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Welcome to the Enterprise Chat and Email (ECE) feature, which provides multichannel interaction software used by businesses all over the world as a core component to the Unified Contact Center Enterprise product line. ECE offers a unified suite of the industry's best applications for chat and email interaction management to enable a blended agent for handling of web chat, email and voice interactions.

About This Guide

Enterprise Chat and Email Deployment and Maintenance Guide discusses best practices for maintaining the Enterprise Chat and Email (ECE) installation. Intended for system and database administrators, this guide will help administrators to keep the installation in good health and to fine tune it to improve its performance.

This version of the guide is for installations that are integrated with Cisco Unified Contact Center Enterprise (Unified CCE) or Packaged CCE (PCCE).

Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

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Document Conventions

This guide uses the following typographical conventions.

Convention	Indicates
<i>Italic</i>	Emphasis. Or the title of a published document.
Bold	Labels of items on the user interface, such as buttons, boxes, and lists. Or text that must be typed by the user.
Monospace	The name of a file or folder, a database table column or value, or a command.
<i>Variable</i>	User-specific text; varies from one user or installation to another.


Document conventions

Other Learning Resources

Various learning tools are available within the product, as well as on the product CD and our web site. You can also request formal end-user or technical training.

Online Help

The product includes topic-based as well as context-sensitive help.

Use	To view
 Help button	Topics in <i>Enterprise Chat and Email Help</i> ; the Help button appears in the console toolbar on every screen.
F1 keypad button	Context-sensitive information about the item selected on the screen.

Online help options

Documentation

The latest versions of all Cisco documentation can be found online at <http://www.cisco.com>

The document set contains the following guides:

- ▶ *System Requirements for Enterprise Chat and Email*
- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Design Guide*
- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Installation Guide*
- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Browser Settings Guide*

User Guides for agents and supervisors

- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Agent's Guide*
- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Supervisor's Guide*

User guides for administrators

- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Administration Console*
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This chapter provides an overview of the process of setting up an integrated ECE–Unified CCE system. It includes a note about the relationship between objects in the two systems.

Relationship Between Objects in Unified CCE and ECE

This section provides a brief introduction to the relationship or “mapping” between objects that are used in both Unified CCE and ECE.

The following table provides a high-level view of the relationship between various objects.

Unified CCE object	Mapped in ECE to	Notes
Agent Supervisor Administrator	User	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ An agent belongs to a peripheral.▶ A peripheral belongs to an agent peripheral gateway (PG).
Skill group	User group	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ A skill group belongs to a peripheral.▶ A peripheral belongs to an agent PG.
Media routing domain (MRD)	Queue	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Multiple queues can belong to a single MRD.
Script selector	Queue	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ A script selector can belong to only one queue.

Typically, the mapping between these objects is set up by using the import feature available in the ECE Administration Console. Once imported, these objects can be viewed from the department level nodes for these objects (Queues, Users, and User Groups) in the Administration Console in ECE.



Important: If you are planning to have multiple departments in ECE, then ensure that you create department specific MRDs, skill groups, and script selectors.

Designing Your Installation

See the *Enterprise Chat and Email Design Guide* (for Unified CCE) to evaluate available deployment models and design the installation.

Installing Unified CCE



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE.

- ▶ Ensure that Unified CCE is installed and available for use. Verify that the following items are installed:
 - Unified CCE Instance
 - Call Router Side A
 - Call Router Side B (optional)
 - Logger Side A
 - Logger Side B (optional)
 - Primary Admin Workstation
 - Secondary Admin Workstation (optional)
 - Historic Data Server
 - Network Interface Controllers (NIC) (Only required for Pre-routing)
 - Agent Peripheral Gateway (Agent PG)
 - Media Routing Peripheral Gateway (MR PG)
 - CTI Server
 - CUIC Database
 - Java Telephony Application Programming Interface (JTAPI)
 - Cisco Finesse

See the following documents for help with installing and configuring the system:

- ▶ *Getting Started with Cisco Unified Contact Center Enterprise*
- ▶ *Cisco Unified Contact Center Enterprise Installation Guide*

Setting up Agent Desktops for Voice Call Routing

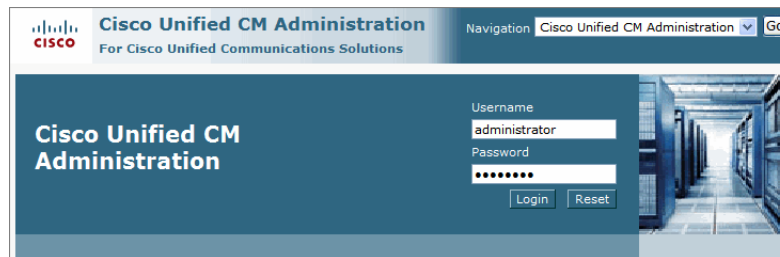
- ▶ Install IP Communicator on each agent's desktop, or configure an IP phone that communicates with Cisco Unified Communication Manager for the agent. Look at the following links for detailed instructions on installing and configuring IP Communicator and IP phones.
 - IP Communicator: <http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/sw/voicesw/ps5475/index.html>
 - IP Phone: <http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/hw/phones/ps379/index.html>

Configuring Cisco Unified Communication Manager for Routing Voice Calls

This section talks about how to configure phones, directory numbers, and end users from the Cisco Unified Communication Manager Administration user interface.

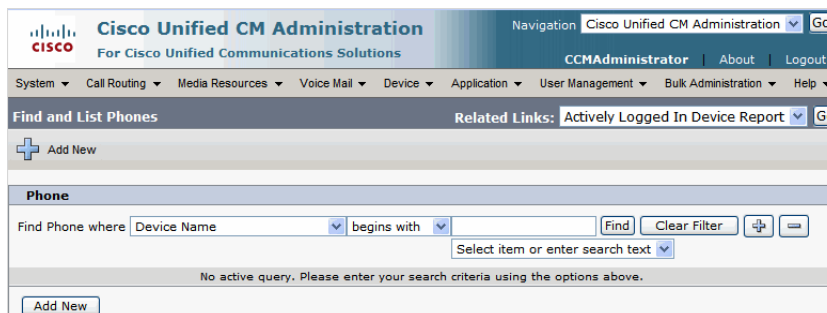
To configure Cisco Unified Communication Manager for routing voice calls:

1. Open a web browser and launch the URL: `http://Cisco Unified Communication Manager Server Name`.
2. On the page, click the link **Cisco Unified Communications Manager Administration**.
3. On the login page, provide the administrator username and password and click the **Login** button.



Login as an administrator

4. On the next page, from the **Device** menu, select **Phone**.
5. On the Find and List Phones page, click the **Add New** button.



Click the Add New button

6. On the Add a New Phone page, in the **Phone Type** field, select **Cisco IP Communicator** or the IP phone configured earlier on [page 12](#). Click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the 'Add a New Phone' configuration page in Cisco Unified CM Administration. The page includes a navigation menu at the top with options like System, Call Routing, Media Resources, Voice Mail, Device, Application, User Management, Bulk Administration, and Help. The main content area has a 'Next' button with a green arrow, a 'Status' section showing 'Status: Ready', and a 'Select the type of phone you would like to create' section. The 'Phone Type*' dropdown menu is currently set to 'Cisco IP Communicator'. A 'Next' button is located at the bottom of the form.

Select the phone type

7. On the Phone Configuration page, in the **Select the device protocol** field, select **SCCP**. Click **Next**.

The screenshot shows the 'Phone Configuration' page in Cisco Unified CM Administration. The page includes a navigation menu at the top with options like System, Call Routing, Media Resources, Voice Mail, Device, Application, User Management, Bulk Administration, and Help. The main content area has a 'Next' button with a green arrow, a 'Status' section showing 'Status: Ready', and a 'Select the type of phone you would like to create' section. The 'Product Type' is set to 'Cisco IP Communicator' and the 'Select the device protocol' dropdown menu is set to 'SCCP'. A 'Next' button is located at the bottom of the form.

Select the device protocol

- On the Phone Configuration page, provide the details for the new phone. Refer to **Help > This Page** for details about the fields. After providing all the required information, click the **Save** button.

The screenshot shows the 'Phone Configuration' page in Cisco Unified CM Administration. At the top, there is a navigation menu with options like System, Call Routing, Media Resources, Voice Mail, Device, Application, User Management, Bulk Administration, and Help. Below the navigation is a 'Save' button and a 'Related Links' section with 'Back To Find/List' and 'Go'. The main area contains a list of configuration fields, each with a dropdown menu and a 'View Details' link. The fields are: Device Pool* (dropdown: -- Not Selected --), Common Device Configuration (dropdown: < None >), Phone Button Template* (dropdown: -- Not Selected --), Softkey Template (dropdown: < None >), Common Phone Profile* (dropdown: Standard Common Phone Profile), Calling Search Space (dropdown: < None >), AAR Calling Search Space (dropdown: < None >), Media Resource Group List (dropdown: < None >), User Hold MOH Audio Source (dropdown: < None >), Network Hold MOH Audio Source (dropdown: < None >), Location* (dropdown: Hub_None), AAR Group (dropdown: < None >), User Locale (dropdown: < None >), Network Locale (dropdown: < None >), Built In Bridge* (dropdown: Default), Privacy* (dropdown: Default), Device Mobility Mode* (dropdown: Default), Owner User ID (dropdown: < None >), Phone Personalization* (dropdown: Default), and Services Provisioning* (dropdown: Default). There are also links for 'View Current Device Mobility Settings' and 'View Details' for several fields.

Configure the phone properties

- Next, from the **Call Routing** menu, select **Directory Number**.
- On the Find and List Directory Numbers page, click the **Add New** button.

The screenshot shows the 'Find and List Directory Numbers' page in Cisco Unified CM Administration. The page has a header with the Cisco logo and 'Cisco Unified CM Administration For Cisco Unified Communications Solutions'. Below the header is a navigation menu with options like System, Call Routing, Media Resources, Voice Mail, Device, Application, User Management, Bulk Administration, and Help. The main area is titled 'Find and List Directory Numbers' and features an 'Add New' button. Below this is a search interface with a dropdown menu for 'Directory Number' and a search criteria field. The search criteria is currently empty. There are buttons for 'Find', 'Clear Filter', and a search icon. Below the search interface is a message: 'No active query. Please enter your search criteria using the options above.' and an 'Add New' button.

Click the Add New button

- On the Directory Number Configuration page, provide the details for the new directory number. Refer to **Help > This Page** for details about the fields. After providing all the required information, click the **Save** button.

Configure the directory number properties

- Next, from the **User Management** menu, select **End User**.
- On the Find and List Users page, click the **Add New** button.

*Click the **Add New** button*

- On the End User Configuration page, provide the details for the new user. Refer to **Help > This Page** for details about the fields. After providing all the required information, click the **Save** button. Make sure you provide the following values in the **Controlled Devices** and **Primary Extension** fields.
 - Controlled Devices:** Select the phone configured in [Step 8](#).

- **Primary Extension:** Select the directory number configured in [Step 11](#).

The screenshot shows the Cisco Unified CM Administration interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Cisco logo and the text 'Cisco Unified CM Administration For Cisco Unified Communications Solutions'. Below this is a menu bar with options like 'System', 'Call Routing', 'Media Resources', 'Voice Mail', 'Device', 'Application', 'User Management', 'Bulk Administration', and 'Help'. The main content area is titled 'End User Configuration' and includes a 'Save' button, a 'Status' section showing 'Status: Ready', and a 'User Information' section with various input fields for user details.

Create a new user

Ensure that the new agent phone is associated with the user that was created while installing the Agent PG. For details, see the *Cisco Unified Contact Center Enterprise Installation Guide*.

Planning Unified CCE and Packaged CCE Configuration

To integrate Unified CCE or Packaged CCE with ECE, multiple objects have to be configured in Unified CCE. The specific objects that have to be configured will depend on the activities (email, chat etc.) supported by the integrated installation. This section describes the objects required for each activity type—inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback.

For deployments migrating from earlier Unified CCE or Packaged CCE versions with Unified EIM and WIM, customers can choose to create new Media Routing Domains and Media Classes for ECE or rename the existing EIM and WIM MRDs to match the ECE MRDs detailed in this guide, using the Media Routing Domain and Media Class List tools.

For Packaged CCE Installations

For Packaged CCE, ECE uses the application instance, **Multichannel**, and the **CUCM** type of Agent PG. MRDs that are Application Path members on the **Multichannel** application instance are automatically imported during

installation. Agents and skill groups, which belong to the CUCM type of Agent PG are imported during installation.

Unified and Packaged CCE customers who intend to use ECE must access Peripheral Gateway Setup on both CCE Call Servers to set up a Multichannel PIM that associates ECE with the MR PG (PG2). See [“Adding MR PIM for ECE” on page 19](#).

In addition to this, objects listed in this section should be configured in Packaged CCE.

The following objects must be configured in the order in which they are presented here. For configuration details, refer to the following section: [“Configuring Unified CCE or Packaged CCE” on page 20](#).

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The following objects must be configured in the order in which they are presented here. For configuration details, refer to the following section: [“Configuring Unified CCE or Packaged CCE” on page 20](#).

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16. Expanded Call Context (ECC) variables ([page 50](#))
17. Cisco Finesse ([page 60](#))

Adding MR PIM for ECE

To add MR PIM:

1. Sign into Unified CCE Administration and navigate to **System > Information**. Open the Peripheral Gateways tab to determine the Peripheral ID for a Multichannel peripheral that is unused.
2. Access the CCE Call Server on Side A.
3. From Cisco Unified CCE Tools, select **Peripheral Gateway Setup**.
4. On the Components Setup screen, in the Instance Components panel, select the PG2A Instance component for Side A. (Select PG2B for Side B.) Then click **Edit**.
5. In the Peripheral Gateways Properties screen, click **Media Routing**. Then click **Next**.
6. Click **Yes** at the prompt to stop the service.
7. In the Peripheral Interface Manager pane of the Peripheral Gateway Component Properties dialog box, click **Add**, select **PIM1**, and configure with the Client Type of Media Routing as follows:
 - a. Check **Enabled**.
 - b. In the Peripheral name field, enter **MR**.
 - c. In the Peripheral ID field, enter the Peripheral ID for the unused Multichannel peripheral that you identified in Step 1.
 - d. In the Application Hostname (1), field, enter the hostname or the IP address of the Unified WIM and EIM services server machine.
 - e. In the Application Connection Port (1), field, enter the port number on the Unified WIM and EIM services server machine that the PIM will use to communicate with the application. The default port is 38001.
 - f. In the Application Hostname (2), field, leave the field blank.
 - g. In the Application connection port (2), field, leave the field blank.
 - h. In the Heartbeat interval (sec) field, enter **5**.
 - i. In the Reconnect interval (sec) field, enter **10**.
 - j. Click **OK**.
8. Accept defaults and click **Next** until the Setup Complete screen opens.
9. At the Setup Complete screen, check **Yes** to start the service. Then click **Finish**.
10. Click **Exit Setup**.
11. Repeat from Step 1 for the CCE Call Server on Side B.

Adding ECE to Packaged CCE Inventory

Deployments using ECE with Packaged CCE must add ECE to the system inventory as an external machine.

To add ECE

1. Navigate to **Web Administration > System > Deployment**.
2. Click **Add Machine**.
3. Select **Enterprise Chat and Email** from the drop-down list.
4. Add the name.
5. Add the hostname or IP address of the ECE Services Server.
6. Click **Save**.

Configuring Unified CCE or Packaged CCE

This section describes the process of configuring Unified CCE objects that are required for the integration with ECE. These objects must be configured in the order in which they are presented here. For details of these objects refer to the Online Help and printed documentation for Unified CCE.

Most of the tasks in this section are explained using the desktop version of the Configuration Manager. For Packaged CCE, you will perform these tasks using the CCE Web Administration page.

Configuring Application Instance



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

Application instances are configured for each installation of a multi-media feature in the configuration.

Configure a single application instance for integrating with ECE. This application instance is used for inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities.

To configure an application instance:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Application Instance List**.
3. Double-click **Application Instance List**.
4. In the Application Instance List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, in the Application Instance section, click **Add**.

A new entry is created in the Application Instance section and the Attributes tab becomes editable.

