority as provided for by this agreement be transferred to such authority free of charge shall be on such transfer credited to the Joint Electricity Authority.

(2) The Companies shall exercise due care and economy in the management and administration of their respective undertakings and shall take all such steps as shall be reasonably practicable to secure that all by-products resulting from or

arising in the generation of electricity and disposed of by them shall be disposed of to the best advantage and profit of the company disposing of the same.

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10. The Companies shall carry out or secure the carrying out so far as the same relates to the London areas of supply of the Companies of any technical scheme for the improvement of the organisation of supply in the district approved by the Commissioners Provided always that if the Companies shall desire any amendments or modifications made in the said technical scheme or object to any amendments or modifications in the said technical scheme the matter in difference shall be referred to and determined by the Commissioners whose decisions shall be final.

11. The Companies shall subject as hereinafter mentioned dispose of all electricity generated by the Companies which shall be in excess of the electricity which the Companies may from time to time be under obligation to supply to any company body or person in accordance with the reasonable directions of the Joint Electricity Authority.

12. The Companies and any company to be formed by them as aforesaid shall notify to the Joint Electricity Authority their intention of making any capital expenditure (which shall exceed in respect of any individual item the sum of five thousand pounds) in respect whereof any payment may become payable to the Companies by the Joint Electricity Authority on the transfer as hereinbefore mentioned to the Joint Electricity Authority of the undertakings or any part of the undertakings of the Companies If the Joint Electricity Authority shall within one month from receiving any such notification in writing inform the company having given the same that the Joint Electricity Authority object to the expenditure mentioned therein a difference shall be deemed to have arisen between such company and the Joint Electricity Authority and such difference shall be determined by the Commissioners as provided by clause 15 hereof.

13. The Companies shall maintain all physical assets comprised in any undertaking or any part of the undertaking of any of the Companies which will or may eventually be transferred to the Joint Electricity Authority in accordance with the provisions of clauses 5 6 and 6A of this agreement to the reasonable satisfaction of the Joint Electricity Authority and will permit the Joint Electricity Authority by its chief engineer or persons authorised by him in writing on producing their authority once in every year while any such assets are in existence to enter upon the premises of such company to inspect such assets.

14. In the construction of this agreement in its application to the County of London Electric Supply Company Limited no

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regard shall be had to any part of the undertaking of that company which is not purchasable by the Council under the London Electric Supply Act 1908 or by the Joint Electricity Authority under this agreement and the revenue and expenditure of that company from any such part of such undertaking for the purpose of arriving at the sliding scale of price and dividends and for any other purpose shall be disregarded. If and so far as may be necessary for the purposes of this clause all the proper apportionments shall be made in respect of any accounts of the company.

14A. In the construction of this agreement in its application to the South Metropolitan Electric Light and Power Company Limited no regard shall be had to any part of the undertaking of that company which is not purchasable by the Council under the London Electric Supply Act 1908 or by the Joint Electricity Authority under this agreement and the revenue and expenditure of that company from any such part of such undertaking for the purpose of arriving at the sliding scale of price and dividends and for any other purpose shall be disregarded. If and so far as may be necessary for the purposes of this clause all the proper apportionments shall be made in respect of any accounts of the company.

15. If any difference shall arise between the Companies or any of them and the Joint Electricity Authority as to whether any direction of the Joint Electricity Authority as to the disposal of electricity or as to the maintenance of any assets is reasonable such difference shall be referred on the application of either party thereto to the Commissioners whose decision thereon shall be final and who shall have power to cancel any such direction and to give such direction or decision thereon as to them shall seem proper.

16. This agreement is subject to such alterations as Parliament may think fit to make therein but if the Bill or Bills to be promoted by or on behalf of the Companies in accordance with this agreement shall fail to pass into law or if this agreement shall not be confirmed by Parliament during the sessions 1924 or 1925 or if Parliament shall make any alteration of this agreement to which either of the parties hereto shall not agree then either party hereto may by notice to the other of them withdraw from this agreement and thereupon the same shall be void and of no effect.

17. If any difference shall arise with reference to anything contained in this agreement the decision whereof is not hereby otherwise provided for the same shall be referred to a single arbitrator to be agreed upon between the parties to such difference or in default of such agreement to be appointed at the

request of either party by the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers and subject thereto any such reference shall be deemed a reference to arbitration within the meaning of the Arbitration Act 1889. A.D. 1925.

