IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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In re:) Chapter 11
CONVERGEONE HOLDINGS, INC., et al., 1) Case No. 24-90194 (CML)
Debtors.	(Joint Administration Requested)(Emergency Hearing Requested)

DEBTORS' <u>EMERGENCY</u> EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING, LLC AS CLAIMS, NOTICING, AND SOLICITATION AGENT

Emergency relief has been requested. Relief is requested not later than 2:30 p.m. (prevailing Central Time) on April 4, 2024.

If you object to the relief requested or you believe that emergency consideration is not warranted, you must appear at the hearing if one is set, or file a written response prior to the date that relief is requested in the preceding paragraph. Otherwise, the Court may treat the pleading as unopposed and grant the relief requested.

A hearing will be conducted on this matter on April 4, 2024 at 2:30 p.m. (prevailing Central Time) in Courtroom 401, 4th floor, 515 Rusk, Houston, Texas 77002. Participation at the hearing will only be permitted by an audio and video connection.

Audio communication will be by use of the Court's dial-in facility. You may access the facility at (832) 917-1510. Once connected, you will be asked to enter the conference room number. Judge Lopez's conference room number is 590153. Video communication will be by use of the GoToMeeting platform. Connect via the free GoToMeeting application or click the link on Judge Lopez's home page. The meeting code is "JudgeLopez." Click the settings icon in the upper right corner and enter your name under the personal information setting.

Hearing appearances must be made electronically in advance of both electronic and in-person hearings. To make your appearance, click the "electronic appearance" link on Judge Lopez's home page. Select the case name, complete the required fields and click "submit" to complete your appearance.

The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, together with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are as follows: AAA Network Solutions, Inc. (7602); ConvergeOne Dedicated Services, LLC (3323); ConvergeOne Government Solutions, LLC (7538); ConvergeOne Holdings, Inc. (9427); ConvergeOne Managed Services, LLC (6277); ConvergeOne Systems Integration, Inc. (9098); ConvergeOne Technology Utilities, Inc. (6466); ConvergeOne Texas, LLC (5063); ConvergeOne Unified Technology Solutions, Inc. (2412); ConvergeOne, Inc. (3228); Integration Partners Corporation (7289); NetSource Communications Inc. (6228); NuAge Experts LLC (8150); Providea Conferencing, LLC (7448); PVKG Intermediate Holdings Inc. (4875); Silent IT, LLC (7730); and WrightCore, Inc. (3654). The Debtors' mailing address is 10900 Nesbitt Avenue South, Bloomington, Minnesota 55437.

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**") state as follows in support of this application (this "**Application**"):

Relief Requested

- 1. The Debtors seek entry of an order authorizing the Debtors to employ Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("**Epiq**") as claims, noticing, and solicitation agent in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the engagement letter dated February 27, 2024 (the "**Engagement Letter**"), attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.
- 2. In support of this Application, the Debtors rely upon and incorporate by reference the Declaration of Kathryn Tran in Support of the Debtors' Emergency Ex Parte Application For Entry of an Order Authorizing the Retention and Employment of Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC as Claims, Noticing, and Solicitation Agent (the "Tran Declaration"), attached hereto as Exhibit 2, and the Declaration of Salvatore Lombardi in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Relief (the "First Day Declaration"), filed contemporaneously herewith.

Jurisdiction, Venue, and Predicates for Relief

- 3. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. This matter is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). The Debtors confirm their consent to the entry of a final order by the Court.
 - 4. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 5. The predicates for the relief requested by this Application are section 156(c) of title 28 of the United States Code, sections 105(a) and 503(b)(1)(A) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), rule 2002 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the

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² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the First Day Declaration.

"Bankruptcy Rules"), and rules 1075-1 and 2014-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas (the "Bankruptcy Local Rules").

Background

- 6. On April 4, 2024 (the "**Petition Date**"), the Debtors each filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code with the Court (the "**Chapter 11 Cases**"). The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. Concurrently with the filing of this Motion, the Debtors have requested joint administration and procedural consolidation of these Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b). No party has requested the appointment of a trustee or examiner in these Chapter 11 Cases, and no official committees have been appointed or designated.
- 7. The Debtors, together with their non-Debtor affiliates (collectively, "C1"), are a leading global provider of information technology services to private and public sector customers, including many of the companies listed on the Fortune 100. C1 was founded in 1993 and has a global workforce of more than 3,000 individuals in 49 states and 15 countries, with main domestic hubs in Minnesota, New Jersey, Texas, and California. Through a series of acquisitions and growth, today C1 serves more than 6,000 customers worldwide. C1 partners with more than 140 global industry partners to design, implement, and support thousands of IT solutions across its core technology markets: pure and hybrid cloud solutions, business applications, customer experiences, contact center design and enablement, modern workplace infrastructure, cyber security, and enterprise networking.
- 8. These Chapter 11 Cases are prepackaged cases commenced for the purpose of implementing a comprehensive deleveraging of the Debtors' capital structure in accordance with the terms of a Restructuring Support Agreement (the "RSA") with the beneficial holders of

(a) approximately 81% of the Debtors' first lien debt and (b) approximately 81% of the Debtors' second lien term loans. On the Petition Date, the Debtors are filing a plan of reorganization reflecting the terms of the RSA (the "Plan"), along with a disclosure statement with respect to the Plan (the "Disclosure Statement"). The Plan contemplates that all general unsecured claims will be paid in full in cash or otherwise be unimpaired. The Debtors are also filing a motion seeking, among other things, (a) conditional approval of the Disclosure Statement and (b) a combined hearing to consider approval of the Disclosure Statement on a final basis and confirmation of the Plan.