5. On the Attributes tab, provide the following details:

- **Name:** Provide a name for the application instance.
- **Application key:** Provide a unique value for the key. Please note that ECE uses the application instance name and not the application key to connect to Unified CCE.
- **Application type:** Set it to **<Other>**.
- **Permission level:** Set it to **Read only**.

Click **Save**.

Configure the application instance

About Media Classes



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

A media class defines the type of requests you want to set up for routing on Unified CCE. Configure a media class for each media supported by the ECE deployment. A media class is required for creating MRDs. It helps categorize the MRDs based on media type (email, for example).

Create the following media classes:

- ▶ An email media class for inbound emails.
- ▶ An email media class for outbound emails.
- ▶ A chat media class for chat.
- ▶ Callback and Delayed callback use the existing `Cisco_Voice` media class, which is already created by the system.

Once a media-class for a particular media is created, all other objects required for that media class must also be configured.

Configuring Media Classes

To configure a media class:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Media Class List**.
3. Double-click **Media Class List**.
4. In the Media Class List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, in the Media Class section, click **Add**.

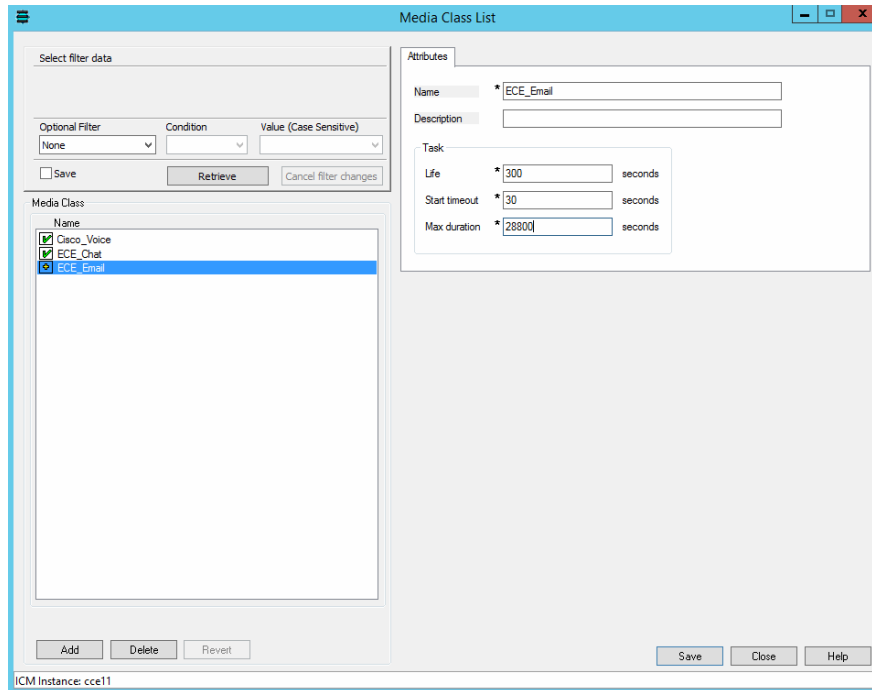
A new entry is created in the Media Class section and the Attributes tab becomes editable.

5. On the Attributes tab, provide the following details:
 - **Name:** Provide a name for the media class. If the media class is meant to be used in ECE, use one of the following names. Note that the names of media classes are case sensitive. Make sure that you use the exact names as provided here.
 - ECE_Email (for inbound email)
 - ECE_Outbound (for outbound email)
 - ECE_Chat (for chat)

Media classes are set in the ECE partition level setting - Media Classes - as ECE_Email, ECE_Outbound, and ECE_Chat. If you use names other than these, you must change them in the partition level setting from the ECE Administration Console. Note that the names of media classes are case sensitive.

In the Task section, set the following.

- **Life:** Set the value to **300** seconds.
 - **Start timeout:** Set the value to **30** seconds.
 - **Max Duration:** Set the value to **28800** seconds.
6. Click **Save**.



Configure media classes

Configuring Media Routing Domains (MRDs)



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

An MRD is a collection of skill groups and services that are associated with a common communication medium. Unified CCE uses an MRD to route tasks to agents who are associated with a skill group and a particular medium. A media routing domain is created in Unified CCE for mapping to queues in ECE.

Create the following media routing domains:

- ▶ For inbound email media class, create an email media routing domain.
- ▶ For outbound email media class, create an email media routing domain.
- ▶ For chat, create a chat media routing domain.
- ▶ For callback and delayed callback, use the existing voice media routing domain (Cisco_Voice) created by the system.



Important: If you are planning to have multiple departments in ECE, then ensure that you create department specific MRDs.

To configure a media routing domain:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Media Routing Domain List**.

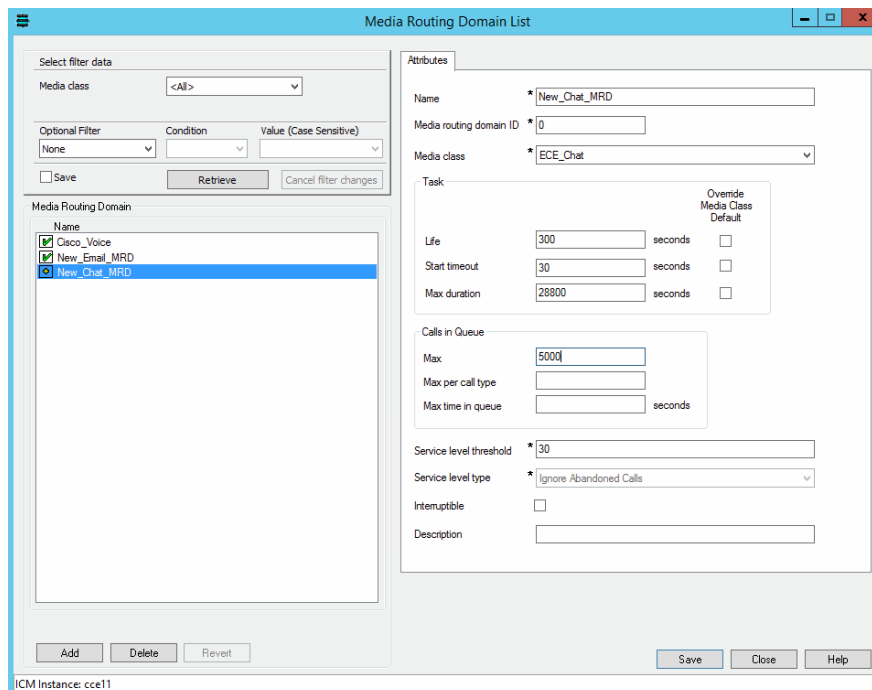
3. Double-click **Media Routing Domain List**.
4. In the Media Routing Domain List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, in the Media Routing Domain section, click **Add**.

A new entry is created and the Attributes tab becomes editable.

5. On the Attributes tab, provide the following details:
 - **Name:** Provide a name for the media routing domain.
 - **Media class:** Select a media class created for ECE (page 22). Make sure that you select the correct media class for the MRD. For example:
 - For inbound email MRD, select the ECE_Email media class.
 - For outbound email MRD, the ECE_Outbound media class.
 - For chat MRD, select the ECE_Chat media class.
 - **Interruptible:** Select this option while creating MRDs for inbound and outbound emails.

In the Calls in Queue section, set the following:

- **Max:** Defines the maximum number of activities to be queued for the MRD. The recommended value for this setting is 5000. However, the maximum value for email activities can be set to 15000. For all other activities, this value should not be set more than 5000.
6. Click **Save**.



Configure media routing domains

Configuring Network VRU



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

A Network VRU is required for supporting incoming activities to Unified CCE. Note that this Network VRU configuration has no relationship with any physical Network VRU existing in your environment.

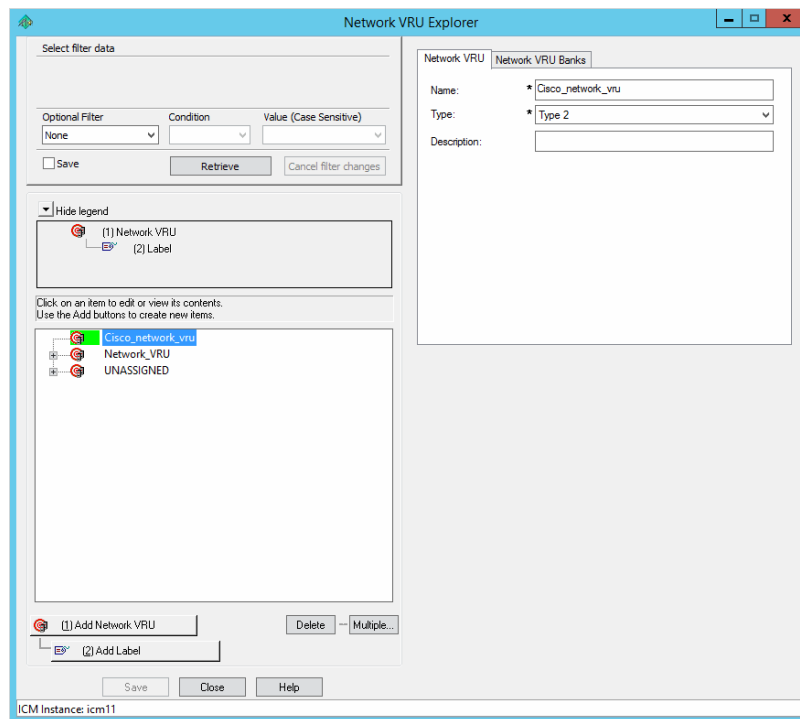
Configure a single Network VRU for ECE. This network VRU is used by inbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities. It is not required for outbound email activities.

To configure a Network VRU:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > Explorer Tools > Network VRU Explorer**.
3. Double-click **Network VRU Explorer**.
4. In the Network VRU window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, click **[1] Add Network VRU**.

A new entry is created and a new set of tabs appear.

5. On the Network VRU tab, provide the following details:
 - **Name:** Provide a name for the network VRU.
 - **Type:** Set it to **Type 2**.



Configure network VRU

6. Click **Save**.

Configuring Network VRU Scripts



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

Configure Network VRU scripts if you want to display dynamic content to chat customers (for example, wait time, activity ID, etc) while chat requests are being processed by the system. This is an optional feature. The dynamic messages are configured in ECE (See [page 68](#) for details). The name of the Network VRU script that is configured here is used while configuring the dynamic messages.

Network VRU scripts need to be configured only for chat, callback, and delayed callback activities.

For packaged CCE: This task is performed from the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL:
`https://Server_Name/cceadmin/`

To configure a Network VRU script:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Network VRU Script List**.
3. In the Network VRU Script List window, create a script and select the Network VRU created for ECE ([page 25](#)).

Create a Network VRU script

4. Click the **Save** button.

Configuring Call Types

A call type is required to categorize a dialed number (for voice) or a script selector (for email). Call types are used in configuring routing scripts.

Individual call types are required for the following activities: inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities. Make sure you complete these steps for each type of activity.

For packaged CCE: This task is performed from the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL:
`https://Server_Name/cceadmin/`

To configure a call type:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Call Type List**.
3. Double-click **Call Type List**.
4. In the Call Type List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, in the Call Type section, click **Add**.

A new entry is created and the Attributes tab becomes editable.

5. On the Attributes tab, in the **Name** field, provide a name for the call type. Click **Save**.

Provide the name of the call type

Configuring Media Routing Peripheral Gateways (MR PGs)



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

An MR PG handles new activity routing requests initiated by ECE, over the connection established by the embedded MR PIM (side A or side B). The MR PG provides routing instructions to ECE, while the Agent PG is used to report agent state and status to Unified CCE. Also note that agents are not configured on MR PG. They are always configured on the Agent PG.

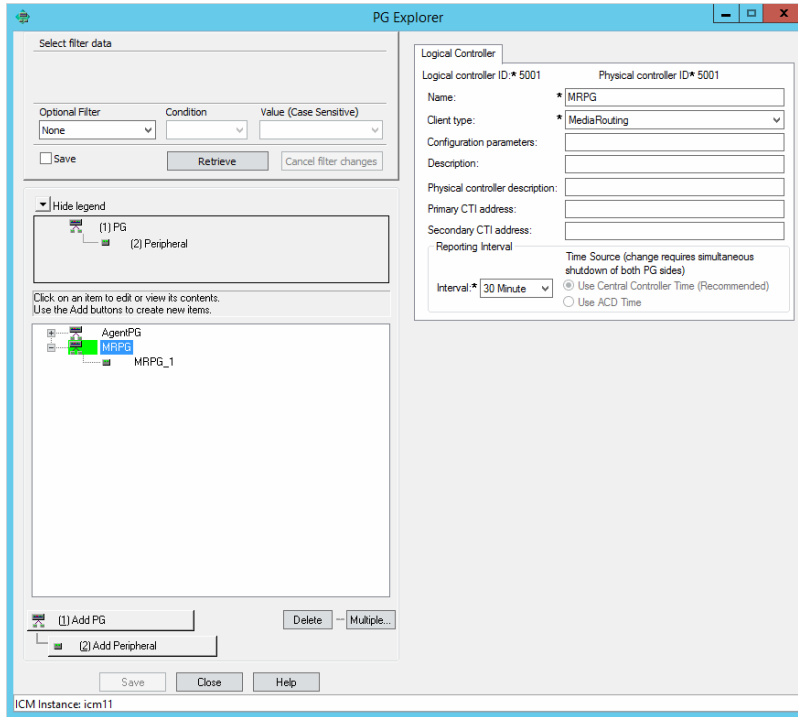
Configure a single MR PG for ECE. This MR PG is used for inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities.

The MR PG configuration involves three steps:

- ▶ Configuring MR PG using the Configuration Manager: The details are described in this section.
- ▶ Installing MR PG: For details, see the Unified CCE Installation Guide.
- ▶ Creating MR PIM for the installed MR PG: You need to create a single MR PIM for ECE. For details, see the Unified CCE Installation Guide. While creating the MR PIM, you are asked to provide the Application Connection Port number. As a best practice, use a port number that is greater than 2000. This port number is required while configuring the External Agent Assignment Server (EAAS) ([page 67](#)).

To configure a media routing peripheral gateway (MR PG):

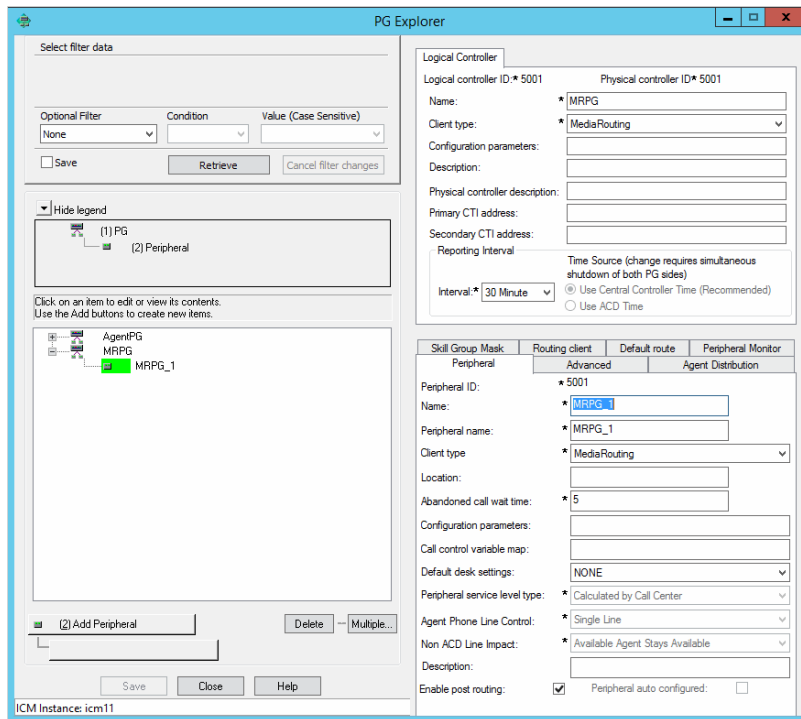
1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > Explorer Tools > PG Explorer**.
3. Double-click **PG Explorer**.
4. In the PG Explorer window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, click **[1] Add PG**.
5. On the Logical Controller tab, provide the following details:
 - **Name:** Provide a name for the media routing peripheral gateway.
 - **Client type:** Set it to **MediaRouting**.



Configure an MR PG

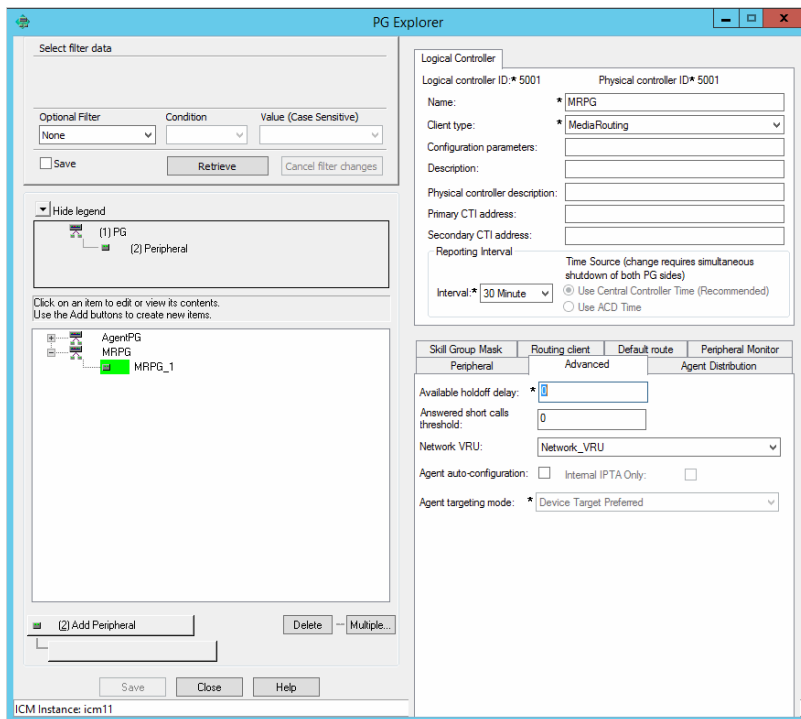
6. Click **[2] Add Peripheral**.
A new set of tabs appear.
7. On the Peripheral tab, provide the following details:
 - **Client type:** Select **MediaRouting**.
 - **Default desk settings:** Select **None**.

- **Enable Post Routing:** Select the option.



Enable post routing

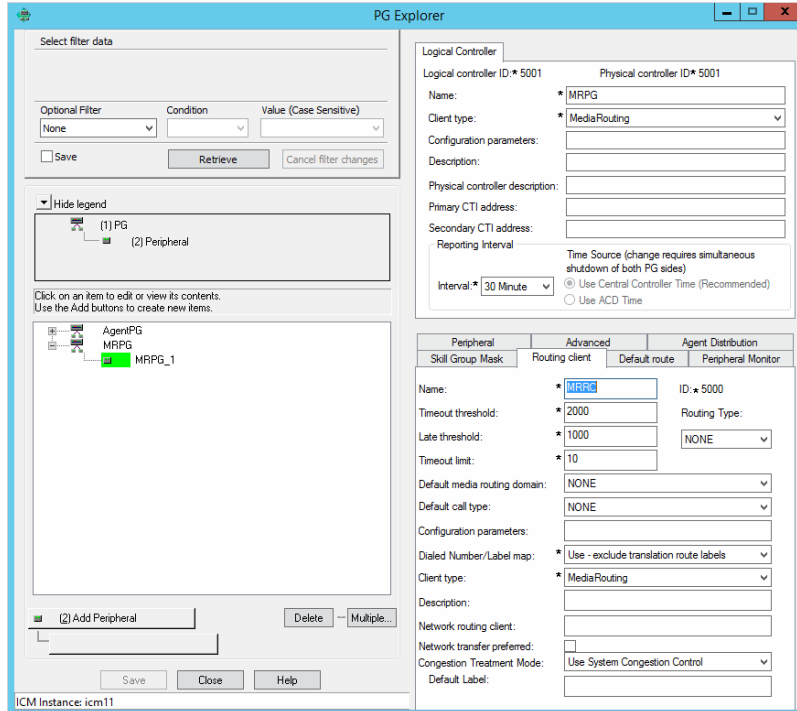
8. On the Advanced tab, in the **Network VRU** field, from the dropdown list, select the Network VRU configured for ECE (page 25).



Select a network VRU

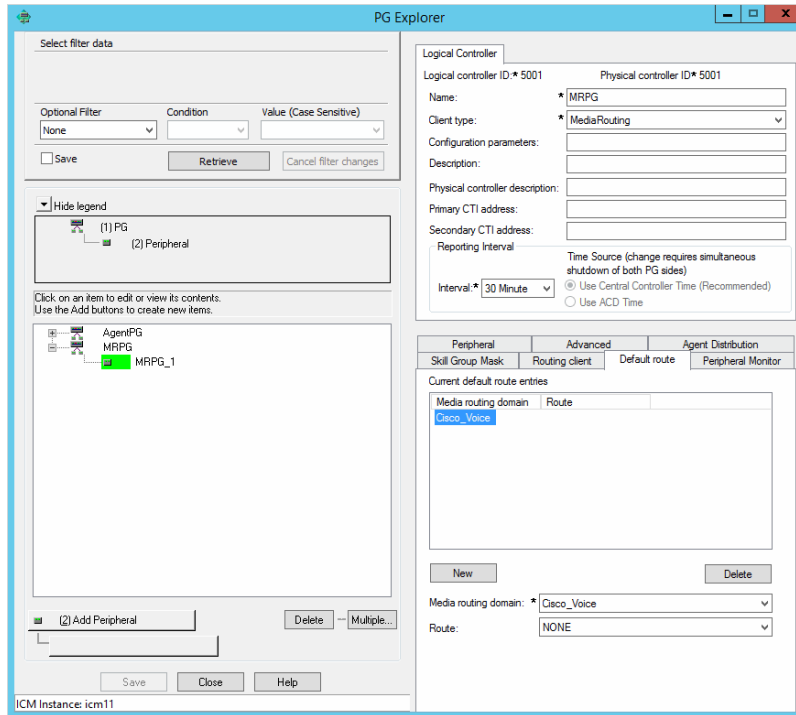
9. On the Routing client tab, provide the following details:
 - **Name:** Provide a name for the routing client.
 - **Default media routing domain:** From the dropdown list, select **None**.
 - **Default call type:** From the dropdown list, select **None**.
 - **Client type:** Set it to **MediaRouting**.

Click **Save**.



Configure routing client

- On the Default route tab, in the **Media Routing Domain** field, ensure that the Route: field is set to None.



Configure an MR PG

- Click **Save**. Note down the Logical controller ID generated in the Logical Controller tab. It is needed while configuring MR PIM.



Important: Now install the MR PG and configure the MR PIM. For more information, see the [Unified CCE Installation Guide](#).

Configuring Agent Desk Settings



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

Agent desk settings are a common set of properties for a group of agents working on voice call requests. This is required for configuring an Agent PG. At least one Agent Desk Setting must be configured for ECE.

To configure agent desk settings:

- Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
- In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Agent Desk Settings List**.
- Double-click **Agent Desk Settings List**.
- In the Agent Desk Settings List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, in the Agent Desk Settings section, click **Add**.

A new entry is created and the Attributes tab becomes editable.

5. On the Attributes tab, in the **Name** field, provide a name for the agent desk setting group. Click **Save**.

Provide the name of the agent desk settings group

Configuring Agent Peripheral Gateway (Agent PG)



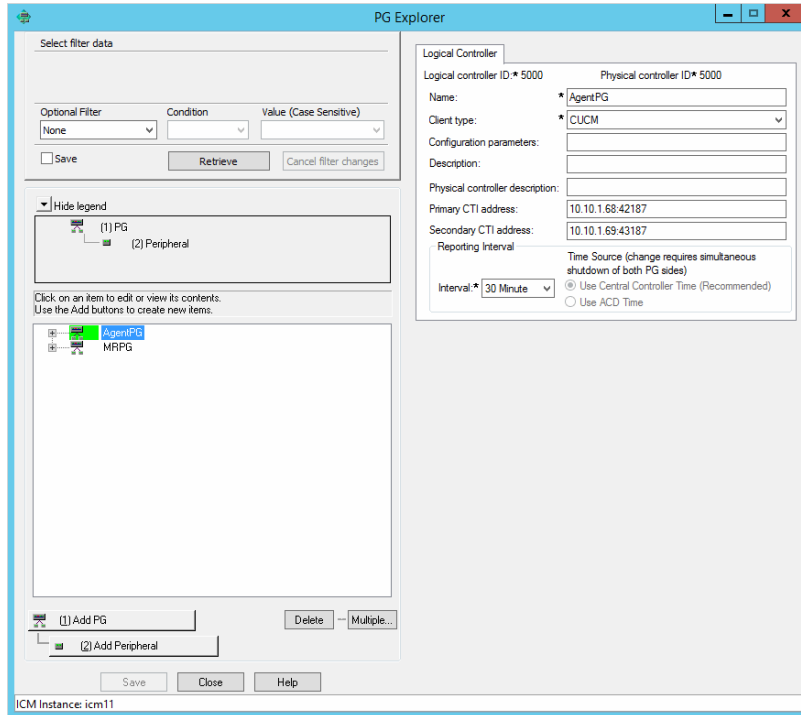
Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

An Agent PG is required for creating one or more peripherals that manage agent distribution within Unified CCE. Configure an Agent PG using the Configuration Manager and then install it on the appropriate machine. These Agent PGs are used for inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities. Note that you can also use an existing Agent PG if it is of the type Call Manger/Soft ACD.

To configure an agent peripheral gateway:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > Explorer Tools > PG Explorer**.
3. Double-click **PG Explorer**.
4. In the PG Explorer window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, click **[1] Add PG**.
5. On the Logical Controller tab, provide the following details:
 - **Name:** Provide a name for the agent peripheral gateway.
 - **Client type:** Set it to **CUCM** or **Generic**.

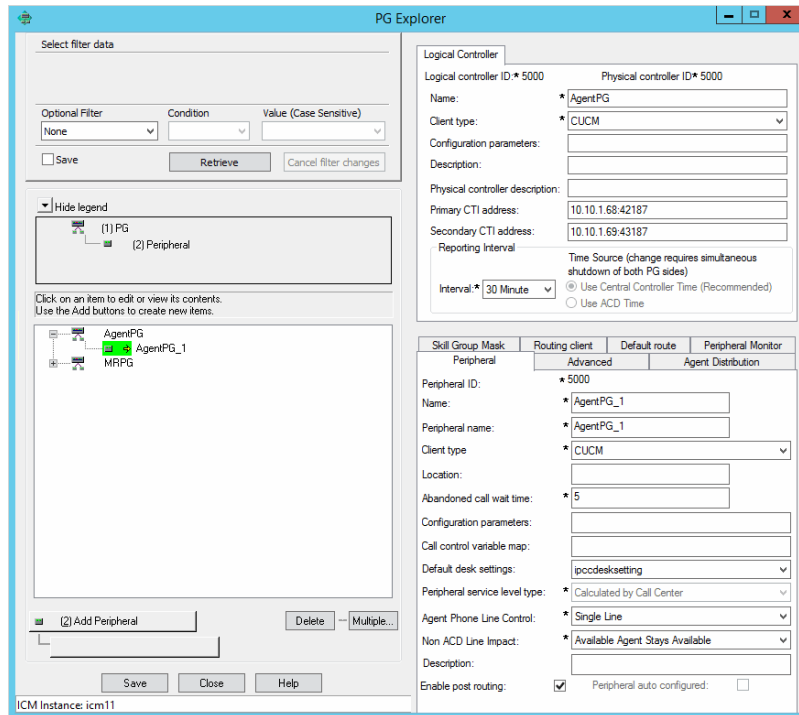
- **Primary CTI address:** Provide the address of the primary CTI server in the format *IP_Address:Port_Number*. You can either provide the IP address, or the host name.
- **Secondary CTI address:** Provide the address of the secondary CTI server in the format *IP_Address:Port_Number*. You can either provide the IP address, or the host name. The secondary CTI address is needed only if the Unified CCE system is duplexed.



Configure agent PG

6. Click **[2] Add Peripheral**.
A new set of tabs appear.
7. On the Peripheral tab, do the following:
 - **Default desk settings:** From the dropdown list, select the agent desk settings configured for ECE (page 32).

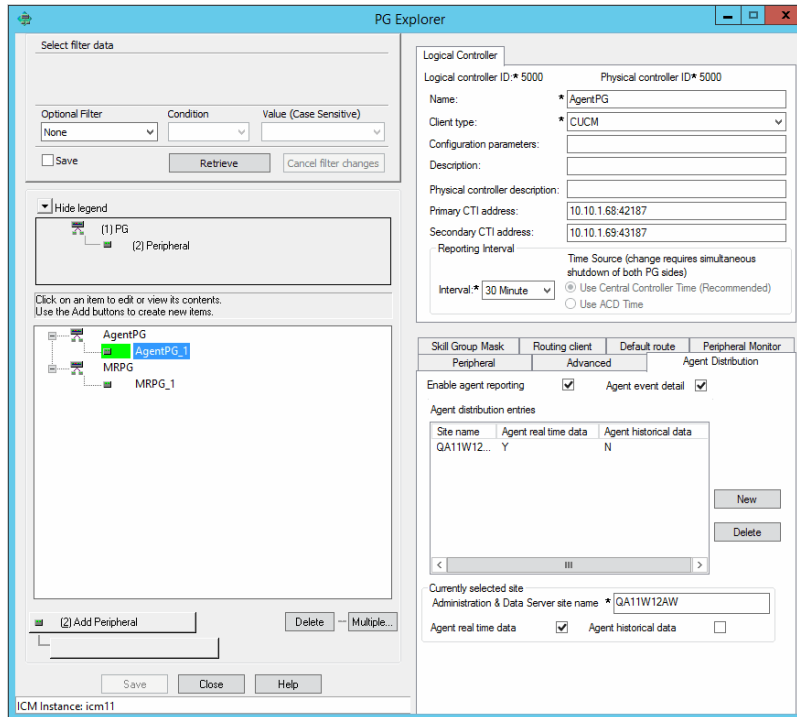
- **Enable post routing:** Select the option.



Select agent desk settings

8. On the Routing client tab, in the **Name** field, provide a name for the routing client.
9. On the Agent Distribution tab, do the following:
 - a. Click **New**.
 - b. Select the **Enable agent reporting** option.
 - c. Select the **Agent event detail** option.
 - d. In the Currently Selected Site section, set the following:
 - **Administration & Data Server site name:** Provide the host name of the machine where distributor is installed.
 - **Agent Real time data:** Select the option.

10. Click **Save**.



Configure agent distribution

Configuring Application Path

An application path is required to open a communication channel with a CTI server associated with an Agent PG. It is used for agent and task status reporting. For each Agent PG, create an application path that ECE will use to connect to the Agent PG.

Create a single application path and add all the MRD-peripheral combinations for the Agent PG to the application path member list. The application path is used for inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities.

Access to the application object filter is restricted. Log in as a super user to enable or disable the application object filter. For details about the super user password, see the *Configuration Guide* for Cisco Unified ICM/Contact Center Enterprise and Hosted available at

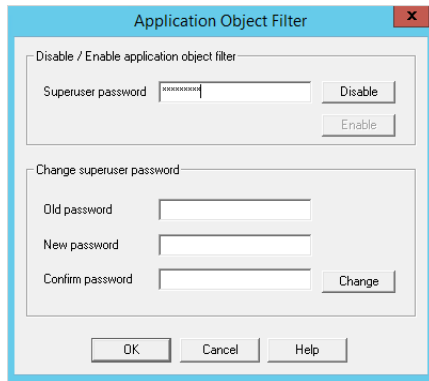
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To configure an application path:

If you are using packaged CCE, skip to step 11 in this section.

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, from the menu, go to **Options > Application Object Filter**.

3. In the Application Object Filter window, in the Disable / Enable application object filter section, in the **Superuser password** field, provide the password of the superuser and click the **Disable** button. Click **OK**.



