

# **25 November 2016: The General Rapporteur of the *Autorité de la concurrence* confirms that unannounced inspections were carried out on 22 November in the sector of energy services and energy supply**

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On 22 November 2016, following information that has appeared in the press - which does not come from the *Autorité de la concurrence* - and following authorisation from the liberty and custody judge, the investigation services of the *Autorité de la concurrence* confirm having raided the premises of companies suspected of having engaged in possible anticompetitive practices in the energy services and energy supply sectors.

Such interventions do not, of course, pre-suppose the existence of a breach of the law which could be imputed to the companies involved in the alleged practices, which only a full investigation into the merits of the case could establish, if appropriate.

If the *Autorité* decides that there are no grounds to further investigate or closes the case to the benefit of the raided companies, it will inform the public thereof through a press release.

The *Autorité* will not comment on the matter.