9. Additional factual background and information regarding the Debtors, including their business operations, corporate and capital structure, their restructuring activities, the RSA, and the events leading to the commencement of these Chapter 11 Cases, is set forth in the First Day Declaration.

Request to Employ Epiq

- 10. The Debtors request approval to employ Epiq to serve as claims, noticing, and solicitation agent in the Chapter 11 Cases and to provide the services outlined in the Engagement Letter. The Debtors believe that Epiq's employment is in the best interest of the estates.
- 11. Epiq's rates are competitive and reasonable. Epiq has the expertise required to serve as the claims, noticing, and solicitation agent in these complex Chapter 11 Cases.
 - 12. The Debtors request that this Court authorize Epiq's employment.

Compensation

13. The Debtors request that Epiq's fees and expenses be paid as an administrative expense in the ordinary course of the Debtors' business without further application or order of the Court. Should a dispute develop, the matter will be brought to the Court for resolution. Epiq has

agreed to maintain records of all services showing dates, categories of services, fees charged, and expenses incurred.

- 14. Epiq will provide a monthly invoice to the Debtors, Debtors' counsel, the U.S. Trustee, counsel for any official committee, and any party-in-interest who specifically requests service of the monthly invoices.
- 15. Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors provided Epiq an advance in the amount of \$25,000.00. Epiq will apply these funds in accordance with the Engagement Letter.

Indemnification

16. The Debtors have agreed to indemnify Epiq as set forth in the Engagement Letter. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, Epiq will not be indemnified for liability arising out of gross negligence, willful misconduct, and certain other matters identified in the proposed order.

Disinterestedness

17. Epiq has reviewed its conflicts system to determine whether it has any relationships with the Debtors' creditors and other parties in interest. Except as disclosed in the Tran Declaration, Epiq represents that it neither holds nor represents any interest materially adverse to the Debtors' estates in connection with any matter on which it would be employed. To the best of the Debtors' knowledge, Epiq is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. Epiq agrees that it will supplement its disclosure to the Court if any facts or circumstances are discovered that would require such additional disclosure.

Reservation of Rights

18. Nothing contained in this Motion nor any actions taken pursuant to the relief requested herein is intended or shall be construed as: (a) an implication or admission as to the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against a Debtor entity under the Bankruptcy Code

or other applicable non-bankruptcy law; (b) an impairment or waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's rights to dispute the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against, or interest in, any Debtor, its property, or its estate on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any claim; (d) an implication or admission that any claim is of a type specified or defined in this Motion or any order granting the relief requested by this Motion or a finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim or other priority claim; (e) a waiver of any claim or cause of action that may exist against any creditor or interest holder; (f) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise affecting the Debtors' rights under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code to assume or reject any executory contract or unexpired lease; (g) a waiver or limitation of the Debtors', or any other party in interest's, rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law; (h) an implication or admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability, or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance of property of the Debtors' estates; or (i) a concession by the Debtors that any liens (contractual, common law, statutory, or otherwise) that may be satisfied pursuant to this Motion are valid and the rights of all parties in interest are expressly reserved to contest the extent, validity, or perfection or seek avoidance of all such liens; (j) a waiver of the obligation of any party in interest to file a proof of claim; or (k) an impairment or waiver of any claims or causes of action that may exist against any entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law. If the Court grants the relief sought herein, any payment made pursuant to an order of the Court is not intended and should not be construed as an admission as to the validity or priority of any claim or a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's rights to subsequently dispute the extent, perfection, priority, validity, or amount of such claim.

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The Debtors respectfully request that the Court grant the relief requested in this Application.

Dated: April 4, 2024

Paramus, New Jersey

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Rui Goncalves

Rui Goncalves General Counsel

ConvergeOne Holdings, Inc.

Certificate of Service

This Application is being filed <i>ex parte</i> .	Service will only	occur by notice	on the Court's
CM/ECF system.			

/s/ Charles R. Koster
Charles R. Koster

Exhibit 1

Engagement Letter

EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING

STANDARD SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Standard Services Agreement is being entered into by and between the undersigned parties, referred to herein as "Epiq" and "Client" as of the Effective Date, as defined below. In consideration of the premises herein contained and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

General Terms and Conditions

1. Services.

In accordance with the charges, terms and conditions contained in this agreement and in the schedule(s) attached hereto (collectively, the "<u>Agreement</u>"), Epiq agrees to furnish Client with the services set forth on the <u>Services Schedule</u> hereto (the "<u>Services</u>") in connection with a corporate restructuring. Services will be provided on an as needed basis and upon request or agreement of Client. Charges for the Services will be based on the pricing schedule provided to Client hereto (the "<u>Pricing Schedule</u>"). The Pricing Schedule sets forth individual unit pricing for each of the Services provided by Epiq and represents a bona fide proposal for that Service. Client may request separate Services or all of the Services reflected in the Pricing Schedule.

