



A

LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NIGER STATE
ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION, NIGER STATE ELECTRICITY
COMPANY, NIGER STATE ELECTRICITY AGENCY AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES CONNECTED THEREWITH.

BE IT ENACTED by the House of Assembly of Niger State and by the Authority
of same in this present State Assembly as follows:-

Citation,
commencement
and application

1. (1) This Law may be cited as the Niger State Power Sector Law, 2024.
(2) The Law shall come into operation on the 19th day of December, 2024.
(3) The Law shall apply to electricity dealings within the State of any person with, or in relation to electricity generation, transmission, trading, electric power exchange dealings, distribution, retail supply, system Operation, the State electricity market, electrification of rural underserved, and unserved communities, and related aspects of the intra-state electricity business.

Interpretation

2. (1) In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires –
“**Act**” means the Electricity Act, 2023 enacted by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and includes any amendment thereto;
“**Agencies**” means Agencies of the Niger State Government as may be applicable;
“**Ancillary Services**” means those services that are necessary to support the transmission of capacity and energy from resources to loads while maintaining reliable operation of the transmission system in accordance with good utility practice and the Grid code to be adopted in accordance with the provisions of this Law;
“**Auditor-General**” means the Auditor-General of Niger State;
“**Criminal Code Law**” means the Niger State Criminal Code Law, Laws of Niger State;

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner responsible for Power and Energy or a member of the State Executive Council, as may be decided by the Governor, with the oversight function and responsibility for the management and supervision of energy and electricity matters in the State;

"Commission" means the Niger State Electricity Regulatory Commission established in this Law;

"Concession Contract" means award by the government to a qualified private entity of the responsibility for financing, operating, expanding, maintaining and managing specific Government-owned assets under this Law;

"Court" means State or Federal High Court

"Distribution Code" means a compilation of rules and regulations governing electric utilities in the operation and maintenance of their distribution systems which includes, among others, the standards for service and performance, and defines and establishes the relationship of the distribution systems with the facilities or installations of the parties connected thereto;

"Distribution System" means the system of wires and associated facilities belonging to a distribution utility;

"End-user" refers to any person or entity requiring the supply and delivery of electricity for its own use.

"Federal Agencies" includes NERC, NEMSA and other Federal regulatory organizations set up by the Federal Government of Nigeria;

"Franchise Area" refers to a geographical area assigned or granted to a distribution company for distribution of electricity or geographical areas assigned to any other licensee irrespective of exclusivity claim;

"Generation Company" means a pre-existing generation company within the meaning of Section 45 of this Law and includes any generation company and IPPs licensed by the Commission pursuant to the provisions of this Law;

"Generation of Electricity" means the production of electricity by a generation company or a co-generation facility pursuant to the provisions of this Law;

"Grid" refers to the medium or high voltage backbone system of interconnected transmission lines, substations and related facilities;

"Grid Code" means to the set of rules and regulations governing the safe and reliable operation, maintenance and development of a medium or high voltage backbone transmission system and its related facilities;

"Independent Power Producer" or "IPP" means pre-existing IPPs licensed by NERC and includes those licensed by the Commission pursuant to the provisions of this Law;

"Ministry" means the Ministry with the oversight function and responsibility for the management and supervision of energy and electricity matters in the State;

"NEMSA" means Nigerian Electricity Management Services Agency established under the Act;

"NERC" means the Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission established under the Act;

"Nigeria" means the Federal Republic of Nigeria;

"Open Access" refers to the system of allowing any qualified person the use of transmission, and/or distribution system, and associated facilities subject to the payment of transmission and/or distribution rates duly approved by the Commission pursuant to the provisions of this Law;

"Pre-existing licensees" means licensees and include permit holders referred to under Sections 45 and 46 of this Law;

"SERC" means Niger State Electricity Regulatory Commission established under Section 3 of this Law;

"NSPC" means the Niger State Electric Power Company established in this Law;

"Rural areas" means communities designated as rural areas by the Governor under this Law;

"State" means Niger State of Nigeria;

"State Grid" means the medium to high voltage backbone system of interconnected transmission lines, substations and related facilities established by the State GRID Co or other private transmission licensees licensed by the Commission to engage in the business of transmission and wheeling of electricity within the State;

"Transmission Charge" refers to the regulated cost or charges for the use of a transmission system which may include the provision of ancillary services;

"Undertaking" means the electric lines or electrical plant, and includes all lands, buildings, works and materials attached to it belonging to any person licensee or permit holder under the provisions of this Law;

PART II

ESTABLISHMENT, COMPOSITION, FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF THE NIGER STATE ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION.

Establishment
of the
Commission

3. (1) There is hereby established the Niger State Electricity Regulatory Commission (in this Law referred to as the "Commission") to carry out the functions and exercise the powers assigned to it under this Law in relation to regulation of electricity within the State.

(2) The Commission shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession, a common seal and shall in its corporate name be capable of –

- (a) suing and being sued;
- (b) taking, purchasing or otherwise acquiring, holding, charging or disposing of movable and immovable property;
- (c) borrowing money; and
- (d) performing all other things or acts in furtherance of its functions or powers under this Law.

(3) The Commission shall be under the control of the Ministry in the exercise of its functions and powers in this Law.

Composition
of the
Commission

4. (1) The Commission shall be composed of the Chairman, and four full time Permanent Commissioners to superintend over the day-to-day administration of the Commission.

(2) The Permanent Commissioners shall be as follows –

- (a) Permanent Commissioner, Administration and Finance;
- (b) Permanent Commissioner, License and Regulation;
- (c) Permanent Commissioner, Enforcement and Consumer Affairs; and
- (d) Permanent Commissioner, Rural Electricity Access Management.

(3) The Office of the Chairman of the Commission shall have such units under it as may be approved by the Commission in furtherance of the functions and powers under this Law.

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1) of this Section relating to composition of the Commission, the Commission shall have the powers to approve its structure including modifications to such structure from time to time as it may deem suitable for effective discharge of its functions and powers under this Law, subject to the approval of the Commissioner responsible for Energy, to such structure or modifications thereof.

Appointment
of Chairman
and
Permanent
Commissioners
PCs

5. (1) The Chairman and the four Permanent Commissioners shall be appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the State House of Assembly.

