

(d) for the export of hydro-electric energy, to companies as listed and for amounts specified;

(e) for the export of crude oil, to companies listed and for amounts specified;

(f) for the export of surplus natural gas, to the Canadian-Montana Pipe Line Company, Calgary, and to Mr. Gordon M. Plotke, Calgary, in amounts specified;

Orders in Council to be passed accordingly.

(Orders in Council P.C. 1953-366, 1953-367, 1953-368, 1953-369, 1953-370 and 1953-371, March 12.)

Radio broadcasting stations; grant of licences

7. The Minister of Transport, referring to discussion at the meeting of March 10th, said he understood that Prince Edward Island objections to permission to increase the power of the radio station at Moncton had been withdrawn. He recommended that permission be granted. Three applications had been received for the establishment of a radio station at Chicoutimi, Quebec. This raised the question of responsibility and procedure in awarding licences.

8. In the course of discussion it was suggested:

(a) that, in the granting of licences for radio broadcasting stations, a proper division of responsibility as between the Department of Transport and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation was that the former should advise on the availability of a frequency and other technical matters and that the latter should advise concerning the possibility of successfully establishing a station in a given area and whether it was in the public interest that a licence be awarded; and,

(b) that it might be preferable, in cases where more than one application was made for a radio station in the same area, for the C.B.C. simply to advise whether a station ought to be permitted and for the government to determine to whom the licence should be awarded.

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