In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto caused their respective common seals to be affixed the day and year first above written.

The SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing agreement.

SLIDING SCALE.

1. The standard prices shall be such that when applied to the units sold in the last completed year prior to the fixing of the standard prices they shall provide sufficient revenue to meet the costs and charges as set out below. Standard prices up to 1931.

Such costs and charges shall be ascertained as follows:—

By taking the costs and charges as in the last completed year prior to the fixing of the standard prices—

(1) For generation of electricity or purchase of electricity;

(2) For distribution of electricity;

(3) For royalties &c.;

(4) For rents, rates and taxes (other than taxes on profits);

(5) For management expenses;

(6) For law and Parliamentary charges:

For special charges—

(7) Insurances, superannuation and contributions to expenses of the Commissioners and to administrative expenses of the Joint Electricity Authority;

(8) Expenses for certification of meters;
and adding thereto the amounts required—

(9) For sinking fund calculated in accordance with clause 7 of the foregoing agreement; and

(10) For interest on sinking fund.

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From the total amount represented by the above there shall be deducted income derived during the year prior to the fixing of the standard prices in respect of—

(11) Rental of meters and other apparatus on consumers' premises;

(12) Sale and repairs of lamps and other apparatus;

(13) Royalties licences &c.;

(14) Rents less outgoings not otherwise provided for;

(15) Transfer fees;

(16) Interest on investments including investments of sinking fund but excluding other investments representing specific funds (interest on new (No. 2) reserve fund investments to be credited to the new (No. 2) reserve fund);

(17) Other general receipts for interest or otherwise.

Adjustments shall be made in respect of any costs and charges in the year prior to fixation included in the above so as to allow for any known subsequent increases or decreases in costs due to variations in rates and prices or for any items of expenditure or income included therein of an exceptional or non-recurring nature.

To the balance of costs and charges so resulting there shall be added an amount to cover the following charges viz. :—

(18) For contingency or special purposes fund an amount not exceeding one half per centum on the ordinary and preference capital paid up including premiums;

(19) Interest on debentures and notes outstanding at thirty-first December in the year prior to the date of fixing the standard prices and where the issue price was less than the redemption price one year's appropriate contribution in respect of such difference;

(20) Interest on loans outstanding at thirty-first December in the year prior to the date of fixing the standard prices;

(21) Interest on consumers' deposits as at thirty-first December in the year prior to the date of fixing the standard prices;

(22) Interest on superannuation or pension funds as at thirty-first December in the year prior to the date of fixing the standard prices if not invested in outside securities;

(23) Dividend on preference capital as at thirty-first December in the year prior to the date of fixing the standard prices ;

(24)—(a) The amount of dividend (including bonus if any) paid by the company on their ordinary shares for the year ended 31st December 1922 adjusted to a gross figure if paid free of tax ;

Plus—

(b) an appropriate allowance at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum in respect of new capital (including premiums if any) only employed during a portion of that year ;

Plus—

(c) 7 per cent. on the amount of cash (including premiums if any) received after 31st December 1922 in respect of partly paid ordinary shares existing at that date ;

Plus—

(d) 7 per cent. on the amount of cash (including premiums if any) received in respect of ordinary capital issued after the 31st December 1922 :

Or alternatively—

(e) An amount equal to 10 per cent. on the nominal amount (paid up) of ordinary share capital subscribed in cash or issued for an equivalent consideration at 31st December 1922 ;

Plus—

(f) 7 per cent. on ordinary capital created by capitalisation of free reserves before or after 31st December 1922 ;

Plus—

(g) 7 per cent. on the amount of cash (excluding premiums if any) received after 31st December 1922 in respect of ordinary shares existing at that date or new ordinary capital issued for cash ;

Plus—

(h) 7 per cent. on premiums received on ordinary capital after 31st December 1922 unless and until capitalised as a free reserve :

Provided that neither of the two above alternatives shall in total amount to less than—

(i) 10 per cent. on the nominal amount (paid up) of ordinary share capital outstanding at 31st December 1922 ;

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Plus—

7 per cent. on the amount of cash (including premiums if any) received after the 31st December 1922 in respect of ordinary capital.

