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An Act Respecting Government Telephone
and Telegraph systems.

(Assented to _____).

~~H~~IS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows :

1. The Government of Alberta shall have power to purchase, lease, construct, extend, maintain and operate in the Province a telephone or telegraph system or systems; and for such purpose the Government shall have power to enter into any agreement with any person, Company or Municipality, providing for connection, intercommunication, joint operation, reciprocal use or transmission of business as between any telephone or telegraph system owned or operated by the respective parties, and for such consequent division of receipts, expenditures or profits or such payment of compensation or such other financial or other adjustments between the respective parties as may be necessary or advisable for the purposes of the said agreement.

2. Every telephone or telegraph system purchased, leased, constructed or otherwise acquired by the said Government shall be deemed to be a public work within the meaning of "The Public Works Act".

3. The said Government shall have power from time to time to issue debentures of the Province of Alberta, in sums not exceeding one thousand dollars each, drawing interest at a rate not exceeding four per cent. per annum, and payable at any time not exceeding forty years from date, for the purpose of raising funds required for the purposes of this Act, and such debentures may be made payable at any place in the Dominion of Canada or in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or in the

United States of America, and either in sterling money or Canadian currency, and they shall have coupons attached for the payment of the interest half-yearly or yearly, and such debentures shall be sealed with the great seal of the Province of Alberta, and shall also be signed by the Provincial Treasurer but his signature on the coupons may be lithographed.

4. The said Government shall have power from time to time to make such provisions and regulations as may be deemed by it advisable or necessary respecting the keeping of accounts, the application of funds and other matters of financial detail involved in the carrying out of the purposes of this Act.

5. In this Act the words "the Government of Alberta" or "the said Government" shall mean "His Majesty in the right of the Province of Alberta," and the powers hereby conferred upon the said Government shall be from time to time exercised by the Lieutenant-Governor, by Order-in-Council, and may from time to time be delegated by Order-in-Council, in whole or in part, and subject to such limitations, restrictions or regulations as such order or orders, or any subsequent order or Orders-in-Council may provide to the Minister of Public Works.

6. All contracts and agreements heretofore entered into by the Minister of Public Works or by the said Minister as representing His Majesty in the right of the Province of Alberta, for such connection, intercommunication, joint operation, reciprocal use or transmission of business as between the telephone system owned or operated by the Government of Alberta and the telephone system owned or operated by any other party or parties, Company or Companies, Municipality or Municipalities, are hereby declared to be valid.

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