AN ACT

Providing for joint action by Pennsylvania and New Jersey in the development of the ports on the lower Delaware River, and the improvement of the facilities for transportation across the river; authorizing the Governor, for these purposes, to enter into an agreement with New Jersey; creating The Delaware River Joint Commission and specifying the powers and duties thereof, including the power to finance projects by the issuance of revenue bonds; transferring to the new commission all the powers of the Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission; and making an appropriation. Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the Governor is hereby authorized to enter into a compact or agreement on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with the State of New Jersey in substantially the following form, that is to say:

AGREEMENT BETWEEN HE COMMONWEALTH OF P

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

AND

THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CREATING THE DELAWARE RIVER JOINT COMMISSION
AS A BODY CORPORATE AND POLITIC AND DEFINING ITS
POWERS AND DUTIES

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey are the owners of a certain bridge across the Delaware River between the City of Philadelphia in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Camden in the State of New Jersey; and

Whereas, The Pennsylvania Commission, existing by virtue of Act Number Three hundred thirty-eight of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved July ninth, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, eight hundred fourteen), and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission, existing by virtue of Chapter Two hundred seventy-one of the Laws of New Jersey of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, are acting jointly, under the name of the Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission, in connection with the operation and maintenance of said bridge; and

Whereas, The interests of the people of the two States will be best served by consolidating the two commissions in corporate form, and granting additional powers and authority thereto with reference to the said bridge, and to other and further means of communication between the two States in the vicinity of Philadelphia and Camden; and

Whereas, Additional transportation facilities between the two States in the vicinity of Philadelphia and that part of New Jersey opposite thereto will be required in the future for the accommodation of the public and the development of both States; and

Whereas, Both States have mutual interests in the development of the Delaware River from Philadelphia and Camden to the sea, and particularly in developing the facilities and promoting the more extensive use of the ports of Philadelphia and Camden by coastwise, intercoastal and foreign vessels; and Whereas, It is highly desirable that there be a single agency of both States empowered to further the aforesaid interests of both States;

Now Therefore, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey do hereby solemnly covenant and agree, each with the other, as follows:

ARTICLE I

The body corporate and politic, heretofore created and known as The Delaware River Joint Commission, hereby is continued under the name of The Delaware River Port Authority (hereinafter in this agreement called the 'commission'), which shall constitute the public corporate instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey for the following public purposes, and which shall be deemed to be exercising an essential governmental function in effectuating such purposes, to wit:

- (a) The operation and maintenance of the bridge, owned jointly by the two States, across the Delaware River between the City of Philadelphia in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Camden in the State of New Jersey, including its approaches, and the making of additions and improvements thereto.
- (b) The effectuation, establishment, construction, acquisition, operation and maintenance of railroad or other facilities for the transportation of passengers across any bridge or tunnel owned or controlled by the commission, including extensions of such railroad or other facilities necessary for efficient operation in the Port District.
- (c) The improvement and development of the Port District for port purposes by or through the acquisition, construction, maintenance or operation of any and all projects for the improvement and development of the Port District for port purposes, or directly related thereto, either directly by purchase, lease or contract, or by lease or agreement with any other public or private body or corporation, or in any other manner.
- (d) Cooperation with all other bodies interested or concerned with, or affected by the promotion, development or use of the Delaware River and the Port District.
- (e) The procurement from the Government of the United States of any consents which may be requisite to enable any project within its powers to be carried forward.
- (f) The construction, acquisition, operation and maintenance of other bridges and tunnels across or under the Delaware River, between the City of Philadelphia or the County of Delaware in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the State of New Jersey, including approaches, and the making of additions and improvements thereto.
- (g) The promotion as a highway of commerce of the Delaware River, and the promotion of increased passenger and freight commerce on the Delaware River and for such purpose the publication of literature and the adoption of any other means as may be deemed appropriate.
- (h) To study and make recommendations to the proper authorities for the improvement of terminal, lighterage, wharfage, warehouse and other facilities necessary for the promotion of commerce on the Delaware River.
- (i) Institution through its counsel, or such other counsel as it shall designate, or intervention in, any litigation involving rates, preferences, rebates or other matters vital

to the interest of the Port District: Provided, That notice of any such institution of or intervention in litigation shall be given promptly to the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and to the Attorney General of the State of New Jersey, and provision for such notices shall be made in a resolution authorizing any such intervention or litigation and shall be incorporated in the minutes of the commission.

- (j) The establishment, maintenance, rehabilitation, construction and operation of a rapid transit system for the transportation of passengers, express, mail, and baggage, or any of them, between points in New Jersey within the Port District and points in Pennsylvania within the Port District, and intermediate points. Such system may be established either by utilizing existing rapid transit systems, railroad facilities, highways and bridges within the territory involved or by the construction or provision of new facilities where deemed necessary, and may be established either directly by purchase, lease or contract, or by lease or agreement with any other public or private body or corporation, or in any other manner.
- (k) The performance of such other functions which may be of mutual benefit to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey insofar as concerns the promotion and development of the Port District for port purposes and the use of its facilities by commercial vessels.
- (1) The performance or effectuation of such additional bridge, tunnel, railroad, rapid transit, transportation, transportation facility, terminal, terminal facility, and port improvement and development purposes within the Port District as may hereafter be delegated to or imposed upon it by the action of either State concurred in by legislation of the other.
- (m) The unification of the ports of the Delaware River through (i) the acquisition or taking control of any terminal, terminal facility, transportation facility or marine terminal or port facility or associated property within the Port District through purchase, lease or otherwise, or by the acquisition, merger, becoming the successor to or entering into contracts, agreements or partnerships with any other port corporation, port authority or port-related entity which is located within the Port District, all in accordance with the applicable laws of the State in which the facility corporation or authority is located; (ii) the exercise of the other powers granted by this compact; or (iii) the establishment (whether solely or jointly with any other entity or entities) of such subsidiary corporation or corporations or maritime or port advisory committees as may be necessary or desirable to effectuate this purpose.
- (n) The planning, financing, development, acquisition, construction, purchase, lease, maintenance, marketing, improvement and operation of any project, including, but not limited to, any terminal, terminal facility, transportation facility or any other facility of commerce or economic development activity, from funds available after appropriate allocation for maintenance of bridge and other capital facilities.

(I amended Apr. 3, 1992, P.L.57, No.19)

ARTICLE II

The commission shall consist of sixteen commissioners, eight resident voters of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and eight

resident voters of the State of New Jersey, who shall serve

without compensation.

