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ACT 46

VOLTA RIVER DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1961(1)

AN ACT to provide for the establishment of an Authority charged with the duties of generating

electricity by means of the water power of the Volta River, and by any other means; for the

construction of a dam and power station near Akosombo, and for the creation of a lake by the

damming of the River; for giving the Authority power to administer certain lands liable to be

inundated and lands adjacent thereto, and for dealing with the resettlement of people living in

the lands to be inundated; for charging the Authority with certain incidental responsibilities and

for related matters.1a(2)

The Volta River Authority

1. Establishment of the Authority

There shall be established an authority to be called the Volta River Authority charged with the

functions and responsibilities specified in this Act.

2. Status of the Authority

The Authority is a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and may sue and be

sued in its corporate name, and may acquire and dispose of movable and immovable property and enter

into contracts and any other transactions.

3. Constitution of the Authority

(1) The Authority shall consist of the chairperson, the Chief Executive appointed under section 5 and

seven other persons.

(2) The chairperson and the other members of the Authority shall be appointed by the President in

consultation with the Council of the State.

(3) The chairperson shall preside at the meetings of the Authority and in the absence of the

chairperson a member elected by the members present from among themselves shall preside.²⁽³⁾

4. Tenure and conditions of office of members³⁽⁴⁾

(1) Subject to re-appointment under section 6 (2), a member of the Authority shall hold office for a

period not exceeding four years.

(2) The appointment of a member may be terminated at any time by the President for just cause or

stated behaviour.

(3) Where a member of the Authority other than the Chief Executive resigns, dies, is removed from

office or is for any reason unable to perform the functions of a member of the Authority, the chairperson

shall within thirty days of the occurrence of the event through the Minister notify the President and the

President shall in consultation with the Council of State appoint another person to hold office for the

unexpired portion of the member's term.

(4) A member of the Authority other than the Chief Executive who without reasonable cause is absent

from three consecutive meetings of the Authority ceases to be a member of the Authority.

(5) A member of the Authority who has an interest in a contract or other transaction proposed to be

entered into with the Authority or an application before the Authority shall disclose in writing the nature

of the interest and is disqualified from participating in any deliberation of the Authority in relation to the

contract, application or transaction.

(6) A member who infringes subsection (5) is liable to be removed from the Authority.

(7) Any other terms and conditions of appointment of a person as a member of the Authority shall be

determined by the President.

5. Chief Executive

(1) The Authority shall have an officer to be known as the Chief Executive.

(2) The Chief Executive shall be appointed by the President.

(3) The Chief Executive shall be a full time employee of the Authority.

(4) The Chief Executive shall hold office for a period of four years which is renewable and on the

other terms and conditions that are stated in the letter of appointment.

(5) Where the Chief Executive resigns, dies, is removed from office or is for any reason unable to

perform the functions of a member of the Authority, the chairperson shall within thirty days of the

occurrence of the event through the Minister notify the President and the President shall in consultation

with the Council of State appoint another person to hold office for the unexpired portion of the member's

term.4(5)

6. Resignation and re-appointment of members

(1) A member, other than the chief executive, may at any time resign the appointment by notice in

writing to the President.⁵⁽⁶⁾

(2) A member is eligible, on ceasing to be a member, for re-appointment.

7. Proceedings of the Authority

(1) The Authority may make standing orders, which are not inconsistent with this Act, to provide for

the application of the Authority's seal to legal documents, the proper conduct of the business and for the

meetings of the Authority or a committee of the Authority, including the manner in which a matter may

be determined on behalf of the Authority.

(2) The standing orders shall be observed by the Authority and its committees and members.

(3) A quorum for a meeting of the members of the Authority shall be five members and the

chairperson shall have a casting vote.^{5a(7)}

(4) The validity of the proceedings of the Authority shall not be affected by a vacancy amongst its

members or by a defect in the appointment of a member.

8. Employees of the Authority

(1) The Authority shall employ the staff and workpeople necessary for the performance of its

functions, on the terms and conditions determined by the Authority.

(2) The terms and conditions referred to in subsection (1) need not be the same as those relating to the

Civil Service.

9. Authority to institute training programme

The Authority shall, so far as may be consistent with the proper performance of its functions, institute

arrangements for the training of citizens in administrative, technical, managerial and any other capacities,

(a) with a view to securing the benefit of their knowledge and experience in the conduct of the

Authority's operations, and

(b) with a view to the branches of the Authority's activities being, in due course, performed by

citizens.

Functions of the Authority

10. Primary functions of the Authority

(1) The Authority shall plan, execute and manage the Volta River development which comprises

(a) the generation of electrical power for general industrial, commercial and domestic uses, by

the means determined by the Authority, and in particular in the first instance, by the

construction and operation of a dam and hydro-electric generating station in the vicinity of

Akosombo,5b(8)

(b) repealed;5c(9)

(c) the supply of electrical power generated by the Authority to,

(i) distribution companies,

(ii)

bulk customers,

(iii) the township of Akosombo and Kpong, and

(iii)

any other consumer in Ghana or elsewhere under an arrangement agreed upon between

the Government and the Authority,6(10)

(d) the provision, when and so far as practical, of facilities and assistance for the development of

the lake as a source of fish, and as a route for the transportation of goods and passengers, and

in any other manner, and

(e) the development of the lakeside area for the health and wellbeing of the inhabitants, and

people living adjacent to that area.

(1A)

The Authority may purchase electricity to meet its contractual and other obligations.6a(11)

(2) The Authority may also own, maintain and operate vessels or craft of any kind and size for the

purpose of transporting goods and passengers along the lake and may charge fares for those services.7(12)

11.

Flow of water and flooding

(1) The Authority shall control the dam to prevent, so far as is practicable,

(a) the harmful penetration of salt water up the River Volta to a greater degree than was normal

at minimum river flow preceding the construction of the dam,

(b) the level of the lake from rising to a height greater than two hundred and eighty feet above

mean sea level, and

(c) the flow of water past the dam as may cause flooding downstream from the dam above the

levels which were normal proceeding the construction of the dam.

(2) The Authority shall take reasonable measures to give warning of possible flooding from the lake

or from the River Volta downstream from the dam.

12.

Powers in relation to transmission system

Repealed.8(13)

13.

Health safeguards

(1) The Authority shall take reasonable measures, in co-operation with the Minister responsible for

Health, and with local authorities, to safeguard the health and safety of its employees and persons

engaged on the construction of works referred to in section 10 and their families and dependents, and the

inhabitants of Akosombo township and the lakeside area.

(2) The Authority is the authority, in and over the lake and the lakeside area, and in the township of

Akosombo, for executing the provisions of the Mosquitoes Act, 19119(14) and has the powers referred to

in section 3 of that Act and the amounts recovered under that Act by the Authority shall be paid to the

credit of the Authority.

14. Local government functions of the Authority

(1) The President may, by executive instrument, make provision for constituting the Authority as the

local authority for the township of Akosombo and the lakeside area, and for applying to the Authority,

and with the modifications that are expedient, the enactments relating to local government.

(2) The Authority may, in consultation with the Minister responsible for town and country planning,

exercise the powers of that Minister in relation to town and country planning in the township of

Akosombo and the lakeside area.

(3) The Authority shall take measures to enhance the natural beauty of the lakeside area by the

planting of trees and otherwise; and is responsible for the development of Akosombo township in a

manner that will prevent the growth of a slum or any other conditions likely to be injurious to the health

or wellbeing of the inhabitants.

15. Additional powers

The President may, on terms to be agreed between the Government and the Authority and for the

better performance by the Authority of its functions under this Act, require the Authority for the period

specified by the President to perform a function of a Minister or a public authority or a body of which the

Government is in control or over which it has powers of direction, in relation to the township of

Akosombo and the lakeside area.

16. Research and records

The Authority shall, with a view to facilitating present or future research or planning, maintain and

preserve the records relating to its functions as it shall consider proper, and may engage in research, and

assist others to engage in research, in respect of a matter relating to those functions and may publish the

records and the results of a research in which it may engage.

17. Incidental powers

The Authority may carry on an activity which is reasonably requisite or convenient for or in

connection with the performance of its functions under this Act.

18. Co-operation with other public authorities

In the performance of its functions the Authority shall co-operate fully with Government departments

and agencies and any other public authorities.

19. Exercise of statutory powers

A person shall not perform a statutory function inconsistently with the performance of a function

conferred on the Authority by or under this Act.

20. Directions to the Authority

The President may, after consultation with the Authority, give to the Authority in a matter of

exceptional public importance, directions of a general character which are not inconsistent with this Act,

nor with the contractual or any other legal obligations of the Authority as to the performance by the

Authority of its functions under this Act, and the Authority shall give effect to those directions.