(2) a person shall be qualified for appointment as the Chairman or Permanent Commissioner of the Commission under section 4 of this Law if such a person:

- (a) is a Nigerian of at least 35 years of age nominated from the public or private sector with good moral character with educational qualifications and professional public or private experience in any of the following fields –
 - (i) Economics Finance (including Banking);
 - (ii) Accountancy;
 - (iii) Engineering;
 - (iv) Law;
 - (v) Public or Business administration;
 - (vi) Public utilities regulation; and
 - (vii) Consumer affairs issues.

- (b) has at least ten (10) years of professional experience in their respective fields of expertise stipulated under subsection (2)(a) of this section.

(3) In recommending the nominees for confirmation as Chairman and Permanent Commissioners by the House of Assembly for the purpose of appointment as Chairman or Permanent Commissioners pursuant to the provisions of this Law, the Governor shall expressly indicate the designation of each nominee and ensure compliance with the requirements of this Section.

Tenure of
office of
Chairman and
PCs

6. (1) To ensure continuity in the Commission, the Chairman and the Permanent Commissioners shall hold office for four (4) years, and renewable for another term of four (4) years and no more.

Remuneration
and condition
of service
Chairman and
PCs

7. (1) The salaries, allowances, remunerations and other conditions of service payable to the Chairman, the Permanent Commissioners and staff of the Commission shall be such as determined and approved by the Governor.

(2) In approving the salaries, allowances, remunerations and other conditions of service of the Chairman and Permanent Commissioners pursuant to subsection (1) of this Section, the Governor shall take into consideration the following –

- (a) the specialized nature of work to be performed by the Commission;
- (b) the need to ensure the financial self-sufficiency of the Chairman and the Permanent Commissioners and generally safeguard of the Commission;
- (c) the conditions of service in the private sector enjoyed by individuals with equivalent responsibilities, expertise and skills and the need to attract and retain highly qualified personnel for the Commission from the private and public sectors; and
- (d) any other factor which the Governor may consider relevant and compelling in the determination of the conditions of service of members of the Commission.

Disqualification
from
Appointment
as Chairman
and PCs

8. (1) A person shall be disqualified from being appointed as Chairman or Permanent Commissioner if –

- (a) he is incapacitated by reason of ill health;
- (b) he is sixty-five (65) years of age and above;
- (c) he is not a Nigerian;
- (d) he has been adjudged bankrupt or insolvent by a competent court in Nigeria or under the laws in force in any country;
- (e) has made an assignment or arrangement or composition with his creditors, which has not been rescinded or set aside;
- (f) has been banned from practicing his profession; or
- (g) has been convicted of an offence involving financial misconduct.

(2) any person nominated for appointment as Chairman or Permanent Commissioner pursuant to Section 5(1) of this Law shall notify the Governor, of any interest in any private company or undertaking dealing with the business of –

- (a) electricity generation, procurement, transmission, trading, power exchange dealings, distribution, retail supply, and system operation;
- (b) manufacture, sale, or supply of any fuel for generation of electricity;
- (c) manufacture, sale, lease, hire or otherwise supply of or dealing in machinery, plant, equipment, apparatus or fittings for the generation, transmission, distribution, supply or use of electricity; and
- (d) any entity providing professional services to any of the businesses referred to in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) above: except the Governor is satisfied that such interest is in effect passive and will not interfere with the person's impartial discharge of his duties as a member or such financial interest is terminated prior to the appointment.

(3) Any information brought to the notice of the Governor in compliance with subsection (2) of this Section shall be taken into consideration by the Governor in taking a final decision on the nominee.

(4) The Chairman and the other Permanent Commissioners appointed pursuant to Section 5 of this Law shall, before assumption of office, make a declaration of assets in accordance with paragraph II of the Fifth Schedule to the Constitution.

Vacation of
Office by the
Chairman and
PCs

9. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6 of this Law, a Chairman or any Permanent Commissioner shall vacate his office if he—
- (a) is removed by his Governor;
 - (b) resigns his office by giving at least three months' notice in writing to the Governor conveying his intention to resign;
 - (c) is convicted of a criminal offence by a competent court in Nigeria or any country;
 - (d) becomes disqualified under Section 8(1) and (2) of this Law to hold office as Chairman or Permanent Commissioner;
 - (e) becomes incapacitated by reason of ill health;
 - (f) is required under Section 8 of this Law to vacate his office; and
 - (g) has served out his tenure of office as prescribed under Section 6 of this Law.

(2) Subject to Section 8 of this Law, any vacancy occurring in the office of the Chairman or any of the Permanent Commissioners as a result of ill health, death, permanent incapacity or impairment, or under Section 10(1) of this Law, or any other reason, shall be filled by the Governor in accordance with the provisions of Sections 5 of this Law.

Removal from
Office of the
Chairman and
PCs

10. (1) The appointment of the Chairman or any Permanent Commissioner shall be terminated by the Governor, if —
- (a) the appointment was discovered to have been made in contravention of Sections 5 and 8 of this Law; and
 - (b) the appointment has been found to have breached the Commission's Code of Ethics approved by the Commission pursuant to the provisions of this Law.

(2) The Chairman or Permanent Commissioner removed pursuant to the provisions of Sections 8 and 9 of this Law shall cease to be a member of the Commission and not be eligible for re-appointment as Chairman, Permanent Commissioner or in any other capacity in the Commission.

(3) Whenever the office of the Chairman becomes vacant under this Law, the most senior Permanent Commissioner shall take over as the Chairman of the Commission in acting capacity for a duration not exceeding 3 months and shall, upon the appointment of a substantive Chairman by the Governor under subsection (4) of this Section revert to his position as an Permanent Commissioner of the Commission.

(4) Subject to Sections 5, 6 and 8 of this Law, the Governor shall within three months from the date the office of the Chairman or any of the Permanent Commissioners becomes vacant, appoint a person to fill such vacancy: Provided that a person appointed to fill a casual vacancy occurring in the office of the Chairman or any of the Permanent Commissioners shall be entitled to serve out the unexpired term of his predecessor irrespective of whether the casual vacancy so filled occurred in the first or second term of the Chairman or any of the Permanent Commissioners concerned.