The commissioners for the State of New Jersey shall be appointed by the Governor of New Jersey with the advice and consent of the Senate of New Jersey, for terms of five years, and in case of a vacancy occurring in the office of commissioner during a recess of the Legislature, it may be filled by the Governor by an ad interim appointment, which shall expire at the end of the next regular session of the Senate unless a successor shall be sooner appointed and qualify and, after the end of the session, no ad interim appointment to the same vacancy shall be made unless the Governor shall have submitted to the Senate a nomination to the office during the session and the Senate shall have adjourned without confirming or rejecting it; and no person nominated for any such vacancy shall be eligible for an ad interim appointment to such office if the nomination shall have failed of confirmation by the Senate.

Six of the eight commissioners for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be appointed by the Governor of Pennsylvania for terms of five years. The Auditor General and the State Treasurer of said Commonwealth shall, ex-officio, be commissioners for said Commonwealth, each having the privilege of appointing a representative to serve in his place at any meeting of the commission which he does not attend personally.

Any commissioner who is an elected public official shall have the privilege of appointing a representative to serve and act in his place at any meeting of the commission which he does

not attend personally.

All commissioners shall continue to hold office after the expiration of the terms for which they are appointed or elected until their respective successors are appointed and qualify, but no period during which any commissioner shall hold over shall be deemed to be an extension of his term of office for the purpose of computing the date on which his successor's term expires.

(II amended Apr. 3, 1992, P.L.57, No.19)

ARTICLE III

The commissioners shall have charge of the commission's property and affairs, and shall, for the purpose of doing business, constitute a board, but no action of the commissioners shall be binding unless a majority of the members of the commission from Pennsylvania and a majority of the members of the commission from New Jersey shall vote in favor thereof.

Notwithstanding the above, each State reserves the right to provide by law for the exercise of a veto power by the Governor of that State over any action of any commissioner from that State at any time within ten days (Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays in the particular State except) after receipt at the Governor's office of a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting at which such vote was taken. Each State may provide by law for the manner of delivery of such minutes and for notification of the action thereon.

(III amended Apr. 3, 1992, P.L.57, No.19)

ARTICLE IV

For the effectuation of its authorized purposes, the commission is hereby granted the following powers:

- (a) To have perpetual succession;
- (b) To sue and be sued;

- (c) To adopt and use an official seal;
- (d) To elect a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer, and to adopt suitable by-laws for the management of its affairs. The secretary and treasurer need not be members of the commission.
- (e) To appoint, hire or employ counsel and such other officers, and such agents and employes, as it may require for the performance of its duties, by contract or otherwise, and fix and determine their qualifications, duties and compensation;
 - (f) To enter into contracts;
- (g) To acquire, own, hire, use, operate and dispose of personal property;
- (h) To acquire, own, use, lease, operate, mortgage and dispose of real property and interests in real property, and to make improvements thereon;
- (h.1) At its option, it may authorize the Department of Property and Supplies to prescribe standards and specifications and make contracts and purchases of various materials and services for the commission, pursuant to the provisions of sections 2403, 2403.1 and 2409 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177), known as "The Administrative Code of 1929."
- (i) To grant by franchise, lease or otherwise, the use of any property or facility owned or controlled by the commission and to make charges therefor;
- (j) To borrow money upon its bonds or other obligations, either with or without security, and to make, enter into and perform any and all such covenants and agreements with the holders of such bonds or other obligations as the commission may determine to be necessary or desirable for the security and payment thereof, including, without limitation of the foregoing, covenants and agreements as to the management and operation of any property or facility owned or controlled by it, the tolls, rents, rates or other charges to be established, levied, made and collected for any use of any such property or facility, or the application, use and disposition of the proceeds of any bonds or other obligations of the commission, or the proceeds of any such tolls, rents, rates or other charges or any other revenues or moneys of the commission;
- (k) To exercise the right of eminent domain within the Port District;
- (1) To determine the exact location, system and character of, and all other matters in connection with, any and all improvements or facilities which it may be authorized to own, construct, establish, effectuate, operate or control;
- (m) In addition to the foregoing, to exercise the powers, duties, authority and jurisdiction heretofore conferred and imposed upon the aforesaid The Delaware River Joint Commission by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey, or both of the said two States;
- (n) To exercise all other powers, not inconsistent with the constitutions of the two States or of the United States, which may be reasonably necessary or incidental to the effectuation of its authorized purposes or to the exercise of any of the foregoing powers, except the power to levy taxes or assessments; and generally to exercise, in connection with its property and affairs and in connection with property within its control, any and all powers which might be exercised by a natural person or a private corporation in connection with similar property and affairs;
- (o) To acquire, purchase, construct, lease, operate, maintain and undertake any project, including any terminal,

terminal facility, transportation facility, or any other facility of commerce, and to make charges for the use thereof;

- (p) To make expenditures anywhere in the United States and foreign countries, to pay commissions, and hire or contract with experts or consultants, and otherwise to do indirectly anything which the commission may do directly.
- (q) To establish one or more operating divisions as deemed necessary to exercise the power and effectuate the purposes of this agreement.

The commission shall also have such additional powers as may hereafter be delegated to or imposed upon it from time to time by the action of either State concurred in by legislation of the other.

It is the policy and intent of the Legislatures of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey that the powers granted by this Article shall be so exercised that the American system of free competitive private enterprise is given full consideration and is maintained and furthered. In making its reports and recommendations to the Legislatures of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey on the need for any facility or project which the commission believes should be undertaken for the promotion and development of the Port District, the commission shall include therein its findings which fully set forth that the facility or facilities operated by private enterprise within the Port District and which it is intended shall be supplanted or added to are not adequate.

(IV amended Apr. 3, 1992, P.L.57, No.19)

ARTICLE V

If for any of its authorized purposes (including temporary construction purposes), the commission shall find it necessary or convenient to acquire any real property in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey, whether for immediate or future use, the commission may find and determine that such property, whether a fee simple absolute or a lesser interest, is required for public use, and, upon such determination, the said property shall be deemed to be required for a public use until otherwise determined by the commission, and, with the exceptions hereinafter specifically noted, the said determination shall not be affected by the fact that such property has theretofore been taken for or is then devoted to a public use, but the public use in the hands or under the control of the commission shall be deemed superior to the public use in the hands or under the control of any other person, association or corporation.

If the commission is unable to agree with the owner or owners thereof upon terms for the acquisition of any such real property in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any reason whatsoever, then the commission may acquire such real property in the manner provided by Act Number Three hundred and thirty-eight of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved July ninth, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, for the acquisition of real property by the aforesaid Pennsylvania Commission.

If the commission is unable to agree with the owner or owners thereof upon terms for the acquisition of any such real property in the State of New Jersey for any reason whatsoever, then the commission may acquire, and is hereby authorized to acquire, such property, whether a fee simple absolute or a lesser interest, by condemnation or the exercise of the right of

eminent domain, either under and pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the State of New Jersey, entitled "An act to regulate the ascertainment and payment of compensation for property condemned or taken for public use," (Revision of one thousand nine hundred, approved March twentieth, one thousand nine hundred), and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, or under and pursuant to the provisions of an act, entitled "An act concerning and regulating acquisition and taking of lands by the State of New Jersey, or any agency thereof; providing a procedure therefor, and the manner of making compensation for lands so taken," approved April twenty-first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and the various acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

The power of the commission to acquire real property by condemnation or the exercise of the power of eminent domain in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey shall be a continuing power and no exercise thereof shall be deemed to exhaust it.

