

the city of Winnipeg and comprising part of Metropolitan Winnipeg, it does not distribute power within the corporate limits of the city, although it does supply a portion of the city's basic power requirements.

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Saskatchewan.—The Saskatchewan Power Corporation was established on Feb. 1, 1949, and operates under the provisions of the Power Corporation Act (SS 1950, c. 10, as amended). It succeeded the Saskatchewan Power Commission which had operated from Feb. 11, 1929. The original functions of the Corporation included the generation, transmission, distribution, sale and supply of hydro and steam electric energy. Since 1952, the Corporation has been authorized to produce or purchase and to transmit, distribute, sell and supply natural or manufactured gas.

In 1962, the Corporation served 957 urban communities (with six or more customers) in retail sales, and served the cities of Saskatoon and Swift Current, the town of Battleford and the hamlet of Waskesiu in bulk sales. Some bulk power was also sold to the City of Regina and to the Manitoba Hydro Electric Board on an exchange basis. Activities of the Corporation cover the entire province with the exception of the city of Regina, which owns and operates municipal plants and a distribution system.

At the end of 1962, the Corporation served 235,386 customers, 197,811 of whom were retail customers and 37,575 of whom were located in communities supplied with power through bulk sales. The retail customers included 133,903 urban customers and 63,908 classified as rural, predominantly farmers. During 1962, 1,645,862,278 kwh. were made available to customers, of which 1,624,482,258 kwh. were generated in Corporation plants and 21,380,020 kwh. were purchased in bulk, primarily from Manitoba. At the end of the year, the Corporation had invested, at cost, a total of \$375,428,535 in electric and natural gas plant in service (\$255,432,044 in electric only).

During 1962, the Corporation owned and operated six steam generating plants—one at Prince Albert, two each at Saskatoon and Estevan, and a sixth plant at Moose Jaw. These plants supplied 93 p.c. of total system requirements and two internal combustion gas dual fuel plants at Kindersley and Swift Current supplied most of the remainder; a third plant at Unity was retired early in 1962. System capability in operation at the end of 1962 was assessed at 540,150 kw. with 499,000 kw. in steam plants, and 41,150 kw. in gas dual fuel units and diesel plants. At the end of 1962, the Corporation owned and operated 69,453 miles of transmission and rural lines (excluding urban distribution and hi-lines).

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20.—Growth of the Saskatchewan Power Corporation, 1953-62

Year	Communities Served in Bulk and Retail Sales	Individual Meters in Communities Served	Power Distributed	Revenue
	No.	No.	kwh.	\$
1953.....	631	122,676	398,211,673	10,363,752
1954.....	664	134,587	472,763,014	11,936,234
1955.....	742	149,134	556,776,981	13,350,177
1956.....	799	162,594	659,720,877	15,566,910
1957.....	870	178,567	780,613,534	18,152,460
1958.....	880	188,293	909,086,629	20,687,771
1959.....	962	197,451	1,067,349,615	23,909,113
1960.....	984	221,675	1,233,531,753	26,667,471
1961.....	901	229,336	1,498,055,955	30,263,598
1962.....	961 ¹	235,386	1,645,862,278	33,106,018

¹ November 1962 figure.