GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATORY BOARD PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU

IN RE: REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION ELECTRIC POWER COMPANIES AND REQUEST FOR MICROGRID REGISTRATION SONNEL POWER SOLUTIONS LLC

CASE NO.: NEPR-CT-2025-0006

SUBJECT: Resolution and Order pertaining to completeness of Request for Certification and Request for Microgrid Registration.

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

On May 15, 2025, Sonnel Power Solutions LLC ("Sonnel") submitted a *Request for Certification Electric Power Companies* ("Request for Certification") and a *Microgrid Registration Form* (the "Request for Microgrid Registration") to the Energy Bureau of the Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board (the "Energy Bureau") for a facility to be located at Lot 14, A Street (PR-28), Reparto Industrial Luchetti in the Municipality of Bayamón, Puerto Rico.

As part of the Request for Certification, Sonnel submitted certain annexes and documents intended to demonstrate the company's financial resources and the adequacy of its human and financial capacity. However, the information provided is incomplete. In addition, Sonnel did not submit documentation related to contracts or legal transaction with Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") or another electric power company, permits, authorizations and endorsements obtained to operate, do business and provide services in Puerto Rico and certification stating that the company has obtained all necessary permits for the construction of new facilities.

With the Request of Microgrid Registration, Sonnel submitted annexes and information about the geographical boundaries of the proposed microgrid and a list of system resources. However, Sonnel did not submit documentation related to a model contract, sample bill, billing model, or proposed rate structure. Evidence of the filing fee payment was also provided.

Regulation 8701¹ establishes the applicable requirements for the certifications of electric power companies. Sonnel's filing provides no other documentation to demonstrate compliance with Regulation 8701 to be a certified as electric power company. Specifically, the submission is missing the following: (i) information regarding charges and rates, the company efforts to orient clients and promote efficient electric energy consumption and reports on improvements in electric power system behavior, all of which must be included as part of the operational report; (ii) payment corresponding to the operational report; (iii) documentation related to contracts or legal transaction with PREPA or another electric power company; (iv) copies of the permits, authorizations, and federal, state, and municipal endorsements the company has obtained in order to operate and do business in Puerto Rico and provide electric power service in Puerto Rico; (v) payment of the applicable fees for the presentation of the Personal Information and Request for Certification pursuant to Section 2.03 and Section 3.07 of Regulation 8701; (vi) identifiation of the power sources used; (vii) a detailed description including specifications, nominal capacity, net capacity of each unit, plants or technology used in service provision; (viii) documentation supporting the specifications of the plants or technology used in the provision of service; (ix) the capacity of generating units; (x) the net capacity of plants or generation units; (xi) the description of the geographical area withing Puerto Rico that will be affected by the proposed service; and (xiii) evidence of compliance with all requirements of Section 3.03 and 3.07 of Regulation 8701.

Regulation 9028² sets forth the requirements for the microgrid registration. Sonnel's filing provides no other documentation to demonstrate compliance with Regulation 9028 for the

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¹ Amendment to Regulation No. 8618, on Certifications, Annual Fees and Operational Plans of Electric Service Providers in Puerto Rico, as amended, Regulation 8701, February 17, 2016 ("Regulation 8701").

² Regulation on Microgrid Development, Regulation No. 9028, May 18, 2018 ("Regulation 9028"),

proposed microgrid. Specifically, the submission lacks: (i) a description of the microgrid, including, without limitation, its generation resources and other system resources (e.g., storage, inverters, and other major electrical equipment); (ii) a delineation of the microgrid's physical boundaries; (iii) a description of the properties where each component of the microgrid will be installed, as well as evidence of Sonnel's ownership of, or legal right to use, such properties; (iv) the certified design of the microgrid; (v) an indication of whether the microgrid intends to export energy to the Puerto Rico electric grid; (vi) details regarding the proposed point of interconnection; (vii) a certification of compliance with applicable codes and standards; (viii) an explanation of how the project complies with the technical requirements for the type of microgrid proposed (in this case, renewable); (ix) equipment specifications; (x) an explanation of the method to be used to demonstrate compliance with the applicable provisions of Regulation 9028 (submit operational plan); and (xi) demonstration of compliance with the requirements of Article 3, 5 and 6 of Regulation 9028. The foregoing list is not intended to be exhaustive, nor does it represent the totality of information required to demonstrate compliance with Regulation 9028. Once the missing information is submitted, additional documentation or clarifications may be necessary to evaluate regulatory compliance. In addition, Sonnel may request modifications or exceptions to compliance with any applicable regulatory requirement; however, each such request must be expressly identified and supported by a clear and well-founded justification, including all relevant legal, technical, or practical grounds. The Energy Bureau will evaluate any such request case by case under the applicable legal and regulatory framework.

Based on the foregoing, the Energy Bureau **DETERMINES** that the Request for Certification and the Request for Microgrid Registration submitted by Sonnel is incomplete. Accordingly, the Energy Bureau **GRANTS** Sonnel to submit, within **thirty (30) business days** from the notification of this Resolution and Order, unless more time is requested by Sonnel, all the necessary information and documentation required to demonstrate compliance with the applicable provisions, to enable the proper evaluation of the Request for Certification and the Request for Microgrid Registration.

The Energy Bureau authorizes members of its staff and consultants to hold informal technical meetings with representatives and/or consultants of Sonnel to clarify the requirements listed in this Resolution and Order, as well as other matters related to the Request for Certification and the Request for Microgrid Registration. However, it must be understood that Energy Bureau staff and consultants may not make binding representations or commitments on behalf of the Energy Bureau. The final authority regarding the evaluation and determination of the Request for Certification and the Request for Microgrid Registration rests exclusively with the Commissioners.

Be it notified and published.

Edison Avilés Deliz Chairman

Lillian Mateo Santos Associate Commissioner

Sylvia B. Ugarte Araujo Associate Commissioner

Ferdinand A. Ramos Soegaard Associate Commissioner

Antonio Torres Miranda

Associate Commissione 0

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the majority of the members of the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau has so agreed on June $\underline{18}$, 2025. I also certify that on June $\underline{18}$, 2025 a copy of this Resolution and Order was notified by electronic mail to the following: rickie@sonnelltrans.com; eduardo.ryan@sonnelltruckcenter.com. I also certify that on June $\underline{18}$, 2025, I have proceeded with the filing of the Resolution and Order issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

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I sign this in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on June $\frac{18}{2}$, 2025.

Sonia Seda Gaztambide Clerk