



**CHAPTER xi.**

An Act to transfer to the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company the undertakings of the Harrow Electric Light and Power Company Limited to make new provision as to the rights of purchase of the urban district council of Harrow and for other purposes. A.D. 1937.  
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 [10th June 1937.]

**W**HEREAS the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company (hereinafter referred to as "the Company") were incorporated by Act of Parliament in 1900 and by the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply (Consolidation) Act 1928 all former Acts of the Company were repealed and the provisions thereof were consolidated in that Act : 63 & 64 Vict. c. cclxxvi. 18 & 19 Geo. 5. c. cxviii.

And whereas by the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Act 1932 and the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Act 1936 further powers were conferred on the Company : 22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. lxxv. 26 Geo. 5. & 1 Edw. 8. c. lxi.

And whereas by the said Act of 1928 the Company are empowered subject to the conditions and limitations stated in the Act to supply electricity for all purposes within part of their limits of supply (hereinafter referred to as "the Company's general supply area") being the part described in Part III of the Second Schedule to that Act :

And whereas the Company's general supply area includes (inter alia) the urban districts of Harrow-on-the-Hill Wealdstone and Wembley and the rural district of

A.D. 1937. — Hendon as respectively constituted on the first day of June nineteen hundred and twenty-eight and the Company under the powers conferred by the said Act of 1928 are supplying electricity for all purposes within some parts of the respective areas of the urban districts of Wealdstone and Wembley and the rural district of Hendon as then respectively constituted and in bulk to the Harrow Electric Light and Power Company Limited (hereinafter referred to as "the Harrow Company"):

And whereas by the Middlesex Review Order 1934 (hereinafter referred to as "the Review Order") a new urban district known as the Harrow Urban District was formed comprising the greater part of the former urban districts of Harrow-on-the-Hill and Wealdstone and the rural district of Hendon and certain areas formerly forming parts of the borough of Ealing and the urban district of Wembley respectively:

And whereas the Harrow Company are supplying electricity under powers conferred by the following Orders (hereinafter referred to as "the Harrow Orders"):

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| 57 & 58 Vict.<br>c. 1.      | (1) The Harrow Electric Lighting Order 1894 confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act 1894;             |
| 63 & 64 Vict.<br>c. clxvii. | (2) The Harrow-on-the-Hill Electric Lighting Order 1900 confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act 1900; |
| 1 & 2 Geo. 5.<br>c. clxiii. | (3) The Harrow and District Electric Supply Order 1911 confirmed by the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act 1911;  |

within the several areas of supply respectively defined in those Orders:

And whereas the areas of supply defined in the Harrow Orders adjoin and together now consist of—

- (1) The urban district of Harrow as formed by the Review Order except (i) the areas transferred by the Review Order to that urban district from the borough of Ealing the urban district of Wembley and the former rural district of Hendon and (ii) part of that portion of the former urban district of Wealdstone which was included by the Review Order in the urban district of Harrow;

- (2) Two small areas in the borough of Ealing which were transferred by the Review Order to that borough from the former urban district of Harrow-on-the-Hill; A.D. 1937.
- (3) Three small areas in the urban district of Wembley which were transferred by the Review Order to that district from the former urban district of Harrow-on-the-Hill;
- (4) Three further small areas in the urban district of Wembley which were transferred by the Review Order to that district from the former urban district of Wealdstone :

And whereas the Harrow Company are also supplying electricity to certain premises beyond the said areas of supply defined in the Harrow Orders pursuant to orders made by the Board of Trade or the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts 1882 to 1936 or some of those Acts which orders are hereinafter referred to as " the Harrow fringe orders " :

And whereas the said Order of 1894 was granted to the local board for the district of Harrow and the said Order of 1900 was granted to their successors the Harrow-on-the-Hill Urban District Council and the respective rights duties and liabilities of the said local board and council under those Orders were respectively transferred by the said council to the Harrow Company by deeds approved by the Board of Trade for periods expiring on the fourteenth day of October nineteen hundred and thirty-seven :

And whereas the urban district council of Harrow (as successors of the former urban district council of Wealdstone) are empowered by section 2 of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 and the Review Order to purchase with the consent of the Electricity Commissioners the undertaking authorised by the said Order of 1911 on the terms mentioned in that section on giving notice in writing to the Harrow Company within six months after the eighteenth day of August in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-three or in any subsequent tenth year : 51 & 52 Vict. c. 12.

