REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON

DECREE No. 2022/110 of 04 MARS 2022

to lay down the reorganization and functioning of the Rural Electrification Agency.-

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC,

- **Mindful of** the Constitution;
- **Mindful of** Law No. 1996/12 of 5 August 1996: Framework law on environmental management;
- **Mindful of** Law No. 2011 Of 6 May 2011: Framework law on consumer protection in Cameroon;
- Mindful of Law No. 2011/22 of 14 December 2011 governing the electricity sector;
- **Mindful of** Law No. 2017/10 of 12 July 2017 to lay down the general rules and regulations governing public establishments;
- **Mindful of** Law No. 2018/11 of 11 July 2018 to lay down the Cameroon Code of Transparency and Good Governance in public finance management;
- **Mindful of** Law No. 2018/12 of 11 July 2018 relating to the fiscal regime of the State and other public entities;
- **Mindful of** Law No. 2019/24 of 24 December 2019 to institute the General Code of Regional and Local Authorities;
- **Mindful of** Decree No. 2011/408 of 9 December 2011 to reorganize the Government, as amended and supplemented by Decree No. 2018/190 of 2 March 2018;
- **Mindful of** Decree no. 2013/204 of 28 June 2013 to lay down the organization and functioning of the Rural Electrification Agency;
- **Mindful of** Decree No. 2018/366 of 20 June 2018 to institute the Public Contracts Code;
- Mindful of Decree No. 2019/320 of 19 June 2019 to lay down conditions for implementing some provisions of Laws No. 2017/10 and No. 2017/11 of 12 July 2017 to lay down the general rules and regulations governing public establishments and public corporations;
- **Mindful of** Decree No. 2019/322 of 19 June 2019 to lay down categories of public establishments and the remuneration, allowances and benefits of their managers,



HEREBY DECREES AS FOLLOWS

CHAPTER I GENERAL PROVISIONS

<u>Article 1:</u> This decree lays down the reorganization and functioning of the Rural Electrification Agency, abbreviated "REA" and hereinafter referred to as the "Agency".

Article 2: (1) The Agency shall be a technical public establishment with legal personality and financial autonomy.

(2) The Agency's headquarters shall be in Yaounde. It may be transferred to any other location on the national territory by decree of the President of the Republic.

(3) Branches may, as and when necessary, be set up within the national territory by resolution of the Board of Directors.

<u>Article 3:</u> (1) The Agency shall be under the technical supervisory authority of the ministry in charge of electricity and the financial supervisory authority of the ministry in charge of finance.

(2) The technical supervisory authority shall ensure that:

- the Agency carries out its activities in accordance with Government's public policy guidelines in the rural electrification sub-sector, subject to the powers of the Board of Directors;
- Board of Directors resolutions comply with laws and regulations, as well as sector policy guidelines.

(3) The financial supervisory authority shall ensure:

- compliance of the Agency's management operations with financial implications with public finance regulations, as well as ex-post regularity of accounts;
- regularity of Board resolutions with financial implications, the sustainability of financial commitments and the overall consistency of the Agency's projects and performance plans with sector programmes.



<u>Article 4:</u> (1) In conjunction with the Board of Directors, the technical and financial supervisory authorities shall monitor the Agency's performance.

(2) The Agency shall forward to the technical and financial supervisory authorities all documents and information concerning its management, in particular progress reports, an annual activities report, the financial controller's report, administrative and management account statements, a staffing and salary scales update.

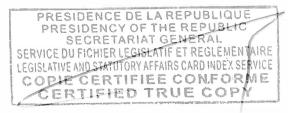
(3) The technical and financial supervisory ministers, each in his own sphere, shall forward an annual report on the Agency's situation to the President of the Republic.

<u>Article 5:</u> (1) The Agency shall be responsible for promoting and developing rural electrification nationwide. In collaboration with the relevant government and private services and bodies, it shall contribute to the formulation and implementation of Government's rural electrification policy.

