

Province of British Columbia

fee, to be filed by the company, guaranteeing the performance in good faith of the undertaking, and the territory within which the company may operate and such other terms as he may consider in the public interest. When the certificate has been issued it is to be filed with the Comptroller and advertised at the expense of the applicant.

The Comptroller is now in a position to consider the application for the licence and if it is found to be in order will issue an authorization to the applicant to proceed to survey and file plans of his proposed works setting the time within which they must be completed and the manner in which they are to be made. The plans are to be submitted in triplicate, one set of tracings and two sets of prints and must be in such detail that the construction of the works could be carried out from them.

The fees to be paid in respect of a licence are as follows:—

RECORD FEE:—	Each available H.P. up to 1000	\$.50
	Each additional H.P. up to 5000	.25
	Each additional H.P. above 5000	.10

ANNUAL RENTAL:—During the survey construction period, or until such time as the power is developed and sold an amount is payable each year equal to the record fee.

After the plant is in operation a rental is fixed by the Board of Investigation who take into consideration all such items as cost of development, demand for power, etc., etc., and fix the rental. The rental shall be not less than 25 cents per H.P. and not more than \$1.00 per H.P. per annum, and shall be readjusted every five years.

If, in the opinion of the Comptroller, the work has been carried on with due diligence the fees paid in during the survey-construction period may be credited to the cancellation of charges as they become due during the operation period.

After the plans have been filed and approved by the Comptroller he will issue a conditional licence which constitutes the approval of the plans, fixes the amount of water to be used, and sets a time for the commencement and completion of the works, and authorizes the use of the water.

Within sixty days of the date set for the completion of the works the licensee will file proof of such completion and the Comptroller when he has satisfied himself by inspection or otherwise that the work has been carried out in a satisfactory manner, will issue a final licence.

While the above is an outline of the procedure to obtain a licence for the use of water in the development of power, for full particulars of the rights and obligations of licensees interested parties are referred to the "Water Act, 1914," and the rules and regulations thereunder, copies of which, as well as detailed information and forms, may be obtained from Mr. William Young, the Comptroller of Water Rights, Victoria, B.C.