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AMENDMENT TO PRESIDENTIAL PERMIT

AUTHORIZING, PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10485,

MAINE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, MAINTAIN, AND CONNECT
FACILITIES FOR THE TRANSMISSION OF ELECTRIC ENERGY AT
THE INTERNATIONAL BORDER BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

(Federal Power Commission - Docket No. IT-6027)

Maine Public Service Company, (Permittee), by application filed August 19, 1963, seeks an Amendment to the Presidential Permit signed by the President of the United States on January 3. 1948, and accepted by the Permittee on March 5, 1948, wherein Permittee was authorized to construct, operate, maintain and connect electric transmission facilities at the international border between the United States and Canada for the importation of electric energy into the United States from Canada and for the transmission of such imported electric energy between the United States and Canada. By order of the Commission issued October 17, 1957, in Docket Nos. E-6408, E-6409, and E-6751, (18 FPC 504) operation of the facilities in the above-mentioned Permit to transmit energy to Canada from the United States, regardless of source, was approved. Permittee now seeks authority pursuant to Executive Order No. 10485 dated September 3, 1953, to construct, operate, maintain, and connect certain additional facilities, convert one of its existing facilities, and remove certain of its existing facilities, some of which are presently

out of operation, and some which will be phased out of operation pending construction of new facilities by Permittee, by Permittee's Subsidiary in Canada, the Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited, a corporation organized under the laws of the province of New Brunswick, Canada, (hereinafter called the Subsidiary) and by Permittee's customer in Canada, the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, a statutory body created by an act of the legislature of the Province of New Brunswick, Canada, (hereinafter called the "New Brunswick Commission").

The additional facilities proposed by the Permittee consist of a 69,000 volt, 60 cycle, three-phase wood pole transmission line running to a point on the international boundary 300 feet south of the point where the Aroostook River crosses the international boundary at Fort Fairfield, Maine, where it will connect with a similar line to be constructed, owned, and operated by its Subsidiary. (To be listed in paragraph (j) of the Amended Permit.)

The existing facilities to be converted by the Permittee consist of a 69,000 volt, 60 cycle, three-phase wood pole transmission line, now operated at 34.5 kv but to be converted to 69 kv operation in 1964, running to a point on the international boundary 0.5 miles north of the Four Falls, New Brunswick, custom office where it connects with a similar line of the Subsidiary. (One of two lines listed in paragraph (e) of Article 2 of the Permit and to be described in paragraph (i) of the Amended Permit.)

Three lines operating respectively at 13,200 volts, 7,200 volts, and 33,000 volts, listed in paragraphs (c), (d), and (h) of Article 2 of the Permit are presently out of operation and the Permittee proposes to remove them in the near future.

One of two lines operating nominally at 33,000 kv described in paragraph (e) of Article 2 of the Permit, three lines operating at 33,000 volts listed in paragraph (f) of Article 2 of the Permit, and one of two lines operating at 11,000 volts listed in paragraph (g) of Article 2 of the Amended Permit will be removed after construction and conversion by Permittee of the facilities described above and similar facilities in Canada by its Subsidiary.

One 11,000 volt line described in paragraph (g) of Article 2 of the Permit will be removed by Permittee after construction of a line by its Subsidiary.

One 7,200 volt line listed in paragraph (b) of Article 2 of the Permit will be removed by Permittee after construction of a line by the New Brunswick Commission.

By letter dated Nov. 14, 1963, the Secretary of State and by letter dated Nov. 5, 1963, the Secretary of Defense favorably recommended that the aforesaid Presidential Permit be amended as hereinafter provided.

Upon consideration of this matter, the Commission finds that this issuance of an Amendment to the aforesaid Presidential Permit, as hereinafter provided, for the purpose of permitting Permittee

to (1) construct (convert), operate, maintain and connect at the international boundary the aforesaid facilities for the transmission of electric energy from the United States to Canada and from Canada to the United States and (2) remove the aforementioned electric transmission lines and supporting structures previously authorized by that Presidential Permit, is appropriate and consistent with the public interest.

Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 10485. dated September 3, 1953, and the Commission's General Rules and Regulations, the aforesaid Presidential Permit is amended by substituting the following for Article 2 as therein contained; provided that all other terms and conditions of that Presidential Permit shall remain in full force and effect:

Article 2. The facilities covered by and subject to this permit shall include, in addition to the following, all lands and supporting structures within the rights-of-way occupied by such facilities:

- (a) One 7,200 volt, 60 cycle, three-phase line running to the Saint John River at a point 1.0 miles north of the international bridge between Fort Kent, Maine, and Clair, New Brunswick, and connecting at the international boundary with a similar line of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission:
- 60 cycles, located on the shore of the Saint John River at the international boundary at Frenchville, Maine;

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(c) One 3-phase line operating nominally at 13,200 volts 60 cycles, located on the shore of the Saint John River at the international boundary at Madawaska, Maine;

(d) One 3-phase line operating nominally at 7,200 volts, 60 cycles, located on the shore of the Saint John River at the international boundary at Grand Isle, Maine;

(e) One 3-phase line operating nominally at 33,000 volts, 60 cycles, located at the international boundary at a point north of the place where the Aroostook River flows from Maine into New Brunswick and near Limeston, Maine;

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(f) Three 3-phase lines operating nominally at 33,000 volts, remarked 7-20-64 60 cycles, located at the international boundary at a point south of the place where the Aroostook River flows from Maine into New Brunswick and near Fort Fairfield, Maine;

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(g) Two 3-phase lines operating nominally at 11,000 volts, 60 cycles, located at the international boundary at a point south of the place where the Aroostook River flows from Maine into New Brunswick and near Fort Fairfield, Maine;

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(h) One 3-phase line operating nominally at 33,000 volts, 60 cycles, located at the international boundary near Bridgewater Corner, Maine;

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(i) One 69,000 volt, 60 cycle, 3-phase wood pole transmission line, now operated at 34.5 kv but to be converted to 69 kv operation in 1964, running to a point on the international boundary 0.5 miles north of the Four Falls, New Brunswick, custom office where it connects with a similar line of the Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited.

(j) One 69,000 volt, 60 cycle, 3-phase wood pole transmission line running to a point on the international boundary 300 feet south of the point where the Aroostook River crosses the international boundary at Fort Fairfield, Maine, where it will connect with a similar line to be constructed, owned, and operated by the Maine and New Brunswick Electrical Power Company, Limited.

which facilities are more specifically shown and described in the application filed with the Federal Power Commission (hereinafter called the "Commission") on August 19, 1963.

With the exception of facilities described in Paragraphs (b) through (i) above, no substantial change shall be made hereafter in the above described facilities and operations thereof authorized by this Permit until such change shall have been approved by this Commission. With respect to the facilities described in Paragraphs (b) through (h) above, they shall be deemed covered by and subject to this Permit until they shall have been removed by the Permittee. The date of completion of such removal shall be reported to this Commission by the Permittee within 15 days thereafter. With respect to the facilities described in Paragraph (i), the conversion to 69 kv operation shall be reported by the Permittee within 15 days thereafter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Joseph C. Swidler, have hereunto signed my name this 5 day of Dec. 1963, in the City of Washington, District of Columbia.

S/ Joseph C. Swidle V Chairman of the Federal Power Commission