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Question:

Please provide the Company's current internal technical documentation, however titled (such documentation is commonly maintained by distribution utilities under titles such as "Distribution Planning Criteria" or "Distribution Planning Guidelines," though titles vary), that establishes the distribution planning criteria used by the Company's distribution planning engineers including:

a. the specific voltage, thermal, current-imbalance, and power-factor planning criteria and numerical thresholds (e.g., normal, long-time emergency, and, if applicable, short-time emergency ratings) applicable to the Company's feeders, substation transformers, and substations;
b. the specific process, including any monitoring, review, or approval steps, by which a feeder, substation transformer, or substation is flagged as having a thermal, voltage, current-imbalance, or N-1 contingency violation or constraint;
c. the specific process and criteria by which the Company develops, prioritizes, and selects remediation solutions (including non-wires alternatives) once a constraint is identified, including any risk-scoring methodology, cost thresholds, look-ahead periods, or sequencing rules.
d. If the Company does not maintain a single document of this kind, please provide all internal engineering standards, planning manuals, procedures, or guidelines that collectively provide this information. If the Company contends that any portion of the requested document(s) is confidential or proprietary, please produce it subject to an appropriate protective order rather than withholding it, and identify the specific basis for confidentiality as to each such portion.

Response:

Please refer to CLF-SC-023, Attachment 1, for the Eversource Distribution System Planning Guide 2020 Rev.0 for latest published planning guide.