Each company shall declare which of the two alternatives they elect to adopt prior to the fixing of the standard prices when the right of exercising the option shall expire.

Standard prices shall be fixed for each company and shall remain in force up to 31st December 1931 subject to the provisions of clause 7 the marginal note of which is "Revision of standard prices" Provided that the standard prices shall remain in force in the case of the City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited up to 31st December 1932.

Standard
prices after
1931.

2. New standard prices shall be fixed for each company to come into force after 1931 and to remain in force subject to the provisions of clause 7 the marginal note of which is "Revision of standard prices" Provided that the new standard prices shall come into force after 1932 in the case of the City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited.

The new standard prices shall be calculated and arrived at in a similar manner to that set out in clause 1 above the marginal note of which is "Standard prices up to 1931" except that in place of item 24 sub-clauses (a) to (i) there shall be substituted the following :—

(25)—(j) An amount equal to 7 per cent. on the nominal amount paid up of ordinary capital subscribed in cash or issued for an equivalent consideration;

Plus—

(k) An amount equal to 7 per cent. on ordinary capital created by capitalisation of free reserves.

Different
standard
prices for
classes of
consumers.

3. The total revenue arrived at on the lines indicated above shall be subdivided and standard prices fixed for supplies to the following classes of consumers viz. :—

- (a) Railway and traction supplies;
- (b) Bulk supplies;
- (c) Street lighting supplies after deducting expenditure specially relating thereto;
- (d) Supplies to private consumers;

so that the prices when applied to the units sold to the respective classes of consumers shall give an amount equal to the total amount of such revenue and the standard price for each of the above classes shall be determined in such manner as the Commissioners shall decide.

4. The Companies may increase or reduce the prices charged for electricity above or below the standard prices but except as provided under clause 5 the marginal note of which is "Participation in surplus profits" they shall not in any year up to and including 1931 distribute by way of dividend on the ordinary capital a larger sum than the amount of the ordinary dividend paid for the year ended 31st December 1922 adjusted to a gross figure if paid free of tax and increased to the extent of the allowances referred to under clause 1 (24) (b) (c) and (d) the marginal note of which is "Standard prices up to 1931" or alternatively (according to the option exercised for the purposes of clause 1 above) dividends at the rate of 10 per cent. on the nominal amount (paid up) of ordinary share capital subscribed in cash or issued for an equivalent consideration at 31st December 1922 plus 7 per cent. on ordinary capital created by capitalisation of free reserves with an appropriate allowance in respect of items (g) and (h) of clause 1 (24) subject to the minimum dividend as provided for under clause 1 (24) (i) Such amount or rates to be the standard rates of dividend up to 1931.

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Limitation
of dividends.

After 1931 the standard rate of dividend on the ordinary capital subscribed in cash or issued for an equivalent consideration and on ordinary capital created by capitalisation of free reserves shall be 7 per cent. and on new ordinary capital subscribed for cash shall be a rate not exceeding 7 per cent.

Such rate to be the standard rate of dividend for the years after 1931 :

Provided that in the case of the City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited the reduction of the standard rate of dividend to 7 per cent. shall take effect for the years after 1932.

The divisible or retainable profits in any year shall be the amount represented by the standard dividends above provided for in that year plus any share of the surplus profits provided for under clause 5 the marginal note of which is "Participation in surplus profits" and in the case of any company holding ordinary capital in another company or undertaking supplying electricity within the London and Home Counties Electricity District such holding company shall be allowed to retain for dividend purposes any sum received as dividend from such subsidiary company in excess of the standard rate of dividend on the ordinary capital of such subsidiary company.

4A. In the case of any company whose reserves are insufficient to meet the amount of depreciation as calculated in accordance with clause 8 of the foregoing agreement the amount of capital to which the rates referred to in clause (1) (24) (e) and (i) clause 2 (25) (j) and clause 4 are to be applied

Insufficiency
of reserves.