Provide the password of the superuser

4. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Application Path List**.
5. Double-click **Application Path List**.
6. In the Application Path List window, in the Select filter data section, in the Application Instance field select the application instance configured for ECE ([page 20](#)). Click **Retrieve**.
7. In the Application Path section, click **Add**.

A new entry is created and the Attributes tab becomes editable.

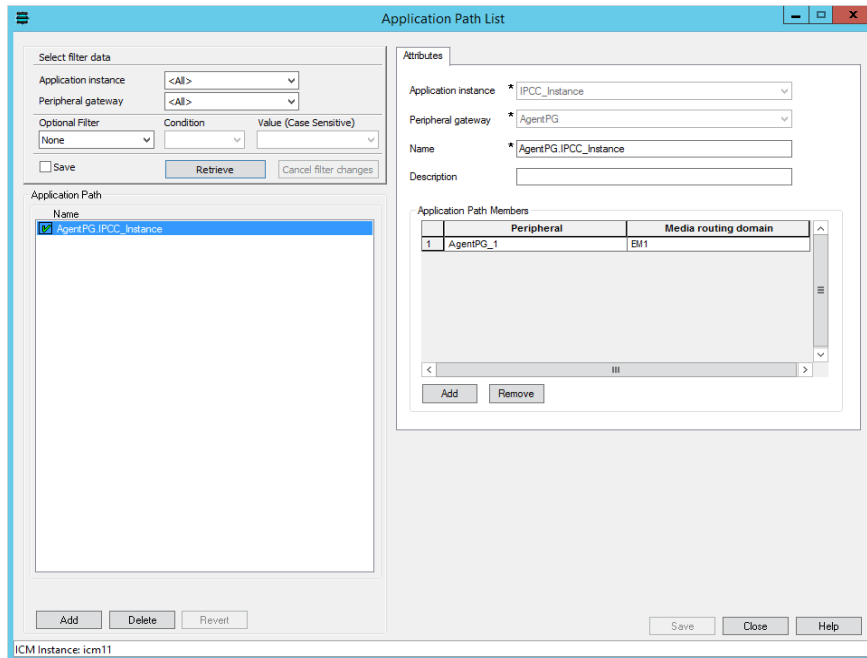
8. On the Attributes tab, provide the following details:
 - **Application Instance:** From the dropdown list, select the application instance configured for ECE ([page 20](#)).
 - **Peripheral Gateway:** From the dropdown list, select an agent peripheral gateway configured for ECE ([page 33](#)).
 - **Name:** This field is auto-populated.

In the Application Path Members section, click the **Add** button and set the following:

- **Peripheral:** From the dropdown list, select the agent peripheral configured for ECE ([page 33](#)).
- **Media routing domain:** From the dropdown list, select an MRD configured for ECE ([page 23](#)).

Add all the MRD-peripheral combinations for the Agent PG to the application path member list.

Click **Save**.



Configure application path

9. In the Configuration Manager window, go to **Options > Application Object Filter**.
10. In the Application Object Filter window, in the Disable / Enable application object filter section, click the **Enable** button. Click **OK**.

If you are using packaged CCE, complete the following task to configure application path. Create a single application path and add all the peripheral-MRD combinations for the generic PG to the application path member list. You do not need to add the voice MRD (Cisco_Voice) to this list.

11. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Application Path List**.
12. Double-click Application Path List.
13. In the Name field, click **Retrieve**. Then click **Add** to display the Attributes panel.
14. In the Application Instance field, select **MultiChannel**.
15. In the Name field, select **Generic_PG_MultiChannel**.
16. In the Application Path Members section, click Add and set the following:
 - From the Peripheral drop-down list, select CUCM_PG1. In the Media Routing Domain field, enter ECE_Email.
 - From the Peripheral drop-down list, select CUCM_PG1. In the Media Routing Domain field, enter ECE_Outbound.
 - From the Peripheral drop-down list, select CUCM_PG1. In the Media Routing Domain field, enter ECE_Chat.
17. Click **Save**.

Configuring Agents

An agent is created in Unified CCE for mapping to users in ECE. Create all agents for whom routing or reporting is done in Unified CCE. If you plan to use Precision Routing, you need to assign attributes to agents. For details, see [“Assigning Attributes to Agents” on page 53](#).

Create agents for handling inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities.

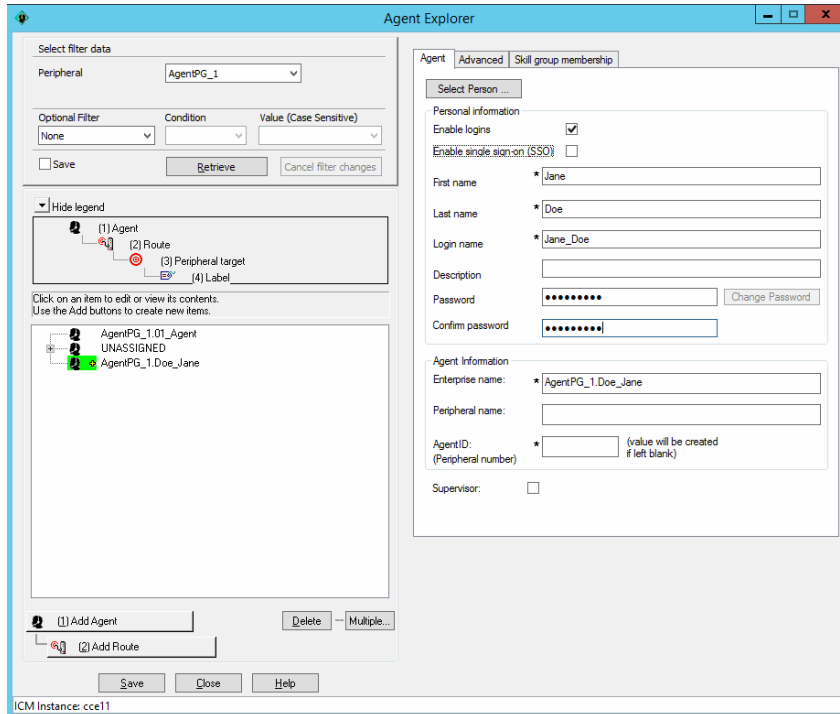
For packaged CCE: This task is performed from the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL:
`https://Server_Name/cceadmin/`

To configure an agent:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > Explorer Tools > Agent Explorer**.
3. Double-click **Agent Explorer**.
4. In the Agent Explorer window, in the Select filter data section, in the **Peripheral** field select an agent peripheral. Click **Retrieve**.
5. Click the **[1]Add Agent** button.

A new entry is created and a new set of tabs appear.

6. On the Agent tab, provide the following details:
 - **Enable logins:** Select the option.
 - **Enable Single sign-on (SSO):** Select this option if you want to use single sign-on for the agent. Password fields are disabled if you select this option.
 - **First name:** Provide the first name.
 - **Last name:** Provide the last name.
 - **Login name:** Provide the login name for the agent. For callback and delayed callback agents, the login name should match the User ID provided while configuring End users from the Cisco Unified Communication Manager Administration user interface ([page 16](#)).
 - **Password:** Provide the password for the agent. Make sure the password does not contain the following characters: = (equal to) and ; (semicolon) as ECE does not allow the users to login if these characters are present in the passwords. Password fields are disabled if single sign-on option is selected for the agent.
 - **Enterprise name:** This field is auto-populated.
7. Click **Save**.



Configure an agent

Configuring Skill Groups



Important: If you are planning to have multiple departments in ECE, then ensure that you create department specific skill groups.

A skill group is created in Unified CCE for mapping to user groups in ECE. The skill group members (agents) are administered and managed in Unified CCE. A skill group (with associated skill group members) is used in scripts to facilitate routing through Unified CCE to the skill group. This is used for inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities.

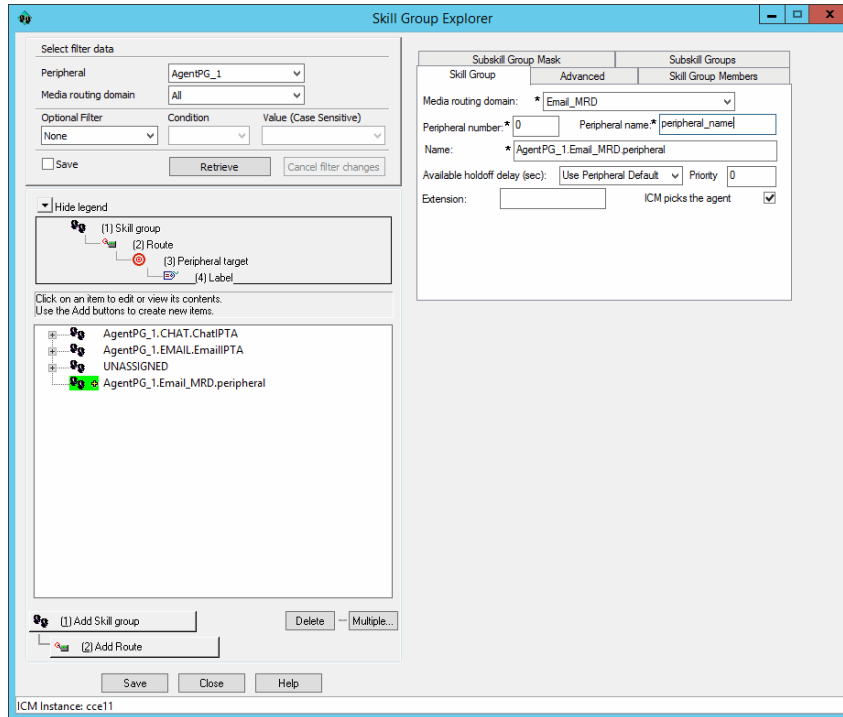
For packaged CCE: This task is performed from the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL:
https://Server_Name/cceadmin/

To configure a skill group:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > Explorer Tools > Skill Group Explorer**.
3. Double-click **Skill Group Explorer**.
4. In the Skill Group Explorer window, in the Select filter data section, select an agent peripheral. Click **Retrieve**.
5. Click the **[1]Add Skill group** button.

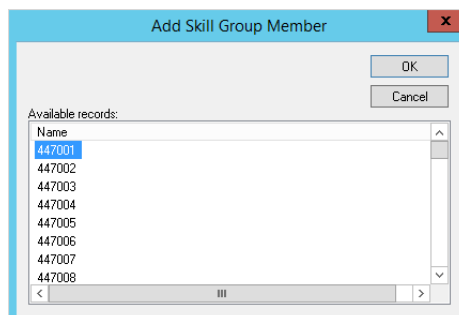
A new entry is created and a new set of tabs appear.

6. On the Skill Group tab, provide the following details:
 - **Media routing domain:** From the dropdown list, select an MRD configured for ECE (page 23).
 - **Peripheral number:** Provide a unique peripheral number.
 - **Peripheral name:** Provide a name for the skill group.
 - **Name:** This field is auto-populated.
 - **ICM picks the agent:** Select the option.



Configure the properties of a skill group

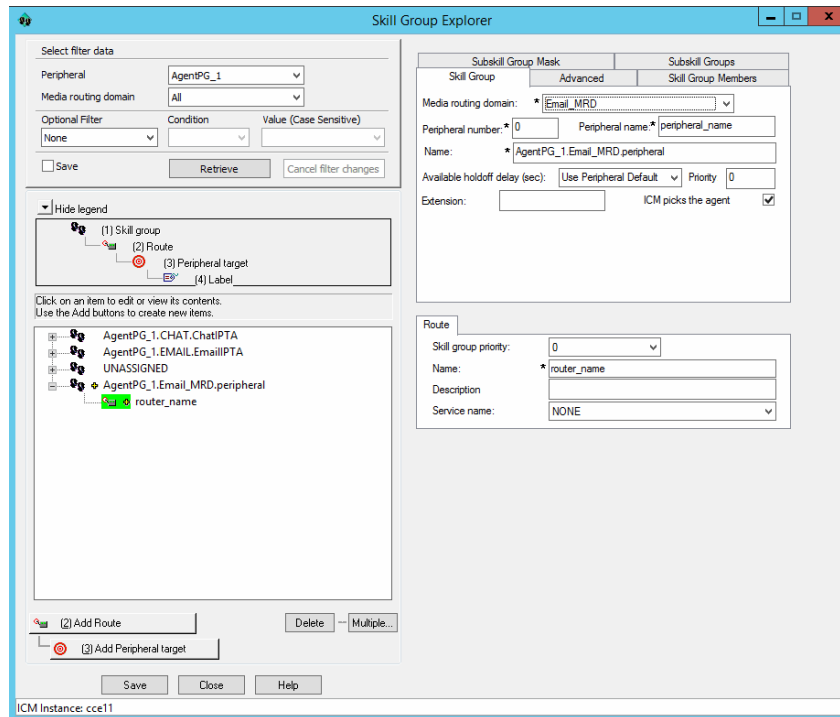
7. On the Skill Group Members tab, do the following:
 - a. Click the **Add** button.
 - b. From the Add Skill Group Member window, select the agents to be added in the skill group. Click **OK**.



Select members for the skill group

8. Click the **Add Route** button.
A new tab appears.

- On the Route tab, in the **Name** field provide the name for the route and click **Save**.



Provide the name of the route

Configuring Dialed Number/Script Selectors

A script selector is a keyword that identifies the routing script for an activity request from ECE to Unified CCE. Script selectors are used in routing scripts as part of the **Dialed Number** node.

Individual script selectors are required for the following activities: inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities. Make sure to complete these steps for each type of activity.



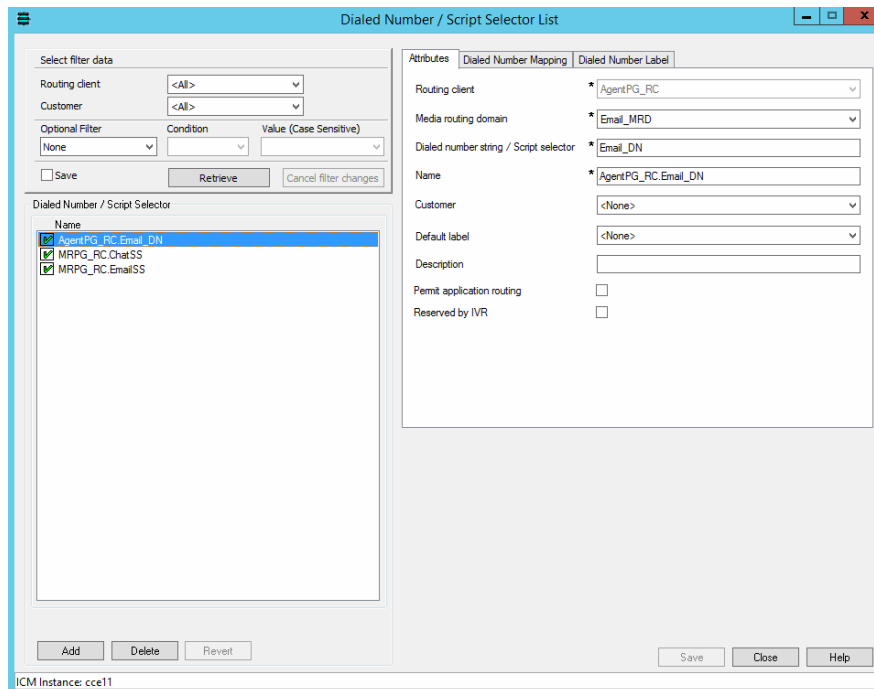
Important: If you are planning to have multiple departments in ECE, then ensure that you create department specific script selectors.

For packaged CCE: This task is performed from the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL:
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To configure a script selector:

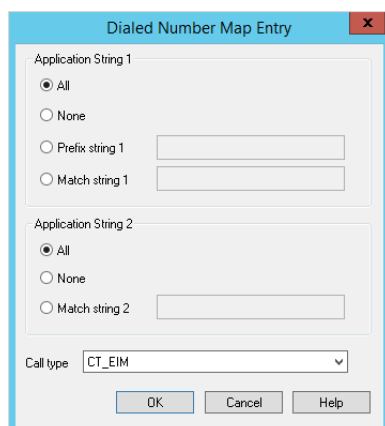
- Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
- In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Dialed Number/ Script Selector List**.
- Double-click **Dialed Number/ Script Selector List**.
- In the Dialed Number/ Script Selector List window, in the Select filter data section, in the Routing client field select the routing client configured for MR PG (page 31). Click **Retrieve**.