2. <u>Term.</u>

This Agreement shall become effective on the date of its acceptance by both Epiq and Client; provided, however, Epiq acknowledges that Bankruptcy Court approval of its engagement may be required in order for Epiq to be engaged in a chapter 11 proceeding. The Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated: (a) by Client, on thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Epiq and, to the extent Epiq has been retained by Bankruptcy Court order, entry of an order of the Bankruptcy Court discharging Epiq; or (b) by Epiq, on ninety (90) days' prior written notice to Client and, to the extent Epiq has been retained by Bankruptcy Court order, entry of an order of the Bankruptcy Court discharging Epiq.

3. Charges.

- 3.1 For the Services and materials furnished by Epiq under this Agreement, Client shall pay the fees, charges and costs set forth in the Pricing Schedule subject to any previously agreed upon discount if applicable. Epiq will bill Client monthly. All invoices shall be due and payable within ten (10) business days of receipt.
- 3.2 Epiq reserves the right to make reasonable increases to the unit prices, charges and professional service rates reflected in the Pricing Schedule on an annual basis effective January 2, 2025. If such annual increases exceed 10% from the prior year's level, Epiq shall provide sixty (60) days' prior written notice to Client of such proposed increases.

- 3.3 Client agrees to pay Epiq for all materials necessary for performance of the Services under this Agreement (other than computer hardware and software) and any reasonable out of pocket expenses including, without limitation, transportation, long distance communications, printing, photocopying, fax, postage and related items.
- 3.4 Client shall pay or reimburse all taxes applicable to services performed under this Agreement and, specifically, taxes based on disbursements made on behalf of Client, notwithstanding how such taxes may be designated, levied or based. This provision is intended to include sales, use and excise taxes, among other taxes, but is not intended to include personal property taxes or taxes based on net income of Epiq.
- 3.5 Client shall pay to Epiq any actual charges (including fees, costs and expenses as set forth in the Pricing Schedule) related to, arising out of or resulting from any Client error or omission. Such charges may include, without limitation, print or copy re-runs, supplies, long distance phone calls, travel expenses and overtime expenses for work chargeable at the rates set forth on the Pricing Schedule.
- 3.6 In the event of termination pursuant to Section 2 hereof, Client shall be liable for all amounts accrued and/or due and owing to Epiq under the Agreement on the effective date of such termination.
- 3.7 To the extent permitted by applicable law, Epiq shall receive a retainer in the amount of \$25,000 (the "Retainer") that may be held by Epiq as security for Client's payment obligations under the Agreement. The Retainer is due upon execution of this Agreement. Epiq shall be entitled to hold the Retainer until the termination of the Agreement. Following termination of the Agreement, Epiq shall return to Client any amount of the Retainer that remains following application of the Retainer to the payment of unpaid invoices.

4. Confidentiality.

Client data provided to Epiq during the term of this Agreement in connection with the Services ("Client Data") shall be maintained confidentially by Epiq in the same manner and to the same level as Epiq safeguards data relating to its own business; provided, however, that if Client Data is publicly available, was already in Epiq's possession or known to it prior to the effective date of this Agreement, was required to be disclosed by law, was independently developed by Epiq without use or reference to any Client Data, or was rightfully obtained by Epiq from a third party, Epiq shall bear no responsibility for public disclosure of such data. Confidential information will be utilized by Epiq solely for the purposes of performing Services for the Client. Epiq shall use and hold all confidential information in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations and shall keep confidential information in the strictest confidence. Epiq shall not use the confidential information for its own use or in any way, directly or indirectly, harmful or competitive with the Client or for any purpose except as necessary to perform the required Services under the Agreement. Confidential information includes written information as well as that transferred orally, visually, electronically, or by any other means. Client agrees that Epiq shall not be liable for damages or losses of any nature whatsoever arising out of the unauthorized acquisition or use of any Client Data or other Client materials provided to Epiq in the

performance of this Agreement, other than losses resulting from Epiq's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

5. Title to Property.

Epiq reserves all property rights in and to all materials, concepts, creations, inventions, works of authorship, improvements, designs, innovations, ideas, discoveries, know-how, techniques, programs, systems and other information, including, without limitation, data processing programs, specifications, applications, processes, routines, sub-routines, procedural manuals and documentation furnished or developed by Epiq for itself or for use by Client (collectively, the "Property"). Charges paid by Client do not vest in Client any rights to the Property, it being expressly understood that the Property is made available to Client under this Agreement solely for Client's use during and in connection with each use of the Epiq equipment and services. Client agrees not to copy or permit others to copy any of the Property.

