

and the Minister of Telegraphs shall give to each other reasonable facilities as far as possible to effect supply. Where possible, electric service lines shall pass over telegraph-lines, and telegraph service leads shall pass under electric lines.

7. CONDITIONS OF SUPPLY TO CONSUMERS

Every consumer within the area included in the license shall be entitled to a supply under the following terms and conditions:—

- (a.) The licensee shall carry the necessary service leads free of charge to the consumer for a distance not exceeding 60 ft. inside the consumer's boundary in the case of overhead lines, or 20 ft. in the case of underground lines.
- (b.) If the service leads are required for a greater distance than 60 ft. or 20 ft., as the case may be, inside the consumer's boundary, the consumer may, at the discretion of the licensee, be required to bear the additional cost.
- (c.) If an additional pole is required on a consumer's property owing to the point of attachment to the consumer's premises being too low to give the necessary overhead clearances without the use of such a pole, the cost of such pole or poles shall be paid by the consumer if the premises are more than 60 ft. inside the consumer's boundary. In all other cases the cost of the extra pole required to maintain the necessary overhead clearance shall be borne by the licensee.
- (d.) If an extension to the licensee's main is required to give supply to any consumer or group of consumers, the licensee shall erect such extension within a period not exceeding twelve months on condition that such consumer or consumers jointly or separately shall give to the licensee a guarantee to pay for electricity supplied over such line, a total amount in each year for a period of five years, not less than 20 per cent. of the estimated cost of such extension, and thereafter all electrical energy shall be chargeable at the ruling rates for the district. Notwithstanding any such payment, the line shall remain the property of the licensee, and may be used for such other purposes as may be required by the licensee provided the supply to the contributor or contributors is not thereby prejudicially affected.
- (e.) If the licensee's plant or mains are of insufficient capacity to enable a satisfactory supply of electricity to be given to any consumer or applicant for supply, the licensee shall proceed forthwith to install such additional plant or mains as are required to give a satisfactory supply of electricity, and such supply may be deferred for such period as the Minister shall decide to enable such additional plant or mains to be installed.
- (f.) The maximum charge for electricity shall not exceed the charges set out in the license. Within these limits the charges may be altered from time to time on one month's notice in writing to the consumers concerned. In addition to the maximum charge per unit a service or meter rent may be charged, but such service charge shall not exceed 1s. per month per meter installed.

A minimum charge, including meter rent, if any, for retail supply or for wholesale supply may be collected if required by the licensee, and shall be printed on the licensee's conditions of supply.

- (g.) Every consumer within any part of the licensee's area of supply shall be entitled to a supply of electricity on the same terms and conditions on which any other consumer within such part of the area is entitled under similar circumstances to a corresponding supply.

8. NOTICE BEFORE COMMENCEMENT.

Before commencing any part of the work connected with the initial installation authorized the licensee shall give fourteen days' notice in writing to the Public Works Engineer, and to the District Engineer of the Post and Telegraph Department, of the intention so to do. Such notice shall be accompanied with a plan of such installation showing the location, size and number, and pressure of bare wires and cables proposed to be erected, and also showing the number and sizes of covered wires and cables, the nature of covering, and also the height of the poles to be erected, and shall include calculations of the stresses and sag in the maximum span of each line as required under clause 32.

9. TIME OF CONSTRUCTION.

The licensee shall, within twelve months from the date of the license, make a substantial commencement of the work to which the license refers, and shall proceed continuously and energetically with the construction of all such works.

10. NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND COMMENCEMENT OF SUPPLY.

The licensee shall, prior to the completion of the initial installation or any separate portion thereof, give to the Under-Secretary of Public Works and to the District Engineer of the Post and Telegraph Department at least one month's notice in writing of the estimated date of each completion. The licensee shall not use the initial installation or any portion thereof until the Minister has given notice in writing that he has received from the Inspecting Engineer a certificate that such works or such portion thereof has been satisfactorily carried out.

11. STATISTICAL RECORDS TO BE KEPT.

From the commencement of supply the licensee, if a public supply authority, shall keep records and furnish details of capital outlay, annual operating expenditure, annual capital charges, total revenue, total units generated, and total units sold per annum, also maximum observed load in kilowatts during the year.

12. CONTINUITY OF SUPPLY.

From and after the time when the licensee commences to supply energy in pursuance of the license, the licensee shall maintain continuously, during the period of the day for which the licensee has agreed with any consumer to supply energy, sufficient power for the use of all such consumers for the time being entitled to be supplied: Provided also that for any purposes connected with the efficient working of the undertaking the Minister may give permission to the licensee to discontinue the supply at such intervals of time and for such periods as he may think expedient. When the supply is so discontinued public notice shall be given, when practicable, of such discontinuance and of the probable duration thereof.

13. EXTENSIONS.

Before commencing the extension or alteration of any line already erected (other than a service line) the licensee shall give at least seven days' notice in writing to the Public Works Engineer, and also to the District Engineer of the Post and Telegraph Department or his Deputy, of the intention to carry out the work; and in the case of an extension such notices shall be accompanied by a plan showing information prescribed by clause 8. Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 10 the licensee may use such extensions and service lines, provided that the work has been carried out in strict conformity with the requirements of these regulations; and for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the extensions and service lines comply with such conditions the Inspecting Engineer may from time to time inspect the work, and if he finds that any portion of the same does not comply with the requirements of these regulations the Minister reserves to himself the right to call upon the licensee to discontinue the use of such part of the work until he is satisfied that the regulations are complied with. The licensee shall prepare and maintain a large-scale plan showing the location of all works, lines (other than service lines), substations, and transformers erected from time to time. Such plan shall be brought up to date within twenty-one days of the completion of any extension, shall show the date of erection of each electric line, and shall be available at any time for examination by the Inspecting Engineer.

Within fourteen days after the end of each month the licensee shall furnish to the District Telegraph Engineer or his deputy a list of all service lines erected or altered during the previous month, and on the 31st March of each year shall furnish to the Minister a summarized list of all extensions to the mains made during the previous twelve months, giving date, location or route, and lengths of same.

14. ASSIGNMENT.

A license and the benefits and obligations thereunder shall not be assigned or delegated by the licensee without the express consent in writing of the Governor-General in Council first had and obtained, upon such terms and conditions as he shall approve; but such consent shall not be withheld if it is proved to the satisfaction of the Minister that the transferee is financially and otherwise able to carry out the obligations specified under the license.

15. REVOCATION, ETC.

The powers of revocation or infliction of fines conferred on the Governor-General shall not be exercised unless and until the Governor-General has caused to be given to the licensee, or placed upon some principal or conspicuous part of the works, a notice in writing of the intention to exercise the same, and of the specified breach or breaches in respect of which the aforesaid powers are intended to be exercised, and default has been made by the licensee (after the giving or leaving of such notice) in repairing or remedying the breach complained of for the following space of time:—

- (a.) For any breach of the conditions of the license which in the opinion of the Governor-General can be met by a fine, thirty days after the giving or leaving of such notice: