

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 934, June 20, 1953 ]**

**AN ACT EXTENDING AND CONSOLIDATING THE TERMS OF THE FRANCHISES GRANTED BY THE PHILIPPINE LEGISLATURE AND THE MUNICIPAL COUNCILS OF CAMALIGAN, CANAMAN, MAGAITAO, BONBON, AND CALABANGA IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR; OF LIGAO, OAS, AND GUINOBATAN IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBAY; AND OF GUBAT IN THE PROVINCE OF SORSOGON, TO THE BICOL ELECTRIC COMPANY TO INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN ELECTRIC LIGHT, HEAT, AND POWER SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF NAGA AND IN THE MUNICIPALITIES HEREINABOVE NAMED.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. Subject to the provisions of the Constitution of the Philippines and of this Act, the terms of the franchise granted under Act Numbered Twenty-six hundred and forty-seven, as amended by Act Numbered Twenty-eight hundred and eighty-two, to Mariano Abella e Isaac, and later assumed and taken over by the Bicol Electric Company, to install, operate and maintain an electric light, heat, and power system in the City of Naga; and of the franchises granted by resolutions of the municipal councils of Camaligan, Canaman, Magarao, Bonbon, and Calabanga in the Province of Camarines Sur; of the municipal councils of Ligao, Oas, and Guinobatan in the Province of Albay; and of the municipal council of Gubat in the Province of Sorsogon, to the Manila Electric Company, and later assumed and taken over by the Bicol Electric Company to install, operate and maintain an electric light, heat, and power system in their respective municipalities, are hereby consolidated and revised, and the duration of said franchises are extended for a period of twenty-five years from the date of the approval of this Act.

SEC. 2. The poles erected by the grantee shall be of such a height as to maintain the wires stretched on the same at a distance of at least twenty feet above the level of the ground, and shall be of such appearance as not to disfigure the streets, and shall be placed with due regard for the public safety, in accordance with a plan previously approved by the Public Service Commission after hearing the municipal or city authorities concerned.

SEC. 3. Said grantee shall supply electric power, heat and light to any applicant for the same within fifteen days after the date of his application in the order of the date of the applications up to the limit of the capacity of the plant of said grantee, to be determined by the Public Service Commission, and should the demand for electric power, heat and light at any time increase beyond the capacity of the plant of said grantee to supply the same, the capacity of said plant shall be increased to meet such demand, upon authorization by the Public Service Commission: *Provided*, That the point at which the electric power, heat or light is to be supplied shall not be