

License authorizing the Alderton Utility Co., Ltd., to use Water from the Keri Keri River for the Purpose of generating Electricity, and to erect and use Electric Lines within Portion of the Bay of Islands County.

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 5th day of August, 1929.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred by the Public Works Act, 1928, and of all other powers in anywise enabling him in this behalf, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth—subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth, and to the regulations made under section two of the Public Works Amendment Act, 1911, on the eleventh day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of the twelfth day of the same month, or any regulations hereafter made in amendment thereof or in substitution therefor (such regulations which are deemed to be incorporated herein, being hereinafter collectively referred to as “the regulations”)—hereby grant to the Alderton Utility Co., Ltd. (hereinafter with its successors and assigns referred to as “the licensee”), a license to take and use from the Keri Keri River (hereinafter referred to as “the said river”), in the North Auckland Land District, for the purposes hereinafter set forth, a stream of water (hereinafter referred to as “the said water”) not exceeding twenty-five cubic feet per second respectively at any one time: and also to lay, construct, put up, place, and use the electric lines hereinafter described on the following conditions. Nothing herein shall be held to guarantee that the said river contains sufficient water to supply the volume of water hereinbefore referred to.

CONDITIONS.

1. PLANS.

THE licensee shall, before the works hereby authorized are commenced, forward for the approval of the Minister of Public Works (hereinafter referred to as “the Minister”)—

- (a) Full detailed drawings and specifications of the diverting weirs:
 - (b) Drawings showing how and in what manner the water diverted is to be returned to the said river:
 - (c) Contour-plans showing difference in level of water due to the construction of the headworks:
 - (d) Drawings giving full particulars of any tunnels, aqueducts, and pipe-lines used in conveying the water from the headworks to the power-station:
 - (e) Drawings showing the arrangement of the generating, switching, and transforming plant in the power-station:
 - (f) Route plans of all electric lines showing extent of parallel with Post and Telegraph Department's lines:
- and none of the said works or any portion thereof shall be commenced before the said approval is obtained.

2. UTILIZATION OF THE WATER.

The said water shall be used solely for the purpose of generating electricity, and the whole of such water shall be returned to the said river at or near the power-house.

3. LOCATION OF HEADWORKS.

The said water shall be taken from the said river at the headworks as indicated on the plans marked P.W.D. 75011 and P.W.D. 75012 (hereinafter referred to as the “said plans”), deposited in the office of the Minister of Public Works at Wellington.

4. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF WORKS.

The licensee is hereby authorized, subject to the conditions herein contained, to construct, maintain, and use the following works for the purposes of this license, the position of the said works being indicated on the said plans:—

- (a) Headworks consisting of weirs and necessary intakes:
- (b) Races, penstocks, and pipe-lines leading from such weirs to the power-house hereinafter referred to; also tail-race from the power-house to the said river:
- (c) Power-house with all necessary equipment, including water-turbines, generators, transformers, lightning-arresters, switchboards, switches, exciters, and other appliances for generating electricity:
- (d) Transmission and other lines over the routes shown by means of dotted lines on the said plans:

(e) Such further transmission and other lines within the premises of the licensee as may from time to time be required. Any extensions or alterations of lines pursuant to this paragraph shall be made only after compliance with the provisions of clauses 21, 22, and 23 of the regulations.

5. MAINTENANCE OF WORKS.

The licensee shall maintain the works used under this license in proper working-order during the continuance of such license.

6. DURATION OF LICENSE.

This license shall, unless sooner determined in accordance with the provisions hereinafter expressed, continue in force for a period of twenty-one years from the date hereof. Upon the expiry of the said term, or upon the sooner determination of this license by revocation or otherwise, all rights hereby granted to the licensee shall thereupon cease and determine, but such expiration or determination shall not relieve the licensee of any liability theretofore incurred under this license.

7. RENTAL.

The licensee shall in respect of its license pay to the District Engineer, Public Works Department, Whangarei, a yearly rental of 4s. per kilowatt of maximum output generated during each and every year from 1st April, 1929, with a minimum of 5s. per annum. The maximum output either shall be recorded by means of a suitable watt-hour meter installed by the licensee, or, failing such installation, it shall be determined on the maximum capacity of the generating-plant installed.

8. GRANTING OF OTHER WATER-RIGHTS.

Nothing herein shall prevent the Governor-General in Council from granting to any person or body corporate other than the licensee a license to take water from any portion of the said river, except at the place where the licensee is by this license empowered to take it: Provided that no such license shall so operate as to reduce the natural fall between the headworks and tail-water, or the volume of the water which the licensee is by this license authorized to take from the said river.

9. VARIATION IN CONDITIONS OF LICENSE.

The terms and conditions of this license may from time to time, at the request or with the consent in writing of the licensee, be altered by the Governor-General by Order in Council.

10. SURRENDER OF LICENSE.

The licensee may at any time, with the consent of the Minister, surrender this license, and shall thereupon remove from the ground (if so required by the Minister) all removable equipment, machinery, buildings, poles, transmission-lines, and other plant herein authorized to be installed or provided. If the licensee fails or neglects so to remove the said plant within twelve months after being required so to do, such equipment, machinery, buildings, poles, lines, and other plant shall, without payment of compensation, vest in and become the property of the Crown.

11. SYSTEM OF SUPPLY.

The system of supply shall be as described in paragraph (e) of clause 5 of the regulations.

The generating voltage shall be approximately 400 volts between the terminals, and shall be transformed up to 11,000 volts between phases for transmission purposes.

12. RIGHT TO ENTER LANDS, ETC.

The licensee shall have the right at any time or times during the continuance of this license, with the consent of the Minister, to enter upon any road or other land, whether vested in or occupied by the Crown or any other person or body corporate, and there to construct, erect, lay down, maintain, renew, or repair all such transmission-lines, poles, or other things as are required for the transmission of electricity between the power-house hereinafter referred to and any place to which the licensee is authorized to transmit electricity in pursuance of this license.

13. POWER TO TAKE LAND.

The licensee is hereby empowered to take, under the Public Works Act, 1928, as for a public work such land as may, in the opinion of the Governor-General, be necessary or advisable to enable the licensee to construct and maintain the various works authorized by this license.

14. COMPENSATION PAYABLE FOR LAND INJURIOUSLY AFFECTED, ETC.

In respect of all land injuriously affected, and in respect of all damages done by the exercise of any of the powers conferred upon the licensee by this license, the licensee shall