5. In the Dialed Number/ Script Selector section, click **Add**.
A new entry is created and the Attributes tab becomes editable.
6. On the Attributes tab, provide the following details:
 - **Routing client:** From the dropdown list, select the routing client configured for the MR PG in step 9 in “Configuring Media Routing Peripheral Gateways (MR PGs)” on page 28.
 - **Media routing domain:** From the dropdown list, select the MRD configured for ECE (page 23).
 - **Name:** Provide a name for the script selector.



Configure script selector

7. Click the Dialed Number Mapping tab. Click **Add**.
8. On the Dialed Number Map Entry window, associate the script selector with a call type.



Map call type

9. Click **OK** to save the entry. Then click **Save** to save the script selector configuration.

Creating Scripts

A routing script determines the path and target object for an activity routed from ECE to Unified CCE. Individual routing scripts are required for the following activities: inbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities. Make sure to complete these steps for all these activities. You do not need routing scripts for outbound email activities.

Universal queues and Precision queues can be used in the scripts configured for ECE. Precision queues cannot be used if you are using Unified CCE 11.0(1) version.

For details about creating universal queues, see the *Scripting and Media Routing Guide* for Unified CCE available at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/sw/custcosw/ps1844/products_user_guide_list.html. Make sure to use the guide that matches the version of the product that you are using. To find the right version, refer to the *Cisco Unified Contact Center Enterprise (Unified CCE) Software Compatibility Guide* available at http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/sw/custcosw/ps1844/products_device_support_tables_list.html.

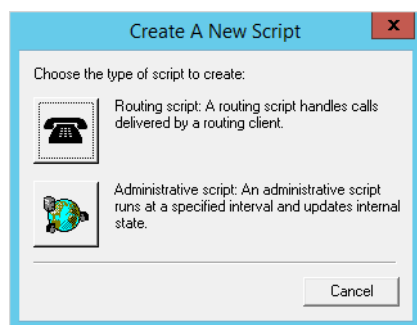
For details about configuring Precision Routing, see “[Configuring Precision Routing](#)” on page 52.

To use the Personalized Activity Assignment feature available in ECE, you need to create some additional objects (Enterprise Skill Groups and Enterprise Routes) and the scripts need to be configured a certain way. For details, see “[Creating Objects in Unified CCE for Personalized Activity Assignment](#)” on page 55.

The following procedure shows how to set up a particular script. To find out more about setting up different types of scripts to meet your routing requirements, see the *Scripting and Media Routing Guide* for Unified CCE.

To create a script:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Script Editor**.
2. In the Script Editor window, click the **New** button.
3. In the Create A New Script window, select the **Routing script** option.



Select the **Routing Script** option

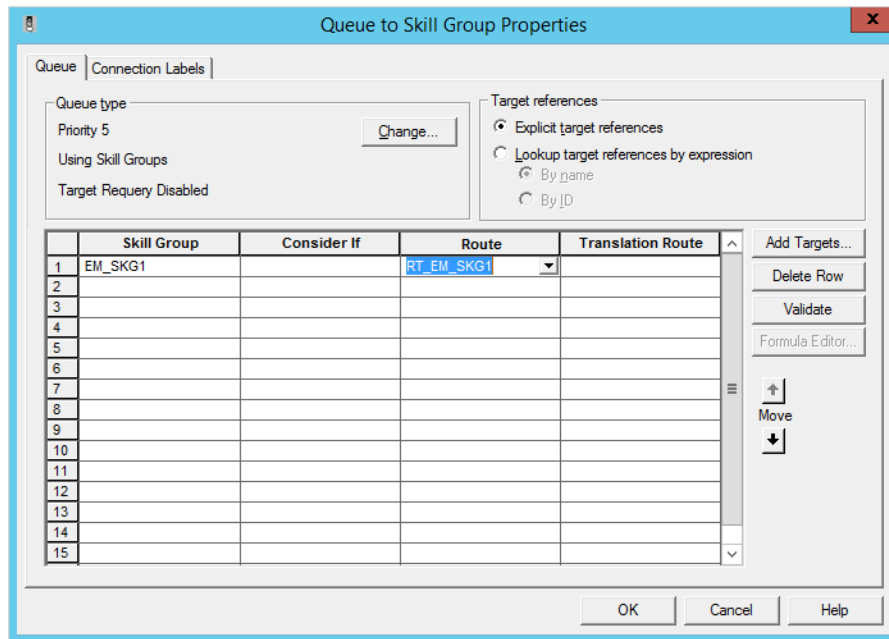
A new script editor opens. The Start node is added by default to the script editor.

4. In the Script Editor window, go to **View > Palette**.

The Palette window opens.

5. In the Palette window, on the **Queue** tab, click the **Queue** button, and click in the script editor. The Queue to Skill Group node is added to the script editor.

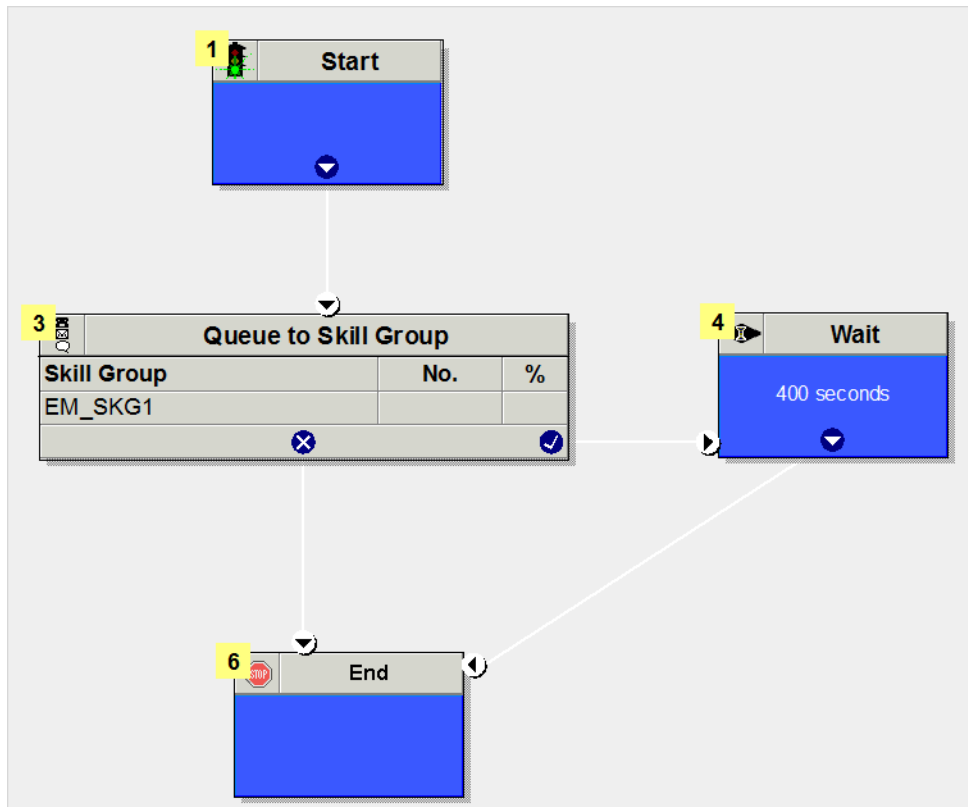
6. Double-click the Queue to Skill Group node to open the Queue to Skill Group Properties window.
7. In the Queue to Skill Group Properties window, on the Queue tab, in the Skill Group column, select a skill group.



Select a skill group

8. Next, in the Palette window, on the General tab, click the **Line Connector** button and configure the success and error paths for each node. This creates the routing path of the script.
9. Click the **Validate Script** button to check if the script is created properly. If there are any errors, fix them.

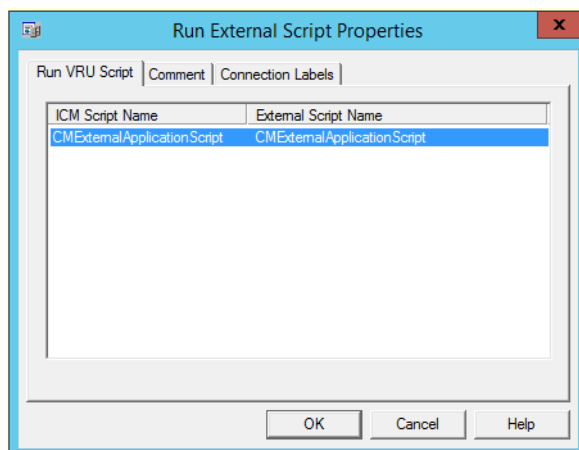
10. Click the **Save** button to save the script.



A sample script

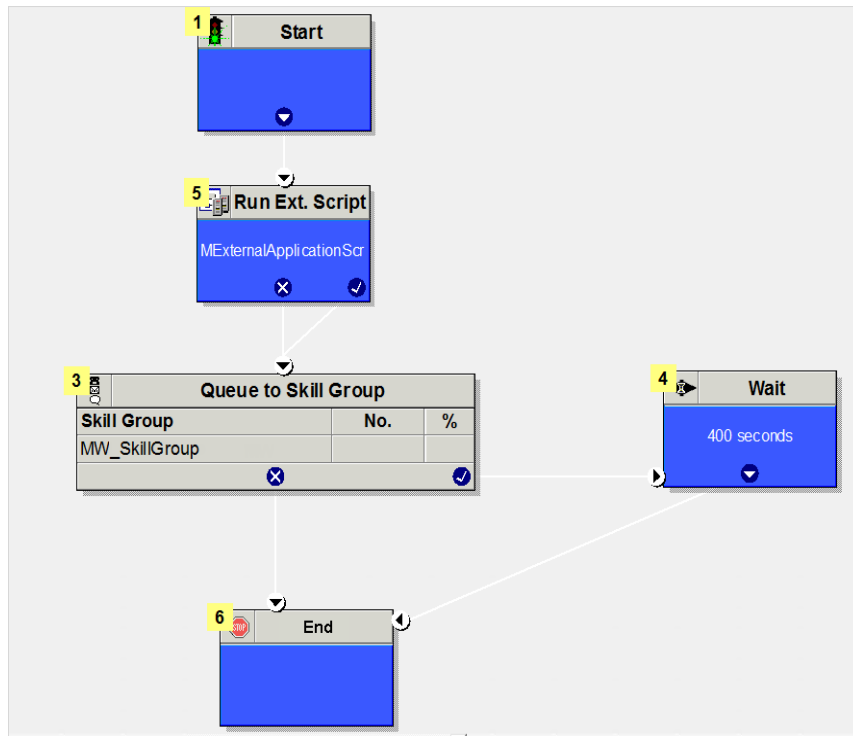
To display dynamic content ([page 68](#)) to chat customers (for example, wait time, activity ID, etc.) while chat requests are being processed by the system, ensure that the Run External Script node is configured.

11. In the ICM script, add the Run External Script node and select the Network VRU script created on [page 26](#).



Select the Network VRU script

The script will look like this.

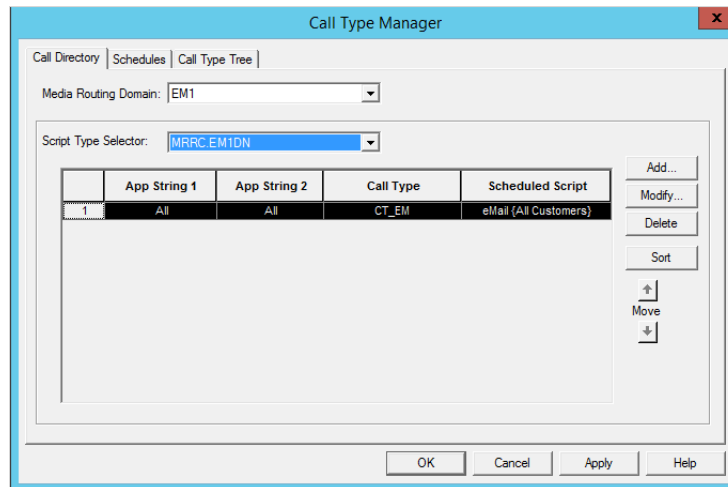


A sample script

After creating a script, map the script to a call type, MRD, and script selector. Also set the run schedule for the script.

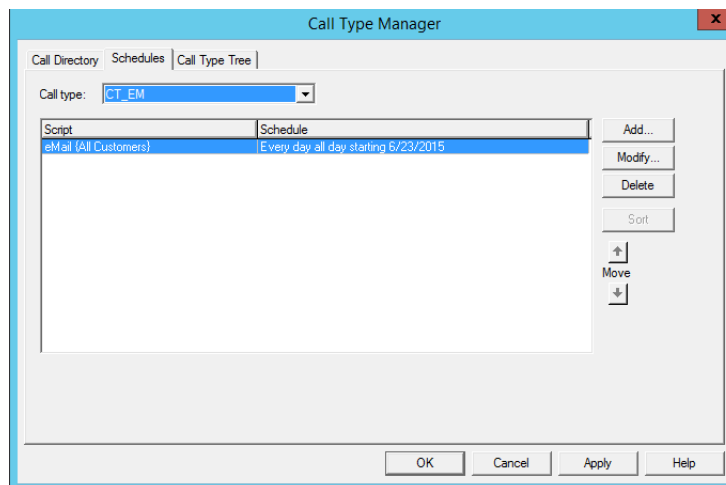
12. In the Script Editor window, go to **Script > Call Type Manager**.
13. In the Call Type Manager window, in the Call Directory tab, do the following:
 - a. In the Media Routing Domain field, from the dropdown list, select the MRD configured for ECE (page 23).
 - b. In the Script Type Selector field, from the dropdown list, select the script selector created for the MRD (page 42).

- c. Next, click the **Add** button. The Add Call Type Selector Entry window appears. In the Call type field, select the call type configured for ECE (page 27). Click **OK**.



Map the script to a call type, MRD, and script selector

14. In the Call Type Manager window, in the Schedule tab, do the following:
 - a. In the Call type field, from the dropdown list, select the same call type you selected in Step 13.
 - b. Next, click the **Add** button. In the Add Call Type Schedule window that appears, do the following:
 - i. In the Script tab, select the script configured for ECE (page 44).
 - ii. In the Period tab, set a schedule for the script.
 - iii. Click **OK**.



Set a schedule for the script

15. Click **OK** to close the Call Type Manager window.

Configuring Device Targets



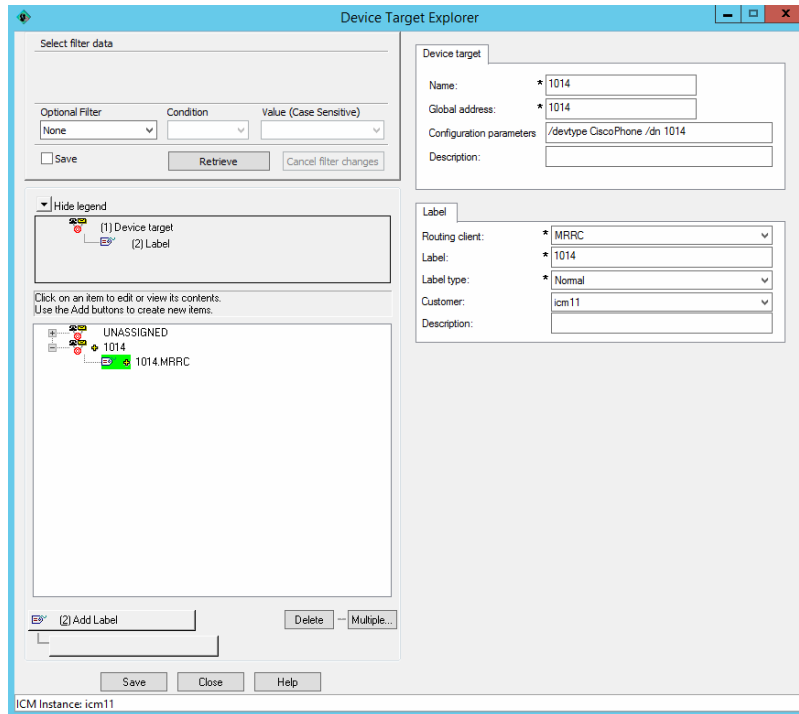
Important: Skip this section if you are using Agent targeting rules.