As such, the Agency shall:

(a) Regarding the promotion of rural electrification:

- gather information on various business opportunities in the rural electrification sector, and disseminate it in the appropriate quarters, in particular;
 - regional and local authorities;
 - private operators and investors;
 - donors and funding agencies;
 - government services concerned with or interested in rural electrification.
- contribute to the popularization of rural electrification using various sources of energy;
- propose any action likely to attract investors into the rural electrification sector in Cameroon;
- develop mechanisms for community management and maintenance of rural electrification installations;
- guide communities benefiting from rural electrification installations, as well as operators, on the management and maintenance thereof;
- assist the State in the analysis, modelling and control of rural electrification infrastructure projects.



(b) Regarding the development of rural electrification:

- in conjunction with the relevant government services, assist the State in the drafting of rural electrification plans and projects;
- support regional and local authorities in the drafting of rural electrification plans and projects;
- put in place a project database for interested investors;
- conduct surveys and studies to find economically applicable technical solutions in rural areas, in compliance with approved standards and norms;
- construct electricity production and transmission infrastructure in rural areas;
- operate all solar system electrification centres.

(2) In addition, the Agency shall be responsible for the preservation of the rural areas public heritage whose management is entrusted to it by the State.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) above, the Agency may negotiate partnership contracts in technical domains for the management and maintenance of production, transmission and rural subscriber connection facilities.

(4) The Agency may also carry out any other duties of general interest assigned to it by the State in the rural electrification sector.

<u>Article 6:</u> The Agency shall forward an annual report and, as necessary, progress reports to the Government on the functioning and sustainability of the rural electrification sub-sector. Such reports shall contain any proposals that are likely to improve the said sub-sector.

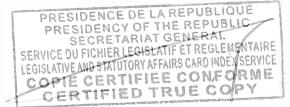
CHAPTER II ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONING

Article 7: The Agency shall be administered by the following bodies:

- Board of Directors;
- Management.

I- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Paragraph I COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Article 8: Chaired by a personality appointed by decree of the President of the Republic, the Board of Directors shall comprise 11 (eleven) members. In addition to the Chairperson, the Board of Directors shall be composed of:

- 1 (one) representative of the Presidency of the Republic;
- 1 (one) representative of the Prime Minister's Office;
- 1 (one) representative of the Ministry in charge of electricity;
- 1 (one) representative of the Ministry in charge of finance; -
- 1 (one) representative of the Ministry in charge of regional development;
- 1 (one) representative of the Ministry in charge of local development;
- 2 (two) representatives of regional and local authorities designated by their peers in the following proportions: 1 (one) representative of councils and 1 (one) representative of regions;
- 1 (one) staff representative;
- (one) representative of associations of rural electrification 1 beneficiaries.

Article 9: (1) The Chairperson of the Board shall be appointed by decree of the President of the Republic for a 3 (three)-year term of office, renewable once.

(2) The instrument appointing the Board Chairperson shall also confer on him the status of Board member.

(3) Upon expiry of the term of office of the Board Chairperson, the technical supervisory authority shall refer to the appointing authority.

Article 10: (1) Board members of the Agency shall be appointed by decree of the President of the Republic, upon the proposal of the government services or bodies they represent for a 3 (three)-year term, renewable once, as necessary.

(2) The staff representative shall be elected by his peers for a 3 (three)-year term, renewable once, as necessary.

(3) The representative of associations of rural electrification beneficiaries shall be elected by his peers for a 3 (three)-year term, renewable once, as necessary, at the behest of the Minister in charge of electricity.

(4) A Board member's term of office shall end upon:

- death or resignation;
- loss of the capacity that warranted his appointmentpresidence de la REPUBLIQUE SECRETARIAT GENERAL

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- dismissal for gross misconduct or actions incompatible with the duties of Board member;
- normal expiry of term of office.

(5) In the cases provided for in paragraph (4) above, the Board member shall be replaced following the same procedures as for his appointment.

