

WYANGALA DAM HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION) ACT.

Act No. 15, 1945.

George VI.
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An Act to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Wyangala on the Lachlan River with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 3rd April, 1945.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Wyangala Dam Hydro-electric Development (Construction) Act, 1945."

Works sanctioned.

2. (1) (a) The carrying out of the work described in the Schedule to this Act is hereby sanctioned.

(b) The said work shall be deemed to be an authorised work within the meaning of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts.

(c) The Minister for Public Works is empowered to carry out the said work and shall be the constructing authority for the same within the meaning of the said Act, and shall enter into such contracts and take all such necessary steps for the proper execution thereof as such authority may think proper.

(d) The provisions of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, sections thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six and thirty-seven excepted, shall apply to and in respect of the said work.

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(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection one of this section the provisions of section thirty-eight of the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall apply to and in respect of any contracts referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection one of this section.

3. The plan of the said work is the plan marked **The plan.** "Wyangala Hydro-electric Construction" signed by the Minister for Public Works and countersigned by the Chief Engineer, Department of Public Works, and deposited in the public office of the said Minister.

4. The cost of carrying out the said work, exclusive **Cost.** of land resumptions, is estimated at three hundred and ninety thousand pounds and such estimated cost shall not in any circumstances be exceeded by more than ten per centum.

5. (1) The Southern Electricity (Administration) **Amendment of Act No. 3, 1942.** Act, 1942, is amended—

(a) by inserting next after paragraph (f) of section six the following new paragraph:—
(f1) the works constructed pursuant to the Wyangala Dam Hydro-electric Development (Construction) Act, 1945.

(b) by inserting next after subsection two of section seven the following new subsection:—
(2a) The provisions of subsection seven of section four hundred and eighteen of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, shall not apply and shall be deemed never to have applied to any contract made pursuant to subsection two of this section for the supply of electricity in bulk or to any contract made before the commencement of this Act between the Minister for Public Works and any municipal, shire or county council for the supply of electricity in bulk from the works.

(2) The Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942-1945.

SCHEDULE.

Fish River Water Supply Administration Act.

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SCHEDULE.

See. 2.

A hydro-electric power station having a maximum capacity of about 7,000 kilowatts at the Wyangala Dam; high tension transmission lines from Wyangala to Cowra, from Cowra to Orange, from Cowra to Forbes and thence to Parkes, and from Parkes to a point (to be agreed upon between the Minister for Public Works and The Commissioner for Railways) on The Commissioner for Railways' electric transmission line from Lithgow to Dubbo; sub-stations at Wyangala, Cowra, Forbes, Parkes and at such other places as the Minister for Public Works may deem necessary for or in connection with any of the aforesaid high tension transmission lines.

The works to be subject to such modification and deviations as the Minister for Public Works may deem necessary.