The commission and its duly authorized agents and employes may enter upon any land, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey, for the purpose of making such surveys, maps, or other examinations thereof, as it may deem necessary or convenient for its authorized purposes.

However, anything to the contrary contained in this compact notwithstanding, no property, now or hereafter vested in or held by any county, city, borough, village, township or other municipality or port district, shall be taken by the commission without the consent of such municipality or port district, unless expressly authorized so to do by the Commonwealth or State in which such municipality or port district is located. All counties, cities, boroughs, villages, townships and other municipalities, and all public agencies and commissions of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, are hereby authorized and empowered to grant and convey to the commission upon its request, but not otherwise, upon reasonable terms and conditions, any real property which may be necessary or convenient to the effectuation of its authorized purposes, including real property already devoted to public use.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey hereby consent to the use and occupation by the commission of any real property of the said two States, or of either of them, which may be or become necessary or convenient to the effectuation of the authorized purposes of the commission, including lands lying under water and lands already devoted to public use.

The term "real property," as used in this compact, includes lands, structures, franchises, and interests in land, including lands under water and riparian rights, and any and all things and rights usually included within the said term, and includes not only fees simple absolute but also any and all lesser interests, such as easements, rights of way, uses, leases, licenses, and all other incorporeal hereditaments, and every estate, interest or right, legal or equitable, including terms of years and liens thereon by way of judgments, mortgages or otherwise, and also claims for damage to real estate.

ARTICLE VI

The control, operation, tolls and other revenues of the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River between the City of Philadelphia and the City of Camden, and of all real

and personal property appurtenant thereto or used in connection therewith, shall vest in the commission on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and the terms of the members of the aforesaid Pennsylvania Commission and the aforesaid New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission shall cease and terminate on that date.

On or before the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the commission shall pay, to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the State of New Jersey, and the city of Philadelphia, the following sums out of moneys, raised by said commission on its bonds or other obligations:

- (a) An amount equal to the moneys contributed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania toward the cost of acquiring property for and constructing said bridge and the approaches thereto, and expenditures incident thereto, with interest at the rate of four per centum per annum, such interest to be computed from the dates on which installments of such funds were paid to the Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission by the said Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as shown by the records of its State Treasurer, less, however, the amount returned to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from the net revenues of the bridge between July first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and less interest, at the rate of four per centum per annum, upon such amount computed from the dates of repayment to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania;
- (b) An amount equal to the moneys contributed by the State of New Jersey toward the cost of acquiring property for and constructing said bridge and the approaches thereto, and expenditures incident thereto, with interest theretofore actually paid by the State of New Jersey or accrued upon the bonds issued by said State to borrow money to pay its share of the cost of acquiring property for and construction of said bridge and approaches thereto, and all expenditures incident thereto, less, however, the amount returned to the State of New Jersey from the net revenues of the bridge between July first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and less interest, at the rate of four and one-fourth per centum per annum, upon such amount computed from the dates of repayment to the State of New Jersey;
- (c) An amount equal to the moneys contributed by the City of Philadelphia toward the cost of acquiring property for and constructing said bridge and the approaches thereto, and expenditures incident thereto, with interest theretofore actually paid by the City of Philadelphia or accrued upon the bonds issued by said city to borrow money to pay its share of the cost of acquiring property for and construction of said bridge and approaches thereto, and all expenditures incident thereto, less, however, the amount returned to the City of Philadelphia from the net revenues of the bridge between July first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and less interest, at the rate of four and one-fourth per centum per annum, upon such amount computed from the dates of repayment to the City of Philadelphia;
- (d) As soon as is practicable subsequently to July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, the commission shall determine, with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the State of New Jersey, and the City of Philadelphia the net amounts due to each, respectively, as of the first day of July, one thousand

nine hundred and thirty-one, and from that date until the date of payment, interest shall be paid by the commission to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the rate of four per centum per annum and the State of New Jersey and the City of Philadelphia at the rate of four and one-fourth per centum per annum.

- The amount payable by the commission to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as aforesaid, shall be paid to the State Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania upon a voucher signed and audited by said State Treasurer, who is hereby authorized to consummate the said transaction. The amount payable to the State of New Jersey shall be paid to the Comptroller of said State upon a voucher signed and audited by said Comptroller, who is hereby authorized to consummate the said transaction. The amount payable to the City of Philadelphia shall be paid to the treasurer of the said city upon a voucher signed and audited by said treasurer, who is hereby authorized to consummate the said transaction. Upon the receipt of the proper payment, each of said officials shall certify to The Delaware River Joint Commission that all moneys payable by The Delaware River Joint Commission to the Commonwealth, State or city, as the case may be, have been duly paid;
- (f) Nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect, diminish or impair the rights and obligations created by, or to repeal any of the provisions of, Chapter Three hundred and fifty-two of the Laws of New Jersey of one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and Chapter Two hundred and sixty-two of the Laws of New Jersey of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, and Chapter Three hundred and thirty-six of the Laws of New Jersey of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, and Chapter Thirty-three of the Laws of New Jersey of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and Chapter Sixty-four of the Laws of New Jersey of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.
- (g) Of the money paid to the State of New Jersey under the provisions of this agreement, there shall be paid to the Sinking Fund Commission, created by the provisions of the foregoing statutes, such sum or sums as said Sinking Fund Commission may deem necessary to meet the then existing indebtedness and obligations set forth in said statutes, together with such interest and other charges as may be due or may grow due. The amount thus to be paid to the Sinking Fund Commission shall be arrived at and determined by said Sinking Fund Commission within ninety days after payment is made to the State of New Jersey pursuant to the provisions of this agreement. The moneys to be paid to and received by said Sinking Fund Commission are hereby appropriated by the State of New Jersey and are to be used for sinking fund purposes according to law.
- (h) No failure on the part of the commission to make the aforesaid payments to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to the State of New Jersey, or to the City of Philadelphia, shall affect, diminish or impair the rights of the holders of any bonds or other securities or obligations of said commission, as security for which the tolls and other revenues of the said bridge may be pledged.

ARTICLE VII

Notwithstanding any provision of this agreement, the commission shall have no power to pledge the credit of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or the credit of the State of New Jersey, or the credit of any county, city, borough, village, township or other municipality of said Commonwealth or of said

State, or to create any debt of said Commonwealth or of said State or of such municipality.