(6) The Board Chairperson shall, 6 (six) months to the expiry of a Board member's term of office, notify the structure he represents in view of his replacement, and copy the technical and financial supervisory authorities.

(7) No Board member shall sit on the Board beyond the expiry of his term of office.

(8) In case of death of a Board member during his term of office, or in any event where a Board member can no longer exercise his duties, the government service or body he represents shall designate another Board member to continue his term.

<u>Article 11:</u> The Board Chairperson and members shall be subject to the restrictive measures and incompatibilities provided for by the laws and regulations in force.

<u>Article 12:</u> (1) The Chairperson of the Board shall be entitled to a monthly allowance and benefits. The amount of the monthly allowance and benefits shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force.

(2) Board members shall be entitled to a session allowance fixed by resolution of the Board, within the limits determined by the laws and regulations in force. They may claim reimbursement of expenses incurred for attending Board meetings, upon presentation of supporting documents.

(3) The Board of Directors may grant Board members exceptional remuneration for various assignments and tasks entrusted to them or authorize the reimbursement of their travel and mission expenses, as well as other spending in the interest of the Agency.

Paragraph II POWERS AND FUNCTIONING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEO INDEX SERVICE CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

<u>Article 13:</u> (1) The Board of Directors shall have the powers to formulate and guide the Agency's overall policy and to assess the management thereof, within the limits of its corporate purpose and in accordance with the laws and regulations in force.

In this capacity, it shall:

- set the Agency's goals and approve its performance plans;
- adopt the Agency's budget and performance plans, and close annual accounts;
- approve the annual activity report;
- adopt the organization chart and internal rules and regulations;
- authorize the recruitment of staff, in accordance with the recruitment plan as proposed by the Director-General and endorsed by the Board of Directors;
- authorize the dismissal of staff, upon the proposal of the Director-General;
- appoint to duty posts from the rank of sub-director, director and persons ranking as such, upon the proposal of the Director-General;
- accept any grants, legacies and subsidies;
- approve performance contracts or any other agreements prepared by the Director-General with financial implications on the budget;
- authorize any disposal of movable or immovable, tangible or intangible property, in accordance with the law to lay down general rules and regulations governing public establishments;
- ensure compliance with governance rules and commission audits to ensure proper management of the Agency;
- fix staff remuneration and benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations in force, the internal rules and regulations and budgetary allocations;
- forward to the supervisory authorities the annual activity and management reports of the Agency, including a review of its operational and financial performances;
- ensure achievement of performance objectives, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force.

(2) The recruitment plan referred to in paragraph (1) above shall notably comprise a statement on staffing needs, the required profiles and qualifications, the job description, projected retirements schedule, as well as information on vacancies.

(3) The Board of Directors may, as and when necessary, delegate some of its powers to the Director-General.

<u>Article 14:</u> (1) The Board Chairperson shall convene and chair Board meetings. He shall ensure implementation of Board resolutions.

(2) The term of office of Board members and the quorum shall be checked prior to the holding of Board meetings.

PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC SECRETARIAT GENERAL SERVICE DU FICHIER LEGISLATIF ET REGLEMENTARE LEGISLATIVE AND STATUTORY AFFAIRS CARD INDEX SERVICE COPLE CERTIFIEE CONFORME CERTIFIED TRUE COPY (3) No Board meeting shall validly deliberate if the quorum is not reached or if it is established that one of the Board members has lost his capacity.

<u>Article 15:</u> (1) In case of vacancy of the position of Board Chairperson following death, resignation or inability of the Chairperson, Board meetings shall be convened by the financial supervisory minister, at the behest of the Director-General or 2/3 (two-thirds) of Board members.

(2) Where 2/3 (two thirds) of Board members take the initiative, they shall submit to the financial supervisory minister a request to convene the Board meeting signed by all requestors.

(3) Board meetings convened in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) above shall be chaired by a Board member elected from among his peers.

<u>Article 16:</u> (1) When convened by the Chairperson or 2/3 (two thirds) of Board members, the Board of Directors shall meet at least twice a year to respectively:

- review the progress report and adopt the budget, before the beginning of the next financial year;
- close the accounts, no later than on 30 June of the current year.