Individual device targets are required for routing voice calls for callback and delayed callback activities. Complete these steps for all these activities. Device targets are not needed for inbound email, outbound email, and chat activities.

To configure a device target:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > Explorer Tools > Device Target Explorer**.
3. Double-click **Device Target Explorer**.
4. In the Device Target Explorer window, click **Add Device Target**.
5. Provide the name and global address, which is the host name of the Unified CCE server followed by the agent extension, in the following format: *Unified_CCE_Server Agent_Extension*
6. Provide the configuration parameter in the following format. The string before the agent extension must be exactly as specified: */devtype CiscoPhone /dn Agent_Extension*
7. Click the **Add Label** button.
The Label tab appears.
8. On the Label tab, set the following:
 - **Routing client:** From the dropdown list, select the MR PG configured for ECE ([page 28](#)).
 - **Label:** Provide the name of the label. The label name must be the *Agent_Extension*.

9. Click **Save**.



Configure a device target

Configuring Expanded Call Context (ECC) Variables



Important: Skip this section if you are using Packaged CCE. This component is automatically configured in Packaged CCE.

ECC variables are used in Unified CCE scripts to facilitate and influence routing. ECC variables have a maximum length of 256 characters. Both Scalar and Array ECC variables are supported.

ECC variables are required for inbound email, outbound email, chat, callback, and delayed callback activities. Create the following ECC variables:

- ▶ For chat, inbound and outbound email activities: `user.ece.activity.id`
- ▶ For callback and delayed callback activities: `user.ece.activity.id`, `user.ece.customer.name`

For packaged CCE: This task is performed from the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL:
`https://Server_Name/cceadmin/`

To configure an ECC variable:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > Miscellaneous Tools > System Information**.

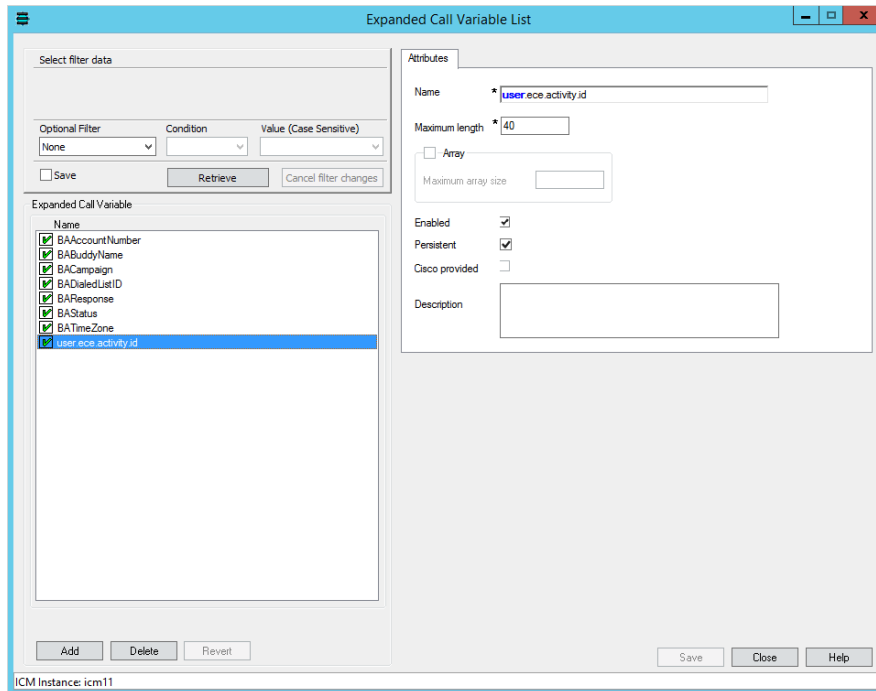
- In the System Information window, in the General section, select the **Expanded call context enabled** option. Click **Save**.

The screenshot shows the 'System Information' window for ICM Instance: icm11. The 'General' section is active, and the 'Expanded call context enabled' checkbox is checked. Other settings include: ICM type: Standard, Company name: icm11, Controller domain name: eng.na, Partitioning enabled: unchecked, Maximum partitions: 0, Retain script versions: All, Minimum script schedule time: 30 seconds, External script validation: empty, Default network VRU: <None>, Minimum correlation number: 1, Maximum correlation number: 30000, and Application Gateway: Custom gateway. The 'Call Type' section shows: Default call type: <None>, Abandoned call wait time: 5, Service level threshold: 20, Service level type: Ignore Abandoned Calls, Bucket intervals: BullIn, and Reporting interval: 30 minute. The 'Person Security' section shows: Login name case sensitive: unchecked, and Minimum password length: 0. Buttons for Save, Close, and Help are at the bottom right.

Enable ECC variables

- In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Expanded Call Variable List**.
- Double-click **Expanded Call Variable List**.
- In the Expanded Call Variable List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**. Then, in the Expanded Call Variable section, click the **Add** button.
- Type the name and length of the ECC variable. A maximum of 256 characters are allowed. Make sure to use the exact names as provided here.
 - `user.ece.activity.id` (needed for all types of activities)
 - `user.ece.customer.name` (needed for callback and delayed callback activities)

8. Click **Save**.



Configure ECC variables

Configuring Precision Routing

Precision Routing provides multidimensional routing with simple configuration, scripting, and reporting. For details about Precision Routing, see http://docwiki.cisco.com/wiki/Precision_Routing_Documentation



Important: Precision Queue feature is available only for installations integrated with version 11.5 of Packaged CCE and Unified CCE.

To configure precision routing, create the following objects:

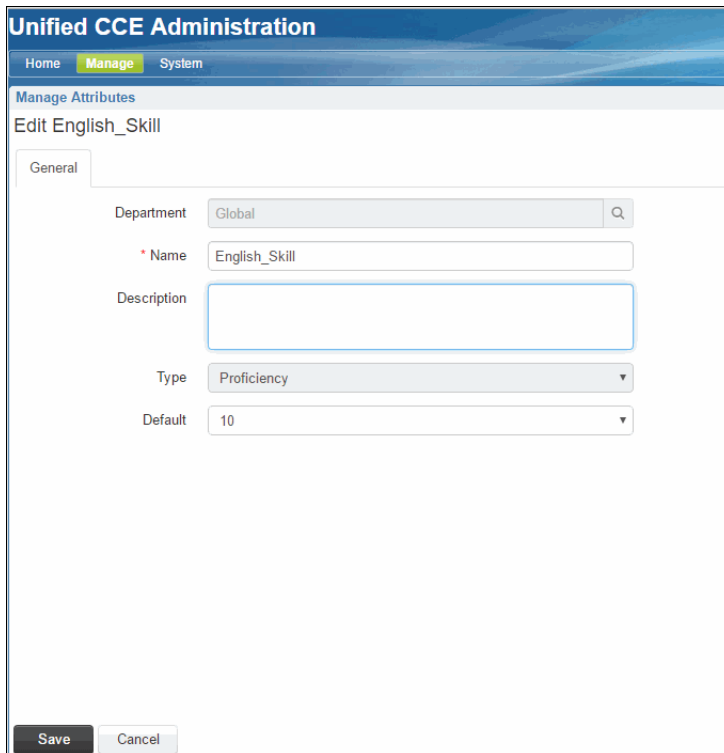
1. Create attributes ([page 52](#))
2. Assign attributes to agents ([page 53](#))
3. Create precision queues ([page 54](#))
4. Add precision queue node to the scripts ([page 55](#))

Creating Attributes

To create an attribute:

1. Launch the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL: `https://Server_Name/cceadmin/`
2. Login using the administrator credentials.
3. Go to **Manage > Attributes**.

4. On the Manage Attributes page, Click **New**.
5. In the **Name** field, type a unique attribute name.
6. From the **Type** dropdown list, select the type of attribute, which can be **Boolean** or **Proficiency**.
7. From the **Default** dropdown list, select from **True** or **False** for **Boolean** or a number between 1-10 for **Proficiency**.
8. Click **Save**.



The screenshot shows the 'Unified CCE Administration' interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for 'Home', 'Manage', and 'System'. Below this is the 'Manage Attributes' section, specifically 'Edit English_Skill'. The form includes a 'General' tab, a 'Department' dropdown set to 'Global', a 'Name' field containing 'English_Skill', a 'Description' text area, a 'Type' dropdown set to 'Proficiency', and a 'Default' dropdown set to '10'. At the bottom of the form are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Create attributes

Assigning Attributes to Agents

To assign attributes to agents:

1. Launch the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL: `https://Server_Name/cceadmin/`
2. Login using the administrator credentials.
3. Go to **Manage > Agents**.
4. In the list of agents, select an agent to assign attributes.

5. On the Attributes tab add the required attributes to agent and set the values for the attributes. click **Save**.

The screenshot shows the 'Unified CCE Administration' interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'Home', 'Manage' (highlighted), and 'System'. Below this is the 'Manage Agents' section, with the title 'Edit Maria Petroff (many)'. There are four sub-tabs: 'General', 'Attributes' (selected), 'Skill Groups', and 'Supervised Teams'. The main area is titled 'List of Attributes' and contains a table with two columns: 'Name' and 'Value'. The table has one row with 'English_Skill' in the 'Name' column and '10' in the 'Value' column. There is a 'Q Add' button to the right of the table. Below the table, it says '1 items'. At the bottom of the interface, there are three buttons: 'Save', 'Copy', and 'Cancel'.

Assign attributes to agents

Creating Precision Queues

To create a precision queue:

1. Launch the CCE Web Administration page, using the URL: `https://Server_Name/cceadmin/`
2. Login using the administrator credentials.
3. Go to **Manage > Precision Queues**.
4. On the New Precision Queue page, provide the following details:
 - a. Provide a name for the queue.
 - b. Select a Media Routing Domain ([page 23](#)) created for ECE.
 - c. Set the values for Service Level Type, Service Level Threshold, Agent Order, Bucket Interval to meet your business needs.

- d. Create the steps for the precision queue and in the expressions use the attributes created for ECE.

The screenshot shows the 'Unified CCE Administration' interface. The main heading is 'Manage Precision Queues' and the sub-heading is 'Edit ECE_Email_Attribute'. The configuration fields are as follows:

- Name: ECE_Email_Attribute
- Description: (empty)
- Media Routing Domain: ECE_Email
- Service Level Type: Ignore Abandoned Calls
- Service Level Threshold: 500 seconds
- Agent Order: Longest Available Agent
- Bucket Interval: System Default (BuiltIn)
- ID: 5000

Below the configuration fields is a 'Steps' table with an 'Add Step' button. The table contains two steps:

Name	Criteria	# Agents (Config)	Wait Time	
Step 1	(Email_Content_Attribute == true)	3	0	✕
Step 2	(English_skill == 6)	3	n/a	✕

At the bottom of the form are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Sample precision queue

Adding Precision Queue Node to the Scripts

- ▶ In the scripts for ECE, add the precision Queue node. For details about doing this task see the Precision Routing Documentation available at: http://docwiki.cisco.com/wiki/Precision_Routing_Documentation

Creating Objects in Unified CCE for Personalized Activity Assignment

The personalized activity assignment feature in ECE allows you to assign activities pertaining to a case to the agent who last sent a response for that case. For details about personalized activity assignment settings and how to configure these in ECE, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Administration Console*. Along with these settings in ECE, you need to configure the scripts in Unified CCE in a certain way to support personalized activity assignment.

Create the following objects in Unified CCE:

1. Create Enterprise Skill Groups (page 56).
2. Create an Enterprise Route (page 57).
3. Add the Queue to Agent node in the routing script (page 58).



Important: Personalized activity assignment feature is not available for installations integrated with Packaged CCE.

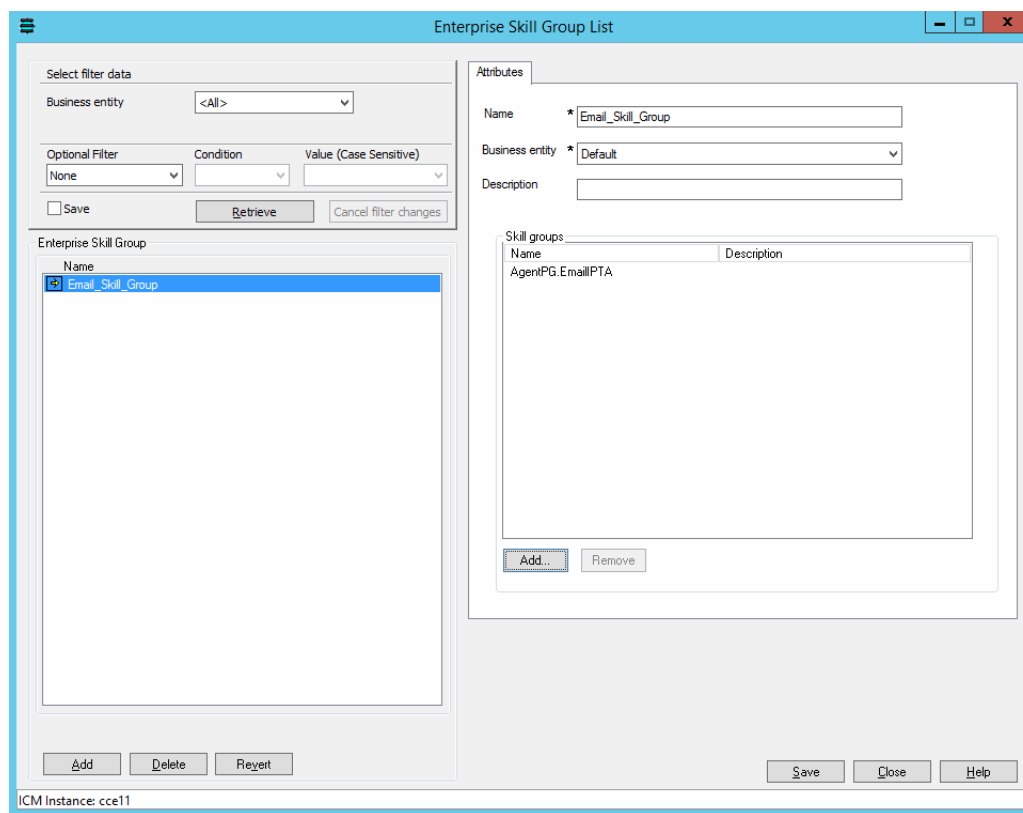
Creating Enterprise Skill Group

To create enterprise skill groups:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Enterprise Skill Group List**.
3. Double-click **Enterprise Skill Group List**.
4. In the Enterprise Skill Group List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**.
5. Click the **Add** button.

A new entry is created and the Attributes tab appears.

6. On the Attributes tab, do the following:
 - a. Provide a name for the enterprise skill group.
 - b. In the Skill Groups section, click the **Add** button and from the Add Skill Groups window, select the skill groups created for working on emails ([page 40](#)). Click **OK** to close the window.