ARTICLE VIII

The commission is hereby authorized to make and enforce such rules and regulations, and to establish, levy and collect (or to authorize, by contract, franchise, lease or otherwise, the establishment, levying and collection of) such tolls, rents, rates, and other charges in connection with the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River and any other properties which it may hereafter construct, erect, acquire, own, operate or control, as it may deem necessary, proper, desirable and reasonable, which said tolls, rents, rates, and other charges shall be at least sufficient to meet the expenses thereof, including interest and sinking fund charges; and the commission is hereby authorized and empowered to pledge such tolls, rates, rents, and other revenues, or any part thereof, either presently received or to be received in the future, or both, as security of the repayment, with interest, of any moneys borrowed by it or advanced to it for any of its authorized purposes and as security for the satisfaction of any other obligation assumed by it in connection with such loans or advances.

ARTICLE IX

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey hereby covenant and agree with each other and with the holders of any bonds or other securities or obligations of the commission, for which there may or shall be pledged the tolls, rents, rates, or other revenues, or any part thereof, of any property or facility owned, operated or controlled by the commission (including the said bridge across the Delaware River and the facilities for the transportation of passengers across the said bridge), that (so long as any of said bonds or other securities or obligations remain outstanding and unpaid, and unless and until adequate provision is made by law for the protection of those advancing money upon such obligations) the Commonwealth and the said State will not diminish or impair the power of the commission to own, operate or control said properties and facilities, or to establish, levy and collect tolls, rents, rates and other charges in connection with such properties or facilities.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey hereby covenant and agree with each other and with the holders of any bonds or other securities or obligations of the commission, for which the tolls, rents, rates or other revenues, or any part thereof, of the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River shall have been pledged, that the said Commonwealth and the said State will not authorize, or permit the authorization of, the construction, operation or maintenance of any additional vehicular bridge or tunnel, or any additional bridge or tunnel having railroad or other facilities, for the transportation of passengers between the said Commonwealth and the said State, over or under the Delaware River, by any other person or body, than the commission, within a distance of ten miles in either direction from the said bridge, measured along the boundary line between the said Commonwealth and the said State.

The bonds or other securities or obligations which may be issued by the commission for any of its authorized purposes, and as security for which there may be pledged the tolls, rents, rates and other revenues, or any part thereof, of any properties or facilities owned, operated or controlled by the commission (including the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River and the aforesaid facilities for the transportation of passengers across the said bridge), are hereby made securities in which all State and municipal officers and bodies of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and State of New Jersey, all banks, bankers, trust companies, savings banks, saving and loan associations, investment companies, and other persons carrying on a banking business, all insurance companies, insurance associations, and other persons carrying on an insurance business, and all administrators, executors, guardians, trustees and other fiduciaries, and all other persons whatsoever, who now or may hereafter be authorized to invest in bonds or other obligations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of the State of New Jersey, may properly and legally invest any funds, including capital belonging to them or within their control; and said bonds or other securities or obligations are hereby made securities which may properly and legally be deposited with and received by any State or municipal officer or agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey for any purpose for which the deposit of bonds or other obligations, either of the Commonwealth or of the State, is now or may hereafter be authorized.

ARTICLE XI

The effectuation of its authorized purposes by the commission is and will be in all respects for the benefit of the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, for the increase of their commerce and prosperity and for the improvement of their health and living conditions, and since the commission will be performing essential governmental functions in effectuating said purposes, the commission shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon any property acquired or used by it for such purposes; and the bonds or other securities or obligations issued by the commission, their transfer and the income therefrom (including any profits made on the sale thereof), shall, at all times, be free from taxation within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey.

To the end that municipalities may not suffer undue loss of tax revenue by reason of the acquisition and ownership of property therein by the commission, the commission is hereby authorized and empowered, in its discretion, to enter into a voluntary agreement or agreements with any municipality, whereby it will undertake to pay a fair and reasonable sum or sums to compensate the said municipality for any loss of tax revenue in connection with any property acquired by the commission after 1950, other than property acquired for bridge, tunnel or passenger transportation purposes. Any such payment or payments which the commission is hereby authorized and empowered to make may be made on an annual basis, in which case the payment or payments shall not be in excess of the amount of the taxes upon the property when last assessed prior to the time of its acquisition by the commission, or such payment or payments may be made in a lump sum or sums, or over a stated period of years, as shall be agreed upon by and between the commission and such

municipality. Every municipality wherein the property shall be acquired by the commission is authorized and empowered to enter into such agreement or agreements with the commission to accept the payment or payments which the commission is herein authorized and empowered to make.

(XI amended July 18, 1951, P.L.1010, No.214)

ARTICLE XII

The commission shall, within ninety days after the end of each fiscal year, submit to the Governors and Legislatures of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey a complete and detailed report of the following:

- (1) its operations and accomplishments during the completed fiscal year;
- (2) its receipts and disbursements or revenues and expenses during that year in accordance with the categories and classifications established by the commission for its own operating and capital outlay purposes;
- (3) its assets and liabilities at the end of the fiscal year, including the status or reserve, depreciation, special or other funds, including debits and credits of these funds;
- (4) a schedule of bonds and notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal year;
- (5) a list of all contracts exceeding \$100,000 entered into during the fiscal year;
- (6) a business or strategic plan for the commission and for each of its operating divisions; and
 - (7) a five-year capital plan.

Not less than once every five years the commission shall cause a management audit of its operational effectiveness and efficiency to be conducted by an independent consulting firm selected by the commission. The first management audit to be conducted shall commence within three years of the date of coming into force of the supplemental compact or agreement authorized by this 1992 amendatory act. This audit is in addition to any other audit which the commission determines to conduct from time to time.

The commission shall, not later than two years after the date of the coming into force of the supplemental compact or agreement authorized by this 1992 amendatory act, prepare a comprehensive master plan for the development of the Port District. The plan shall include, but not be limited to, plans for the construction, financing, development, reconstruction, purchase, lease, improvement and operation of any terminal, terminal facility, transportation facility or any other facility of commerce or economic development activity. The master plan shall include the general location of such projects and facilities as may be included in the master plan and shall to the maximum extent practicable include, but not be limited to, a general description of each such projects and facilities, the land use requirements necessary therefor and estimates of project costs and of a schedule for commencement of each such project. Prior to adopting such master plan, the commission shall give written notice to, afford a reasonable opportunity for comment, consult with and consider any recommendations from State, county and municipal government, as well as commissions, public corporations and authorities and the private sector. The commission may modify or change any part of the plan in the same form and manner as provided for the adoption of the original plan. At the time the commission authorizes any project or facility, the commission shall promptly provide to the

Governor and Legislature of each State a detailed report on the project, including its status within the master plan. The commission shall include within the authorization a status of the project or facility in the master plan and any amendment thereof, and no project shall be authorized if not included in the master plan or amendment thereof. Any project which has been commenced and approved by the commission prior to the adoption of the master plan shall be included, for informational purposes only, in the master plan. The commission shall provide notice of such ongoing projects to those State, county and municipal governments, as well as entities in the private sector who would be entitled to such notice had the project not been commenced in anticipation of adopting the master plan, but there shall be no requirement that the project be delayed or deferred due to those provisions.

