

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 213

In Senate, Feb. 5, 1913.

Presented by Senator Hastings of Androscoggin, and on motion by same Senator laid on the table for printing pending reference to a committee.

W. E. LAWRY, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN.

AN ACT to incorporate Androscoggin Electric Company.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Section 1. Winfield S. Libbey, Henry M. Dingley, Harold
2 S. Libbey and J. E. Parkhurst, all of Lewiston in the county
3 of Androscoggin, and John A. Morrill of Auburn in said
4 county, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby
5 made a body corporate, by the name of Androscoggin Elec-
6 tric Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges and
7 subject to all the duties and obligations conferred and im-

8 posed on corporations organized to make, generate, sell,
9 distribute or supply electricity for light, heat and power
10 under the general laws of the state, except as otherwise
11 provided herein.

Sect. 2. The principal office of said corporation shall be
2 located in the city of Lewiston in the county of Androscog-
3 gin, and said corporation may establish other offices and
4 places of business as it shall deem necessary and convenient
5 in the transaction of its business.

Sect. 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and em-
2 powered to manufacture, generate, sell, distribute and sup-
3 ply electricity for light, heat and power and for any other
4 purpose within the county of Androscoggin, and to sell and
5 supply the same for any of such purposes to any railroad or
6 street railroad, person or corporation, town, city, district
7 or county within said territory, which said railroads, street
8 railroads, persons, corporations, towns, cities, districts and
9 county are hereby respectively authorized and empowered
10 to contract with said corporation therefor; provided, how-
11 ever, that said Androscoggin Electric Company shall not
12 make, generate, sell, distribute or supply electricity in or
13 to any city or town in which another person, firm or cor-
14 poration is legally conducting the business of electric light-
15 ing or is authorized so to do, without the consent of such
16 other person, firm or corporation.

Sect. 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall be
2 not less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars, nor more

3 than two million dollars, as the stockholders shall from time
4 to time determine, and shall be divided into shares of one
5 hundred dollars each.

Sect. 5. Subject to the limitation contained in section
2 three of this act, said corporation is hereby empowered for
3 any of the purposes hereinbefore stated, to set poles, ex-
4 tend wires and lay pipes, and to maintain and operate the
5 same upon, along, over, across and under the streets, roads
6 and ways within the territory wherein it is hereby author-
7 ized to do business; subject, however, to the general law
8 regulating the erection of poles and wires and the laying
9 of pipes and conduits for the purposes of the transmission
10 and sale of electricity.

Sect. 6. Said corporation is also hereby authorized to ac-
2 quire by purchase, lease, or consolidation the properties,
3 rights, privileges, locations and franchises of the Mechanic
4 Falls Electric Light Company and of the Portland, Gray
5 & Lewiston Railroad Company, and of any other public
6 service corporation doing business in the county of Andros-
7 coggin, and of any corporation owning any mill site, dam,
8 water privilege or water power in said county of Andros-
9 coggin; and upon the purchase, lease or acquisition of the
10 property, rights, privileges, locations and franchises of the
11 corporations above named and of said other corporations
12 above referred to, the Androscoggin Electric Company shall
13 have, possess and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges,
14 locations and franchises specified in the charters, or held,

15 possessed or enjoyed by the corporations whose properties,
16 rights, privileges, locations and franchises are so purchased,
17 leased or acquired, which last named corporations are here-
18 by authorized and empowered to lease, or sell and convey
19 their respective properties, rights, privileges, locations and
20 franchises to the Androscoggin Electric Company, or to
21 consolidate with the said Androscoggin Electric Company.

Sect. 7. Said corporation is also hereby authorized to
2 purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or
3 otherwise dispose of the shares of the capital stock, or any
4 bonds, securities or evidences of indebtedness created or
5 issued by any corporation whose properties, rights, privi-
6 leges, locations and franchises it is authorized by the pre-
7 ceding section to purchase, lease or acquire, and while own-
8 er of such stock, may exercise all the rights, powers and
9 privileges of ownership, including the right to vote thereon.

Sect. 8. Any other public service corporation doing busi-
2 ness in the county of Androscoggin is hereby authorized to
3 acquire by purchase or lease all the properties, rights, privi-
4 leges, locations and franchises of the said Androscoggin
5 Electric Company and to exercise the same; and the said
6 Androscoggin Electric Company is hereby authorized to
7 lease, or to sell and convey its properties, rights, privileges,
8 locations and franchises to such other public service cor-
9 poration or to consolidate therewith.

Sect. 9. Said corporation at its own expense, without un-
2 necessary delay, shall remove any and all obstructions in

3 any street or way made in erecting or laying its lines for
4 such purposes, and cause earth disturbed to be properly
5 replaced. It shall not obstruct or impair the use of any
6 public or private drain, or gas pipe, sewer, telegraph, tele-
7 phone, light, power or railroad wire, but may cross, or when
8 necessary, change the direction of any private wire or pipe,
9 drain or sewer in such manner as not to obstruct or impair
10 the use thereof, being responsible to the owner or other
11 person for any injury occasioned thereby in an action on
12 the case.

Sect. 10. Said corporation may from time to time issue
2 its bonds upon such rates and time as it may deem expedi-
3 ent, and in such amount as may be required for the objects
4 and purposes authorized by this act, and may secure said
5 bonds so issued and any bonds issued in renewal thereof,
6 by a mortgage or mortgages upon its franchises and prop-
7 erties, or any part thereof; and said corporation is hereby
8 authorized to guarantee the payment of principal or inter-
9 est, or both, of the bonds or other obligations of any cor-
10 poration, the property or stock of which it may purchase,
11 lease or acquire under the authority of this act.

Sect. 11. The first meeting of said corporation may be
2 called by a written notice thereof signed by any two cor-
3 porators herein named, served upon each corporator by a
4 copy of the same in hand, or mailed to him at his last known
5 address, postage prepaid, at least seven days prior to the
6 day named therein for such meeting.