

ferred to and be in the ownership or custody of the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development. All appropriations and credits on the books, papers, and accounts of the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs, as of August 31, 1970, for and to the credit of said Authority and/or Division, and all liabilities and obligations as of August 31, 1970, of said Authority and/or Division, shall be transferred to and become the appropriations, credits, liabilities, and obligations of the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development. All forms of the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs existing on August 31, 1970, together with all rules, regulations, orders and other directives relating thereto, or promulgated thereby, and then in effect, shall continue in force pending exercise by the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of **[Marketing]** Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development. All rules, regulations, forms, orders and directives promulgated by or in effect for the Seafood Marketing Authority and/or the Division of Market Development of the Department of Chesapeake Bay Affairs shall continue in force unless and until changed by the Seafood Marketing Authority and Division of **[Marketing]** Market Development of the Department of Economic and Community Development.

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The Authority may, subject to the authority and powers of the Secretary of Economic and Community Development as set forth in Article 41 of this Code or elsewhere in the laws of Maryland:

- (1) Adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business;
- (2) Adopt an official seal and alter the same at pleasure;
- (3) Maintain an office at such place or places within the State as it may designate;
- (4) Sue and be sued in its own name and plead and be impleaded; service of process in any action shall be made by service upon the manager of the Authority either in hand or by leaving a copy of the process at the office of the manager with some person having charge thereof;
- (5) Employ such assistants, agents, and other employees as may be necessary or desirable for its purposes, all of whom shall be in the classified service of the State; to contract for and engage consultants; and to utilize the services of other governmental agencies;
- (6) Accept from a federal agency loans or grants for use in carrying out its purpose, and enter into agreement with such agency respecting any loans or grants;
- (7) Request for its guidance a finding of the planning board of the municipality or county, or if there is no planning board, a finding of the municipal or county officers of the municipality or county in which the industrial project is proposed to be located, or of the