

## Violation Risk Factors

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The Violation Risk Factors (VRF) for the proposed variance are as follows:

D.R1. (*Violation Risk Factor: High* [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*])

D.R2. (*Violation Risk Factor: High* [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*])

After reviewing the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Violation Risk Factors guidelines, the WECC-0135 Drafting Team set the VRF for both proposed requirements as “High.”

The “High” rating was set because failure to complete the assigned task could “directly cause or contribute to bulk electric system instability, separation, or a cascading sequence of failures, or could place the bulk electric system at an unacceptable risk of instability, separation, or cascading failures.”<sup>1</sup>

## Violation Severity Levels

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The Violation Severity Levels (VSL) for the proposed variance are as follows:

D.R1. Severe

D.R2. Severe

The WECC-0135 DT set a “Severe” level because the assigned task is binary. It must either be performed or not performed. Thus, a graded level of severity is not warranted.

Violation Severity Levels for the WECC Regional Variance				
D.R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
D.R1.				The Reliability Coordinator did not develop the methodology as required in D.R1.
D.R2.				The Reliability Coordinator did not implement the

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Resources/Documents/Violation\\_Risk\\_Factors.pdf](https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Resources/Documents/Violation_Risk_Factors.pdf)

Violation Severity Levels for the WECC Regional Variance				
D.R. #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
				methodology as required in D.R2.