Functions and
Powers of the
Commission

11. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Law, the Commission shall perform the following functions:
- (a) promote competition, efficiency, and encourage the development of the State electricity market;
 - (b) determine the tariff for generation, supply, transmission and wheeling of electricity, wholesale, bulk or retail, as the case may be, within the State: Provided that where open access has been permitted to a category of consumers under section 36, it shall determine only the wheeling charges and surcharge thereon, if any, for the said category of consumers;
 - (c) regulate electricity purchase and procurement process of distribution licensees including the price at which electricity shall be procured from the generating companies or licensees or from other sources through agreements for purchase of power for distribution and supply within the State;
 - (d) issue licenses to persons seeking to act as transmission licensees, distribution licensees and electricity traders with respect to their operations within the State;
 - (e) facilitate dispute resolution between the licensees and generating companies, and to refer any dispute for

- arbitration, specify State Grid Code consistent with the National Grid Code;
- (f) specify or enforce standards with respect to quality, continuity and reliability of service by licensees;
 - (g) introduce and monitor the implementation of appropriate tariff methodology(ies) for all State – licensees and permit holders in such a manner to allow for recovery of capital investment on the undertakings and reasonable rate of return on such investments for business continuity;
 - (h) fix the trading margin in the intra-State trading of electricity, if considered, necessary;
 - (i) secure the supply of electricity at reasonable prices; and
 - (j) advise the Ministry on all or any of the following matters, namely:-
 - (i) Promotion of competition, efficiency and economic activities of the electricity industry;
 - (ii) Promotion of investment in electricity industry;
 - (iii) Reorganization and restructuring of electricity industry in the State; and
 - (iv) Matters concerning generation, transmission, distribution and trading of electricity or any other matter referred to the Commission by the Government.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this Law and without prejudice to the provisions of sub-section (1) of this section, the State Government, may by notification in the Official Gazette, confer any of the following functions upon the Commission to: -

- (a) regulate the investment approval for generation, transmission, distribution and supply of electricity to the entities operating within the State;
- (b) aid and advise the Ministry, in matters concerning electricity generation, transmission, distribution and supply in the State;
- (c) regulate the operation of the power system within the State;
- (d) issue licenses for generation, transmission, bulk supply, distribution or supply of electricity and determine the conditions to be included in the licenses;
- (e) regulate the working of the licensees and other persons authorized or permitted to engage in the electricity industry

- in the State and to promote their working in an efficient, economical and equitable manner;
- (f) require licensees to formulate perspective plans and schemes in co-ordination with others for the promotion of generation, transmission, distribution, supply and utilization of electricity, quality of service and to devise proper power purchase and procurement process;
 - (g) set standards for the electricity industry in the State including standards relating to quality, continuity and reliability of service;
 - (h) promote competitiveness and make avenues for participation of private sector in the electricity industry in the State, and also to ensure a fair deal to the customers;
 - (i) lay down and enforcement safety standards;
 - (j) collect and record information concerning the generation, transmission, distribution and utilization of electricity;
 - (k) collect and publish data and forecasts on the demand for, and use of, electricity in the State and to require the licensees to collect and publish such data; and
 - (l) facilitate dispute resolution between the licensees and utilities and to refer the matter for arbitration.

(3) No electrical installation work involving overhead line construction or transformer or generator substation installations or any other major electrical project shall be carried by a licensee or an Electricity Company without the written approval of the Commission.

(4) The Commission may in furtherance of their functions and powers under this Law, make Regulations for all or any of the following purposes —

- (a) prescribing the general condition under which electricity shall be supplied or discontinued to consumer;
- (b) prescribing the general conditions of sale or letting on hire of electrical equipment of all kinds;
- (c) prescribing the form of and conditions to be contained in and the method of service of any notice required or authorized under this Law; or
- (d) prescribing any fee or anything which is to be prescribed generally and for the better carrying out of the purposes and provision of this Law.

(5) The Commission shall discharge its functions and exercise its powers in conformity with the provisions of this Law, and to such extent and circumstances the Commission considers appropriate, consult such persons or group of persons who may or are likely to be affected by decisions or orders of the Commission including but not limited to licensees, permit holders, consumers, potential investors and other stakeholders.

Invitation and
application for
licenses

12. (1) The Commission may, through a fair, open and competitive process, invite applications for licenses or permits under this Law.

(2) For the purpose subsection (1) of this Section, the Commission may, within one year after its inauguration under this Law, invite applications for licenses and permits for businesses in the State electricity industry –

- (a) electricity generation;
- (b) electricity transmission;
- (c) electricity distribution;
- (d) metering ;
- (e) mini-grid development and operations; and
- (f) any other business in the State electricity industry which the Commission may deem fit to invite applications for license and permits as deliberate strategy to promote electricity access and competition in the State electricity industry.

Conduct of
business and
affairs of the
Commission

13. (1) The Commission shall conduct hearings, hold consultations and meetings to conduct any of its businesses as often as necessary or expedient, and shall be entitled to conduct its hearings, consultations, meetings at its official headquarters or in any other location in the State.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this Law, the Commission shall have the power to formulate and adopt its regulations to guide the conduct of its business under subsection (1) of this Section and the discharge of its functions.

(3) The Chairman or, in his absence, the most senior Permanent Commissioner shall preside at all meetings of the Commission.

(4) All decisions of the Commission shall be on the basis of majority of the Members present and voting with each member of the Commission including the Chairman entitled to only one vote for or against the resolution proposed or issue under consideration: provided that the Chairman shall have casting vote in the case of a tie.

(5) For the purpose of giving effect to subsection (4) of this section, where there is difference of opinions among the members of the Commission, the opinion of the majority shall prevail: provided that the Commission shall in express terms state that its decisions, orders, directions represents the views of the majority, together with the reasons supporting such decisions, orders or directions of the Commission shall be available for inspection by any person or made available to any person in the manner prescribed by the Commission's business regulations.

(6) The Quorum for the meetings of the Commission shall be three except in the case of a meeting of the Commission to review any previous decision; direction order taken by the Commission, the quorum shall not be less than the number of Members present when the decision, direction or order was made.

(7) Without prejudice to subsections (1) and (2) of this Section, the Commission may conduct its business by means of written resolutions signed by the Chairman and all the Members forming a quorum.

