



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 73 of 1986

AN ACT

to amend the *Electricity Commission Act*

[Assented to 30 December 1986]

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978* of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the *Electricity Commission Amendment Act (No. 2) 1986*.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

The *Electricity Commission Act* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

3. NEW DIVISION

The Principal Act is amended by inserting in Part II after section 18 the following:

"Division 4 - Agency

"18A. COMMISSION MAY ACT AS AGENT

"(1) The Commission may enter into an agreement with any person (including a minister) to act as an agent for that person -

- (a) for the supply of a service;
- (b) for the carrying out of an action; or
- (c) in relation to a matter or thing,

that may be specified in the agreement, during such periods and upon such terms and conditions as may be specified.

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"(2) An agency agreement under subsection (1) shall have effect according to its tenor notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Act or a regulation or by-law made under it.

"18B. CARRYING OUT OF AGENCY AGREEMENT TO BE FUNCTION OF COMMISSION

"For the purposes of this Act, it is a function of the Commission to carry out any agency agreement entered into pursuant to section 18A.

"18C. ENTRY ON LAND OR PREMISES

"Where the implementation of an agency agreement under section 18A would require an employee of the Commission to enter upon any land or premises, section 15 shall be construed and applied as if the entry on land or premises for the purposes of that section were an entry on land or premises for the purposes of the agency agreement.

"18D. COLLECTION OF MONEY ON BEHALF OF TERRITORY

"Where an agency agreement under section 18A relates to the collection or receipt of money on behalf of the Territory, then, notwithstanding sections 18 and 37 -

- (a) the money shall not be accounted for as money of the Commission but as Territory money; and
- (b) the Commission shall not be required to sue for the recovery of money outstanding from time to time."