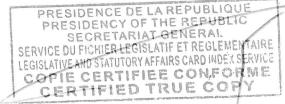
(2) The Board Chairperson shall default where he does not convene at least 2 (two) Board meetings a year.

(3) In case of refusal to convene a Board meeting in accordance with paragraph 1 above, 2/3 (two thirds) of Board members shall report to the Minister in charge of finance who shall convene the Board on a specific agenda.

(4) Convening notices and session documents shall be sent to Board members by letter, fax, telegram, electronic mail, telecopy or any other written medium at least 15 (fifteen) days to the date of the meeting. In case of emergency, this time limit may be reduced to 5 (five) days.

(5) The Board of Directors may be convened for an extraordinary session, on a specific agenda item, at the request of the Chairperson or 2/3 (two thirds) of Board members.

(6) Convening notices shall state the agenda, date, venue and time of the Board meeting.



<u>Article 17:</u> (1) Any Board member who is unable to attend a Board meeting may be represented by a proxy.

(2) No Board member may represent more than one other member at the same meeting.

(3) Any member present or represented in a Board meeting shall be considered to have been duly invited.

(4) Where the Board Chairperson is unavoidably absent, the Board shall elect a Pro-tem Chair from among its members by a simple majority of the members present or represented.

<u>Article 18:</u> (1) The Board of Directors shall examine any item included on the agenda, either by the Chairperson or at the request of 2/3 (two thirds) of Board members.

(2) The Director-General of the Agency shall provide secretarial services at Board meetings.

<u>Article 19:</u> (1) The Board of Directors may validly deliberate only if at least 2/3 (two thirds) of its members are present or represented. Where the quorum is not reached at the first meeting, it shall be reduced to half of the members present or represented for subsequent ones.

(2) Each member shall have one vote. Decisions of the Board of Directors shall be taken by a simple majority of votes of the members present or represented. In the event of a tie, the Chairperson shall have the casting vote.

<u>Article 20</u>: (1) Decisions of the Board shall have the form of resolutions. They shall be signed on the spot by the Board or Pro-tem Chairperson, as necessary, and one Board member.

(2) Decisions of the Board shall take effect upon their adoption.

<u>Article 21:</u> (1) The minutes of Board meetings shall be entered in a register co-signed by the Board Chairperson and the Secretary. The minutes shall indicate the names of the members present or represented. The Board of Directors shall read and approve the minutes during the next session.

(2) The minutes of Board meetings shall be entered in a special register kept at the head office of the Agency.



Article 22: (1) To carry out its duties, the Board of Directors may, as and where necessary, set up Committees and commissions within the Board.

(2) The said committees and/or commissions shall only formulate opinions and recommendations.

(3) Members of the committees or commissions shall be granted work facilities and benefits within the limits fixed by the laws and regulations in force.

CHAPTER II MANAGEMENT

Article 23: (1) The Agency shall be under the authority of a Director-General who may be assisted by a Deputy Director-General.

(2) The Director-General and the Deputy Director-General shall be appointed by decree of the President of the Republic for a three-year term of office, renewable twice.

(3) The renewal referred to in paragraph 2 above shall be tacit.

(4) Whatever the case, the cumulative terms of office of the Director-General or Deputy Director-General shall not exceed 9 (nine) years.

<u>Article 24:</u> The duties of Member of Government or personalities ranking as such, Member of Parliament, Legal/Judicial Officer serving within a court or of Member of the Constitutional Council, shall be incompatible with those of Director-General or Deputy Director-General of the Rural Electrification Agency.