A.D. 1925: shall be deemed to be reduced to the extent of any such deficiency :

Provided that in the case of the City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited the following provisions shall have effect :—

(a) £350,000 at least of the reserves as at 31st December 1924 shall be regarded as available for capitalisation and may be capitalised by the company and subject thereto the remainder of such reserves shall be applied so far as may be required in writing down the assets of the company in accordance with clause 8 of the foregoing agreement and if the depreciation calculated in accordance with the said clause exceeds the said remainder of such reserves the assets of the company shall be written down to the extent of such remainder in such manner as may be agreed with the Council or the Joint Electricity Authority or failing agreement as may be determined by the Commissioners ;

(b) The dividend to be paid by the company for the year to 31st December 1924 on the ordinary share capital of the company shall not exceed 15 per cent.

(ii) If in the case of any company other than the City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited the Commissioners are satisfied that the requirement of this clause would work inequitably the Commissioners may dispense with such requirement in whole or in part on the condition that the company make provision for the liquidation of any such deficiency out of its future divisible profits.

Participa-
tion in
surplus
profits.

5. If in any year the total of the amounts actually charged to consumers for current supplied is less than an amount arrived at by applying the appropriate standard prices to the number of units supplied during the year the difference shall be described as "consumers' benefit" and subject to the profits being available a sum equal to one-sixth of such consumers' benefit may be used for purposes of additional dividend for the ordinary shareholders and/or for accumulation of reserves and it shall be competent for the Companies to apply for the benefit of co-partners such a share of surplus profits (not exceeding one-sixth of the consumers' benefit in the years up to and including 1931) as may be allowed under any co-partnership scheme approved by the Commissioners and such scheme may be framed in such a way that the benefit of the co-partners shall not be prejudiced by the revision of the standard price calculation for the years subsequent to the year 1931 and if the Commissioners so decide an appropriate addition shall be made in calculating the standard price to cover such benefit provided that such benefit shall remain a variable figure dependent upon the surplus profits of the

undertaking and shall not become a fixed addition to standard wages. A.D. 1925.

6. If the clear profits of any company in any year amount to a larger sum than is sufficient to pay dividends at the standard rates plus one-sixth of the consumers' benefit (if any) and any share (if any) of surplus profits (if any) applied for the benefit of co-partners as aforesaid the excess shall be carried forward to the next following year : Limitation on carry forward.

Provided that the total sum carried forward shall not exceed at any time 12 months' interest on the preference capital and dividend at the standard rates on the issued ordinary capital.

7. If at any time it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that the costs and charges of and incidental to the generation and distribution of electricity have substantially altered for any of the following reasons viz. :— Revision of standard prices.

- (a) Circumstances beyond the control of or which could not reasonably have been avoided by the undertakers ;
- (b) Alteration of the cost of supply caused by any action taken in pursuance of any approved technical scheme ;
- (c) Material alterations in the nature of supply such as to affect substantially the proportionate number of units sold to the respective classes of consumers referred to under clause 3 ;
- (d) Amalgamation of two or more companies after 1931

the Commissioners may (if they think fit) on the application of—

- (1) The undertakers ;
- (2) Such number of consumers not less than 20 as the Commissioners consider sufficient having regard to the population of the area of supply ; or
- (3) The Council and (as regards the city of London) the mayor and commonalty and citizens of the city of London acting by the mayor aldermen and commons of the said city in common council assembled

after such inquiry as they may think fit make an order correspondingly varying the standard prices or methods of charge :

Provided that after such a revision no further revision shall be made until the expiration of three years.

8. The Companies may after writing down their capital expenditure to the value to be arrived at under the provisions of clause 8 of the foregoing agreement capitalise all free reserves not required for depreciation of capital expenditure and any sum by which the capital expenditure has been written down Reserve funds.

A.D. 1925. below such value may be treated as a free reserve In the case of any company holding ordinary capital in another company or undertaking supplying electricity within the London and Home Counties Electricity District such holding company shall be entitled to take credit for the whole or their proportion of the free reserves of such subsidiary company and to write up their assets represented by such holdings and to capitalise the reserves so created provided that such subsidiary company shall become a sliding scale company and their dividend shall be limited in a similar manner to that of the holding company.

Reserves not so capitalised shall remain in a special reserve fund which may be capitalised at any time but the fund shall not be increased in any way by being credited with interest or dividends on investments and the whole or any part of any balance of this fund not capitalised may be carried to the credit of the contingency fund or after the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one may be transferred to the (No. 2) reserve fund The special reserve fund shall be available for purposes of paying the authorised dividends in any year in which the amount available for dividend is short of the amount required to pay the authorised dividends.

