## [File-based Connector] System.IO.PathTooLongException

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Symptoms

File connector jobs failed one of below exceptions:

- System.IO.PathTooLongException,Message=The specified path, file name, or both are too long
- System.IO.DirectoryNotFoundException, and the path in the error message is longer than 248 chars
- RCA
  - Very long path is disabled on the IR machine
- Resolution

Customer can check if they can use option 1, if they can apply option 1, please go with option 2.

- Option 1, if the file path is a shared path like \\host\foldera\folderb\...\foldern, customer can go to the file server and try to share a sub folder out, then the path will be shorter like \host\foldern\
- Option 2, enable long path
  - If customer is using Azure IR, please suggest them to use self-hosted IR to work around it
  - Make sure self-hosted IR version is higher than 4.2.x.x
  - Go to the VM that host self-hosted IR and enable long paths on Windows by below steps

- Open Local Group Policy Editor by input "Edit group policy" in the Start bar or run "gpedit.msc" from the Run command (Windows-R).
- In the Local Group Policy Editor navigate to "Local Computer Policy: Computer Configuration: Administrative Templates: All Settings". In this location you can find "Enable Win32 long paths" an enable it as below
- Customer can try reboot the machine after changed

