# THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

#### DE 18-142

#### ENERNOC, INC.

### Petition for Approval of Use of Live, Online Reverse Auction

### **ORDER OF NOTICE**

On September 10, 2018, EnerNOC Inc. (EnerNOC) filed a petition with the Commission to approve Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy's (Eversource) utilization of live, online reverse auctions to competitively procure energy service for its customers. In Order No. 26,092, entered in Docket No. DE 17-113, the Commission approved the process by which Eversource solicits power from the competitive market following divestiture of its generation assets. Pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement approved by Order No. 26,092, any party to the settlement agreement may petition the Commission to amend the way Eversource procures energy service. EnerNOC, a multinational power company and subsidiary of Enel, is one of the settling parties that signed that agreement.

EnerNOC offers a service whereby it provides for the use of live, online reverse auctions to procure energy service requirements for any party that procures such service. EnerNOC claims that its live, online reverse auction platform would assist Eversource in providing electric service to its customers at the lowest reasonable cost. EnerNOC asserts that its service would provide outcomes consistent with public policy objectives enunciated in RSA 374-F and RSA 378:87, New Hampshire's electric industry restructuring and energy policy statutes. To achieve these policy objectives, EnerNOC said the Commission should direct Eversource to use EnerNOC's services to procure energy service for the periods beginning February 1, 2019, August 1, 2019, and February 1, 2020.

The petition and subsequent docket filings, other than any information for which confidential treatment is requested of or granted by the Commission, will be posted to the Commission's website at <a href="http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2018/18-142.html">http://www.puc.nh.gov/Regulatory/Docketbk/2018/18-142.html</a>.

The filing raises, inter alia, issues related to the efficacy of Eversource's RFP procurement process in obtaining energy service at just and reasonable rates for its default energy service customers; whether any situation has developed that would merit a change to that RFP process; whether the use of live, online reverse auctions can be offered within the terms of the settlement agreement approved by the Commission in Docket No. DE 17-113; whether the procurement of power through EnerNOC's auction service with the inclusion of those costs in default energy service rates results in just and reasonable rates as required by RSA 378; whether the EnerNOC proposal is timely considering the limited number of solicitations Eversource has conducted since divestiture of its assets and Staff's memorandum in DE 18-002 recommending that Eversource conduct at least two more solicitations before considering alternative procurement processes; and whether it is just and reasonable, in the public interest, and consistent with the principles of restructuring to direct one distribution utility in New Hampshire to use live, online reverse auctions on a pilot basis to procure default energy service while the remaining two electric distribution utilities use an RFP process to secure supply in the competitive market. Each party has the right to have an attorney represent the party at the party's own expense.

## Based upon the foregoing, it is hereby

**ORDERED**, that a Prehearing Conference, pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.15, be held before the Commission located at 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire on November 8, 2018 at 9:30 a.m., at which each party will provide a preliminary

statement of its position with regard to the petition and any of the issues set forth in N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.15; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that, immediately following the Prehearing Conference,

EnerNOC, the Staff of the Commission and any Intervenors hold a Technical Session to review
the petition; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.12, EnerNOC shall notify all persons desiring to be heard at this hearing by publishing a copy of this Order of Notice no later than October 25, 2018, in a newspaper with general circulation in those portions of the state in which operations are conducted, publication to be documented by affidavit filed with the Commission on or before November 5, 2018; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that consistent with N.H. Code Admin. Rules Puc 203.17 and Puc 203.02, any party seeking to intervene in the proceeding shall submit to the Commission seven copies of a Petition to Intervene with copies sent to EnerNOC and the Office of the Consumer Advocate on or before November 5, 2018, such Petition stating the facts demonstrating how its rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interest may be affected by the proceeding, consistent with N.H. Code Admin. Rule Puc 203.17; and it is

**FURTHER ORDERED**, that any party objecting to a Petition to Intervene make said Objection on or before November 8, 2018.

By order of the Public Utilities Commission of New Hampshire this eighteenth day of October, 2018.

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**Executive Director** 

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