If between the date of fixing the standard prices for the period up to 1931 and the year 1931 the Companies have not distributed their retainable profits in respect of those years then they shall be permitted to capitalise these or to carry them to the credit of a new (No. 2) reserve fund.

The Companies shall also be permitted to form or to add to the new (No. 2) reserve fund out of divisible profits and the fund shall be applicable in or towards the payment of dividends in any year subsequent to the fixing of the standard prices in which the profits are insufficient to pay the authorised rates of dividends on the ordinary capital or in or towards increasing beyond the authorised rates the dividends on the ordinary capital for any year subsequent to such fixing or to any other purpose which the company may think fit.

Except as in this clause provided the Companies shall not pay dividends in any year in respect of any previous year in which the dividends were below the authorised rates.

Any balance in any such fund at the end of the year 1971 shall belong to the company.

New capital.

9. The Companies shall issue all new capital in the most advantageous form and on the best terms obtainable at the time of issue such terms and form to be approved by the Commissioners Provided that in case of a premium being realised the same less expenses of such issue shall be treated

as capital and if in any particular issue no premium is realised the expenses of such issue shall be charged against any premiums that may previously have been carried to capital account.

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10. The Companies shall be allowed to set up a contingency or special purposes fund by annual contributions not exceeding one-half per cent. of the ordinary and preference capital paid up including premiums such annual contribution to be included in the charges to be allowed for in the calculation to arrive at the standard prices. The Companies shall also be permitted to contribute to the fund an equal amount out of divisible profits but the maximum amount standing to the credit of the fund shall not at any time exceed an amount equal to one-tenth of the ordinary and preference capital paid up including premiums.

Contingency
or special
purposes
fund.

The fund shall be available to meet such charges as an accountant appointed for the purpose by the Commissioners shall approve as being—

- (a) Expenses of accidents strikes or circumstances which due care and management could not have prevented;
- (b) Expenses of replacement or removal of plant or works other than expenses requisite for maintenance or renewal;
- (c) Compensation to officers servants &c. imposed by statute; or
- (d) Contributions to administrative expenses of the Joint Electricity Authority up to 31st December 1931 and in the case of the City of London Electric Lighting Company Limited up to 31st December 1932 if and so far as these expenses are not allowed for under clause 1 (7) of this schedule.

The money forming this fund or any portion thereof may be invested in securities in which trustees are authorised by law to invest or may be applied for the general purposes of the company to which capital is properly applicable or may be used partly in the one way and partly in the other. Any balance in the fund at 31st December 1971 shall be handed over to the Joint Electricity Authority.

11. The standard prices fixed under this schedule which are (subject to revision as thereby provided) to operate till the end of the years 1931 and 1932 respectively shall be fixed in each case by the company to which such standard price is to apply and shall be submitted to the Council for their approval and in the event of the Council withholding their approval to any such standard price such price shall be determined by the Commissioners or an arbitrator appointed by them.

