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OF THE

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PRIVATE AND SPECIAL LAWS

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CHAP. 177 after incorporated, are authorized to enter into contract with said company for a supply of water for fire and other purposes, for a term of years, and for such exemption from public burden as may be agreed upon, which, when agreed upon, shall be legal and binding upon the parties thereto. The said water company is authorized to sell or lease any power not used by it.'

Section 12 of chapter 97 of P. & S. laws of 1891, amended. Capital stock.

Section 6. Section twelve of said act is hereby amended by adding after the word "hundred" in the third line the words 'and fifty', so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 12. The capital stock of said company shall not be less than thirty thousand dollars, which may, by vote of said company, be increased to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each. Said company may hold real or personal estate necessary and convenient for its purposes aforesaid.'

Approved March 25, 1913.

Chapter 177.

An Act to Incorporate the Androscoggin Electric Company.

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

Corporators.

Section 1. Winfield S. Libbey, Henry M. Dingley, Harold S. Libbey and J. E. Parkhurst, all of Lewiston in the county of Androscoggin, and John A. Morrill of Auburn in said county, their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby made a body corporate, by the name of Androscoggin Electric Company, with all the powers, rights and privileges and subject to all the duties and obligations conferred and imposed on corporations organized to make, generate, sell, distribute or supply electricity for light, heat and power under the general laws of the state, except as otherwise provided herein.

—corporate name.

—powers, rights, privileges, etc.

Principal office shall be in Lewiston.

Section 2. The principal office of said corporation shall be located in the city of Lewiston in the county of Androscoggin, and said corporation may establish such other offices and places of business as it shall deem necessary and convenient in the transaction of its business.

Corporation authorized to generate and supply electricity in Androscoggin county.

Section 3. Said corporation is hereby authorized and empowered to manufacture, generate, sell, distribute and supply electricity for light, heat and power and for any other purpose within the county of Androscoggin, and to sell and supply the same for any of such purposes to any railroad or street railroad, person or corporation, town, city, district or county within said

territory, which said railroads, street railroads, persons, corporations, towns, cities, districts and county are hereby respectively authorized and empowered to contract with said corporation therefor; provided, however, that said Androscoggin Electric Company shall not make, generate, sell, distribute or supply electricity in or to any city or town in which another person, firm or corporation is legally conducting the business of electric lighting or is authorized so to do, without the consent of such other person, firm or corporation.

Section 4. The capital stock of said corporation shall be not less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars, nor more than two million dollars, as the stockholders shall from time to time determine, and shall be divided into shares of one hundred dollars each.

Section 5. Subject to the limitation contained in section three of this act, said corporation is hereby empowered for any of the purposes hereinbefore stated, to set poles, extend wires and lay pipes, and to maintain and operate the same upon, along, over, across and under the streets, roads and ways within the territory wherein it is hereby authorized to do business; subject, however, to the general law regulating the erection of poles and wires and the laying of pipes and conduits for the purposes of the transmission and sale of electricity.

Section 6. Said corporation is also hereby authorized to acquire by purchase, lease, or consolidation the properties, rights, privileges, locations and franchises of the Mechanic Falls Electric Light Company and of the Portland, Gray and Lewiston Railroad Company, and of any other public service corporation doing business in the county of Androscoggin, and of any corporation owning any mill site, dam, water privilege or water power in said county of Androscoggin; and upon the purchase, lease or acquisition of the property, rights, privileges, locations and franchises of the corporations above named and of said other corporations above referred to, the Androscoggin Electric Company shall have, possess and enjoy all the powers, rights, privileges, locations and franchises specified in the charters, or held, possessed or enjoyed by the corporations whose properties, rights, privileges, locations and franchises are so purchased, leased or acquired, which last named corporations are hereby authorized and empowered to lease, or sell and convey their respective properties, rights, privileges, locations and franchises to the Androscoggin Electric Company, or to consolidate with the said Androscoggin Electric Company.

Section 7. Said corporation is also hereby authorized to purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise

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—railroads, corporations, persons, etc., authorized to contract for electricity.
—proviso.

Capital stock.

Corporation may set poles, extend wires, etc.

Corporation may acquire or consolidate with other public service corporations in county.

—and enjoy franchises, etc., of acquired properties.

May deal in capital stock, etc., of acquired properties.

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dispose of the shares of the capital stock, or any bonds, securities or evidence of indebtedness created or issued by any corporation whose properties, rights, privileges, locations and franchises it is authorized by the preceding section to purchase, lease or acquire, and while owner of such stock, may exercise all the rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote thereon.

Other public service corporations may acquire franchises of this company.

—this company may convey its franchises.

Corporation shall remove its obstructions from streets.

—shall not impair but may cross sewers, etc.

May issue bonds.

First meeting, how called.

Section 8. Any other public service corporation doing business in the county of Androscoggin is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or lease all the properties, rights, privileges, locations and franchises of the said Androscoggin Electric Company and to exercise the same; and the said Androscoggin Electric Company is hereby authorized to lease, or to sell and convey its properties, rights, privileges, locations and franchises to such other public service corporation or to consolidate therewith.

Section 9. Said corporation at its own expense, without unnecessary delay, shall remove any and all obstructions in any street or way made in erecting or laying its lines for such purposes, and cause earth disturbed to be properly replaced. It shall not obstruct or impair the use of any public or private drain, or gas pipe, sewer, telegraph, telephone, light, power or railroad wire, but may cross, or when necessary, change the direction of any private wire or pipe, drain or sewer in such manner as not to obstruct or impair the use thereof, being responsible to the owner or other person for any injury occasioned thereby in an action on the case.

Section 10. Said corporation may from time to time issue its bonds upon such rates and time as it may deem expedient, and in such amount as may be required for the objects and purposes authorized by this act, and may secure said bonds so issued and any bonds issued in renewal thereof, by a mortgage or mortgages upon its franchises and properties, or any part thereof; and said corporation is hereby authorized to guarantee the payment of principal or interest, or both, of the bonds or other obligations of any corporation, the property or stock of which it may purchase, lease or acquire under the authority of this act.

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

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