In addition to other powers conferred upon it, and not in limitation thereof, the commission may acquire all right, title and interest in and to the Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, across the Delaware River at Palmyra, New Jersey, together with any approaches and interests in real property necessary thereto. The acquisition of such bridge, approaches and interests by the commission shall be by purchase or by condemnation in accordance with the provisions of the Federal law consenting to or authorizing the construction of such bridge or approaches, or the acquisition of such bridge, approaches or interests by the commission shall be pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of sections 48:5-22 and 48:5-23 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, and for all the purposes of said provisions and sections the commission is hereby appointed as the agency of the State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania exercising the rights and powers granted or reserved by said Federal law or sections to the State of New Jersey and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania jointly or to the State of New Jersey acting in conjunction with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The commission shall have authority to so acquire such bridge, approaches and interests, whether the same be owned, held, operated or maintained by any private person, firm, partnership, company, association or corporation or by any instrumentality, public body, commission, public agency or political subdivision (including any county or municipality) of, or created by or in, the State of New Jersey or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or by any instrumentality, public body, commission or public agency of, or created by or in, a political subdivision (including any county or municipality) of the State of New Jersey or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. None of the provisions of the preceding paragraph shall be applicable with respect to the acquisition by the commission, pursuant to this paragraph, of said Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, approaches and interests. The power and authority herein granted to the commission to acquire said Tacony-Palmyra Bridge, approaches and interests shall not be exercised unless and until the Governor of the State of New Jersey and the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have filed with the commission their written consents to such acquisition.

Notwithstanding any provision of this agreement, nothing herein contained shall be construed to limit or impair any right or power granted or to be granted to the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission or the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, to finance, construct, operate and maintain the Pennsylvania Turnpike System or any turnpike project of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, respectively, throughout the Port District, including the right and power, acting alone or in conjunction with each other, to

provide for the financing, construction, operation and maintenance of one bridge across the Delaware River south of the City of Trenton in the State of New Jersey: Provided, That such bridge shall not be constructed within a distance of ten miles, measured along the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, from the existing bridge, operated and maintained by the commission, across the Delaware River between the City of Philadelphia in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the City of Camden in the State of New Jersey, so long as there are any outstanding bonds or other securities or obligations of the commission for which the tolls, rents, rates, or other revenues, or any part thereof, of said existing bridge shall have been pledged. Nothing contained in this agreement shall be construed to authorize the commission to condemn any such bridge.

Anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, no bridge or tunnel shall be constructed, acquired, operated or maintained by the commission across or under the Delaware River north of the boundary line between Bucks County and Philadelphia County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as extended across the Delaware River to the New Jersey shore of said river, and any new bridge or tunnel authorized by or pursuant to this compact or agreement to be constructed or erected by the commission may be constructed or erected at any location south of said boundary line notwithstanding the terms and provisions of any other agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey. Except as may hereafter be otherwise provided in conformity with Article IX hereof with respect to specific properties designated by action of the Legislatures of both of the signatory States, no property or facility owned or controlled by the commission shall be acquired from it by any exercise of powers of condemnation or eminent domain.

(XII amended Apr. 3, 1992, P.L.57, No.19)

ARTICLE XII-A

- In addition to other public purposes provided for it and other powers and duties conferred upon it and not in limitation thereof, and notwithstanding the provisions of any other Article hereof, The Delaware River Joint Commission, by whatever name said Commission may be designated, shall have among its authorized purposes and it shall have the power and duty to effectuate, the construction, operation and maintenance of a bridge for vehicular traffic across the Delaware River, between a point or points within a one mile radius of Morgan Street and Broadway in the City of Camden, New Jersey, and a point or points within a one mile radius of Oregon Avenue and Swanson Street in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with such approaches thereto and highway connections as may be necessary or desirable, or, in lieu of such bridge, a tunnel or tunnels for vehicular traffic under the Delaware River, between a point or points within a one mile radius of Morgan Street and Broadway in the City of Camden, New Jersey, and a point or points within a one mile radius of Oregon Avenue and Swanson Street in the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with such approaches thereto and highway connections as may be necessary or desirable.
- (2) For the effectuation of any of its purposes authorized by this Article, the Commission is hereby granted, in addition to any other powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it, power and authority to acquire, in its name, by purchase or otherwise,

on such terms and conditions and in such manner as it may deem proper, or by the exercise of the power of eminent domain, any land and other property which it may determine is reasonably necessary for the bridge or tunnel referred to in this Article or for the construction of such approaches thereto or highway connections as the Commission shall deem necessary, and any and all rights, title and interest in such land and other property, including public lands, parks, playgrounds, reservations, highways or parkways, owned by or in which any county, city, borough, town, township, village or other political subdivision of the State of New Jersey or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has any right, title or interest, or parts thereof or rights therein, and any fee simple absolute or any lesser interest in private property, and any fee simple absolute in easements upon, or the benefit of restrictions upon, abutting property, to preserve and protect such bridge or tunnel, the approaches thereto or highway connections. Upon the exercise of the power of eminent domain under this paragraph, the compensation to be paid, with regard to property located in the State of New Jersey, shall be ascertained and paid in the manner provided in chapter one of Title 20 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, in so far as the provisions thereof are applicable and not inconsistent with the provisions contained in this paragraph, and with regard to property located in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, shall be ascertained and paid in the manner provided by any applicable condemnation law in force in such Commonwealth. The Commission may join in separate subdivisions, in one petition or complaint, the descriptions of any number of tracts or parcels of land or property to be condemned, and the names of any number of owners and other parties who may have an interest therein, and all such land or property included in said petition or complaint may be condemned in a single proceeding: Provided, however, That separate awards shall be made for each tract or parcel of land or property: And provided further, That each of said tracts or parcels of land or property lies wholly in, or has a substantial part of its value lying wholly within, the same county.

- (3) For the effectuation of any of its authorized purposes, the Commission is hereby granted the following powers, in addition to any other powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it:
- (a) In connection with the borrowing of money upon its bonds or other obligations, to make, enter into and perform any and all such covenants and agreements with the holders of such bonds or other obligations, as the Commission may determine to be necessary or desirable for the security and payment thereof, including, without limitation of the foregoing covenants and agreements as to the management and operation of any property or facility owned or controlled by it, the tolls, rents, rates or other charges to be established, levied, made and collected for any use of any such property or facility, or the application, use and disposition of the proceeds of any bonds or other obligations of the Commission, or the proceeds of any such tolls, rents, rates or other charges, or any other revenues or moneys of the Commission.
- (b) To pledge, for the security or payment of any bonds or other obligations of the Commission, any moneys of the Commission, either presently received or in hand or to be received in the future, or both.
- (c) To make expenditures, anywhere in the United States and foreign countries, to pay commission, and hire or contract with

experts and consultants, and otherwise to do indirectly anything which the Commission may do directly.