And whereas it is expedient—

- (1) to vest in the Company the respective undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders on the terms stated in this Act;

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- (2) to enact the provisions contained in this Act with respect to the several portions of the areas of supply defined in the Harrow Orders which are now situate in the borough of Ealing and the urban district of Wembley;
- (3) to revoke all existing rights of the urban district council of Harrow and any other local authorities to purchase or become the owners of the whole or any part of the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and to empower the said council to purchase at the dates and on the terms stated in this Act the part defined in this Act of the undertaking of the Company within the areas of supply for the purposes of the Harrow Orders; and
- (4) to enact the other provisions of this Act:

And whereas the purposes of this Act cannot be attained 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 present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:—

Short and  
collective  
titles.

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Act 1937.

(2) The North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Acts 1928 to 1936 and this Act may be cited together as the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Acts 1928 to 1937.

Interpre-  
tation.

2. In this Act unless the subject or context otherwise requires—

words and expressions to which meanings are assigned by section 5 (Interpretation) of the Act of 1928 have the same respective meanings;

“ the Act of 1928 ” means the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply (Consolidation) Act 1928;

“ the Act of 1932 ” and “ the Act of 1936 ” mean the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Acts of those respective years;

“ the existing Acts ” means the Act of 1928 the Act A.D. 1937.  
of 1932 and the Act of 1936; —

“ the Harrow Council ” means the urban district council of Harrow;

“ the Harrow Company ” “ the Review Order ”  
“ the Harrow Orders ” and “ the Harrow fringe orders ” have the same respective meanings as in the preamble to this Act;

“ the Order of 1894 ” “ the Order of 1900 ” and  
“ the Order of 1911 ” mean the Harrow Orders of those respective years;

“ the appointed day ” means the fourteenth day of October nineteen hundred and thirty-seven;

“ the deeds of transfer ” means—

(i) the indenture dated the fourteenth day of October eighteen hundred and ninety-five made between the former Harrow-on-the-Hill Urban District Council of the one part and the Harrow Company of the other part by which the undertaking authorised by the Order of 1894 was transferred for the period therein stated by that council to the Harrow Company; and

(ii) the indenture dated the first day of April nineteen hundred and one and made between the same parties by which the undertaking authorised by the Order of 1900 was transferred for the period therein stated by the said council to the Harrow Company.

**3.**—(1) On the passing of this Act all existing powers and rights of the Harrow Council the Ealing Corporation and the urban district council of Wembley under any Act Order deed agreement or other instrument whatsoever to purchase or become the owners of the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders respectively or any of those undertakings or any part thereof shall cease and determine. Cesser of existing purchase rights.

(2) Section 10 (Purchase by Wealdstone Urban District Council) of the Order of 1911 is hereby repealed.

**4.** On the appointed day all rights authorities and privileges of the Harrow Council under the deeds of transfer shall by virtue of this Act be annulled but without prejudice to anything previously done thereunder. Annulment of rights under deeds of transfer.

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Transfer to  
Company  
of under-  
takings  
under  
Harrow  
Orders.

5.—(1) In this section “the Harrow Orders undertaking” means—

- (a) all rights powers authorities privileges obligations and liabilities imposed or conferred upon the undertakers for the purposes of the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders; and
- (b) all lands buildings works materials and plant belonging to the Harrow Company on the appointed day and used or intended for use by them for the purposes of the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders respectively;

but does not include any assets of the Harrow Company not mentioned in the foregoing paragraphs (a) and (b).

(2) As on and from the appointed day—

- (a) The Harrow Orders undertaking shall by virtue of this Act be transferred to and vested in the Company freed and discharged from all debentures mortgages or charges of the Harrow Company secured thereon or on any part thereof and from all principal moneys secured by such debentures mortgages or charges and from all other debts liabilities and outgoings due or accrued due from the Harrow Company at or up to the appointed day; and
- (b) The Company shall by virtue of this Act be the undertakers for the purposes of the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders to the exclusion of the Harrow Company and the Harrow Council.

