Concerning the application of the Quebec Development Company Limited, for the approval of certain plans and specifications with respect to the utilization of the water powers of the Grand Discharge, county of Lao St-Jean.

The Honorable the Minister of Lands and Forests, in a memo dated 10th October (1923), sets forth that the Quebec Development Company Limited, is asking for the approval by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-council of the plans and specifications prepared by J. S. Lea and E. J. Bishop, Engineers, bearing the dates of March 5th 1923, March 6th. 1923, April 4th. 1923, May 5th. 1923 and May 11th. 1923, and deposited at the Department of Lands and Forests, regarding the erection, operation and maintenance of certain dams and other structures on the Grand Discharge and Little Discharge, in the county of Lao St-Jean.

These plans and specifications have been deposited under the terms and conditions of that certain deed of agreement between the Government of the Province of Quebec and the Quebec Development Company Limited, passed before Notary S. Delgrange, on the 16th Day of December, 1922, as well as under the laws made and provided for such cases, and the applicant has complied with all the provisions of law, especially those of the law 8 Sco. V., chap. 29 and chap. 70, regarding the filing, depositing and giving of public notice with respect to the same.

The Honorable Minister recommends that the approval asked for be granted on the condition that such approval shall in no way affect or interfere with the terms of said deed of agreement dated the 16th day of December 1922, or with the rights of third parties or with Federal or Provincial laws (9 Sco. V., chap. 29, etc..) concerning navigation, mines, fisheries and driving or logs, said Company to pay the Department of Lands and Forests a fee of 1000.00 for such approval within sixty days after receiving official notification of such approval.

The present approval is limited to the building of dams to an elevation not in excess of seven and one-half (7½) feet above the zero mark described in said Deed of Agreement. Moreover, should the Company desire to bring down the level of said Lake St John lower than elevation 540 indicated on the above mentioned plans, then it shall be required to modify the section of the opening in the dam on the Little Discharge to allow at all times the execution of the minimum flow stipulated in the said Deed of Agreement.

The Committee concur in the foregoing report and submit the same for the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor.

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