- (d) To have and exercise such additional powers as may hereafter be delegated to or imposed upon it from time to time by act of the Legislature of either signatory state, concurred in by act of the Legislature of the other.
- Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Article, the Commission shall not, in connection with the bridge or tunnel referred to in this Article, construct any approach or highway connection in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, unless and until the Department of Highways of said Commonwealth shall have filed with the Commission its written consent to such construction, and the Commission shall not, in connection with said bridge or tunnel, construct any approach or highway connection in the State of New Jersey, unless and until the State Highway Department of said State shall have filed with the commission its written consent to such construction. As used in this paragraph, the term "approach" or "highway connection" means and includes any highway, road or structure for passage of vehicles located inland of any of the established bulkhead lines of the Delaware River, including any highway, road or structure for passage of vehicles necessary to create access to the bridge or tunnel referred to in this Article, or to connect such bridge or tunnel with a highway system or other traffic facilities, or necessary to facilitate the flow of traffic in the vicinity of such bridge or tunnel.
- Before commencing construction of the bridge or tunnel referred to in this Article, the Commission shall set aside, in a special reserve fund to be held by it, the sum of twenty-two million dollars (\$22,000,000), or such lesser sum as the Governors of the signatory states may, in writing, approve as sufficient for the purposes of this paragraph. The moneys in said special reserve fund may be expended and used by the Commission for the construction, maintenance and operation of approaches and highway connections, and no moneys in said fund shall be applied to any purpose except (1) such construction, maintenance or operation, (2) temporary investment pending some other authorized application, or (3) any other purpose authorized by the Commission and approved in writing by the Governors of the signatory states. The Governors for the time being of the signatory states are authorized from time to time to make and sign any and all approvals contemplated by this paragraph, and any such approvals so made and signed by both Governors shall be binding upon the signatory states and the said Governors and their successors, and shall not be revoked or amended except with the consent of the Commission.
- (6) Any pledge of tolls, rates, rents or revenues, or any part thereof, or of any moneys of the Commission, made or created by the Commission pursuant to Article VIII or any other provision hereof, shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made; the revenues or other moneys so pledged and thereafter received by the Commission shall immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge, without any physical delivery thereof or further act; the lien of any such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind, in tort, contract or otherwise, against the Commission, irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof, and neither the resolution nor any other instrument by which such a pledge is created need be filed or recorded, except in the records of the Commission.
- (7) The effectuation of any of the purposes authorized by this Article, and the exercise or performance by the Commission

of any of its powers or duties in connection with effectuation of such purpose, shall not be subject to any restrictions, limitations or provisions provided for or set forth in Article XII hereof. The bridge or tunnel referred to in this Article may be constructed or erected by the Commission, notwithstanding the terms and provisions of any other agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the state of New Jersey. Except as may hereafter be otherwise provided in conformity with Article IX hereof, with respect to specific properties designated by action of the Legislatures of both of the signatory states, no property or facility owned or controlled by the Commission shall be acquired from it by any exercise of powers of condemnation or eminent domain.

(8) The Commission shall not construct or erect the bridge or tunnel referred to in this Article, unless and until the Governor of the State of New Jersey and the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall have filed with the Commission their written consents to such construction or erection.

(XII-A added Aug. 10, 1951, P.L.1206, No.274)

ARTICLE XII-B

- (1) In addition to other public purposes provided for it and other powers and duties conferred upon it, and not in limitation thereof, and notwithstanding the provisions of any other article hereof, the commission shall have among its authorized purposes, and it shall have the power to effectuate, the construction, operation and maintenance of a bridge for vehicular traffic across the Delaware River, between a point or points in the Township of Logan, New Jersey, and a point or points in the City of Chester, Pennsylvania, including approaches thereto.
- In addition to other public purposes provided for it and other powers and duties conferred upon it, and not in limitation thereof, and notwithstanding the provisions of any other article hereof, the commission shall have among its authorized purposes, and it shall have the power to effectuate, the establishment, rehabilitation, equipment, construction, maintenance and operation of ferries for passengers and vehicular traffic over and across the Delaware River within the Port District between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey. Such ferries may be established either directly by purchase, lease or contract, or by lease or agreement with any other public or private body or corporation, or in any other manner, and may be established by utilizing any existing ferries within the Port District across the Delaware River between said Commonwealth and said State and by the construction or provision of new facilities where deemed necessary. Any such ferry may include such approach highways and interests in land or other property necessary therefor in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey as may be determined by the commission to be necessary to facilitate the flow of traffic in the vicinity of any such ferry or to connect any such ferry with the highway system or other traffic facilities in said Commonwealth or said State.
- (3) (a) For the effectuation of any of its purposes authorized by this article, the commission is hereby granted, in addition to any other powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it, power and authority to acquire in its name by purchase or otherwise, on such terms and conditions and in such manner as it may deem proper, or by the exercise of the power of

eminent domain, any such land and other property which it may determine is reasonably necessary to acquire for any of its purposes authorized by this article and any and all rights, title and interest in such land and other property, including public lands, parks, playgrounds, reservations, highways, or parkways, owned by or in which any county, city, borough, town, township, village, or other political subdivision of the State of New Jersey or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has any right, title or interest, or parts thereof or rights therein, and any fee simple absolute or any lesser interest in private property, and any fee simple absolute in, easements upon, or the benefit of restrictions upon, abutting property to preserve and protect such land and other property. Upon the exercise of the power of eminent domain under this paragraph, the compensation to be paid with regard to property located in the State of New Jersey shall be ascertained and paid in the manner provided in Title 20 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey insofar as the provisions thereof are applicable and not inconsistent with the provisions contained in this paragraph, and with regard to property located in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be ascertained and paid in the manner provided by the act approved the ninth day of July, one thousand nine hundred nineteen (Pamphlet Laws 814) and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, insofar as the provisions are applicable and not inconsistent with the provisions contained in this paragraph. The commission may join in separate subdivisions in one petition or complaint the descriptions of any number of tracts or parcels of such land and other property to be condemned, and the names of any number of owners and other parties who may have an interest therein, and all such land and other property included in said petition or complaint may be condemned in a single proceeding: Provided, however, That separate awards shall be made for each tract or parcel of such land or other property: And provided further, That each of said tracts or parcels of such land or other property lies wholly in or has a substantial part of its value lying wholly within the same county.