(8) No decision, order, directive or any act done under the authorization of the Commission shall be invalid on the grounds that there existed a vacancy among the Members or on the basis that there existed some defect in the appointment and constitution of the Commission at the time the decision, order, directive or act was done or authorized.

Notice to
interested
parties and
experts.

14. (1) Where the Commission is required to, or decides to, conduct hearings, hold consultations and meetings pursuant to the provisions of this Law, the Commission shall, as far as reasonably practicable, notify such persons having interest in the matter or experts with the required professional or technical experience on the matter to make representations on the matter: provided that such a representation is intended to enrich the decision making process of the Commission and afford the interested parties fair hearing on the matter.

(2) For the purpose of subsection (1) of this Section, the Commission shall authorize any person as it deems fit to represent the interest of the consumers in all proceedings before it.

Referral to
appropriate
Court

15. (1) If a question of law arises from an order or decision of the Commission, the Commission may, on its own initiative or at the request of any person directly affected by such order or decision, reserve that question for determination of the State High Court: provided that where such an order, decision or relief directly affects an agency of the Federal Government, such a question of law arising from such order, decision or relief shall be reserved for the determination of the Federal High Court.

(2) Where a question of law has been reserved under subsection (1) of this Section, the Commission shall state the question in form of a special case and file it with the Registrar of the State High Court or Federal High Court as the case may be.

(3) Notwithstanding the provision of subsection (1) of this section, no suit shall be commenced against the Commission except a 30 days pre-action notice has been served on the Commission by the aggrieved claimant or claimant's agent stating clearly and explicitly-

- (a) the cause of action;
- (b) the particulars of the claim;
- (c) the name, license/permit number (if any) and place of business of the claimant; and
- (d) the reliefs claimed.

Dispute
Resolution by
the
Commission

16. (1) The Commission shall have the powers to amicably resolve disputes arising between its licensees and consumers through mediation or any other Alternative Dispute Resolution mechanisms.

Enforcement
of Decisions of
the
Commission

17. (1) Where the disputes are amicably resolved by the Commission, the Commission shall make a final decision in accordance with the resolution reached by the parties, and such final decision shall be binding on the parties.

(2) The Commission shall have the power to enforce such decision in accordance with its Regulations.

(3) Any party aggrieved by any decision of the Commission made pursuant to the provisions of this Law may approach the State High Court against such decision.

Pre-Action
Notice to the
Commission

18. Notwithstanding the provision of subsection (1) of this section, no suit shall be commenced against the Commission except a 30-day pre-action notice has been served on the Commission by the aggrieved claimant or claimant's agent stating clearly and explicitly-

- (a) the cause of action;
- (b) the particulars of the claim;
- (c) the name, license/permit number (if any) and place of business of the claimant; and
- (d) the reliefs claimed.

Appointment
of Secretary of
the
Commission

19. (1) There shall be appointed by the Commission, a Secretary/Legal Adviser for the Commission who shall be appointed from the Attorney General's Chambers.

(2) The Secretary shall be answerable to the Commission and perform such duties and exercise powers under subsection (3) of this Section.

(3) The Commission Secretary shall –

- (a) be the Legal Adviser to the Commission;
- (b) record and keep minutes and other records of the Commission;
- (c) keep custody of the seal of the Commission;
- (d) arrange for meetings, prepare agenda and issue notices;
- (e) convey decisions of the Commission to members of the Commission;
- (f) carry out such other functions as the Commission, may assign to him from time to time.

(4) The Commission shall write to the Ministry requesting for staff required by the Commission to discharge its functions under this Law.

Annual
Budget and
Estimates of
the
Commission

20. (1) The Commission shall prepare, in such form and at such time in each financial year, its budget for the next financial year, showing the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Commission and forward same to the Commissioner responsible for Power and Energy for inclusion in the State annual budgetary appropriation.

(2) The annual budget shall make provision for all the estimated expenditure of the Commission for the financial year and in particular, the estimates shall provide for –

- (a) the payment of salaries, allowances and other charges in respect of the Chairman, Members and other staff of the Commission;
- (b) maintenance, repair, and replacement of fixed and movable assets of the Commission; and
- (c) any other expenditure to be incurred for the financial year by the Commission in the exercise of its powers and performance of its functions under this Law.

(3) The Commission may prepare and submit to the State House of Assembly through the Commissioner responsible for Power and Energy, supplementary budget relating to expenditures which were not adequately provided for in the annual budget due to unforeseen circumstances, and such supplementary budget shall be deemed to form part of the annual budget of the Commission for the relevant financial year.

Funds of the
Commission

21. The funds of the Commission shall consist of –
- (a) such monies as may from time to time, be appropriated by the State House of Assembly for the Commission;
 - (b) a surcharge embedded in the tariff structure as operational cost as may be determined by the Commission;
 - (c) revenue from other sources including loans, grants, gifts or donations approved by the Ministry; and
 - (d) interests from bank deposits.

Expenditure of
the
Commission

22. There shall be paid out of the fund of the Commission, all expenditure incurred by the Commission in the exercise of its powers and performance of its functions under this Law.

Financial Year
of the
Commission

23. The financial year of the Commission shall be a period of twelve months ending on the 31st December in each year or such other period as the Commission may determine.

Accounts of
the
Commission

24. (1) The Commission shall keep or cause to be kept proper books of accounts and other relevant records of incomes and liabilities, expenditure, assets, undertakings, funds, activities, contracts, transactions and other business of the Commission in such a form as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(2) The Statement of Accounts of the Commission prepared pursuant to subsection (1) of this Section shall, not later than three months after the end of the financial year, be submitted to the State Auditor-General and the State House of Assembly.

(3) The Commission shall through the Ministry of Power and Energy present an annual report on all its activities to the Governor and the State House of Assembly.

Audits and
Reports of the
Commission

25. (1) The accounts kept by the Commission shall be audited by an auditor appointed by the Ministry of Power and Energy in accordance with the guidelines for appointment of auditors issued by the State Auditor-General.

(2) The Commission shall, within one month following the receipt of the auditor's report under subsection (1) of this section, publish its audited accounts in its website (if any).

(3) The auditor appointed under this section in connection with the audit of the accounts of the Commission shall have rights and privileges to demand the production for inspection of books of accounts, vouchers and other documents and papers of the Commission relating to its accounts.

