

CHAP. 4

An Act to grant certain powers to the Quebec Streams Commission, relating to the storing of the waters of the Jacques-Cartier river

[Assented to 22nd December, 1916]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Quebec Streams Commission recommends the construction of works required for the storing of the waters of the Jacques-Cartier river by building a dam at the outlet of Grand Lac Jacques-Cartier in order to better regulate the flow thereof; and

Whereas it is in the public interest to carry out the said recommendation, and to grant the commission the powers necessary for that purpose;

Therefore His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

Authoriza-
tion to do
work.

1. The Quebec Streams Commission, after having deposited in the Department of Lands and Forests all the plans and specifications necessary to precisely indicate the work which it may undertake under the authority of this act, and the probable cost thereof, may be authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to do the work necessary for the erection of storage dams or other works in the Jacques-Cartier river at or near the outlet of Grand Lac Jacques-Cartier, for the purpose of storing the waters thereof and of regulating their flow, both from the point of view of their regular development and of their conservation, and for the better utilization of the water-powers to be obtained from the said river and from its tributaries.

Tenders,
contracts,
&c.

2. The commission shall give out the works authorized by this act, by means of tenders and contracts, after public advertisements and notice that the plans and specifications have been deposited in the office of the commission for examination.

Contracts.

The giving out of the work shall be evidenced by a contract given to the contractor making the lowest tender, and who also, in the opinion of the commission, has sufficient ability, experience and means to do the work properly. Nevertheless, no contract shall be entered into by the commission except with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Documents

3. So soon as the plans and specifications mentioned in

section 1 are deposited, it shall be the duty of the commission, after hearing the parties interested, to submit to the Minister of Lands and Forests: to be submitted to Minister.

a. All forms of contracts to be entered into between the commission and any person, company or association, who may benefit by the works for the storing and regulating of the waters of the Jacques Cartier river and its tributaries;

b. A general tariff fixing the rates, prices and conditions which may be demanded from or imposed upon any person, company or association, as regards any matter not governed by the contract mentioned in paragraph *a*, for the use of the waters of the Jacques-Cartier river and its tributaries;

No contract passed in virtue of paragraph *a* shall have any force or effect until approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council. Approval by Lt. Gov. in Council.

The tariff fixed in virtue of paragraph *b*, after having been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, shall not come into force until published in the *Quebec Official Gazette*. Coming into force of tariff.

4. To ensure the construction of the works mentioned in this act, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may authorize the Provincial Treasurer to contract, from time to time, such loan or loans as he thinks necessary, but the loan or loans so contracted shall not exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars. The said loan or loans may be effected by means of debentures or inscribed stock issued for a term of not more than thirty years. The said debentures or inscribed stock shall be in the form, at the rate of interest, not exceeding five per cent per annum, and for the amount that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may determine, and shall be payable, in principal and interest, annually or semi-annually, at the place mentioned by him. Government loans.

5. Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 of the act 3 George V, chapter 6, shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to the present act, as if they had been specially enacted therefor. Provisions applicable.

6. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction. Coming into force.