



Veritiv

Locations: Georgia (HQ) Industries: Capital Goods



DESCRIPTION:

Veritiv is Medium Risk. The company often yields to political activism in shaping corporate governance, potentially alienating consumers, dividing employees, and harming shareholders. The company implements race and identity-based policies that replace merit, excellence, and integrity with preferential treatment and outcomes. Veritiv occasionally embraces corporate initiatives that redirect its central focus from business goals to partisan policies and divisive issues at times. This approach fails to safeguard free exercise, free speech, and free enterprise.

Corporate Weaponization

Has canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors due to their political views or religious beliefs OR Medium Risk corporately boycotts, divests, or sanctions regions, people groups, or industries.

Veritiv's received a score of 50 on the 2025 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group. The company recruits employees based on sexual identity issues. The company discriminates against vendors that do not promote divisive sex and gender policies, indicating it prioritizes sexual issues over merit (1)(2). However, the company has not publicly canceled customers, suppliers, or vendors based on political views or religious beliefs (3).

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate

High Risk against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs.

Veritiv's HRC 2025 CEI rating indicates the company will not donate to non-religious charities unless they embrace controversial sexual identity policies ($\underline{1}$)($\underline{2}$). However, the company does not appear to discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or beliefs ($\underline{3}$)($\underline{4}$).

Employment policies fail to protect against viewpoint or other discrimination and/or are High Risk ideological in nature.

Veritiv's HRC 2025 CEI rating indicates the company forces employees to attend multiple, controversial trainings on gender identity, sexual orientation, transgender issues, and divisive racial ideology (1)(2). The company provides trainings on unconscious and inclusive leadership for its employees (3). The company does not provide viewpoint protections for its employees (4).

Corporate Governance and Public Policy



Uses corporate reputation to support causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom of expression.

Medium Risk

Veritiv's CEO, Salvatore Abbate, signed the CEO Action for Diversity & Inclusion pledge, which includes a commitment to promote DEI through bias education training in the workplace (1)(2). The company scored an 80 out of 100 on the 2023-2024 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) from the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), a political stakeholder group (3)(4).

Uses corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom Lower Risk of expression.

Veritiv has not used corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies (1).

Uses corporate political actions and/or financial contributions for ideological, non-business purposes.

N/A

Veritiv does not operate a PAC or engage in lobbying at this time (1)(2)(3).

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