Execution of
Contracts by
the
Commission

26. Any agreement, contract or instrument approved by the Commission may be entered into or executed on behalf of the Commission by any person generally or specifically authorized by the Commission for the purpose and shall bear the official seal of the Commission.

PART III

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AGENCY

Establishment
of the Agency

27. (1) There is hereby established the Niger State Electricity Agency (in this Law referred to as the "Agency") which shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and shall have power to sue and be sued in its corporate name.

(2) The Agency shall be under the control and supervision of the Ministry responsible for Power and Energy in the State, in the performance of its functions, and exercise of its powers.

Composition
of the Agency

28. The Agency shall consist of a Director-General and three Executive Directors (Administration, Finance and Operations).

Appointment
and tenure of
Office of the
DG and EDs

29. (1) There shall be appointed by the Governor a Director-General for the Agency who shall be –
- (a) the Chief Executive/Chief Accounting Officer of the Agency; and
 - (b) a qualified Engineer registered with COREN and has sound experience in electrification management.
- (2) There shall be appointed for the Agency three (3) Executive Directors (one from each geo-political zone of the State) who shall be in charge of –
- (a) Administration;
 - (b) Finance; and
 - (c) Operations.

(3) The Director General and the Executive Directors shall hold office for a term of four (4) years and may be re-appointed at the discretion of the Governor for a further term of four (4) years and no more.

(4) The power to exercise disciplinary control over the Director General and the Executive Directors and to determine the terms and conditions of service as to remuneration therein shall be vested in the Governor.

Remuneration
of DG and EDs

30. There shall be paid to the Director General and the Executive Directors such remuneration and allowances as the Governor may, from time to time, determine.

Vacation of
Office

31. The seat of the Director General and the Executive Directors shall become vacant on the occurrence of any of the following events –
- (a) his resignation;
 - (b) the dissolution of the Board;
 - (c) his death;
 - (d) his inability; from any cause, to discharge the functions of his office;

- (e) his conviction for a criminal offence involving fraud, dishonesty or moral turpitude; or
- (f) his removal by the Governor for misbehaviour or any other cause.

Appointment
of Legal

32. There shall be for the Agency a Legal Adviser who shall –

- (a) have not less than ten years post call experience;
- (b) be appointed by the Governor on the advice of the Attorney General and Commissioner for Justice;
- (c) not be below the rank of a Deputy Director;
- (d) be in charge of all legal matters of the Agency.

Functions of
the Agency

33. (1) In the exercise of its functions under this Law, the Agency shall –

- (a) establish and manage electricity undertakings in those parts of the State where the existing Power Companies does not, at present maintain any electricity undertakings or installations, including areas that are unserved or underserved by existing Power Companies;
- (b) perform such functions as may from time to time be assigned to it by the Ministry Power and Energy; and
- (c) where necessary, co-operate with or enter into any agreement with Power Companies to ensure the efficient and satisfactory performance of its functions under this Law.

(2) For the purpose of sub-section (1) of this Section, the Agency may –

- (a) carry all such activities as may appear to them requisite, advantageous or convenient for their duties under Sub-section (1) above;
- (b) manufacture, sale, let on hire, connect, carryout maintenance, repairs, or removal of any electric lines, fittings, apparatus or appliance for lighting or power or any other purpose for which electricity can or may be used;
- (c) carry out maintenance of shops and showrooms for the display, sale and hire of electrical equipment of all kinds;
- (d) advertise such electrical equipment whether by way of demonstration, exhibition or otherwise; and

- (c) the payment of salaries, fees, or other remuneration or allowances and other benefits payable to the officers and other employees of the Agency;
- (d) training the members of staff of the Agency;
- (e) conducting research in the field of power generation and transmission.

Power to hold
and acquire
property

37. For the purpose of its functions under this Law, the Agency may with the approval of the Governor upon the recommendation of the Ministry acquire, hold, manage and dispose of any property, whether real or personal and whether by way of investment or otherwise, and may enter into any contract.

Standing
Order

38. The Agency may, with the approval of the Ministry, from time to time make standing orders regulating the proceedings of the Agency or any committee thereof, for the proper conduct of its business, and in particular –

- (a) the custody and use of the common seal;
- (b) the method of entering into agreement;
- (c) the signing of cheques and other instruments; and
- (d) such other matters as the Governor may direct.

Power to
borrow

35. Subject to the approval of the Governor on the recommendation of the Commissioner, the Agency may from time to time borrow whether by way of mortgage or otherwise, such sums of money for the purpose of carrying out any of its functions under this Law as the Agency may deem necessary.

Disposal of
surplus Funds

36. The Governor may through the Commissioner issue such directives to the Agency as he thinks necessary for the disposal of any surplus Funds of the Agency, and subject to any such directives, the Agency may invest its Funds and maintain a general reserve.

Expenditure of
the Agency

37. The Agency may incur expenditure necessary for and incidental to the carrying out of any functions in this Law.

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| Budget of the Agency | 38. | The Agency shall in each financial year prepare and submit to the Commissioner, its estimates of revenue and expenditure in respect of the next financial year for inclusion into the State budget. |
| Accounts | 39. | <p>(1) The Agency shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) cause to be kept accounts in respect of its functions under this Law and other records in relation thereto; and (b) prepare in respect of each financial year a fair and accurate statement of accounts in such forms as may be approved by the Commissioner. <p>(2) The accounts of the Agency shall be audited by an auditor appointed by the Ministry in accordance with the guidelines for appointment of auditors issued by the State Auditor-General.</p> <p>(3) The accounts of the Agency together with the report of the Auditor thereon shall be published in the State Gazette.</p> |
| Annual Report | 40. | The Agency shall, at the end of each financial year, submit to the Commissioner a report dealing with the activities of the Agency during that financial year. |
| Power to make Regulations | 41. | The Agency may subject to the approval of the Governor on the recommendation of the Commissioner, make Regulations for the purpose of carrying out its functions and powers under this Law. |
| Audit | 42. | <p>(1) The Auditor General of the State shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) inspect and audit accounts and records of the financial transactions of the Agency; (b) inspect records relating to assets of the Agency; (c) draw the attention of the Commissioner to any irregularity which is disclosed by the inspection and audit. <p>(2) The Auditor General or any officer authorized by him is entitled at all reasonable time to a full and free access to all account records, documents and papers of the Agency relating directly or indirectly to the receipt or payment of money by the Agency or to the acquisition receipt custody or disposal of assets by the Agency.</p> |
| Limitation of suit against the Agency | 43. | (1) Subject to the provisions of this Law, the provisions of the Public Officers Protection Law shall apply in relation to any suit instituted against a staff or employee of the Agency. |

(2) No suit shall be commenced against the Agency except a 30 days pre-action notice has been served on the Agency stating clearly and explicitly-

- (a) the cause of action;
- (b) the particulars of the claim;
- (c) the name, license/permit number (if any) and place of business of the claimant; and
- (d) the reliefs claimed.