<u>Article 25:</u> (1) The Director-General shall be responsible for managing and implementing the general policy of the Agency, under the control of the Board of Directors. As such, the Director-General shall:

- ensure the technical, administrative and financial management of the Agency;
- prepare the Agency's draft budget and performance plan, administrative accounts and annual activity report;
- prepare the resolutions of Board of Directors meetings, attend Board meetings in an advisory capacity and execute Board decisions;
- propose a staff recruitment plan to the Board of Directors;



- recruit and terminate temporary, occasional and seasonal staff, subject to service imperatives and needs, in accordance with the regulations in force;
- recruit staff in accordance with the recruitment plan approved by the Board of Directors;
- assess and dismiss staff, subject to the powers of the Board of Directors;
- appoint staff to various duty posts, subject to the powers of the Board of Directors;
- make purchases, negotiate and sign contracts and agreements relating to the functioning of the Agency, ensure the implementation and supervision thereof, within the limits of the budget and in accordance with the regulations in force;
- review applications for project financing submitted by third parties or Regional and Local Authorities, and submit same to the Board of Directors for approval before they are forwarded to the minister in charge of electricity;
- manage the movable and immovable, tangible and intangible property of the Agency in keeping with its corporate purpose and subject to the prerogatives of the Board of Directors;
- submit the Agency's draft organization chart, internal rules and regulations, staff rules, salary scale and staff benefits to the Board of Directors for adoption.

(2) The recruitment plan approved by the Board of Directors and referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be implemented at the behest of the Director-General of the Agency.

(3) In cases of emergency, the Director-General shall, subject to the prerogatives of the Board of Directors, take all the precautionary measures required for the smooth running of the Agency.

(4) The Director-General may delegate part of his/her powers.

<u>Article 26:</u> (1) The Board of Directors may impose the following sanctions on the Director-General or Deputy Director-General:

- suspension of some powers;
- suspension from duty for a limited period, with immediate effect;
- suspension from duty, with immediate effect, and with a letter seeking his dismissal addressed to the appointing authority.

(2) The Board Chairperson shall forward the decisions of the Board of Directors to the technical supervisory ministry and to the financial supervisory ministry for information.

<u>Article 27</u>: In the event of suspension of the Director-General, the Board of Directors shall take necessary measures to ensure the smooth running of the Agency.

<u>Article 28:</u> (1) The Director-General and Deputy Director-General shall each be answerable to the Board of Directors which shall sanction them in case of gross mismanagement, or behaviour likely to undermine the smooth functioning or image of the Agency.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph 1 above, the Chairperson of the Board of Directors shall be bound to convene an extraordinary Board meeting during which the Director-General or the Deputy Director-General shall be heard.

(3) The Director-General or the Deputy Director-General shall be informed of the charges levelled him/her at least 10 (ten) days to the date of the extraordinary Board session.

<u>Article 29:</u> The Director-General shall represent the Agency in all civil acts and before the law.

<u>Article 30:</u> (1) Where the Director-General is temporarily unavailable, the Deputy Director-General shall deputize.

(2) Where the Deputy Director-General is not available, the Director-General shall designate an official holding the position of at least a director to deputize.

(3) In the event of vacancy of the position of Director-General or Deputy Director-General due to death, resignation or expiry of term of office, the Board of Directors shall take all necessary measures to ensure the smooth functioning of the Agency, pending the appointment of a new Director-General or Deputy Director-General by the appointing authority.

CHAPTER III AGENCY STAFF



Article 31: In accordance with its articles of association, the Agency's staff shall comprise:

- directly recruited staff;
- civil servants on secondment;
- State employees governed by the Labour Code, assigned to the Agency;

- occasional, seasonal and temporary workers whose recruitment, remuneration and termination conditions shall be laid down in the staff rules.

<u>Article 32:</u> Civil servants on secondment and State employees governed by the Labour Code and placed at the disposal of the Agency shall, throughout their employment in the Agency, be governed by labour laws, subject to the provisions of the General Regulations of the Public Service and special regulations relating to retirement, advancement and end of secondment, as the case may be.

<u>Article 33:</u> (1) Irrespective of original status, civil servants on secondment and State employees governed by the Labour Code placed at the disposal of the Agency shall be paid in full by the Agency in accordance with the regulations in force.