6. Disposition of Data.

- 6.1 Client is responsible for the accuracy of the programs and Client Data it provides or gives access to Epiq and for the output resulting from such data. Client shall initiate and maintain backup files that would allow Client to regenerate or duplicate all programs and Client Data which Client provides or gives access to Epiq. Client agrees, represents and warrants to Epiq that, prior to delivery of any Client Data to Epiq, it has full authority to deliver Client Data to Epiq. Client agrees, represents and warrants to Epiq that it has obtained binding consents, permits, licenses and approvals from all necessary persons, authorities or individuals, and has complied with all applicable policies, regulations and laws, required by Client, in order to allow Epiq to use all Client Data delivered to it in connection with its Services. Epiq shall not be liable for, and Client accepts full responsibility for, any liability or obligation with respect to Client Data prior to Epiq's receipt, including without limitation, any liability arising during the delivery of Client Data to Epiq.
- 6.2 Any Client Data, programs, storage media or other materials furnished by Client to Epiq in connection with this Agreement (collectively, the "Client Materials") may be retained by Epiq until the services provided pursuant to this Agreement are paid for in full, or until this Agreement is terminated with the services provided herein having been paid for in full. Client shall remain liable for all out of pocket charges incurred by Epiq under this Agreement as a result of any Client Materials maintained by Epiq. Epiq shall dispose of Client Materials in the manner requested by Client (except to the extent disposal may be prohibited by law). Client agrees to pay Epiq for reasonable expenses incurred as a result of the disposition of Client Materials. Epiq reserves the right to dispose of any Client Materials if this Agreement is terminated without Client's direction as to the return or disposal of Client Materials or Client has not paid all charges due to Epiq for a period of at least ninety (90) days; provided, however, Epiq shall provide Client with thirty (30) days' prior written notice of its intent to dispose of such data and media.

7. Indemnification.

Client shall indemnify, defend and hold Epiq, its affiliates, parent, and each such entity's officers, members, directors, agents, representatives, managers, consultants and employees (each an "Indemnified Person") harmless from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, costs (including, without limitation, costs of preparation and attorneys' fees) and expenses as incurred (collectively, "Losses"), to which any Indemnified Person may become subject or involved in any capacity arising out of or relating to this Agreement or Epiq's rendering of services pursuant hereto, regardless of whether any of such Indemnified Persons is a party thereto, other than Losses resulting solely from Epiq's gross negligence or willful misconduct. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, "Losses" includes any liabilities resulting from claims by third persons against any Indemnified Person. Client and Epiq shall notify the other party in writing promptly of the commencement, institution, threat, or assertion of any claim, action or proceeding of which Client is aware with respect to the services provided by Epiq under this Agreement. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of Client, and shall survive the termination of this Agreement until the expiration of all applicable statutes of limitation with respect to Epiq's liabilities.

8. Limitation of Liability

NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THIS AGREEMENT, THIS SECTION SHALL CONTROL.

- (a) EACH PARTY AND ITS RESPECTIVE AGENTS SHALL NOT HAVE ANY OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY TO THE OTHER PARTY OR TO ANY THIRD PARTY (WHETHER IN TORT, EQUITY, CONTRACT, WARRANTY OR OTHERWISE AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY FAULT, NEGLIGENCE, PRODUCT LIABILITY, OR STRICT LIABILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW, RULE OR REGULATION) FOR ANY INDIRECT, GENERAL, PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BUSINESS INTERRUPTION, LOST WAGES, BUSINESS OR PROFITS, OR LOSS OF DATA INCURRED BY CLIENT OR ANY OTHER PERSON, ARISING OUT OF RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY USE, INABILITY TO USE OR RESULTS OF USE OF THE SERVICES OR SOFTWARE OR OTHERWISE, EVEN IF SUCH PARTY WAS ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES.
- (b) EPIQ SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO CLIENT FOR ANY LOSSES REGARDLESS OF THEIR NATURE THAT ARE CAUSED BY OR RELATED TO A FORCE MAJEURE EVENT.
- (c) THE TOTAL LIABILITY OF EACH PARTY AND ITS AGENTS TO THE OTHER PARTY OR TO ANY THIRD PARTY FOR ALL LOSSES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE SERVICES SHALL NOT EXCEED THE TOTAL AMOUNT PAID BY THE CLIENT TO EPIQ FOR THE PARTICULAR SERVICES WHICH GAVE RISE TO THE LOSSES IN THE IMMEDIATE SIX (6) MONTHS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE ACTION GIVING RISE TO THE ALLEGED LOSS.

9. Representations / Warranties.

Epiq makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, including, without limitation, any implied or express warranty of merchantability, suitability, fitness or adequacy for a particular purpose or use, quality, productiveness or capacity.

10. Confidential On-Line Workspace

Upon request of Client, Epiq shall be authorized to: (a) establish a confidential on-line workspace with an outside vendor in connection with the provision of its services to Client pursuant to this Agreement; and (b) with the written consent of Client and/or its designees, publish documents and other information to such confidential workspace. By publishing documents and other information to this confidential workspace in accordance with the foregoing, Epiq shall not be considered in violation of any of the provisions of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Section 4 (Confidentiality).

11. General

- 11.1 No waiver, alteration, amendment or modification of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon either party unless signed in writing by a duly authorized representative of both parties.
- 11.2 This Agreement may not be assigned by Client without the express written consent of Epiq, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld; provided that the Client may assign this Agreement in connection with emergence from a chapter 11 plan to an entity within the Client's reorganized corporate structure. The services provided under this Agreement are for the sole benefit and use of Client, and shall not be made available to any other persons.
- 11.3 This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, without regard to that state's provisions for choice of law. Client and Epiq agree that any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the alleged breach thereof shall be settled by mandatory, final and binding arbitration before the American Arbitration Association in New York, New York and such arbitration shall comply with and be governed by the rules of the American Arbitration Association, provided that each party may seek interim relief in court as it deems necessary to protect its confidential information and intellectual property rights. Any arbitration award rendered pursuant to this provision shall be enforceable worldwide.
- 11.4 The parties hereto agree that this Agreement is the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between the parties which supersedes all proposals or prior agreements, oral or written, and all other communications between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement.
- 11.5 Client will use its best efforts to cooperate with Epiq at Client's facilities if any portion of the Services requires its physical presence thereon.
- 11.6 In no event shall Epiq's Services constitute or contain legal advice or opinion, and neither Epiq nor its personnel shall be deemed to practice law hereunder.
- 11.7 Except for Client's obligation to pay fees, expenses and charges hereunder when due, neither party shall be in default or otherwise liable for any delay in or failure of its performance under this Agreement to the extent such delay or failure arises by reason of any act of God, any governmental requirement, act of terrorism, riots, epidemics, flood, strike, lock-out, industrial or