Finance

21. Authority to aim at making profit

(1) The Authority shall conduct its affairs on sound commercial lines, and in particular, perform its

functions under this Act as to ensure that, taking one year with another, its revenues are greater than its

outgoings properly chargeable to revenue account.

(2) The Authority shall charge to revenue account the charges which in the normal conduct of a

business are proper to be charged to revenue account, including in particular, proper provision for

depreciation of assets or for renewal of assets, and in addition the interest on borrowings, repayments to

be made each year in respect of loans incurred by the Authority to the extent that the repayments exceed

provision for depreciation, and proper allocations to reserve.

(3) Without prejudice to the power of the Authority to establish appropriate reserves for replacements

or any other purposes, the Authority shall establish a reserve fund and out of its profits make payments to

a reserve fund for the purpose of expanding its activities.

(4) The Authority shall fix the rates at which it supplies the electrical power generated by it so as to

ensure that it is able to comply with the requirements of this section.

22. Borrowing powers

(1) In order to enable the Authority to meet an expenditure of a capital nature, including provision for

working capital, for the performance of its functions under this Act, and in particular for the financing of

the operations referred to in section 10, the Authority may borrow the sums that it requires, on the terms

and in the currencies that may be agreed between it and the lender.

(2) The Authority may borrow temporarily, by way of overdraft or otherwise the sums of money that

it requires for meeting its current obligations or performing its functions.

(3) The Authority may charge its assets, undertakings and revenues with the repayment of the money

borrowed together with interest on that money and may issue debentures, bonds on any other securities in

order to secure the repayment of the money so borrowed together with interest on that money and may do

any other thing necessary in connection with or incidental to the borrowings are authorised by this

section.

(4) The President may prescribe the maximum sums of money which the Authority may borrow under

this section.

23. Investment by the Republic

(1) During the ten years following the commencement of this Act, the Republic shall invest in the

Volta River development the sums of money not exceeding thirty-five million pounds, 10(15) as the

Authority may require for the performance of its functions under this Act.

(2) The payment of the thirty-five million pounds is hereby charged on the Consolidated Fund, and

shall be made to the Authority in the instalments and at the times agreed on between the Minister

responsible for Finance and the Authority.

(3) By way of return on the investment, the Authority may pay to the Accountant-General, out of

income remaining available when the charges referred to in subsections (2) and (3) of section 21 have

been provided for, the sums of money that the Authority after consulting the Minister responsible for

Finance, thinks proper having regard to its future financial requirements.

(4) Where the Authority considers that its financial position justifies it, the Authority may, by

agreement with the Republic, repay in the amounts and at the times that may be agreed, part or the entire

capital sum of money invested by the Republic under this section.

(5) The sums of money received under subsections (3) and (4) shall be paid into the Consolidated

Fund.11(16)

24. Exemption from income tax

The Authority is exempt from the tax imposed by the Internal Revenue Act, (Act 593).

25. Reimbursement to the Authority

The Republic shall pay to the Authority the net cost of the measures undertaken by it under sections 13

to 15 the necessity for which is not attributable to the creation of the lake or any other activities of the

Authority.

26. Accounts and audit

(1) The Authority shall

(a) keep proper accounts and any other records in relation to the accounts, and

(b) prepare an annual statement of accounts in the form and containing the particulars directed

by the Auditor-General or as are required to satisfy its undertakings or engagements.

(2) The accounts of the Authority shall be audited by an independent auditor appointed annually by

the Authority subject to the approval of the Auditor-General, and the auditor shall make a report in each

year on the accounts audited by that auditor.

(3) The remuneration of the auditor shall be determined by the Minister responsible for Finance and

shall be paid out of the funds of the Authority.

(4) The Authority's financial year shall end on the last day of December in each year, and the period

between the commencement of this Act and the last day of December, 1962 shall be the Authority's first

financial year.12(17)

Acquisition of Land and Resettlement Measures

27. Filling of the lake and acquisition of land

(1) The Authority shall, on the completion of the dam, so operate the dam as to cause the lake to fill

by the accumulation of water in the upstream of the dam.

(2) The President shall cause to be acquired lands which in the opinion of the Authority

(a) may be required to be inundated by the filling of the lake together with any other land not

extending beyond one mile from the shores of the lake at its maximum fill,

(b) may be required for the development of the Akosombo township,

(c) may be required for the use of persons being resettled as a result of the inundation of their

lands by the filling of the lake,

(d) are necessary to acquire for the proper performance of the Authority's functions.

(3) The lands acquired under paragraphs (a), (b) and (d) of subsection (2) shall immediately after their

acquisition vest in the Authority without a further assurance than this subsection free from any

encumbrances and the Authority may sell, transfer, exchange, let or demise or otherwise dispose of all or

any of them to or with a person and on the terms that it considers necessary for the proper performance of

its functions.

(4) Despite any other enactment under which the lands were acquired the lands falling under both or

either of the descriptions set out in paragraphs (b) and (d) of subsection (2), which are lands which have

been acquired before the commencement of this Act and vested in the President immediately before the

commencement are hereby vested in the Authority and are subject to the powers conferred on the

Authority by subsection (3).

(5) Lands acquired under paragraph (c) of subsection (2) may be transferred, exchanged, let, demised

or otherwise disposed of by the President to or with a person whether or not that person is included

among the persons being resettled and on the terms that are necessary for the promotion of the wellbeing

of the resettlement areas and the inhabitants of those areas.

(6) Legal proceedings do not lie against the Authority as a result of the inundation of lands caused by

the filling of the lake.13(18)

28. Compensation

The provisions of the State Lands Act, 1962 (Act 125) relating to the acquisition of land shall, subject

to the following and any other modifications required by this Act, apply to the lands acquired under

subsection (2) of section 27:

(a) the market value of the property acquired shall be the amount which that property might

have been expected to realise if sold in the open market by a willing seller to a willing buyer

on the sixth day of March, 1957;

(b) compensation may be paid in money or in the case of lands acquired under paragraph (a) of

subsection (2) of section 27 in non-monetary assistance towards settlement or both and a

person is not entitled to dispute the compensation offered to that person by reason only that it

is not in money, whether in whole or in part;

(c) lands subject to the Administration of Lands Act, 1962 (Act 123) may be acquired under this

Act.14(19)

29. Resettlement measures

(1) The Minister responsible for Social Welfare is charged with the duty of taking reasonable

measures to assist in the resettlement of the people inhabiting lands liable to be inundated and lands

adjacent to those lands which are needed by the Authority for the performance of its functions, and the

Minister shall ensure that so far as is practicable, a person does not suffer undue hardship or is deprived

of necessary public amenities, as a result of the resettlement.

(2) Repealed.15(20)

30. Defraying expenses incurred

Expenses incurred in pursuance of this sections 27, 28 and 29 shall be defrayed, as to the first three

million pounds by the Authority, as to the next million pounds by the Authority and the Government

equally, and as to an excess of over four million pounds by the Government.16(21)

31. Guarantees

(1) Subject to article 181 of the Constitution, in the name and on behalf of the Republic, the President

may in writing guarantee the performance of an obligation undertaken by the Authority.

(2) The moneys payable under that guarantee are hereby charged on the Consolidated Fund.

32. Annual report

The Authority shall annually, not later than six months after the end of its financial year, present to the

President a report dealing generally with the activities and operations of the Authority during the

preceding financial year and containing

(a) the information with regard to the proceedings and policy of the Authority that the Authority

considers may properly be given without detriment to the interests of the undertaking of the

Authority, and

(b) a copy of the statement of accounts referred to in section 26, together with a copy of the

report made by the auditor on that statement or on the accounts,

and the report shall not later than seven months after the end of the Authority's financial year be laid

before Parliament.

33. Regulations

(1) The Authority may, by legislative instrument, make Regulations

(a) prohibiting, restricting or regulating the use of the lake and the lakeside area;

(b) prohibiting, restricting or regulating the abstraction of water from the River Volta or the lake,

otherwise than for the purpose of only obtaining water for domestic use in a village, town or

house situated within the catchment's area of the River Volta;

(c) repealed;16a(22)

(d) imposing penalties on persons trespassing on land in the ownership or possession of the

Authority;

(e) prohibiting, restricting or regulating the movement of motor or other vehicular traffic on or

in the vicinity of the dam;

(f) for the better discharge of the Authority's functions under section 13; and

(g) generally for the purpose of enabling the better performance by the Authority of its functions.

(2) Regulations made under subsection (1) may, despite the provisions of section 9 of the Statutory

Instruments Act, 1959 (No. 52) as amended, impose a fine not exceeding one thousand penalty units or

imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years or both and in the case of a continuing offence, to a

fine of two hundred and fifty penalty units for each day during which the offence continues.16b(23)

(3) In lieu of prohibiting, restricting or regulating an activity, the Regulations may prohibit, restrict or

regulate that activity without a licence to be granted by the Authority.

(4) The Regulations may prescribe the forms to be used and fees to be paid for the licenses, and may

provide for the delegation of the power to grant licences to a local authority.

(5) Proceedings for offences against the Regulations shall not be instituted except by the

Attorney-General, or by, or with the consent of, the Authority.

34. Protection of officers

A matter or thing done by an officer or employee of the Authority shall not, if the matter or thing is

done bona fide for the purpose of executing a provision of this Act, subject that officer or employee or a

person acting by the directions of that officer or employee personally, to a civil liability.

35. Sections 5 and 6 of Act 25 not to apply to certain agreements

The provisions of sections 5 and 6 of the Contracts Act, 1960 (Act 25) shall not apply to the

agreements specified in the First Schedule, except as otherwise expressly provided for in this Act.17(24)

36. Financial agreements

(1) In the name and on behalf of the Republic, the President may, in writing, as the President

considers it expedient in the public interest to do so

(a) enter into agreements providing for the guarantee of an obligation undertaken by the Volta

Aluminium Company Limited, and

(b) enter into agreements providing for loans by the Government to the Volta Aluminium Company Limited, as provided in article 8 of the Master Agreement.

(2) Moneys payable under an agreement referred to in subsection (1) are charged on the Consolidated

Fund.

37. Validity of certain agreements

A provision of an agreement specified in the Second Schedule is not illegal or void by reason of an

existing provision or rule of the laws of Ghana other than the Constitution.

38. Interpretation

(1)

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

“abstract” includes divert, or by any means cause to flow;

“Akosombo township” means the area that the President may by executive instrument specify in

that behalf;

“Authority” means Volta River Authority established by section 1;

“dam” means the dam referred to in paragraph (a) of section 10;

“citizen” means a citizen of Ghana;

“functions” includes powers and duties;

“lake” means the lake created as a result of the construction of the dam, as the waters of the lake

extend from time to time, including the islands in the lake;

“lakeside area” means any of the lands referred to in paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 27

as are not for the time being comprised in the lake;

“Master Agreement” means the Master Agreement entered into between the Government and the

Volta Aluminium Company Limited in the terms approved by the National Assembly in January,

1962; and the Agreements specified in the Schedules have the same meanings as in the Master

Agreement;18(25)

“member” means a member of the Authority;

“Regulations” means the Regulations made under this Act;

“River Volta” includes the following rivers so far as they are within the Republic, that is to say,

the Volta, the White Volta, the Red Volta, and the Oti river, and the rivers, streams and water courses

which are tributaries whether direct or indirect of any of the those rivers, or whose waters flow directly

or indirectly into the lake, but does not include a part of the lake;18a(26)

“supply” in relation to electrical power includes maintaining potential, whether or not the power so

supplied is taken.

(2) For the purposes of the Rivers Act, 1903,19(27) and any other enactment, the lake is not a river,

and section 10 of the Rivers Act shall not apply to any part of the River Volta upstream of the lake.

(3) Officers of the Authority are, public officers for the purposes of the Criminal Offences Act, 1960

(Act 29) and the Criminal and other Offences (Procedure) Act, 1960 (Act 30).

39. Commencement

Spent.20(28)

SCHEDULES

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Second Schedule

[Section 37]

The Master Agreement

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The Long Term Tolling Contracts

The Valco Current Accounts Trust

The Management and Technical Assistance Agreement

The Exim-Valco Loan Agreement

The IBRD Loan Agreement

The AID Loan Agreement

The Exim-Authority Loan Agreement

The U.K. Loan Agreement

A guarantee of any of the preceding Agreements specified in this Schedule or a part of those Agreements

by the Governments of Ghana.

Endnotes

1 (Popup - Footnote)

1.

The Act was assented to on 26th April, 1961.

2 (Popup - Footnote)

1a.

Amended by section 7 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

3 (Popup - Footnote)

2. Substituted by section 1 of the Volta River Development Act, 1961 (Amendment) Decree, 1968 (N.L.C.D.

268), and further substituted by section 1 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 1970 (Act 338) and

by section 1 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

4 (Popup - Footnote)

3.

Substituted by section 2 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

5 (Popup - Footnote)

4. Substituted by section 2 of the Volta River Development Act, 1961 (Amendment) Decree, 1968 (N.L.C.D.

268). The Decree, by section 32, provided that the person holding the office of Chief Executive of the Authority

before the commencement of the Decree shall be deemed to have been duly appointed under section 5 of this Act.

Substituted further by section 3 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

6 (Popup - Footnote)

5.

Amended by section 1 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 1962 (Act 95).

7 (Popup - Footnote)

5a.

Substituted by section 4 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

8 (Popup - Footnote)

5b.

Amended by section 5 (a) of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

9 (Popup - Footnote)

5c.

By section 5 (b) of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692). The provision read as

follows:

“the construction and operation of a transmission system for the distribution of the electrical power generated

by the Authority,”.

10 (Popup - Footnote)

6. Amended by the Volta River Development (Amendment) Law, 1987 (P.N.D.C.L. 171) and substituted by

section 5 (c) of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

11 (Popup - Footnote)

6a.

Inserted by section 5 (d) of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

12 (Popup - Footnote)

7.

Inserted by section 1 of the Volta River Development Act, 1961 (Amendment) Decree Cap. 1967

(N.L.C.D. 211).

13 (Popup - Footnote)

8.

By section 9 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692). The section read as

follows:

“(1) For the purposes of constructing and operating the transmission system referred to in paragraph (b) of

section 10, or of preventing damage or obstruction to the system, the Authority shall have the power of the

Chief Engineer set out in section 3 of the Electricity Supply (Control) Ordinance (Cap. 66) to be exercised by

itself, its workmen and agents, and be subject to the limitations and the duties there provided.

(2) A person who has an estate or interest in a land injuriously affected by the exercise of the powers

conferred by subsection (1) is entitled to compensation to be settled, awarded and paid in accordance, as nearly as

may be, with the provisions relating to compensation which are contained in the State Property and Contracts Act,

1960 (C.A. 6).”.

14 (Popup - Footnote)

9.

Cap. 75 of the 1951 Edition of the Laws of the Gold Coast.

15 (Popup - Footnote)

10.

The original amount has not been revised as that amount has been invested. That investment still stands and

thus the provision has not been considered as spent.

16 (Popup - Footnote)

11.

Amended by section 2 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 1962 (Act 95).

17 (Popup - Footnote)

12. Amended by section 3 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, (Act 95).
The amendment was to

the then subsection (3).

18 (Popup - Footnote)

13. Substituted by section 2 of the Volta River Development Act, 1962 (Amendment)
Decree, 1967 (N.L.C.D.

211), the commencement here refers to the date of the commencement of the Decree
which was made on the 17th

day of November 1967 and notified in the Gazette on 24th November, 1967.

19 (Popup - Footnote)

14. Substituted by section 3 of the Volta River Development Act, 1961 (Amendment)
Decree, 1967 (N.L.C.D.

211).

20 (Popup - Footnote)

15.

By section 4 of the Volta River Development Act 1961, (Amendment) Decree, 1967
(N.L.C.D. 211). The

provision reads:

“Lands required by the Minister to enable him to discharge his duties under this section may be acquired in

accordance with the provisions of the State Property and Contracts Act, 1960 (C.A. 6).”

21 (Popup - Footnote)

16.

The original currency denomination has been kept.

22 (Popup - Footnote)

16a.

By section 9 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692). The provision read as

follows:

“for the protection of the transmission lines erected by the Authority or the works or apparatus connected

with those lines;”.

23 (Popup - Footnote)

16b.

Substituted by section 6 of the Volta River Development (Amendment) Act, 2005 (Act 692).

24 (Popup - Footnote)

17. Sections 35, 36 and 37 were sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Volta River Project (Supplementary Provisions) Act,

1962 (Act 96), and were assented to on 20th January, 1962.

25 (Popup - Footnote)

18. This definition is taken from section 4 of the Volta River Project (Supplementary Provisions) Act, 1962 (Act

96).

26 (Popup - Footnote)

18a.

Amended by section 31 of the Bui Power Authority Act, 2007 (Act 740).

27 (Popup - Footnote)

19.

Cap. 226 of the 1951 Edition of the Laws of the Gold Coast.

28 (Popup - Footnote)

20. The section provided for the coming into force of the Act by legislative instrument. The Volta River and

Development Act, 1961 (Commencement) Instrument, 1961 (L.I 162) appointed the 12th day of December, 1961 as

the day on which it came into force.