(2) The payment referred to in paragraph 1 above shall concern salaries and incidentals, allowances, bonuses and other benefits granted by the Agency.

Article 34: (1) The civil and/or criminal liability of the Agency's staff shall be governed by ordinary law rules.

(2) Disputes between the staff and the Agency shall fall under the jurisdiction of ordinary law courts.

<u>Article 35</u>: The instrument appointing the Director-General or Deputy Director-General shall not qualify them as the Agency's employees, save where the persons concerned were in a contractual relationship with the Agency prior to their appointment.



Article 36: (1) The Agency's financial resources shall include:

- a share of the electricity royalty charged on the capital of electricity sector operators;
- resources made available to the Agency by development partners pursuant to conventions and agreements concluded with the Government and intended for the expansion of rural electrification;
- State subsidies and contributions to finance rural electrification;
- sundry contributions and grants;

- proceeds from the disposal of some of the Agency's property;
- budget surpluses of the Electricity Sector Regulatory Agency, allocated by the Board of Directors of the said Regulator;
- proceeds or revenue from the provision of services by decentralized electricity generating facilities entrusted by the State to the Agency for management;
- gifts and legacies;
- any other resources that may be allocated to it in accordance with the regulations in force.

<u>Article 37:</u> (1) The Agency's financial resources shall be public funds. They shall be managed in accordance with the rules laid down under the Fiscal Regime of the State and other Public Entities as well as the Cameroon Code of Transparency and Good Governance in Public Finance Management.

(2) However, cooperation and partnership resources shall be managed in accordance with the conditions set forth in the relevant conventions and agreements.

II- BUDGET AND ACCOUNTS

<u>Article 38:</u> The financial year of the Agency shall start on 1 January and end on 31 December of each calendar year.

<u>Article 39:</u> (1) The Director-General shall be the Principal Authorizing Officer of the Agency's budget.

(2) At the proposal of the Director-General, the Board of Directors may appoint secondary authorizing officers.

<u>Article 40:</u> (1) The Agency's draft annual budget and action plan, together with investment plans, shall be prepared by the Director-General and adopted by the Board of Directors.

(2) The budget shall be presented by sub-programmes in line with national or the sector's public policy goals.

(3) The Agency's budget shall be balanced in income and expenditure.

(4) All income and expenditure items of the Agency shall be entered in the budget adopted by the Board of Directors.

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Article 41: (1) The Agency's budget shall be adopted by the Board of Directors.

(2) The execution of the budget shall commence as soon as it is adopted by the Board of Directors, subject to any contrary provisions of the laws and regulations in force.

Article 42: The Agency's accounts must be regular and accurate, and present a true view of its assets and financial situation.

Article 43: (1) The Agency shall keep three types of accounts as follows:

- budget income and expenditure account;
- general account;
- cost account.

(2) In addition to these, the Agency may keep other types of accounts.

<u>Article 44:</u> (1) Funds required to defray running costs, in particular, and the Agency's own resources, in general, may be deposited in a bank account created upon the prior approval of the minister in charge of finance.

(2) The commitment, validation, authorization and payment of expenditures using the funds deposited in the account referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be subject to public accounting rules.

III- MANAGEMENT CONTROL AND MONITORING

<u>Article 45:</u> (1) An Accounting Officer and a Specialized Finance Controller shall be assigned to the Agency by order of the minister in charge of finance.

(2) The Accounting Officer and Specialized Finance Controller referred to in paragraph 1 above shall discharge their duties in accordance with the laws and regulations in force, save otherwise provided by international conventions duly ratified and published by Cameroon.

<u>Article 46:</u> (1) The Accounting Officer shall collect and record all the revenues and effect all the expenditures of the Agency. He/she shall ensure the regularity of all income authorizations, payment authorizations and payments ordered by the Director-General.

(2) The Accounting Officer alone shall settle expenses approved.

<u>Article 47:</u> (1) The Specialized Finance Controller shall be responsible for controlling income- and expenditure-generating decisions taken either by the Director-General or secondary authorizing officers of the Agency. In general, the Specialized Finance Controller shall oversee the execution of the budget.