- transportational disturbance, fire, lack of materials, war, event of force majeure, or other acts beyond the reasonable control of a performing party.
- 11.8 This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- 11.9 All clauses and covenants in this Agreement are severable; in the event any or part of them are held invalid or unenforceable by any court, such clauses or covenants shall be valid and enforced to the fullest extent available, and this Agreement will be interpreted as if such invalid or unenforceable clauses or covenants were not contained herein. The parties are independent contractors and, except as expressly stated herein, neither party shall have any rights, power or authority to act or create an obligation on behalf of the other party.

11.10 Notices to be given or submitted by either party to the other, pursuant to this Agreement, shall be sufficiently given or made if given or made in writing and sent by hand delivery, overnight or certified mail, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

If to Epiq:

Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC 777 Third Avenue, 12th Floor New York, New York 10017

Attn: Brad Tuttle

If to Client:

ConvergeOne Holdings, Inc. 10900 Nesbitt Ave. S. Bloomington, MN 55437 Attn: Rui Goncalves

With a copy to:

White & Case LLP 111 S. Wacker Dr. Chicago, IL 60606 Attn: Bojan Guzina, Andrew F. O'Neil, Erin R. Rosenberg, Blair M. Warner, and Adam T. Swingle

11.11 Invoices sent to Client should be delivered to the following address:

10900 Nesbitt Ave. S. Bloomington, MN 55437 Attn

Email: rgoncalves@onec1.com

11.12 The "Effective Date" of this Agreement is February 27, 2024.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING, LLC

Name: Brad Tuttle

Title: Senior Managing Director and GM

CONVERGEONE HOLDINGS, INC.

Name: Rui Goncalves

Title: General Counsel

SERVICES SCHEDULE

SCHEDULES/STATEMENT PREPARATION

- Assist the Debtors with administrative tasks in the preparation of their bankruptcy Schedules of Assets and Liabilities ("Schedules") and Statements of Financial Affairs ("Statements"), including (as needed):
 - Coordinate with the Client and its advisors regarding the Schedules and Statements process, requirements, timelines and deliverables.
 - Create and maintain databases for maintenance and formatting of Schedules and Statements data.
 - Coordinate collection of data from Client and advisors.
 - Provide data entry and quality assurance assistance regarding Schedules and Statements, including, specifically, the creation of Schedule G.

CLAIMS MANAGEMENT

- ➤ Maintain copies of all proofs of claim and proofs of interest filed (in hard copy and electronic form).
- ➤ Provide a secure on-line tool through which creditors can file proofs of claim and related documentation, eliminating costly manual intake, processing and data entry of paper claims and ensuring maximum efficiency in the claim-filing process.
- ➤ Create and maintain electronic databases for creditor/party in interest information provided by the debtor (e.g., creditor matrix and Schedules of Statements of Assets and Liabilities) and creditors/parties in interest (e.g., proof of claim/interests).
- > Process all proof of claim/interest submitted.
- ➤ Provide access to the public for examination of copies of the proofs of claim or interest without charge during regular business hours.
- ➤ Maintain official claims registers, including, among other things, the following information for each proof of claim or proof of interest:
 - Name and address of the claimant and any agent thereof, if the proof of claim or proof of interest was filed by an agent;
 - Date received;
 - Claim number assigned; and
 - Asserted amount and classification of the claim.
- > Create and maintain a website with general case information, key documents, claim search function, and mirror of ECF case docket.

- > Transmit to the Clerk's office a copy of the claims registers on a monthly basis, unless requested by the Clerk's office on a more or less frequent basis or, in the alternative, make available the claims register on-line.
- ➤ Implement necessary security measures to ensure the completeness and integrity of the claims registers.
- ➤ Record all transfers of claims pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e) and provide notice of such transfers as required by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e).
- ➤ Maintain an up-to-date mailing list for all entities that have filed a proof of claim, proof of interest or notice of appearance, which list shall be available upon request of a party in interest or the Clerk's office.

NOTICING

- > Prepare and serve required notices in these Chapter 11 cases, including:
 - Notice of the commencement of these Chapter 11 cases and the initial meeting of creditors under section 341(a) of the Bankruptcy Code;
 - Notice of any auction sale hearing;
 - Notice of the claims bar date;
 - Notice of objection to claims;
 - Notice of any hearings on a disclosure statement and confirmation of the plan of reorganization; and
 - Other miscellaneous notices to any entities, as the debtor or the Court may deem necessary or appropriate for an orderly administration of these Chapter 11 cases.
- After service of a particular notice whether by regular mail, overnight or hand delivery, email or facsimile service file with the Clerk's office an affidavit of service that includes a copy of the notice involved, a list of persons to whom the notice was mailed and the date and manner of mailing.
- > Update claim database to reflect undeliverable or changed addresses.
- ➤ Coordinate publication of certain notices in periodicals and other media.
- Distribute Claim Acknowledgement Cards to creditor having filed a proof of claim/interest.