Create an enterprise skill group

7. Click the **Save** button.

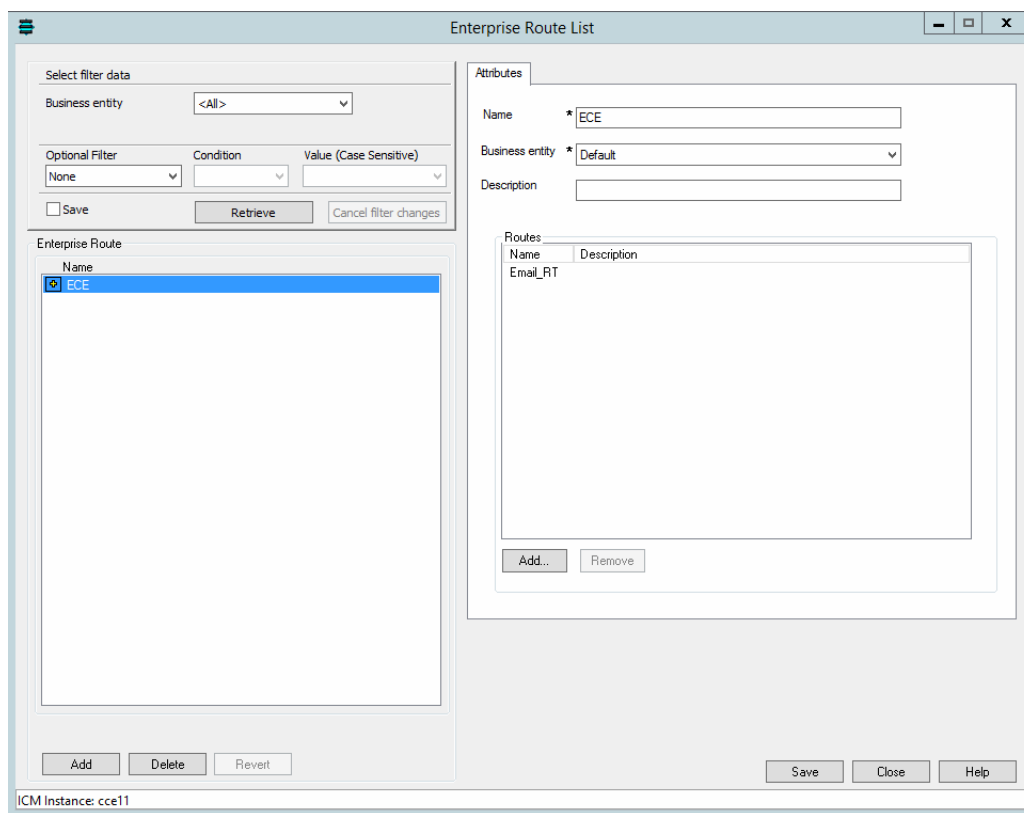
Creating Enterprise Routes

To create enterprise routes:

1. Go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Unified CCE Tools > Administration Tools > Configuration Manager**.
2. In the Configuration Manager window, browse to **Tools > List Tools > Enterprise Route List**.
3. Double-click **Enterprise Route List**.
4. In the Enterprise Route List window, in the Select filter data section, click **Retrieve**.
5. Click the **Add** button.

A new entry is created and the Attributes tab appears.

6. On the Attributes tab, do the following:
 - a. Provide a name for the enterprise route.
 - b. In the Routes section, click the **Add** button and from the Add Routes window, select the Routes created for emails ([page 42](#)). Click **OK** to close the window.



Create an enterprise route

7. Click the **Save** button.

Adding the Queue to Agent Node in Scripts

To add the Queue to Agent Node in scripts:

1. Open the script you are using for routing emails in ECE.
2. Add the **Queue to Agent** node in the script and configure the following:
 - a. **Peripheral:** Select the **<Select Agent by SkillTargetID>** option.
 - b. **Agent Expression:** Set the value as **Call.PreferredAgentID**.
 - c. **Consider If:** Set the value as **1=1**.
 - d. **Enterprise Skill Group:** Select the enterprise skill group created on [page 56](#).
 - e. **Enterprise Route:** Select the enterprise route created on [page 57](#).
 - f. **Queue if agent not logged in:** Select this option if personalized emails should queue when an agent is not available.
 - g. Click **OK** to close the window.

	Peripheral	Agent Expression	Consider If	Enterprise Skill	Enterprise Rout	Rt
1	<Select Agent by SkillTarget	Call.PreferredAgentID	1=1	DefaultECE	ECE	
2						
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Configure the Queue to Agent node

Installing ECE and the Integration

For details about performing the tasks mentioned in this section, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Installation Guide*.

To install ECE and the integration with Unified CCE:

1. Ensure that Microsoft SQL Server 2014 R2 is installed and running on the machine on which the ECE databases will be installed.

2. Install ECE 11.5(1). Refer to the *Enterprise Chat and Email Installation Guide for Unified CCE* or *Enterprise Chat and Email Installation Guide for PCCE* for a detailed list of deployment options and installation steps corresponding to each deployment. The document also guides you through the procedure of setting up the integration.
3. From the Windows Services panel, start the Cisco service, and wait for 2–3 minutes before launching the URL to allow all the application services to start.
4. On the administrators desktops, install Oracle JRE 1.8.0 (most recent update). Version 1.8.0_66 is included on the product CD. This is required only to administer workflows from the Administration Console.
5. Configure the browser on user desktops according to the procedures detailed in the *Cisco Unified Web and E-Mail Interaction Manager Browser Settings Guide*. This is not required for desktops used for accessing the Agent Console.
6. From the ECE Administration Console, import the skill groups, users, and MRDs. For details, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Administration Console*.

Configuring the System for Multiple Agent PGs

Multiple Agent PGs can be used for Unified CCE installations. Note that a unique application path and associated application path members are needed for each Agent PG. The application path is used by the Listener Service to connect and communicate with the Agent PG.

To configure the system for multiple Agent PGs:

1. Create the Agent PGs. For Unified CCE installations, see [page 33](#).
2. In Unified CCE, configure agents ([page 39](#)) and skill groups ([page 40](#)).
3. From the ECE Administration Console, add the new Agent PG. For each Agent PG that is added, a Listener instance is created in the System Console. Refer to the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrators Guide to Administration Console* for details about adding new Agent PGs.
4. Log in to the ECE System Console.
5. Browse to **Shared Resource > Services > Unified CCE > Listener**. In the List pane, select the Listener process. In the Properties pane, in the **Maximum number of instances** field increase the value to match the number of Agent PGs you are adding.
6. Browse to **Partitions > Partition**. In the Properties pane, on the Services tab, set the number of instances for the Listener service to match the number of Agent PGs you are adding.

For details about steps 4-6, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to System Console*.

Configuring Finesse

Perform these tasks after installing ECE. Cisco Finesse enables the use of custom gadgets for Voice & Multichannel (ECE), facilitating the ECE user interface to be embedded within a gadget to provide contact center agents a unified desktop experience.



Important: Before you begin the configuration, ensure that the Finesse VM and software are installed and ready for use. Also, ensure that ECE is installed.

Copying Files from ECE Server

- ▶ From the ECE services server, copy the contents of the `ECE_Home\Utilities\finesse_gadget` folder to a temporary directory, `Temp`, on your local machine. In ECE installations integrated with PCCE, this folder is available on the ECE server.

Configuring Finesse Files

Perform these tasks from any local machine.

To configure the `ece_config.js` file:

1. From the `Temp\finesse_gadget\agent` folder created on the local machine ([page 60](#)) open the `ece_config.js` file in a text editor.
2. Locate the following text in the file:

```
var web_server_name = "<Load_Balancer_or_Web_Server_Host_Name>";
```
3. Replace `<Load_Balancer_or_Web_Server_Host_Name>` with the host name of the ECE web server. If the deployment uses a load balancer, provide the host name of the load balancer.

Enabling 3rdpartygadget Account and Deploying the Gadget

Perform these tasks on the Finesse server.

To enable the 3rdpartygadget account and deploy the Gadget:

1. Using the Finesse Console, login as an administrator and enable the **3rdpartygadget** account on the Finesse server.

When you enable the **3rdpartygadget** account, a **files** folder gets created automatically.

2. Create a new folder called **ECE** under the **files** folder.
3. Deploy the gadget files from the `Temp\finesse_gadget\agent` folder and the `Temp\finesse_gadget\solve` folder on your local machine ([page 60](#)) to the Finesse server using a secure FTP client.

Configuring Finesse Settings and Layout

Perform these tasks from any local machine.

To configure the Finesse settings and layout:

1. Launch the URL: `http://Finesse_Server_Name/cfadmin`. Login as a finesse administrator.
2. Configure the Contact Center CTI Server Settings and Contact Center Enterprise Administration & Data Server Settings.

The screenshot displays the Cisco Finesse Administration web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Settings', 'Call Variables Layouts', 'Desktop Layout', 'Phone Books', 'Reasons', 'Team Resources', and 'Workflows'. The main content area is divided into two sections:

- Contact Center Enterprise CTI Server Settings:** This section contains a note about restarting Tomcat and a form with the following fields:
 - *A Side Host/IP Address: 10.19.19.70
 - *A Side Port: 42027
 - *Peripheral ID: 5000
 - B Side Host/IP Address: (empty)
 - B Side Port: (empty)
- Contact Center Enterprise Administration & Data Server Settings:** This section also contains a note about restarting Tomcat and a form with the following fields:
 - *Primary Host/IP Address: 10.19.19.70
 - Backup Host/IP Address: (empty)
 - *Database Port: 1433
 - *AW Database Name: na_awdb
 - Domain: training
 - *Username: administrator
 - *Password: (masked with dots)

Both sections include 'Save' and 'Revert' buttons and a note: '*Indicates required fields'.

Configure the settings

3. From Desktops Layout section, configure the layout for the ECE and Solve gadgets. XML contents for the ECE and Solve gadget tabs are available in the following files copied from the ECE server ([page 60](#)):
 - `Temp\afinesse_gadget\layout\agent.xml`
 - `Temp\afinesse_gadget\layout\solve.xml`

While configuring the gadgets, make sure that the path to the `ece.xml` file in the `<gadget>` tag is correct.

Refer the Finesse documentation to see how gadgets are added in Finesse.

Starting Finesse Services

To start the Finesse services:

On the Finesse server, restart Finesse Services by doing the following:

1. Connect to the Finesse Server using a remote client tool. For example, putty.
2. Login using the Finesse Administrator account.
3. Restart Cisco Tomcat service.

```
utils service restart Cisco Tomcat
```

4. Restart Cisco Finesse Tomcat service.

```
utils service restart Cisco Finesse Tomcat
```



Setting Up Integrated Objects

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- ▶ [Configuring Dynamic Messages for Integrated Chats](#)
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This chapter provides an overview of the process of setting up ECE–Unified CCE objects.

Configuring Variables in ECE

While sending new activity requests from a queue to Unified CCE, EAAS sends call variables and ECC variables to Unified CCE as task context. By default, the following activity attributes are sent to Unified CCE as ECC variables.

- ▶ For inbound and outbound email activities: activity_id
- ▶ For chat activities: activity_id
- ▶ For callback and delayed callback activities: activity_id, customer_name

If you need to pass on other attributes of the activity as call variables or ECC variables to Unified CCE, you need to configure them in ECE. These variables can then be used in Unified CCE scripts to configure conditions. For details, see the Unified CCE scripts documentation. If you plan to configure these variables as ECC variables in ECE, you need to first create the ECC variables in Unified CCE. For details, see the Unified CCE documentation.

You can also create variables for custom activity attributes. For details about creating variables, see the “Call Variables” chapter in the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Routing and Workflows*.

Verifying Mapping of Objects in the Administration Console

To verify that Unified CCE objects have been mapped correctly in the ECE Administration Console:

1. Launch the URL: `http://ECE_Web_Server/Default_Partition`.
2. Log in as the partition administrator (user name and password that were configured during the installation of ECE). Go to the Administration Console.
3. Under the appropriate department, browse to the **User > Users** node in the Administration tree, to verify that all users mapping to the administrators, supervisors, and agents, which were selected at the time of importing the objects, are displayed. For details, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Administration Console*.
4. Under the appropriate department, click the **User > Groups** node in the Administration tree to verify that all user groups mapping to the skill groups, which were selected at the time of importing the objects, are displayed. For details, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Administration Console*.
5. Under the appropriate department, click the **Workflow > Queues** node in the Administration tree, and verify that all queues mapping to the MRDs, which were selected at the time of importing the objects, are displayed. For details, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Routing and Workflows*.

Setting up Business Objects in the Administration Console

See the following guides for the details of the procedures mentioned in this section:

- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Routing and Workflows*
- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Email Resources*
- ▶ *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Chat and Collaboration Resources*

To set up ECE business objects in the Administration Console:

1. Launch the URL: `http://ECE_Web_Server/Default_Partition`.
2. Log in as the partition administrator and go to the Knowledge Base Console.
3. In the Knowledge Base tree, browse to **Departments** > *Department_Name* > **Content** > **Shared** > **Standard** > **Email**. Create an article in each of the sub-nodes to set up one option each for a header, greeting, signature, footer, and auto acknowledgements that can be used in responses to incoming activities in the department.
4. Go to the Administration Console.
5. In the Administration tree, browse to the **Administration** > **Departments** > *Department_Name* > **Classifications** > **Categories** node. Create categories.

These categories will be used later in a workflow (see [page 65](#)).
6. Now, browse to the **Email** > **Aliases** node. Create an alias to serve as the entry point for emails into the system.
7. Then, browse to the **Workflow** > **Workflows** > **Inbound** node to create an inbound workflow for this alias. The workflow will route incoming emails. Add the alias created in [Step 6](#) to the **Start** node. Add the email queue to the **Queue** node. Select the auto-acknowledgement KB article created earlier (see [page 65](#)) for the **Auto-acknowledgement** node. Select the categories created in [Step 5](#) for the **Classifications** node.
8. Browse to the **Chat** > **Entry points** node. Create new entry points by assigning the appropriate templates. To route chats and call back activities that enter from this entry point, use an auto-configured queue. Make the entry points active. The configuration steps for entry points are different for different types of activities and routing options.

The activity types for which you need to create entry points are: Chat, Callback, Delayed callback.
9. In the Properties pane, click the **Show HTML** button. The code used to generate a chat hyperlink to that entry point is displayed. Copy this link code into a Notepad file. Edit the code as explained in the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Chat and Collaboration Resources*.

Setting Up Services in the System Console

Service processes are managed at the system level as shared resources across partitions. Service instances are managed within partitions.

See *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to System Console* for the details of the procedures mentioned in this section.

This section helps you set up processes and instances for the following services:

- ▶ **Retriever:** Gets incoming emails from configured aliases and parses them.
- ▶ **Workflow Cache:** Maintains the files that store information about objects used in workflows.
- ▶ **Workflow Engine:** Applies workflows on emails to automate their routing and handling.
- ▶ **Dispatcher:** Sends outgoing emails out of the system.
- ▶ **External Agent Assignment Service (EAAS):** Identifies new activities that arrive into an external assignment queue, and routes requests for each of these activities to Unified CCE for routing to take place through Unified CCE.
- ▶ **Listener:** Assigns activities to target agents or user groups (skill groups) identified by Unified CCE, and reports the status of both the activity and the agent to Unified CCE throughout the life cycle of the given activity.
- ▶ **Context Service:** This service synchronizes activities and customer's information between the Cisco ECE and Cisco Context Service. This service only applies to systems using Cisco Context Service. For details on Context Service availability, visit <https://help.webex.com/community/context-service>.

To set up ECE services in the System Console:

See *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to System Console* for the details of the procedures mentioned in this section.

1. Open a new browser window, and launch the URL: `http://ECE_Web_Server/Context_Root`. Log in as the system administrator (user name and password that were configured during the installation of ECE). Go to the System Console.
2. Browse to the **Partitions** > *Partition* > **Services** > **Email** > **Retriever** node. Click the Retriever instance to use in the partition, and select the email alias that you had created earlier in the Administration Console (see [page 65](#)).
3. Restart the Retriever process and instance based on the notification message that appears. Browse to **Shared Resource** > **Services** > **Retriever**, and stop and start the Retriever process for the system. Also ensure that the start type for the service process is set to automatic.
4. Navigate back to the **Partitions** > *Partition* > **Services** > **Retriever** node. Ensure that the start type for the service instance is set to automatic. Stop and start the Retriever instance.
5. Browse to **Shared Resource** > **Services** > **Workflow** > **Workflow Cache** and verify that the Workflow Cache process is running. If the process is in a stopped state, start the process by clicking the **Run** button. Also ensure that the start type for the service process is set to automatic.
6. Browse to **Partitions** > *Partition* > **Services** > **Workflow** > **Workflow Cache** and ensure that the start type for the service instance is set to automatic. Start the Workflow Cache instance.