(3) The Company shall pay to the Harrow Company for so much of the Harrow Orders undertaking as shall immediately before the appointed day be vested in or belong or attach to the Harrow Company such sum as may be agreed between the Company and the Harrow Company and approved by an independent accountant (being an accountant agreed between the Company and the Harrow Company and approved by the Electricity Commissioners) and if that sum shall not be paid on or before the appointed day the Company shall pay to the Harrow Company interest thereon at the rate of four per centum per annum from the appointed day to the date of payment.

6.—(1) The Harrow Company shall pay and discharge all debts liabilities and outgoing (including rates taxes and assessments) which shall have become or accrued due from and shall be entitled to all rates rents charges and sums of money which shall have become payable or accrued due to the Harrow Company in respect of the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders respectively before or up to the appointed day.

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Outgoings  
and receipts  
of Harrow  
Company.

(2) The Company shall pay and discharge all debts liabilities and outgoing (other than interest on any debentures mortgages or other charges which immediately before the appointed day were secured on the said undertakings or any part thereof) and shall be entitled to all rates rents charges and sums of money (other than any sums payable to the Harrow Company by the Company under the last preceding section of this Act) which shall become payable or accrue due on or after the appointed day in respect of the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders respectively.

(3) For the purpose of giving effect to this section any such debts outgoing liabilities rates rents charges and sums of money shall when necessary be apportioned between the Harrow Company and the Company and any other necessary adjustments shall be made.

7. All rates rents charges and sums of money which at the appointed day are due or payable or are accruing due or payable to the Harrow Company in connection with the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders respectively shall continue to be or accrue due and payable and may be collected and recovered by (a) the Harrow Company if the same shall have become due or payable prior to the appointed day and (b) the Company if the same shall become due or payable on or after that day.

Rates rents  
and charges  
of Harrow  
Company.

8.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act all contracts agreements conveyances deeds leases and other instruments affecting the Harrow Company in relation to the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders respectively and in force at the appointed day (except any debentures mortgages

Further  
provisions  
incident to  
transfer.

A.D. 1937. — or other instruments creating any charge on those undertakings or any part thereof) shall as from the appointed day be as binding and of as full force and effect against or in favour of the Company and may be enforced as fully and effectually as if instead of the Harrow Company the Company had been a party thereto or bound thereby or entitled to the benefit thereof.

(2) All books and documents which if this Act had not been passed would have been evidence in respect of any matter for or against the Harrow Company in relation to the undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders and the Harrow fringe orders respectively shall after the appointed day be admitted in evidence in respect of the same or the like matter for or against the Company.

Copy of  
Act to be  
registered.

9.—(1) The Harrow Company shall deliver to the Registrar of Companies a printed copy of this Act and he shall retain and register it. If such copy is not so delivered within three months from the passing of this Act the Harrow Company 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 the Harrow Company who knowingly and wilfully authorises such default shall incur a like penalty.

(2) Every penalty under this section shall be recoverable summarily.

(3) There shall be paid to the registrar by the Harrow Company on such copy being registered the fee of five shillings.

Compensa-  
tion for de-  
privation  
of employ-  
ment.  
9 & 10 Geo. 5.  
c. 100.  
16 & 17  
Geo. 5. c. 51.  
19 & 20  
Geo. 5. c. 4.

10. The provisions of section 16 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1919 as modified and set forth in the Fourth Schedule to the Electricity (Supply) Act 1926 and as amended by the Electricity (Supply) Act 1928 shall extend and apply with respect to the transfer to and vesting in the Company by virtue of this Act of the Harrow Orders undertaking as defined in section 5 (Transfer to Company of undertakings under Harrow Orders) of this Act as if such transfer and vesting were an acquisition of a generating station under or in consequence of the said Act of 1926.



11. The powers conferred on the Company by the final paragraph of section 86 (Power to subscribe for shares or lend money to other undertakers &c.) of the Act of 1928 which paragraph is set out in paragraph (ii) of section 19 (Financial arrangements with other undertakers &c.) of the Act of 1932 may at any time after the appointed day be exercised with respect to any shares stock or securities of the Harrow Company as if the Harrow Company had continued to be a company taking a supply of electricity from the Company.

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Financial  
arrange-  
ments  
between  
Company  
and share-  
holders &c.  
of Harrow  
Company.

12.—(1) On the day immediately following the appointed day—

Alteration  
of areas of  
supply  
under  
Orders of  
1894 and  
1911.

(a) the areas which were transferred by the Review Order from the former urban district of Harrow-on-the-Hill to the borough of Ealing and are coloured blue on the Map No. 3 referred to in the Review Order (which areas are hereinafter in this section referred to as "the Ealing area"); and

(b) the areas which were transferred by the Review Order from the former urban district of Harrow-on-the-Hill to the urban district of Wembley and are coloured yellow on the Map No. 4 referred to in the Review Order (which areas are hereinafter in this section referred to as "the Wembley No. 1 area");

shall cease to form part of the area of supply under the Order of 1894.

(2) On the day immediately following the appointed day the three areas which were transferred by the Review Order to the urban district of Wembley from that part of the former urban district of Wealdstone which constituted the area of supply under the Order of 1911 and are coloured orange on the said Map No. 4 (which areas are hereinafter in this section referred to as "the Wembley No. 2 area") shall cease to form part of the area of supply under the Order of 1911.

(3) (a) On the day immediately following the appointed day the Ealing area shall become for all purposes added to and included within the part of the area of supply under the Uxbridge and District Electricity Supply (Extension) Order 1903 (confirmed by

A.D. 1937. the Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act  
3 Edw. 7. 1903) for which the Uxbridge and District Electric  
c. lxxxix. Supply Company Limited are at the passing of this Act  
the undertakers and section 6 (Purchase by Greenford  
Urban District Council) of that Order shall apply to so  
much of the undertaking of the said Company as is  
comprised within the Ealing area as if so much of the  
said undertaking as aforesaid were comprised within the  
Greenford portion of the undertaking within the meaning  
of that section 6.

(b) On the day immediately following the appointed  
day the Ealing area shall cease to form part of the general  
supply area and of the limits of supply of the Company.

6 Edw. 7. (c) The proviso to section 11 (Agreements as to  
c. cciv. supply of electricity) of the Metropolitan Electric Supply  
Company Act 1906 shall after the appointed day have  
effect as if the Ealing area were not part of the area of  
the Company referred to in that proviso.

(4) All supplies of electricity which on the appointed  
day are being given by the Company or the Harrow  
Company within the Wembley No. 1 area or the Wembley  
No. 2 area shall as from the appointed day and so long  
as such supplies shall be continued by the Company be  
deemed to be given by the Company pursuant to the  
powers conferred on them by the existing Acts and all  
lands buildings works materials and plant which shall  
belong to the Harrow Company within the Wembley  
No. 1 area and the Wembley No. 2 area immediately  
before the appointed day and be transferred to and vested  
in the Company on the appointed day by virtue of the  
foregoing provisions of this Act shall as from the  
appointed day be part of the undertaking of the Company  
authorised by the existing Acts.

For protec-  
tion of  
Wembley  
Urban  
District  
Council.

7 Edw. 7.  
c. xcvi.

**13.** Notwithstanding anything in this Act the terms  
and conditions stated in the agreement made the  
eighteenth day of May nineteen hundred and fourteen  
between the urban district council of Wembley of the one  
part and the Company of the other part (providing for  
the consent of the said council under sections 7 and 13  
of the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Act  
1907 to a supply of electricity being given by the Company  
under section 7 of that Act as re-enacted in paragraph  
(4) of section 68 (Principal powers of supply) of the Act

[1 EDW. 8. & *North Metropolitan* [Ch. xl.]  
1 GEO. 6.] *Electric Power Supply Act, 1937.*

of 1928) shall after the appointed day extend and apply to all supplies of electricity given by the Company in the Wembley No. 1 area and the Wembley No. 2 area (as respectively defined in the last preceding section) in all respects as if the said areas had formed part of the urban district of Wembley immediately prior to the eighteenth day of May nineteen hundred and fourteen and as if section 71 (Continuance of existing consents to supply) of the Act of 1928 had applied to such consent as extended to the Wembley No. 1 area and the Wembley No. 2 area by this section.