BALLOTING/TABULATION

- ➤ Provide balloting services in connection with the solicitation process for any chapter 11 plan for which a disclosure statement has been approved by the court, including (as needed):
 - Consult with Client and its counsel regarding timing issues, voting and tabulation procedures, and documents needed for the vote.
 - Review of voting-related sections of the voting procedures motion, disclosure statement and ballots for procedural and timing issues.
 - Assist in obtaining information regarding members of voting classes, including lists of holders of bonds from DTC and other entities (and, if needed, assist Client in requesting these listings).
 - Coordinate distribution of solicitation documents.
 - Respond to requests for documents from parties in interest, including brokerage firm and bank back-offices and institutional holders.
 - Respond to telephone inquiries from lenders, bondholders and nominees regarding the disclosure statement and the voting procedures.
 - Receive and examine all ballots and master ballots cast by voting parties. Date-stamp the originals of all such ballots and master ballots upon receipt.
 - Tabulate all ballots and master ballots received prior to the voting deadline in accordance with established procedures, and prepare a certification for filing with the court.

Undertake such other duties as may be requested by the Client.

CALL CENTER

- ➤ Provide state-of-the-art Call Center facility and services, including (as needed):
 - Create frequently asked questions, call scripts, escalation procedures and call log formats.
 - Record automated messaging.
 - Train Call Center staff.
 - Maintain and transmit call log to Client and advisors.

MISCELLANEOUS

- ➤ Provide such other claims processing, noticing and related administrative services as may be requested from time to time by the Client.
- Promptly comply with such further conditions and requirements as the Court may at any time prescribe.

- ➤ Comply with applicable federal, state, municipal, and local statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders and other requirements.
- > Provide temporary employees to the Clerk's Office to process claims, as necessary.

PRICING SCHEDULE

CLAIM ADMINISTRATION HOURLY RATES

TitleRatesIT / Programming\$60.00 - \$85.00Case Managers\$85.00 - \$150.00Consultants/ Directors/Vice Presidents\$150.00 - \$200.00Solicitation Consultant\$200.00Executive Vice President, Solicitation\$215.00ExecutivesNo Charge

CLAIMS AND NOTICING RATES¹

Printing \$0.10 per image

Personalization / Labels WAIVED

Envelopes VARIES BY SIZE

Postage / Overnight Delivery AT COST AT PREFERRED RATES

E-Mail Noticing WAIVED FOR MSL*

Fax Noticing \$0.05 per page
Claim Acknowledgement Letter \$0.05 per letter

Publication Noticing Quoted at time of request

DATA MANAGEMENT RATES

Data Storage, Maintenance and Security \$0.10 per record/month

Electronic Imaging \$0.10 per image; no monthly storage charge

Website Hosting Fee NO CHARGE

CD- ROM (Mass Document Storage) Quoted at time of request

ON-LINE CLAIM FILING SERVICES

On-Line Claim Filing NO CHARGE

CALL CENTER RATES

Noticing via overnight delivery after traditional overnight drop-off times (e.g., 9:00 p.m. in NYC) may result in additional print charges.

^{*}Quoted at time of request for high volume blasts to all creditors

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Standard Call Center Setup NO CHARGE

Call Center Operator \$65 per hour

Voice Recorded Message \$0.34 per minute

OTHER SERVICES RATES

Custom Software, Workflow

and Review Resources Quoted at time of request

Strategic Communication Services Quoted at time of request

Escrow Services Quoted at time of request /competitive rates

Exchange / ATOP Event Quoted at time of request

eDiscovery Quoted at time of request, bundled pricing available

Virtual Data Room --

Confidential On-Line Workspace Quoted at time of request

Disbursements -- Check and/or Form 1099 Quoted at time of request

Disbursements -- Record to Transfer Agent Quoted at time of request

Exhibit 2

Tran Declaration

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

)	Chapter 11
)	Case No. 24-90194 (CML)
)	(Jointly Administered) Re: Docket No
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DECLARATION OF KATHRYN TRAN IN
SUPPORT OF DEBTORS' EMERGENCY EX PARTE
APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING
THE EMPLOYMENT AND RETENTION OF EPIQ CORPORATE
RESTRUCTURING, LLC AS CLAIMS, NOTICING, AND SOLICITATION AGENT

- I, Kathryn Tran, under penalty of perjury, declare as follows:
- 1. I am a Consulting Director at Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("**Epiq**" or "**Agent**"), a chapter 11 administrative services firm whose headquarters are located at 777 3rd Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, New York 10017. Except as otherwise noted in this declaration (this "**Declaration**"), I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein, and if called and sworn as a witness, I could and would testify competently as follows.
- 2. I submit this Declaration in support of the *Debtors' Emergency Ex Parte*Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Epiq Corporate

The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, together with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are as follows: AAA Network Solutions, Inc. (7602); ConvergeOne Dedicated Services, LLC (3323); ConvergeOne Government Solutions, LLC (7538); ConvergeOne Holdings, Inc. (9427); ConvergeOne Managed Services, LLC (6277); ConvergeOne Systems Integration, Inc. (9098); ConvergeOne Technology Utilities, Inc. (6466); ConvergeOne Texas, LLC (5063); ConvergeOne Unified Technology Solutions, Inc. (2412); ConvergeOne, Inc. (3228); Integration Partners Corporation (7289); NetSource Communications Inc. (6228); NuAge Experts LLC (8150); Providea Conferencing, LLC (7448); PVKG Intermediate Holdings Inc. (4875); Silent IT, LLC (7730); and WrightCore, Inc. (3654). The Debtors' mailing address is 10900 Nesbitt Avenue South, Bloomington, Minnesota 55437.

Restructuring, LLC as Claims, Noticing, and Solicitation Agent, filed contemporaneously herewith (the "Application").²

- 3. Epiq represents the following:
 - a. Epiq, its members, and employees are not and were not, within two years before the date of the filing of these Chapter 11 Cases, creditors, equity security holders, insiders, or employees of the Debtors;
 - b. Epiq will not consider itself employed by the United States government and shall not seek any compensation from the United States government in its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases;
 - c. by accepting employment in these Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq waives any rights to receive compensation from the United States government in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases;
 - d. in its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq will not be an agent of the United States and will not act on behalf of the United States;
 - e. Epiq will not employ any past or present employees of the Debtors in connection with its work as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases;
 - f. Epiq is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the matters upon which it is engaged;
 - g. in its capacity as Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, Epiq will not intentionally misrepresent any fact to any person;
 - h. Epiq shall be under the supervision and control of the Clerk with respect to the receipt and recordation of claims and claim transfers;
 - i. Epiq will comply with all requests of the Clerk and the guidelines promulgated by the Judicial Conference of the United States for the implementation of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c); and
 - j. none of the services provided by Epiq as Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases shall be at the expense of the Clerk.

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² Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed in the Application.

- 4. I caused to be submitted for review by our conflicts system the names of potential parties in interest in these Chapter 11 Cases. The results of the conflict check were compiled and reviewed by Epiq professionals under my supervision. Epiq is not aware of any connection that would present a disqualifying conflict of interest. Should Epiq discover any new relevant facts or connections bearing on the matters described herein during the period of its retention, Epiq will use reasonable efforts to promptly file a supplemental declaration.
- 5. To the best of my knowledge, except as provided herein, neither Epiq, nor any of its professionals, has any materially adverse connection to the Debtors, their creditors, or other relevant parties. Epiq may have relationships with certain of the Debtors' creditors as vendors or in connection with cases in which Epiq serves or has served in a neutral capacity as claims and noticing agent and/or administrative advisor for another chapter 11 debtor.
- 6. Epiq discloses the following connections, each of which Epiq believes does not present an interest adverse to the Debtors:
 - a. Xcel Energy Inc.
 - b. CenturyLink
 - c. Wells Fargo
 - d. Bank of America
 - e. PG&E
- 7. I believe that Epiq is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section (101)14) of the Bankruptcy Code.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

Date: April 4, 2024	
	/s/ Kathryn Tran
	Kathryn Tran

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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In re:)	Chapter 11
)	Chapter 11
CONVERGEONE HOLDINGS, INC., et al., ¹)	Case No. 24-90194 (CML)
Debtors.)	(Jointly Administered)
)	Re: Docket No

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF EPIQ CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING, LLC AS CLAIMS, NOTICING, AND SOLICITATION AGENT

The Court has considered the Debtors' application (the "**Application**")² to employ Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("**Epiq**") as its claims, noticing, and solicitation agent in these cases. The Court finds that *ex parte* relief is appropriate. The Court orders:

- 1. The Debtors are authorized to employ Epiq under the terms of the Engagement Letter attached to the Application as modified by this order (this "**Order**").
- 2. Epiq is authorized and directed to perform the services as described in the Application, the Engagement Letter, and this Order. If a conflict exists, this Order controls.
- 3. The Clerk shall provide Epiq with Electronic Case Filing ("**ECF**") credentials that allow Epiq to receive ECF notifications and file certificates and/or affidavits of service.
- 4. Epiq is a custodian of court records and is designated as the authorized repository for all proofs of claim filed in these cases. Epiq shall maintain the official Claims Register(s) in these cases. Epiq must make complete copies of all proofs of claims available to the public electronically without charge. Proofs of claims and all attachments may be redacted only as ordered by the Court.

The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, together with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are as follows: AAA Network Solutions, Inc. (7602); ConvergeOne Dedicated Services, LLC (3323); ConvergeOne Government Solutions, LLC (7538); ConvergeOne Holdings, Inc. (9427); ConvergeOne Managed Services, LLC (6277); ConvergeOne Systems Integration, Inc. (9098); ConvergeOne Technology Utilities, Inc. (6466); ConvergeOne Texas, LLC (5063); ConvergeOne Unified Technology Solutions, Inc. (2412); ConvergeOne, Inc. (3228); Integration Partners Corporation (7289); NetSource Communications Inc. (6228); NuAge Experts LLC (8150); Providea Conferencing, LLC (7448); PVKG Intermediate Holdings Inc. (4875); Silent IT, LLC (7730); and WrightCore, Inc. (3654). The Debtors' mailing address is 10900 Nesbitt Avenue South, Bloomington, Minnesota 55437.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Application.