(2) The Specialized Finance Controller shall not judge the timeliness of income and expenditure decisions, which are the responsibility of the Agency's Authorizing Officer.

Article 48: (1) The Specialized Finance Controller shall present a report to the Board of Directors on the execution of the Agency's budget.

(2) Copies of the report referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be forwarded to the minister in charge of finance, the technical supervisory minister and the Director-General of the Agency.

<u>Article 49:</u> (1) The Accounting Officer shall present the Agency's management account to the Board of Directors.

(2) The management account referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be forwarded to the minister in charge of finance, the technical supervisory minister and the Director-General of the Agency.

<u>Article 50:</u> (1) At the close of each financial year, the Director-General shall prepare reports on the situation of all the Agency's bank accounts, deposit and portfolio accounts. He/she shall also draw up inventories and the statement of claims and debts.

(2) Within six months of the close of the financial year, the Director-General shall submit the Agency's administrative and management accounts as well as annual activity reports to the Board of Directors and, as the case may be, to the minister in charge of finance and the minister in charge of electricity.

CHAPTER V MANAGEMENT OF PROPERTY

<u>Article 51:</u> (1) The Agency's property shall comprise movable and immovable property as well as property allocated or transferred by the State and Regional and Local Authorities.

(2) The property referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be subject to the following legal regime:



- public property, national land and private property of the State transferred for use to the Agency, in accordance with the land tenure legislation, shall maintain their original status;
- private property of the State transferred for ownership to the Agency shall be included in its property definitively;
- assets transferred for ownership to the Agency by Regional and Local Authorities shall be included in its property definitively;
- electricity production, distribution and connection facilities in rural areas constructed by the Agency or transferred by the State shall be included in its property;
- facilities developed through certain funding sources and transferred for ownership to the Agency shall be included in its property definitively;
- assets forming part of the private property of the Agency shall be managed in accordance with ordinary law.

Article 52: (1) The Director-General shall be responsible for managing the Agency's property, under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

(2) The property management referred to in paragraph 1 above shall concern the acquisition and disposal of property.

Article 53: (1) In the event of disposal of the Agency's property, the Director-General shall seek the prior authorization of the Board of Directors. He shall keep the Board of Directors abreast of the status of assets which shall be examined at one of its sessions.

(2) The authorization of the Board of Directors referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be granted through a resolution adopted by at least 2/3 (two thirds) of its members. PRESIDENCE DE LA REPUBLIQUE

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CHAPTER VI PUBLIC PROCUREMENTEGISLATIVE AND STATUTORY AFFAIRS CARD INDEX SERVICE

OPIE CERTIFIEE CONFORME CERTIFIED TRUE COPY Article 54: (1) The Agency shall be subject to the provisions of the Public Contracts Code.

(2) The Director-General shall be the Contracting Authority for all public contracts of the Agency;

(3) The Tenders Board set up within the Agency shall ensure compliance with the rules of transparency, competition and fair pricing.

CHAPTER VII MISCELLANEOUS AND FINAL PROVISIONS

<u>Article 55:</u> (1) The provisions of this decree notwithstanding, in the event of a serious crisis likely to jeopardize general interest missions, the corporate purpose or Government's sector goals, a Provisional Administrator may be appointed by decree of the President of the Republic, in replacement of the Agency's management organs.

(2) The appointment instrument of the Provisional Administrator shall specify his/her duties and term of office, which, whatever the case, shall not exceed one month.

(3) At the end of his/her term of office, the Provisional Administrator shall produce an activity report covering all his/her management decisions.

<u>Article 56</u>: All previous provisions repugnant hereto, in particular those of Decree No. 2013/204 of 28 June 2013 to lay down the organization and functioning of the Rural Electrification Agency, are hereby repealed.

<u>Article 57</u>: This Decree shall be registered, published according to the procedure of urgency and inserted in the Official Gazette in English and French.

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