7. Browse to **Shared Resource > Services > Workflow > Workflow Engine** and verify that the Workflow Engine process is running. If the process is in a stopped state, start the process by clicking the **Run** button. Also ensure that the start type for the service process is set to automatic.
8. Browse to **Partitions > *Partition* > Services > Workflow > Workflow Engine** and ensure that the start type for the service instance is set to automatic. Start the Workflow Engine instance.
9. Browse to **Shared Resource > Services > Email > Dispatcher** and verify that the Dispatcher process is running. If the process is in a stopped state, start the process by clicking the **Run** button. Also ensure that the start type for the service process is set to automatic.
10. Browse to **Partitions > *Partition* > Services > Email > Dispatcher** and ensure that the start type for the service instance is set to automatic. Start the Dispatcher instance.
11. Browse to **Shared Resource > Services > Unified CCE > Listener** and verify that the Listener process is running. If the process is in a stopped state, start the process by clicking the **Run** button. Also ensure that the start type for the service process is set to automatic.
12. Browse to **Partitions > *Partition* > Services > Unified CCE > Listener**. Verify that the Listener instance for the Agent PG is automatically created. Also ensure that the start type for the instance is set to automatic. Then start the Listener instance.
13. Browse to **Shared Resource > Services > Unified CCE > EAAS** and verify that the EAAS process is running. If the process is in a stopped state, start the process by clicking the **Run** button. Also ensure that the start type for the service process is set to automatic.
14. Browse to **Partitions > *Partition* > Services > Unified CCE > EAAS**. Configure the EAAS instance by providing the MR Connection port number you provided while creating the MR PIM ([page 28](#)). Also ensure that the start type for the instance is set to automatic. Start the EAAS instance.
15. Browse to **Shared Resource > Services > Unified CCE > Context Service** and verify that the Context Service process is running. If the process is in a stopped state, start the process by clicking the **Run** button. Also ensure that the start type for the service process is set to automatic. If the ECE services server or ECE Server (in deployments integrated with Packaged CCE) is behind a firewall and does not have direct access to the internet, the **Proxy Server URL** should be provided so that the server can connect to the Cisco Context Service. Format of the URL is: `http://ProxyServerName:Port` or `https://ProxyServerName:Port`
16. Browse to **Partitions > *Partition* > Services > Unified CCE > Context Service**. Ensure that the start type for the instance is set to automatic. Then start the Context Service instance.

Setting Up Web Links for Chat and Callback

To create a chat and collaboration link on your web site:

- ▶ Open the code view of the host web page and add the edited link code (see [page 65](#)) from the entry point properties at the appropriate point. You may need to ask your web master to perform this task.

ECE is now ready for use. To verify, log in as an agent, supervisor, or administrator and perform basic tasks.

Configuring Dynamic Messages for Integrated Chats

Dynamic Run Application Script Request (DRASR) allows you to display wait messages with dynamic text (such as expected wait time) to customers while chat and call requests are being processed by the ECE and Unified CCE integrated systems. You can use ECC variables and call variables to display the dynamic content. For details about configuring DRASR, refer the *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Chat and Collaboration Resources*.

Related Documentation

Refer to the following ECE User's Guides (for the Unified CCE integration) for more information about configuring and using ECE.

- *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Administration Console* helps administrators set up and manage business objects.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Chat and Collaboration Resources* helps administrators set up templates and entry points.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Email Resources* helps administrators set up aliases, blocked addresses, delivery exceptions, and blocked file extensions.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Routing and Workflows* helps administrators set up service levels, queues, and workflows.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to System Console* helps system administrators set up and manage services, loggers, and system monitors.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Tools Console* helps administrators add custom attributes.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Supervisor's Guide* helps supervisors set up and use agent and queue monitors.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Administrator's Guide to Reports Console* helps managers and supervisors to set up and run reports to analyze various aspects of the system.
- *Enterprise Chat and Email Agent's Guide* helps agents handle email and chat interactions.

3 Managing and Maintaining Servers

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This chapter will assist you in understanding how to configure and maintain the ECE servers.

Best Practices for Configuring Servers

For All Servers

This section describes the best practices for configuring all the ECE servers. For database server, there are some additional best practices that are listed in the section [“Additional Best Practices for Database Servers” on page 70](#).

Configuring Anti-virus Protection

- ▶ To ensure that virus and malware scanning software on the servers do not interfere with the performance of the application, certain folders and files must be excluded from continuous virus scanning. Since no files are downloaded to these locations from the internet, it is safe to exclude these directories from virus scanning. For details about doing this task, see the “Post-Installation Tasks” chapter in the *Enterprise Chat and Email Installation Guide*.

Additional Best Practices for Database Servers

In addition to the best practices that apply to all the ECE servers, there are some special best practices for the database server that are described in this section.

Installation and Settings

- ▶ Check the values set for `fill factor` and `max degree of parallelism`. To reduce I/O (disk input output) on SQL server, the fill factor should be set to 80%. This ensures that 20% free space is available in the data pages of indexes, and it reduces page splitting. The max degree of parallelism should be set to the number of physical processors. For example, if there are two processors, set `max degree of parallelism` to 2; and if there are five processors, set `max degree of parallelism` to 5.

- a. On the database server, run the following stored procedure.

```
EXEC sp_configure 'show advanced option', '1'  
Reconfigure  
exec sp_configure
```

- b. If the fill factor and max degree of parallelism is not configured correctly, run the following stored procedure on the database.

```
exec sp_configure 'fill factor (%)', 80  
exec sp_configure 'max degree of parallelism', Number_Of_Physical_Processors  
reconfigure with override
```

- ▶ In order to ensure that select queries from the application execute optimally, and with the least possibility of encountering SQL deadlocks with other modification queries, it is required that the **Read commit snapshot** property is enabled for the Active database. To enable this property:
 - a. Ensure that ECE is stopped completely. All distributed components such as the services server, all application servers and messaging server should be stopped. For these commands to succeed, there must not be any database connections to the `ActiveDB`.
 - b. Verify the current value of the **Read commit snapshot** property for the Active database by running the following select query:


```
select name,snapshot_isolation_state_desc,is_read_committed_snapshot_on from sys.databases
```
 - c. If the **Read commit snapshot** property is disabled, run the following query to enable it:


```
alter database Active_Database_Name set single_user with rollback immediate;
alter database Active_Database_Name set read_committed_snapshot on;
alter database Active_Database_Name set multi_user;
```
 - d. Verify that the **Read commit snapshot** property has been enabled successfully by running the following query.


```
select name,snapshot_isolation_state_desc,is_read_committed_snapshot_on from sys.databases
```

Temp Database

- ▶ Set the temp database properties as follows:
 - Data file size should be set to 1.5 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 1 GB.
 - Transaction log file size should be set to 1 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 1 GB.
 - Number of data files for temp database should be 4 (it is same as number of cores on the VM but not exceeding 8). All files should be around same size with autogrowth on.

Master Database

- ▶ Set the master database properties as follows:
 - Data file size should be set to minimum 50 MB. Autogrowth should be set to 50 MB.
 - Transaction log file size should be set to 50 MB. Autogrowth should be set to 50 MB.

Active Database

- ▶ While installing the application, ensure that data and log files of the active database reside on a disk volume with a good amount of free disk space. To calculate the required free disk space, see the *Enterprise Chat and Email Design Guide*.
- ▶ Set the active database properties as follows:
 - Data file size should be set to 20 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 1 GB.
 - Transaction log file size should be set to 2 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 1 GB.

Archive Database



Important: The Archive database is available only in installations that use the Standard Edition of Microsoft SQL.

- ▶ Set the archive database properties as follows:
 - Properties of Datafile: Data file size should be set to 5 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 500 MB.
 - Transaction log file size should be set to 2 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 2 GB.

Reports Database



Important: The Reports database is available only in installations that use the Enterprise Edition of Microsoft SQL.

- ▶ Set the reports database properties as follows:
 - Data file size should be set to 20 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 1 GB.
 - Transaction log file size should be set to 2 GB. Autogrowth should be set to 1 GB.

Optimal Configuration Settings

The following table describes optimal settings for the databases.

Database configuration setting	Recommended value
auto_close	off
auto_create_statistics	on
auto_update_statistics	on
auto_shrink	off
read_only	off
torn_page_detection	on
database auto grow	on
transaction log auto grow	on

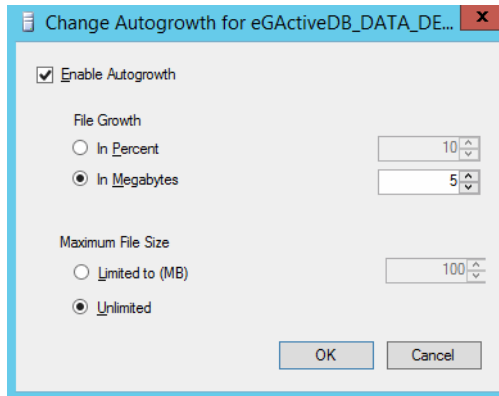
To configure the settings:

1. Run the following query on the ECE databases to set the values for the auto close, auto create statistics, auto update statistics, auto shrink, torn page detection, and read write properties:

```
alter database Database_Name
set auto_close on, auto_create_statistics on, auto_update_statistics on,
auto_shrink off, torn_page_detection on, read_write
```

2. Do the following steps to configure the database auto growth and transaction log auto growth settings.
 - a. In the Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio, browse to **Databases** > *Database_Name*.

- b. Right-click the database name and from the menu, select **Properties**. In the Database Properties window select **Files**, and in the Database files section, in the **Autogrowth** field click the **Assistance** button.
- c. In the Change Autogrowth for *File_Name* window, select the **Enable Autogrowth** setting and configure the autogrowth settings.



Enable the autogrowth setting

Routine Maintenance Tasks

For All Servers

This section describes the routine maintenance tasks for the ECE servers. For database server, there are some additional tasks that are listed in the section [“Additional Tasks for Database Servers”](#) on page 74.

Monitoring Disk Space

- ▶ Monitor and free space on disk volumes periodically by deleting the unnecessary files. Installation programs, application logs, user profiles, Dr. Watson logs, temp files are known to occupy the space unnecessarily. It is recommended that such files are deleted on a regular basis. However, if it is not possible to free disk space further because of the size of the data, the administrator should plan archiving of old data, or migration of the system to a larger capacity server.

Applying Microsoft Security Patches

- ▶ Apply the security patches released by Microsoft to plug vulnerabilities in the operating system and various programs.

Creating Backup Copies

- ▶ Back up the *Cisco_Home* folder on the file, application, messaging, and services servers regularly. Exclude the *log* folder under *Cisco_Home* from the backup. The process of backing up the database is different. For details, see the section [“Additional Tasks for Database Servers”](#) on page 74.

Additional Tasks for Database Servers

In addition to the routine maintenance tasks that apply to all the ECE servers, there are some special tasks for the database server that are described in this section.

Performing Disk Defragmentation

- ▶ Weekly defragmentation is recommended. Note that it requires downtime.

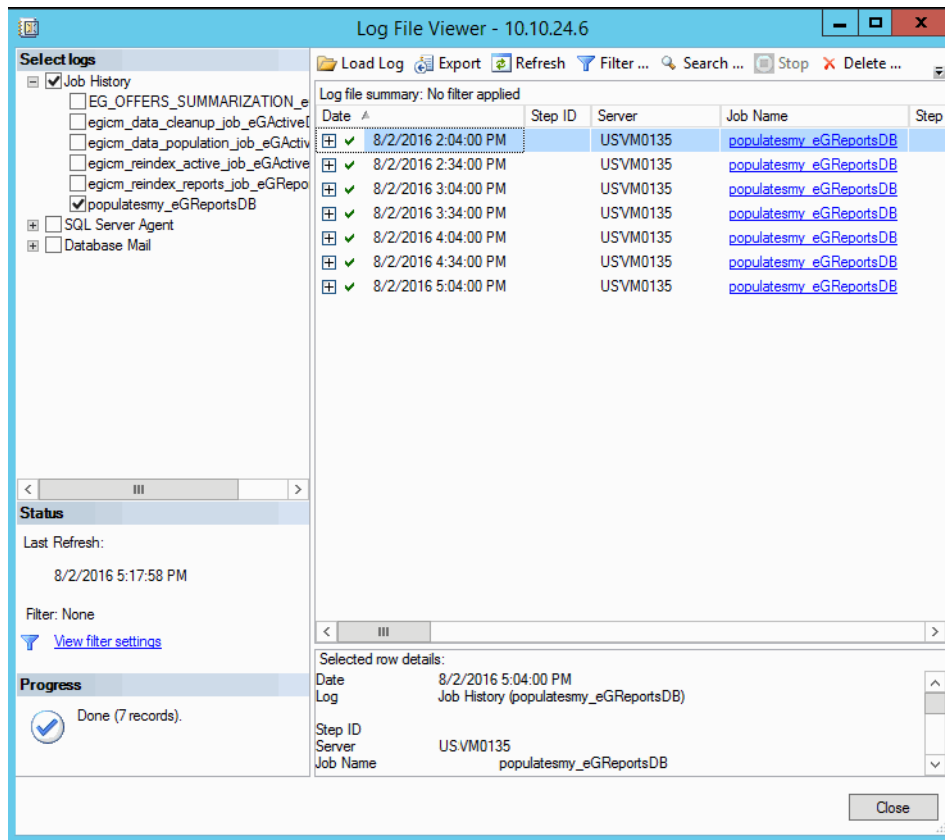
Monitoring Summarization Job Runs

On a weekly basis, verify that all the summarization jobs enabled for ECE are running successfully at the scheduled times.

To view the summarization job run details:

1. In the Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio, browse to **SQL Server Agent > Jobs**.
2. In the jobs list, locate the job **populatesmy_***Database_Name*. Where *Database_Name* is the name of the active database (in SQL Server Standard installations), or the reports database (in SQL Server Enterprise installations).
3. Right-click the **populatesmy_***Database_Name* job and from the menu select **View History**.
4. In the Log File Viewer window, browse to Job History and check the following:
 - In the Date column, the date and time should not be very old as jobs run every 30 minutes.
 - For all successfully run jobs, the date column will show a green check mark.

- The jobs that did not run successfully, will show a warning sign and you can expand the row to see the reason of failure.



Sample job runs

Creating Backup Copies

Backups are critical in case of hardware failure. The following backup policy ensures that you won't lose more than one hour of data. SQL supports full recovery model and hence this policy is strongly recommended. When the recovery mode is set to full it is necessary to backup transactional logs periodically. Otherwise it may lead to a disk space issue because of transaction logs growing indefinitely.

- ▶ Perform a weekly complete backup, daily differential backup, and hourly transactional log backups.

Archiving



Important: The Archive database is available only in installations that use the Standard Edition of Microsoft SQL.

Regular archiving helps to keep the size of the database manageable. The maximum size of the active database must be kept under 110 GB.

- ▶ Schedule archive jobs to run during off-peak hours to avoid database performance bottlenecks.
- ▶ Purge archived activities to create more available disk space.

Performance Tuning Considerations

One of the first steps towards tuning an application is to determine evolving requirements, which is not easy as requirements are likely to vary across different types of users. Administrators, typically, want the system to be easily configurable for various user loads, security needs, and application uptime. Business managers tend to care about issues such as security considerations for critical data that is passed between various components within the application, response times, reliability, availability, and scalability. For agents, response time is the most important factor that defines a finely tuned system.

Enterprise Chat and Email Design Guide helps to plan the configuration when you first set it up. In this section, we provide a quick overview of some of the factors that should be considered as the system grows.

Peak Concurrent Usage

The application will need to be tuned if there is a need to meet specific concurrent usage requirements. Concurrent usage includes usage by email and chat agents as well as chat sessions. The general guideline is that the greater the number of concurrent users, the likelier it is for the system to be stressed resulting in longer response times.

Email Volume

The email volume that the application handles determines the amount of disk space used by the database, size of active and master databases, and the capacity of the database engine to provide optimal response times to data requests. Active usage of email attachments and Knowledge Base (KB) articles also affect disk space requirements.

Security Requirements

Often security requirements dictate that the application data should be accessed in a secure way. For this reason secure sockets layer (SSL) mode of access to information is set up. Likewise, sharing and access to critical information such as customer data require that data is stored and retrieved in a secure way by extra access control and beyond.

Additional security requirements do lead to some delay in response times for users accessing the application. This should be clearly understood by administrators setting up SSL mode of access on web servers or trying to access information stored on remote and highly secure resources like remotely mounted file systems or disks.

- ▶ See *Enterprise Chat and Email Installation Guide* for information about how to set up the SSL mode of communication on the web server.