Investment by
the Agency

44. The Agency may, subject to the approval of the Governor on the recommendation of the Commissioner and the conditions of any trust created in respect of any property, invest all or any of its Funds in security or in such other securities as may, from time to time be approved by the Agency.

No exemption
from payment
of income tax

45. The Agency shall not be exempted from the payment of income tax or any income accruing from investment made.

PART IV

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS, ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets of the
repealed
Niger State
Electricity
Board

46. (1) The Agency shall be the successor-in-title in every way to the powers, duties, and functions of the former Niger State Electricity Board repealed by this Law.
- (2) All existing contracts and or agreements currently in effect by the repealed Niger State Electricity Board shall continue to have effect.
- (3) All records, property and equipment previously belonging to or allocated for use of the repealed Niger State Electricity Board shall on the effective date of this Law, become part of the property of the Agency.
- (4) All existing forms, licenses, letterheads and similar items bearing the name or referring to the repealed Niger State Electricity Board may be utilized the Agency until existing supply of those items are exhausted.

(5) All electrical installations which were used or have been constructed by or on behalf of the repealed Niger State Electricity Board, shall as from the effective date of this Law, vest in the Agency and such vesting shall extend to all such electrical installations.

PART V

INCORPORATION OF NIGER STATE POWER COMPANY

Establishment
of the
Company

47. (1) The State Government shall take all necessary steps to incorporate the Niger State Power Company (referred to in the Law as "the NSPC") under the Companies and Allied Matters Act, provided that the majority shares shall be held by the State Government.

(2) Upon incorporation, NSPC shall be governed in accordance with the provisions of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, its Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Nigeria Electricity Regulatory Commission Act and this Law.

Objectives of
the Company

48. The Objectives of the NSPC shall be to: -
- (a) render services in the provision of electricity to the public and private sectors, including rendering such services commercially to individuals or corporate bodies and the government;
 - (b) render services relating to electricity and energy engineering including consultancy and design of electricity infrastructure from renewable or non-renewable energy sources;
 - (c) construct, reconstruct, maintain and operate electricity generating stations, transmission lines, distribution lines, transformers stations and all other stations, buildings and work necessary for carrying out its duties under this Law, including the obstruction of water from any lake, stream or other natural source and the doing of all such acts as may be necessary for the purpose, of utilizing and returning the water as abstracted; provided that all water not consumed shall be returned in a condition not less pure than when it was abstracted;
 - (d) explore and harness other avenues or sources of power generation;

- (e) engage in partnership with both local and international bodies or other States for the generation, transmission and sale of energy within the State;
- (f) develop and deploy technical support services in the electricity sector as a commercial service;
- (g) collaborate with other corporate organizations in engineering businesses involving generation, transmission and local distribution of electricity as well as power metering-technology production and sales within the State;
- (h) render strategic support and expert consultancy services on best standard practices and process optimization to corporate organizations and State Government institutions in the area of electricity;
- (i) when required, appoint licensed entities to procure aggregate feedstock for utilization under the power schemes of the State;
- (j) purchase electricity including materials and equipment in bulk from independent power service providers and external sources such as the Transmission Company of Nigeria or its successor organizations and sell to consumers across the State;
- (k) invest in a company or consortium for the purpose of participating in the development of electricity power generation, distribution, transmission and sale for profit; and
- (l) render other services relating to electricity as may be permitted by this Law.

NSPC Board

49. (1) There shall be a Board of Directors for NSPC to be known as the Niger State Power Company's Board of Directors (in this Law referred to as "the NSPC Board").
- (2) The Memorandum and Articles of Association of NSPC to be established shall provide for the appointment of the Chairman and members of the NSPC Board (representing the State interest) by the Governor.

(3) The NSPC Board shall consist of –

- (a) the Chairman who shall be a person of impeccable character with proven integrity and with several cognate experience in management, energy, electricity engineering, energy law or energy economics and other allied disciplines, and two (2) other members who shall be appointed by the Governor upon recommendation by the Commissioner;
- (b) the Managing Director who shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the company and must be from the public or private energy sector with at least ten (10) years cognate experience at managerial level and shall be appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the Commissioner responsible for energy in the State;
- (c) one (1) representative each from the Ministry of Energy and the Ministry of Finance not below the rank of a Director to be nominated by the respective Commissioners as non-Executive Directors respectively.
- (e) a Secretary who shall be a legal practitioner with not less than ten (10) years post call experience and appointed by the Governor.

(4) Except as may otherwise be determined by the Governor, all members of the Board of Directors, including the ex-officio members shall hold office on –

- (a) a part-time basis as may be determined by the Governor; and
- (b) a term of 4 (four) years which may be renewed for another term of four years only.

(5) The Memorandum and Articles of Association shall provide for the appointment of Executive Directors for the various departments of the Company by the Board of Directors.