- 5. Epiq must not transmit or utilize the data obtained by Epiq in exchange for direct or indirect compensation from any person other than the Debtors.
- 6. Epiq shall provide the Clerk with a certified duplicate of the official Claims Register(s) upon request.
- 7. Epiq shall provide (i) an electronic interface for filing proofs of claim in these cases; and (ii) a post office box or street mailing address for the receipt of proofs of claim sent by United States Mail or overnight delivery.
- 8. Epiq is authorized to take such other actions as are necessary to comply with all duties and provide the Services set forth in the Application and the Engagement Letter.
- 9. Epiq shall provide detailed invoices setting forth the services provided and the rates charged on a monthly basis to the Debtors, their counsel, the Office of the United States Trustee, counsel for any official committee, and any party in interest who specifically requests service of the monthly invoices in writing.
- 10. Epiq shall not be required to file fee applications. Upon receipt of Epiq's invoices, the Debtors are authorized to compensate and reimburse Epiq for all undisputed amounts in the ordinary course in accordance with the terms of the Engagement Letter. All amounts due to Epiq will be treated as § 503(b) administrative expenses. Epiq may apply its advance in accordance with the Engagement Letter and the terms of this Order.
- 11. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Motion or in this Order, any payment to be made hereunder, and any authorization contained herein, shall be subject to any interim and final orders, as applicable, approving the use of cash collateral and/or any postpetition debtor-in-possession financing (such orders, collectively, the "**DIP Order**"), and any budgets in connection therewith governing any such use of cash collateral and/or postpetition debtor-in-possession financing. To the extent there is any inconsistency between the terms of the DIP Order and any action taken or proposed to be taken hereunder, the terms of the DIP Order shall control.
- 12. The Debtors shall indemnify Epiq under the terms of the Engagement Letter, as modified and limited by this Order. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Epiq is not indemnified for, and may not receive any contribution or reimbursement with respect to:
 - a. Matters or services arising before this case is closed, any matter or service not approved by an order of this Court.
 - b. Any matter that is determined by a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction that arises from (i) Epiq's gross negligence, willful misconduct, fraud, bad faith, self-dealing, or breach of fiduciary duty (ii) a contractual dispute if the court determines that indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement would not be permissible under applicable law; or (iii) any situation in which the court determines that indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement would not be permissible pursuant to *In re Thermadyne*

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- *Holdings Corp.*, 283 B.R. 749, 756 (B.A.P. 8th Cir. 2002). No matter governed by this paragraph may be settled without this Court's approval.
- c. This paragraph does not preclude Epiq from seeking an order from this Court requiring the advancement of indemnity, contribution, or reimbursement obligations in accordance with applicable law.
- 13. Epiq shall not cease providing services during these Chapter 11 Cases for any reason, including nonpayment, without an order of the Court. In the event Epiq is unable to provide the services set out in this Order and/or the Engagement Letter, Epiq will immediately notify the Clerk and the Debtors' attorney and cause all original proofs of claim and data turned over to such persons as directed by the Court.
- 14. After entry of an order terminating Epiq's services, Epiq shall deliver to the Clerk an electronic copy in pdf format of all proofs of claim. Once the electronic copy has been received by the Clerk, Epiq may destroy all proofs of claim in its possession sixty days after filing a Notice of Intent to Destroy on the Court's docket.
- 15. The terms and conditions of this Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 16. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Order nor any actions taken pursuant to the relief granted herein is intended or shall be construed as: (a) an implication or admission as to the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against a Debtor entity under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable non-bankruptcy law; (b) an impairment or waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's rights to dispute the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against, or interest in, any Debtor, its property, or its estate on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any claim; (d) an implication or admission that any claim is of a type specified or defined in the Motion, or in this Order granting the relief requested by the Motion, or a finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim or other priority claim; (e) a waiver of any claim or cause of action that may exist against any creditor or interest holder; (f) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise affecting the Debtors' rights under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code to assume or reject any executory contract or unexpired lease; (g) a waiver or limitation of the Debtors', or any other party in interest's, rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law; (h) an implication or admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability, or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance of property of the Debtors' estates; (i) a concession by the Debtors that any liens (contractual, common law, statutory, or otherwise) that may be satisfied pursuant to this Order are valid and the rights of all parties in interest are expressly reserved to contest the extent, validity, or perfection or seek avoidance of all such liens; (j) a waiver of the obligation of any party in interest to file a proof of claim; or (k) an impairment or waiver of any claims or causes of action that may exist against any entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law. Any payment made pursuant to this Order is not intended and should not be construed as an admission as to the validity or priority of any claim or a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's rights to subsequently dispute the extent, perfection, priority, validity, or amount of such claim.

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- 17. Nothing in the Motion or this Order waives or modifies the requirements of the RSA, including, without limitation, the consent and consultation rights contained therein.
- 18. The contents of the Motion satisfy the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6003(b) because the relief granted in this Final Order is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm to the Debtors' estates.
- 19. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order. The scope of Epiq's services may be altered only on further order of this Court.

Dated: April 4, 2024	
	LINITED STATES BANKRUPTCY HIDGE