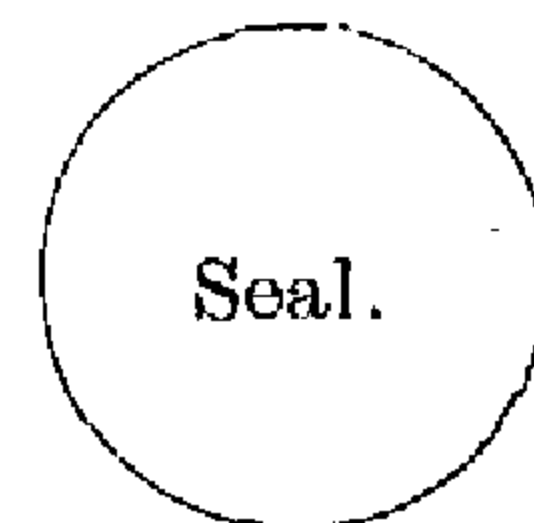
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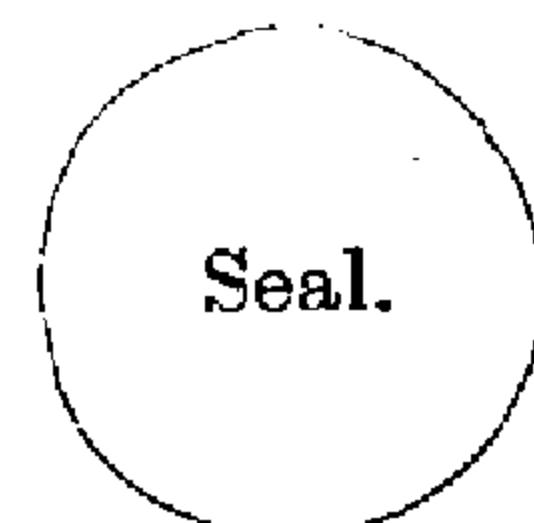
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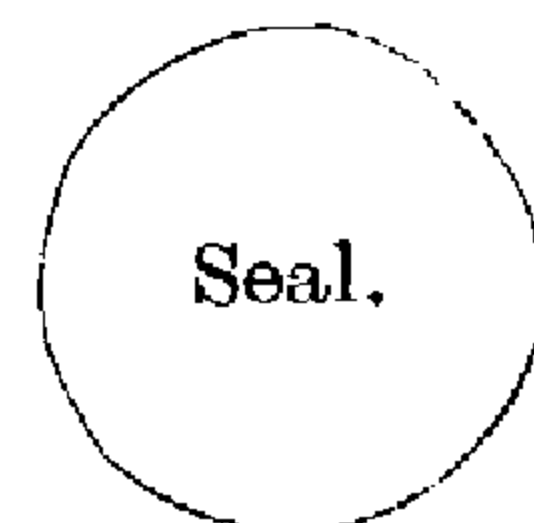
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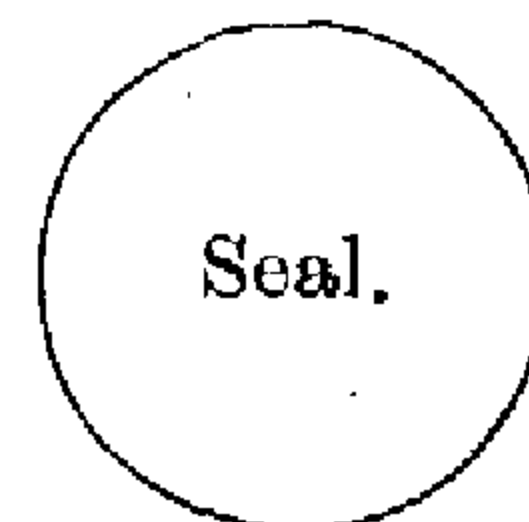
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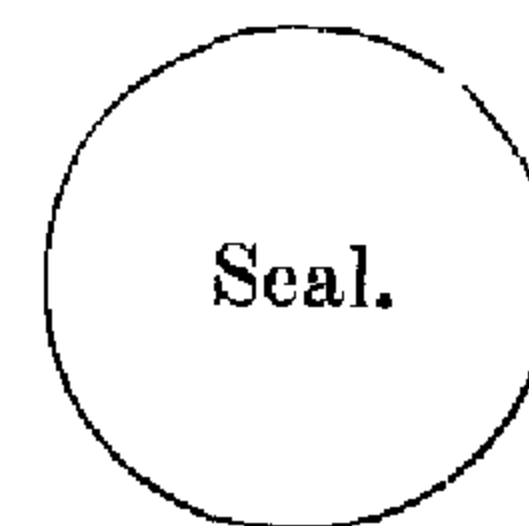
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FOURTH SCHEDULE.

A.D. 1925.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT made the twentieth day of May one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four between THE CITY OF LONDON ELECTRIC LIGHTING COMPANY LIMITED whose registered office is situate at 1 and 2 Great Winchester Street in the city of London of the first part THE COUNTY OF LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED whose registered office is situate at Moorgate Court Moorgate Place in the city of London of the second part THE SOUTH LONDON ELECTRIC SUPPLY CORPORATION LIMITED whose registered office is situate at Moorgate Court aforesaid of the third part and THE SOUTH METROPOLITAN ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED whose registered office is situate at Moorgate Court aforesaid of the fourth part.