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14.—(1) On and after the appointed day the provisions of the schedule to the Electric Lighting (Clauses) Act 1899 as amended by subsequent Acts shall be incorporated with the Order of 1894 and accordingly the undertaking authorised by that Order and the undertakers for the time being in respect thereof shall on and after the appointed day be subject to those provisions and so much of the Order of 1894 as is inconsistent with those provisions shall on the appointed day become and be repealed without prejudice to anything done or required thereunder.

Further amendment of Order of 1894. 62 & 63 Vict. c. 19.

(2) Section 59 (Transfer of powers &c.) of the Order of 1894 is hereby repealed.

15.—(1) In this section—

“ the Harrow area ” means the area comprising the several areas of supply for the purposes of the Harrow Orders respectively as amended by the foregoing provisions of this Act ;

“ the date of purchase ” means the date of expiry of any notice served by the Harrow Council pursuant to subsection (2) of this section ;

“ the Harrow distribution undertaking ” means the whole of that part of the undertaking of the Company as existing at the date of purchase which relates to the distribution of electricity within the Harrow area for use exclusively within that area and whether the said part of the undertaking be authorised by the Harrow Orders (as amended by the foregoing

New purchase rights of Harrow Council.

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provisions of this Act) or by the existing Acts or by this Act or by any subsequent Act and includes—

(i) all rights powers authorities privileges obligations and liabilities of the Company as existing at the date of purchase under any such Order or Act with respect to the distribution of electricity within the Harrow area for use exclusively within that area; and

(ii) all lands buildings works materials and plant of the Company situate in the Harrow area at the date of purchase and used or intended for use by them for the purpose of any supply of electricity being given by them at the date of purchase for use exclusively within the Harrow area;

but does not include—

(a) any rights powers authorities privileges obligations or liabilities of the Company with respect to the supply of electricity in the Harrow area for use wholly or partly beyond that area or with respect to the supply of electricity in bulk to authorised undertakers; or

(b) any lands buildings works materials or plant of the Company used or intended for use by them for the supply of electricity in the Harrow area for use wholly or partly beyond that area or for the supply of electricity in bulk to authorised undertakers.

(2) The Harrow Council may on giving not less than five months' notice in writing to the Company expiring on the first day of January in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-one or any subsequent tenth year require the Company to sell and the Company if so required shall sell to the Harrow Council on the date of expiry of the notice the whole of the Harrow distribution undertaking on the terms stated in the next succeeding subsection Provided that no such notice shall be served by the Harrow Council except with the consent of the Electricity Commissioners.

(3) The terms on which the Harrow Council may purchase the Harrow distribution undertaking pursuant

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1 GEO. 6.] *Electric Power Supply Act, 1937.*

to a notice served under the last preceding subsection shall be the terms set out in section 2 of the Electric Lighting Act 1888 and for the purpose of applying the provisions of that section to such purchase the words in that section "purposes of their undertaking within such jurisdiction" shall mean purposes of the Harrow distribution undertaking. Provided that the terms of purchase shall include the payment by the Harrow Council to the Company of the actual cost of any works required to effect the severance of the Harrow distribution undertaking from the remainder of the undertaking of the Company but not any other payment in respect of severance. A.D. 1937.

(4) Subject to the provisions of this section the Electricity Commissioners may determine any questions which may arise in relation to the purchase by the Harrow Council of the Harrow distribution undertaking pursuant to this section including any question as to the lands buildings works materials and plant comprised within the Harrow distribution undertaking but not including any question as to the value of the Harrow distribution undertaking and may fix the date from which the purchase shall take effect and from and after the date so fixed or such other date as may be agreed upon between the parties—

- (a) all lands buildings works materials and plant so purchased as aforesaid shall vest in the Harrow Council freed from any debts mortgages or similar obligations of the Company or attaching to the undertaking of the Company;
- (b) the powers of the Company under the Harrow Orders as amended by this Act shall absolutely cease and determine and shall vest in the Harrow Council; and
- (c) all powers of the Company under the existing Acts and this Act with respect to the distribution of electricity within the Harrow area for use exclusively within that area shall absolutely cease and determine;

but nothing in this subsection shall limit or affect any powers of the Company under the existing Acts and this Act other than the powers mentioned in the foregoing paragraph (c) or prevent the Company from supplying

A.D. 1937. — electricity in the Harrow area for use wholly or partly beyond that area or in bulk to any authorised undertakers.