PART VI

FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF THE SUPERVISING MINISTRY

50. The Ministry in charge of Power and Energy as Supervising Ministry, under this Law shall –

Supervisory
Role of the
Ministry

- (a) co-ordinate the activities of State-level energy and electricity entities such as but not limited to the following –
 - (i) Niger State Electricity Agency;
 - (ii) Niger State Power Company; and
 - (iii) Niger State Electricity Regulatory Commission.
- (b) formulate policies on electricity generation, transmission and distribution in Niger State;
- (c) formulate policies on renewable energy, green energy, biofuel, new or future energy, energy conservation, energy efficiency, carbon credit and other connected matters;
- (d) formulate policies to enhance State's participation in the energy and electricity sector of Nigeria for the purpose of increased revenue, local content participation and capacity building;
- (e) formulate policies and strategies to promote Industries, Tertiary Institutions and Government participation to develop Indigenous capacity and promote the evolution of indigenous technical know-how in the energy and electricity sector;
- (f) develop and publish, through the Niger State Electricity Regulatory Commission, standards and yearly Energy Efficiency Compliance Certification (EECC) requirements for energy efficiency devices, public and domestic or household electrical and electronic appliances and gadgets;
- (g) have the power to set or review yearly rates and or fees payable for EECC by vendors of energy, electrical and electronic appliances, devices and gadgets in Niger State subject to the approval of the Niger State Executive Council;
- (h) have the power to set adoption dates and deadlines for businesses and domestic users' switching to energy efficiency appliances subject to the approval of the State Executive Council;
- (i) have the power to establish or designate an association, a residents' association, a housing estate and or a community group as a Cluster Off-take Units (COU);

- (j) approve the designation of businesses, communities and community associations as Cluster Off-take Units;
- (k) approve the formulation of rules and regulations for the functioning of a Cluster Off-take Unit;
- (l) approve, when required, policies, guidelines and local regulations on Independent Power Generation, Cluster Off-take Units (COU), embedded electricity schemes, metering and rural electrification programmes in the State as may be presented by the Commission;
- (m) in collaboration with the Commission, maintain a Register of Cluster Off-take Units;
- (n) formulate and review policies on joint venture power generation and distribution with private energy companies and programmes peculiar to the improvement of electricity in the State;
- (o) formulate guidelines on implementation and execution of policies and programmes on electricity, renewable energy, electricity generation and distribution for improvement and other energy development matters in the State including embedded power generations and State grid;
- (p) approve guidelines and local regulations for the implementation of gas infrastructure network, gas pipelines, gas distribution systems, gas supply and sales agreement, liquefied petroleum gas plant, compressed natural gas plant etc. in Niger State;
- (q) identify and declare un-served and under-served areas and communities in the State, where there is no electricity, inadequate electricity supply, poor electricity infrastructure or intractable and malicious mass electricity disconnection for intervention and development of an independent electricity distribution network, under the Independent Power Generation and Cluster Off-take policy;
- (r) have the power to approve rates or tariff structure for areas not covered by a national grid system within the State following recommendations from the State Electricity Regulatory Commission.

51. The Ministry, under this Law shall have powers to –
- (a) evaluate and review policies relating to electricity matters in the State;
 - (b) develop sustainable energy engineering and energy economics' policies for both conventional and renewable energy solutions in the State;
 - (c) provide institutional support for the development of State grid;
 - (d) ensure provision of electricity through the Niger State Electricity Agency and Niger State Power Company;
 - (e) create an enabling environment for Private Investments in electricity generation and distribution in the State;
 - (f) coordinate and supervise Independent Power Projects in the State;
 - (g) ensure policy and programme on electricity improvement developed and implemented;
 - (h) liaise with any Electricity Distribution Company in charge of any assets provided by the State where possible and assist to secure and recoup revenues from such investments and/or recover such assets;
 - (i) ensure all communities in the State are provided with on-grid electric power where possible and off-grid electricity under the Cluster Off-take Unit Policy;
 - (j) ensure that the State Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies are provided with electric power supply across the State by the Niger State Power Company and other approved Independent Power Producers in partnership with the State Government;
 - (k) provide needed support for innovative programmes and technologies in electricity demand and supply and develop safety guidelines for the approval of the State Executive Council;
 - (l) liaise with relevant government agencies to facilitate the acquisition of land, right of way, way leave and right of way compensations and other related matters associated with-or

- in connection to electricity supply by Independent Power Producers in-the State;
- (m) provide such support as the State Executive Council deems fit to aid Independent Power Providers in obtaining all the necessary licenses, permits and approvals as may be required;
 - (n) collaborate with relevant Federal and State Agencies to ensure compliance with Federal and State environmental standards and ensure that energy service or Independent Power providers, including renewable energy project developers, conform to environmentally sound operations and sustainability;
 - (o) subject to relevant laws and in collaboration with Nigeria Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC), promote competitive, fair and efficient market practice within the electric power sector in the State in areas that are connected to the National grid;
 - (p) develop technical framework to aid the ease of doing energy and electricity business and provide an environment that is sufficiently flexible to take into account new market trends and development in the Nigerian Electricity Demand and Supply Industry;
 - (q) create an enabling environment including the provision of incentives that will attract investors into the power sector of the State;
 - (r) collaborate, consult and cooperate to the extent practicable with other States and Local Governments, statutory bodies and research agencies on matters relating to electricity in the State;
 - (s) formulate policies for rural electrification for the approval of the State Executive Council and promote aggressive rural electrification targets in the State;
 - (t) ensure that all electricity installations are safely installed and do not constitute safety hazards to citizens in the State;

- (u) grant approval for the construction and installation of electricity lines within the right of way of all roads in the State subject to issuance of relevant planning and regulatory permits by the appropriate Agency;
- (v) promote training and manpower development in electricity matters;
- (w) consult, when the need arises with such persons or organizations as may be qualified to advise on professional or technical issues;
- (x) approve the designations of communities, organizations, businesses and community associations as Cluster Off-take Units (COU);
- (y) maintain a register of the Cluster Off-take Units;
- (z) register and maintain a register of energy, power and electrical contractors and consultants in and across the State;
- (aa) carry out such other functions and initiatives as it deems fit for the purpose of improving electricity within the State or as may be further assigned by the Governor;
- (bb) have the power to collaborate with organs or agencies of the Federal Government and those of other States, corporate organizations and development partners where in its view such collaboration or partnership will advance the cause of improvement in energy and electricity services in the State; and
- (cc) do all such other things that are incidental to and necessary for the performance of the obligations of the Ministry under this Law.

PART VII

OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

Operation
without a
license

52. (1) Where a non-licensed entity generates, transmit, distribute, supplies electric power, such entity commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not less than Ten Million Naira (₦10,000,000.00) and a daily fine of up to Fifty Thousand Naira (₦50,000.00) for continuing contravention.