Whenever the commission acquires under this paragraph (3) the whole or any part of the right of way of a public utility located in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the commission shall, at its own expense, provide a substitute right of way on another and favorable location. Such public utility shall thereupon provide for the transfer to, or reconstruction upon, in, under or above said substitute right of way of any structures and facilities of said public utility located upon, in, under or above said original right of way at the time the same is so acquired. The commission is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with such public utility to contribute toward the expense of such transfer or reconstruction, and in the event that they are unable to agree on the amount to be paid, the matter shall be referred to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission which shall, after hearing thereon, make a finding of the amount to be paid to such public utility by the commission. In case of failure of such public utility, within a reasonable time after notice so to do, to remove its facilities to such substitute right of way, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission shall have jurisdiction on petition of the commission to order such transfer or reconstruction. Any party to such proceedings shall have the right of appeal from the ruling of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. The Delaware River Port Authority is hereby authorized to acquire, by purchase or by the exercise of the power of eminent domain,

any necessary land or right of way for the relocation of any such public utility right of way and facilities. The substitute right of way thus acquired shall be equal in estate to the original right of way acquired from the public utility, and the commission shall deliver to the public utility a deed, duly executed and acknowledged, conveying to it an estate in the substitute right of way at least equal to that owned by the public utility in the original right of way, or if such substitute right of way is to be acquired by purchase, the commission shall procure and deliver to the public utility a deed conveying such estate to it from the owner of the land on which such substitute right of way is located.

This sub-paragraph (b) shall have no application to the relocation of public utility facilities located in the beds of public streets, roads or highways.

In addition to any other powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it, the commission, in connection with construction or operation of any project for the effectuation of any of its purposes authorized by this article, shall have power to make reasonable regulations for the installation, construction, maintenance, repair, renewal, relocation and removal of tracks, pipes, mains, conduits, cables, wires, towers, poles or any other equipment and appliances (in this sub-paragraph (c) called "works") located in the State of New Jersey, of any public utility as defined in section 48:2-13 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey in, on, along, over or under any such project. Whenever in connection with the construction or operation of any such project the commission shall determine that it is necessary that any such works, which now are or hereafter may be located in, on, along, over or under any such project, should be relocated in such project, or should be removed therefrom, the public utility owning or operating such works shall relocate or remove the same in accordance with the order of the commission: Provided, however, That except in the case of the relocation or removal of such works located in, on, along, over or under public streets, roads or highways, the cost and expenses of such relocation or removal, including the cost of installing such works in a new location or new locations, and the cost of any lands or any rights or interest in lands or any other rights acquired to accomplish such relocation or removal, less the cost of any lands or any rights or interests in lands or any other rights of the public utility paid to the public utility in connection with the relocation or removal of such works, shall be paid by the commission and shall be included in the cost of such project. In case of any such relocation or removal of works as aforesaid, the public utility owning or operating the same, its successors or assigns, may maintain and operate such works, with the necessary appurtenances, in the new location or new locations for as long a period, and upon the same terms and conditions as it had the right to maintain and operate such works in their former location.

In case of any such relocation or removal of works, as aforesaid, the commission shall own and maintain, repair and renew structures within the rights of way of railroad companies carrying any such project over railroads, and the commission shall bear the cost of maintenance, repair and renewal of structures within the rights of way of railroad companies carrying railroads over any such project, but this provision shall not relieve any railroad company from responsibility for damage caused to any authority or railroad structure by the operation of its railroad. Such approaches, curbing, sidewalk paving, guard rails on approaches and surface paving on such

projects as shall be within the rights of way of a railroad company or companies shall be owned and maintained, repaired and renewed by the commission. Rails, pipes and lines shall be owned and maintained, repaired and renewed by the railroad company or companies.

- (4) The power and authority granted in this article to the commission to construct new or additional approach highways shall not be exercised unless and until the Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall have filed with the commission its written approval as to approach highways to be located in said Commonwealth and the State Highway Department of the State of New Jersey shall have filed with the commission its written approval as to approach highways to be located in said State.
- (5) The effectuation of any of the purposes authorized by this article, and the exercise or performance by the commission of any of its powers or duties in connection with effectuation of any such purpose, shall not be subject to any restrictions, limitations or provisions provided for or set forth in Article XII hereof. The bridge or ferries referred to in this article may be established, constructed or erected by the commission notwithstanding the terms and provisions of any other agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey.
- (6) The commission shall not construct or erect the bridge referred to in this article unless and until the Governor of the State of New Jersey and the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall have filed with the commission their written consents to such construction or erection.
- (7) The commission is hereby granted the following powers in addition to any other powers heretofore or hereafter granted to it:
- (a) To abandon, close off, dismantle, sell or otherwise dispose of, any project or facility, or any part thereof, or any other property, which the commission may determine to be no longer useful or necessary for public use.
 (b) To effectuate any of its authorized purposes, either
- (b) To effectuate any of its authorized purposes, either directly or indirectly by or through wholly owned subsidiary corporations. Any such subsidiary corporation shall be a public corporate instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey for such purposes and shall be deemed to be exercising an essential governmental function in effectuating such purposes. Any such subsidiary corporation and any of its property, functions and activities shall have such of the privileges, immunities, tax and other exemptions of the commission and of the commission's property, functions and activities, and such of the rights, powers and duties of the commission, as the commission shall determine.
- (8) The power of the commission, which is hereby confirmed, to purchase, construct, lease, finance, operate, maintain and own a terminal facility consisting in whole or in part of a parking area or place, garage, building, improvement, structure, or other accommodation for the parking or storage of motor or other vehicles, including all real or personal property necessary or desirable in connection therewith, shall, notwithstanding any other provision of this agreement, be exercised only at such place, in the vicinity of and in connection with, or as a part of any bridge, tunnel, ferry, railroad, rapid transit system, transportation or terminal facility, as the commission may determine to be necessary or desirable."

As used herein, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:

"Port District" shall mean all the territory within the counties of Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia in Pennsylvania, and all the territory within the counties of Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Glouster, Ocean and Salem in New Jersey.

"Commission" shall mean The Delaware River Port Authority and, when required by the context, the board constituting the governing body thereof in charge of its property and affairs.

"Commissioner" shall mean a member of the governing body of The Delaware River Port Authority.

"Economic development activity" or "economic development" shall mean any structure of facility or any development within the Port District in connection with manufacturing, port-oriented development, foreign trade zone site development or research, commercial, industrial or recreational purposes, or for purposes of warehousing or consumer and supporting services directly relating to any of the foregoing or to any authority project or facility which are required for the sound economic development of the Port District.

"Terminal" shall include any marine, motor truck, motorbus, railroad and air terminal or garage, also any coal, grain and lumber terminal and any union freight and other terminals used or to be used in connection with the transportation of passengers and freight, and equipment, materials and supplies therefor.

"Transportation facility" and "facilities for transportation of passengers" shall include railroads operated by steam, electricity or other power, rapid transit lines, motor trucks, motorbuses, tunnels, bridges, airports, boats, ferries, carfloats, lighters, tugs, floating elevators, barges, scows, or harbor craft of any kind, and aircraft, and equipment, materials and supplies therefor.