WHEREAS the Companies parties hereto are supplying electrical energy within the administrative county of London and elsewhere under various special Acts and Orders granted in terms of the Electricity Supply Acts 1882 to 1922 by the terms of which each of them is respectively forbidden to purchase or acquire the undertaking of or to associate themselves with any other corporation company or person supplying energy under any licence Provisional Order or special Act within the said county unless authorised by Parliament so to do :

And whereas the London County Council have under the London Electric Supply Act 1908 and the London Electric Supply Act 1910 a right to purchase as in the said Acts mentioned the undertakings or parts of undertakings in the administrative county of London of the fourteen companies named in the First Schedule of the said Act of 1908 and the schedule to the Act of 1910 which said right first arises in the year 1931 including such parts of the undertakings of the Companies parties hereto as are within the said county :

And whereas negotiations are pending with the London County Council for the suspension of their said right of purchase for a period of 40 years subject to certain terms therein mentioned :

And whereas the Companies parties hereto are promoting a Bill in Parliament in the present session entitled the London

A.D. 1925. Electricity (Supply) No. 1 Bill of 1924 to make provision amongst other things for removing the said prohibition as hereinafter mentioned :

And whereas the Companies parties hereto have respectively erected the generating stations mentioned in the schedule hereto :

And whereas the Companies parties hereto have agreed in the event of the said prohibition against purchase or association of undertakings being repealed by Parliament and the said right of purchase suspended until 1971 to amalgamate their undertakings or parts thereof as hereinafter provided and to enter into other arrangements as hereinafter mentioned :

Now it is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows that is to say :—

1. The Companies parties hereto shall (subject to the approval of their shareholders) as soon as the said prohibition has been removed take steps to centralise their generating resources by transferring or leasing the same and their main transmission lines to one of the said Companies or to a company to be formed for the purpose or by amalgamation of their undertakings upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed.

2. In the event of the said terms and conditions of amalgamation not being agreed within twelve months after the Royal Assent has been given to the said Bill or such extended time as may be approved by the Electricity Commissioners the provisions of clause 1 of this agreement shall forthwith cease and thereupon the provisions hereinafter contained as to transfer or leasing of generating stations and main transmission lines shall immediately come into effect.

3. In the event of the said terms and conditions of amalgamation not having been agreed as aforesaid each of the Companies parties hereto hereby agrees to transfer or lease to such one of them as may be agreed or to a new company to be formed for the purpose the generating station or stations and main transmission lines erected by it set out in the schedule hereto.

4. The said transfer or lease shall be to such parties and for such term and shall contain such exceptions reservations covenants conditions and provisions as may be agreed or determined as hereinafter mentioned and approved by the Electricity Commissioners.

5. If the Companies parties hereto shall not within six months thereafter agree upon the terms to be included in the said transfer or lease or the parties to whom the said transfer or lease shall be granted the matters in respect of which agreement shall not have been come to shall be determined by a single

arbitrator to be agreed upon by the parties or appointed in default of agreement by the President of the Incorporated Law Society on the application of either party. A.D. 1925.

In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto caused their respective common seals to be affixed the day and year first above written.

The SCHEDULE above referred to.

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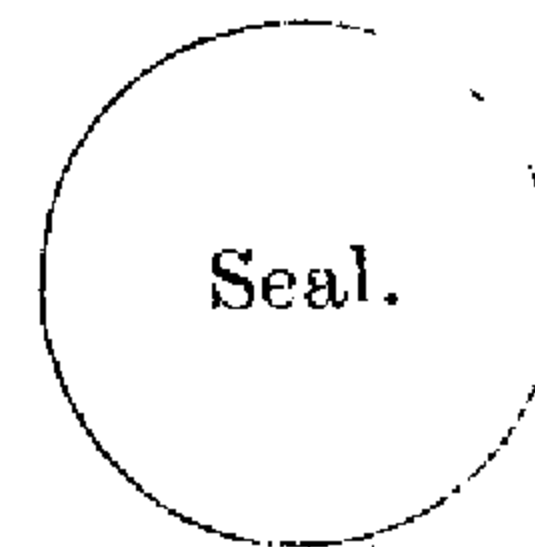
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