(2) Without prejudice to the provisions of subsection (1) of this Section, the Commission shall have the authority to –

- (a) issue a cease and desist order against the violator;
- (b) issue an order to temporally confiscate the undertaking of the violator;
- (c) direct the violator to apply for the relevant license on such terms and conditions as the Commission may specify including issuing such a license to the violator upon payment of a license application fee at 10 times the usual application fee for such license; and
- (d) generally direct the violator to take such steps as may be necessary to prevent the continuation or recurrence of the contravention.

(3) The provisions of this Section shall apply to a person generating, transmitting, distributing, or supplying electricity without the requisite permit required under this Law.

Unauthorized
interference
with
Licensee's
undertakings

53. (1) Any person who willfully and unlawfully –
- (a) lays or causes to be laid or connects any works for the purpose of connection with any other works belonging to a licensee;
 - (b) reconnects any meter, indicator or apparatus with any electric line or other works being the property of a licensee when the said electric line or other works has or have been cut or disconnected;
 - (c) taps, makes or causes to be made any connection with overhead, underground or under waterlines or cables, or service wires, or service facilities of a licensee;
 - (d) tampers with a meter, installs or uses a tampered meter, current reversing transformer, shorting or shunting wire,

- loop connection, receives electricity supply by by-passing a meter, or uses any other device or method which interferes with accurate or proper registration, calibration or metering of electric current or otherwise results in diversion in a manner where electricity is stolen or wasted;
- (e) cuts or separates, slits, severs, smelts, removes or takes away or transfers any electric line, material or meter from any tower, pole, or from any other installation or place of installation or any other place or site where it may be rightfully or lawfully stored, deposited, kept, stocked, situated or located including during transportation whether or not the act is done for profit;
 - (f) stores, possesses or otherwise keeps in that person's premises, custody or control, any electric line, material or meter whether or not the act is committed for profit;
 - (g) who though conducting official duties, unlawfully and willfully disconnects lawful connections in disregard of this Law or directives emanating from this Law or other laws or regulations of the state commits an offence;
 - (h) abstracts, branches off or diverts or causes to be abstracted, branched off or diverted any electrical energy consumes or uses any such electrical energy which has been wrongfully or unlawfully abstracted, branched off or diverted, knowing it to have been wrongfully or unlawfully abstracted, branched off or diverted;
 - (i) lays, erects or installs, or permits to be laid, erected or installed, any conductor or apparatus and connects it, or permits it to be connected, with any electric supply line through which electrical energy is supplied by a licensee, without the consent of the licensee; or
 - (j) disconnects, or permits to be disconnected, any conductor or apparatus from any electric supply line belonging to a licensee, without the consent of the licensee; or
 - (k) makes or permits to be made any alteration in his permanent installation without the prior approval of the licensee; or
 - (l) in any case where the quantity of the supply of electrical energy is not ascertained by meter, uses any apparatus or device other than what he has contracted to pay for or uses

- such apparatus or device at any other time than the time specified and for which he has contracted to pay; or
- (m) uses the electrical energy supplied to him for other purposes other than the purposes for which it is supplied for; or
- (n) supplies any other person with any part of the electrical energy supplied to him by the licensee or the permit holder, without the consent of the licensee or the permit holder; or
- (o) deals in any illegal manner with a Licensees' unauthorized network, equipment and/or infrastructure:

Commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira (N250,000) or a term of 6 months Custodial sentence or both.

Willful and unlawful damage to meter, electrical apparatus, etc.

54. Any person who willfully and unlawfully –
- (a) damages any meter, indicator or apparatus belonging to a licensee;
 - (b) fraudulently alters the index of any such meter, indicator or apparatus
 - (c) prevents any such meter, indicator or apparatus from accurately registering the information that it ordinarily should register;
 - (d) connects any meter, indicator or apparatus with any electric line through which electricity is supplied by a licensee;
 - (e) disconnects the same from any such electric line; or
 - (f) destroys, damages or removes any electricity transmission or distribution line or any electricity infrastructure:

Commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira (N250,000) or a term of 6 months Custodial sentence or both.

Knowingly receiving unlawful electricity supply

55. (1) Any person who knowingly uses or receives the direct benefit of electric service through any of the offences mentioned in this Law, or uses electricity for a purpose other than that for which the usage of electricity was authorized, so as to abstract or consume or use electricity; commits an offence and liable on conviction to a fine of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira (N250,000) or a term of 6 months custodial sentence or both, and shall also be liable to pay five (5) times the financial gain on account of such theft of electricity.

(2) In the event of a second or subsequent conviction for offences mentioned in subsection (1), the person shall in addition to the penalty in subsection (1) be liable to be barred from getting any supply of electricity from any licensee for a period which shall not be less than three (3) months.

Obstruction

56. Any person –

- (a) obstructing or causing obstruction to the licensee, Commission or any person authorized by the licensee or Commission in the execution of his duties; or
- (b) preventing or obstructing the generation, transmission, distribution or supply of electricity:

Commits an offence under this Law and is liable on conviction to a fine of Five Hundred Thousand Naira (₦500,000.00) or custodial sentence of 3 years or both.

Receiving
stolen
property

57. A person who receives any electric lines or materials, installations, equipment or infrastructure in parts or in whole knowing or having reasons to believe the same to be stolen property, commits an offence under this section and shall be liable upon conviction to a fine of ₦1,000,000.00 or term of custodial sentence of 2 years or both.

Liability for
compensation

58. The penalties and fines imposed under this Law shall, be in addition to any liability in respect of payment of compensation.

Jurisdiction to
try offences

59. Subject to the provisions of the Constitution, and except as provided under this Law, the State High Court shall have jurisdiction to try offences under this Law.

Repeal

60. The Niger State Electricity Board Law, 2011 (N.S.L.N. No. 33 of 2011) is hereby repealed.

FIRST SCHEDULE

I assented this... 19th ... day of DEC 2024 Time... 4 PM ...

Hon. Mohammed Umar Bago
Farmer Governor of Niger State

SECOND SCHEDULE

I withheld assent this..... day of.....2024 Time.....

Hon. Mohammed Umar Bago
Farmer Governor of Niger State

THIRD SCHEDULE

I, **Farouq Umar Isah**, Clerk to the Legislature of Niger State hereby certify that this Law has been passed in accordance with Sub-Section 3 of Section 100 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999. This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with the Bill, which has been passed by the Legislature and found by me to be a true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.


FAROUQ UMAR ISAH
Clerk to the Legislature