(5) All such maps plans records and documents of the Company as relate exclusively to the Harrow distribution undertaking so to be purchased by the Harrow Council as aforesaid and are requisite for the carrying on of the Harrow distribution undertaking by the Harrow Council shall be delivered to the Harrow Council on the date from which the purchase is to take effect and after that date the Harrow Council shall have free access at all reasonable times and for any reasonable and proper purpose to any other maps plans records and documents of the Company which relate to the Harrow distribution undertaking and the inspection of which by the Harrow Council is necessary for the purpose of the carrying on of the Harrow distribution undertaking by the Harrow Council.

(6) If at the date of purchase the Company are supplying electricity to any premises outside the Harrow area under the powers of any order granted to them as the undertakers for any of the Harrow Orders pursuant to section 6 of the Electric Lighting Act 1909 then notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section—

(i) the Harrow distribution undertaking shall be deemed to include the powers of the Company under any such order and all lands buildings works materials and plant of the Company at the date of purchase used or intended for use by them for the purpose of supplying electricity—

(a) exclusively under the powers of such order; or

(b) exclusively under the powers of such order and of the Harrow Orders;

whether such lands buildings works materials and plant be situate within or beyond the Harrow area; and

(ii) from and after the date from which the purchase shall take effect the powers of the Company under any such order shall absolutely cease and determine and shall vest in the Harrow Council.

16.—(1) As from the appointed day and so long as the Company are the undertakers for the purposes of the Harrow Orders—

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Revision  
of prices  
under  
Harrow  
Orders.

(a) The provisions of section 81 (Revision of prices and methods of charge) of the Act of 1928 except subsection (1) thereof and of section 13 (As to revision of prices and methods of charge) of the Act of 1936 shall extend and apply to and with respect to the Harrow Orders in like manner as if the Harrow Orders were Electricity Orders authorising an undertaking acquired by the Company under section 85 (Transfer of undertakings to Company) of the Act of 1928; and

(b) Subsections (2) and (3) of section 22 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1922 and the schedule to that Act shall not apply to the several undertakings authorised by the Harrow Orders respectively.

12 & 13  
Geo. 5. c. 46.

(2) (a) At any time during the period of six months immediately following the appointed day or immediately following the expiry of three years from the appointed day or of any subsequent period of three years the Harrow Council may ask the Company to satisfy them that the charges then being made for electricity supplied by the Company under the Harrow Orders are reasonable in all the circumstances and the Harrow Council if not so satisfied may refer to the Electricity Commissioners the question of whether or not such charges are reasonable in all the circumstances.

(b) The Electricity Commissioners if satisfied that the charges so being made are not reasonable in all the circumstances may at their discretion direct such alterations in the said charges as will in their opinion make such charges reasonable in all the circumstances and to take effect from the date of such direction or such subsequent date as they may determine and the Company shall give effect to such direction from such date.

(c) For the purpose of enabling the Harrow Council to refer to the Electricity Commissioners any such question as is mentioned in paragraph (a) of this subsection the Company shall supply to the Harrow Council such information with respect to the charges then being made for electricity supplied by the Company under

A.D. 1937. — the Harrow Orders as may be reasonably required by the Harrow Council and any dispute as to the reasonableness of any such requirement shall be determined by the Electricity Commissioners whose decision shall be final.

As to county roads. 17. On and after the appointed day section 24 (As to county roads) of the Act of 1936 shall have effect as if the expression "the Distribution Orders" as defined in that section included the Harrow Orders.

Amendment of section 125 of Act of 1928. 18. On the appointed day paragraph (a) of section 125 (For protection of certain authorised distributors) of the Act of 1928 shall be by virtue of this Act repealed.

Amendment of section 48 of Act of 1928. 19. The words "and also in the next annual report of the Company" in subsection (5) of section 48 (Directors) of the Act of 1928 are hereby repealed.

Costs of Act. 20. The costs charges and expenses of and incidental to the preparing for obtaining and passing of this Act or otherwise in relation thereto shall be paid by the Company.

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