"Terminal facility" shall include wharves, piers, slips, berths, ferries, docks, drydocks, ship repair yards, bulkheads, dock walls, basins, carfloats, floatbridges, dredging equipment, radio receiving and sending stations, grain or other storage elevators, warehouses, cold storage, tracks, yards, sheds, switches, connections, overhead appliances, bunker coal, oil and fresh water stations, markets, and every kind of terminal, storage or supply facility now in use, or hereafter designed for use to facilitate passenger transportation and for the handling, storage, loading or unloading of freight at terminals, and equipment, materials and supplies therefor.

"Transportation of passengers" and "passenger transportation" shall mean the transportation of passengers by railroad or other facilities.

"Rapid transit system" shall mean a transit system for the transportation of passengers, express, mail and baggage by railroad or other facilities, and equipment, materials and supplies therefor.

"Project" shall mean any improvement, betterment, facility or structure authorized by or pursuant to this compact or agreement to be constructed, erected, acquired, owned or controlled or otherwise undertaken by the commission. "Project" shall not include undertakings for purposes described in Article I, subdivisions (d), (e), (g), (h) and (i).

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"Railroad" shall include railways, extensions thereof, tunnels, subways, bridges, elevated structures, tracks, poles, wires, conduits, powerhouses, substations, lines for the transmission of power, carbarns, shops, yards, sidings, turnouts, switches, stations and approaches thereto, cars and motive equipment.

"Bridge" and "tunnel" shall include such approach highways and interests in real property necessary therefor in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey as may be determined by the commission to be necessary to facilitate the flow of traffic in the vicinity of a bridge or tunnel or to connect a bridge or tunnel with the highway system or other traffic facilities in said Commonwealth or said State: Provided, however, That the power and authority herein granted to the commission to construct new or additional approach highways shall not be exercised unless and until the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall have filed with the commission its written approval as to approach highways to be located in said Commonwealth and the State Highway Department of the State of New Jersey shall have filed with the commission its written approval as to approach highways to be located in said State.

"Facility" shall include all works, buildings, structures, property, appliances, and equipment, together with appurtenances necessary and convenient for the proper construction, equipment, maintenance and operation of a facility or facilities or any one or more of them.

"Personal property" shall include choses in action and all other property now commonly, or legally, defined as personal property, or which may hereafter be so defined.

"Lease" shall include rent or hire.

"Municipality" shall include a county, city, borough, village, township, town, public agency, public authority or political subdivision.

Words importing the singular number include the plural number and vice versa.

Wherever legislation or action by the Legislature of either signatory State is herein referred to, it shall mean an act of the Legislature duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of such State."

(XIII amended Apr. 3, 1992, P.L.57, No.19)

Section 2. Upon its signature on behalf of the State of New Jersey and by the Governor on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the aforesaid compact or agreement shall be and become binding and shall have the force and effect of a statute of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and The Delaware River Joint Commission shall thereupon become vested with all the powers, rights and privileges, and be subject to the duties and obligations, contained in said compact as though the same were specifically authorized and imposed by statute, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be bound by all of the obligations assumed by it under said compact; and the Governor shall transmit an original signed copy thereof to the Secretary of the Commonwealth for filing in his office.

Section 3. The Governor is hereby authorized to apply, on behalf on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to the Congress of the United States for its consent and approval to the aforesaid compact or agreement; but in the absence of such consent and approval, The Delaware River Joint Commission shall have all of the powers which the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey may confer upon it without the consent and approval of Congress.

Section 3.1. Under the second paragraph of Article III of the agreement under section 1:

- (1) The commissioners for the Commonwealth shall transmit to the Governor a certified copy of the minutes of each meeting of the commission.
- (2) Within ten business days after receipt of the copy under paragraph (1), the Governor may veto the action of a commissioner for the Commonwealth.
 - (3) An action vetoed under paragraph (2) shall be void.
 - (3.1 added Nov. 3, 2016, P.L.1015, No.130)

Section 4. The sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby specifically appropriated to The Delaware River Joint Commission, to be used by it, together with a like appropriation made by the State of New Jersey, for any of the purposes of the said commission, except the operation, maintenance, improvement or construction of new facilities for the existing bridge over the Delaware River between Philadelphia and Camden. The money hereby appropriated shall be disbursed upon requisition of the Governor, presented to the Auditor General, who shall direct his warrant upon the State Treasurer in the usual manner.

Section 5. This act shall become effective on July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one; but the Governor shall not enter into any agreement hereunder until the State of New Jersey shall have passed a substantially similar act embodying the agreement between the two States herein set forth, and making a like appropriation.

APPENDIX

Supplementary Provisions of Amendatory Statutes

1992, APRIL 13, P.L.57, NO.19

Section 1. The Governor is hereby authorized to enter into a supplemental compact or agreement, on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with the State of New Jersey, further amending and supplementing the compact or agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey entitled "Agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey creating The Delaware River Joint Commission as a body corporate and politic and defining its powers and duties, " which was executed on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by its Governor on July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and on behalf of the State of New Jersey by the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission by its members on July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and which was consented to by the Congress of the United States by Public Resolution Number twenty-six, being chapter two hundred fifty-eight of the Public Laws, Seventy-second Congress, approved June fourteenth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, which supplemental compact and agreement shall be in substantially the following form:

"Supplemental agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey further amending and supplementing the agreement entitled 'Agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey creating The Delaware River Joint Commission as a body corporate and politic and defining its powers and duties,' authorizing the acquisition or construction of railroads and other facilities and further providing for the appointment of commissioners and for the powers and duties of the commission.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey do hereby solemnly covenant and agree, each with the other, as follows:

'Agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey creating The Delaware River Joint Commission as a body corporate and politic and defining its powers and duties,' which was executed on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by its Governor on July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and on behalf of the State of New Jersey by the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission by its members on July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and which was consented to by the Congress of the United States by Public Resolution Number twenty-six, being chapter two hundred fifty-eight of the Public Laws, Seventy-second Congress, approved June fourteenth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, as heretofore amended and supplemented, is amended to read:

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Compiler's Note: Act 19 amended Articles I, II, III, IV, XII and XIII of the compact in Act 200.

Section 2. The Governor is hereby authorized to apply, on behalf on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to the Congress of the United States for its consent and approval to the aforesaid supplemental compact or agreement; but, in the absence of such consent and approval, the commission referred to in such supplemental compact or agreement shall have all of the powers which the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey may confer upon it without the consent and approval of Congress.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately; but the Governor shall not enter into any supplemental compact or agreement hereunder until the State of New Jersey shall have passed a substantially similar act embodying the agreement between the two states herein set forth.