COUNCIL OF MINISTERS REGULATION No. 303/2013

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS REGULATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ETHIOPIAN ELECTRIC UTILITY

This Regulation is issued by the Council of Ministers pursuant to Article 5 of the Definition of Powers and Duties of the Executive Organs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia Proclamation No. 691/2010 and Article 47(1)(a) of the Public Enterprises Proclamation No. 25/1992.

1. Short Title

This Regulation may be cited as the “Ethiopian Electric Utility Establishment Council of Ministers Regulation No. 303/2013”.

2. Establishment

1/ The Ethiopian Electric Utility (hereinafter the “Enterprise”) is hereby established as a public enterprise.

2/ The Enterprise shall be governed by the Public Enterprises Proclamation No. 25/1992.

3. Supervising Authority

The Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Energy shall be the supervising authority of the Enterprise.

4. Head Office

The Enterprise shall have its head office in Addis Ababa and may have branch offices elsewhere, as may be necessary.
5. Purpose

The purposes for which the Enterprise is established are:

1/ to construct and maintain electric distribution networks; to contract out the distribution networks construction to contractors as required;

2/ to administer electric distribution networks, to purchase bulk electric power and sell electric energy to customers;

3/ to initiate electric tariff amendments and, upon approval, to implement same;

4/ in line with directives and policy guidelines issued by the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, to sell and pledge bonds and to negotiate and sign loan agreements with local and international financial sources;

5/ to undertake any other related activities necessary for the attainment of its purposes.

6. Capital

The authorized capital of the Enterprise is Birr 64,715,822,693.20 (Sixty Four Billion Seven Hundred Fifteen Million Eight Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Three Birr and Twenty Cents) of which Birr 16,178,955,673.30 (Sixteen Billion One Hundred Seventy Eight Million Nine Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Three Birr and Thirty Cents) is paid up in cash and in kind.

7. Liability

The Enterprise may not be held liable beyond its total asset.

8. Duration

The Enterprise is established for an indefinite duration.

9. Repealed Regulation

The Ethiopian Electric Power Corporation Re-establishment Council of Ministers Regulation No. 170/2009 is hereby repealed.
10. **Transfer of Rights and Obligations**

The rights and obligations of the Ethiopian Electric Power Corporation re-established under the Council of Ministers Regulation No. 170/2009, other than those rights and obligations directly related to its power generation, transmission and substation-activities, are hereby transferred to the Enterprise.

11. **Effective Date**

This Regulation shall come into force as of the 9th day of December, 2013.

Done at Addis Ababa, this 27th day of December, 2013.

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PRIME MINISTER OF THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA