

#### **Avaya Solution & Interoperability Test Lab**

# **Application Notes for the Metropolis OfficeWatch Call Accounting System Integrating with Avaya IP Office**- Issue 1.1

#### **Abstract**

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required for Metropolis OfficeWatch Call Accounting System to successfully interoperate with Avaya IP Office.

Metropolis OfficeWatch is a call accounting system that interoperates with Avaya IP Office connected over an IP connection. Call Detail Records (CDR) are generated by Avaya IP Office and sent to Metropolis OfficeWatch where the CDR records are processed for various purposes; including tracking incoming, outgoing, and internal calls.

Serviceability and performance tests were conducted to assess the reliability of the solution.

Information in these Application Notes has been obtained through Developer *Connection* compliance testing and additional technical discussions. Testing was conducted via the Developer *Connection* Program at the Avaya Solution and Interoperability Test Lab.

#### 1 Introduction

The overall objective of this interoperability compliance testing is to verify that Metropolis OfficeWatch (Version 2007.05.08) can interoperate with Avaya IP Office (Version 4.0.5). Metropolis OfficeWatch receives raw CDR data from Avaya IP Office where the data is processed in real-time, giving Metropolis' customers an instant look at how call traffic is being utilized. Metropolis OfficeWatch further provides their customers with various reporting details on how call resources are being used. This reporting mechanism allows business decisions to be made for overall cost saving.

The interface between Avaya IP Office and Metropolis OfficeWatch is connected over the TCP/IP protocol.

**Figure 1** illustrates the network configuration used to verify Metropolis OfficeWatch with Avaya IP Office. The figure shows two Avaya IP Office systems. Site A is an Avaya IP Office 412 and Site B is an Avaya IP Office 406V2. The two Avaya IP Office systems are networked together through SIP and Small Community Networking (SCN) trunks and are accessed via different dial plan access codes.

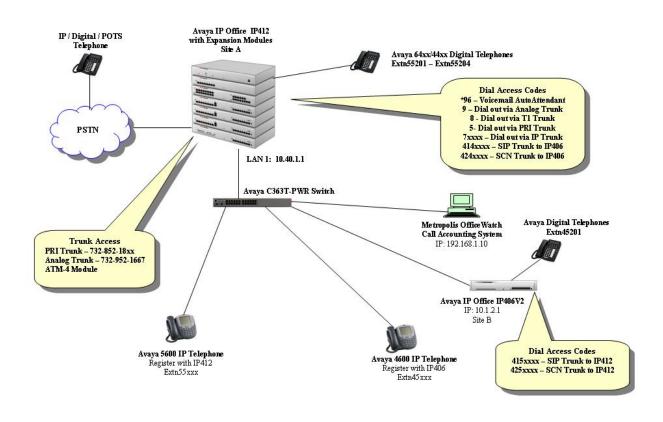


Figure 1. Test configuration of OfficeWatch with Avaya IP Office

# 2 Equipment and Software Validated

The following equipment and software were used for the sample configuration provided:

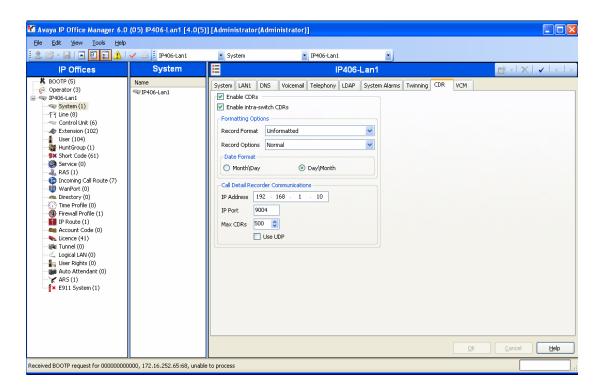
Equipment	Software			
Avaya IP Office 412	4.0.5			
Avaya IP Office 406-V2	4.0.5			
Avaya 5420 Digital Telephone	5.0			
Avaya 4610SW IP Telephone	2.3			
Analog Telephone				
Avaya C363T-PWR Converged Stackable Switch	4.5.14			
Metropolis OfficeWatch Call Accounting software	2007.05.08			
OS – Windows XP Profession Workstation				

# 3 Configure Avaya IP Office

This section provides the procedures for configuring Call Detail Records (CDR) in Avaya IP Office. All configuration changes in Avaya IP Office are performed through the Avaya IP Office Manager.

In addition to a standard configuration for Avaya IP Office Release 4.0.5, Metropolis OfficeWatch required additional administration using the Avaya IP Office Manager.

With the Avaya IP Office Manager activated, click the **System** tab on the left navigation menu. Click the **CDR** tab on the right panel as illustrated below. Click the check boxes for **Enable CDRs** and **Enable intra-switch CDRs**. For Formatting Options, select **Unformatted** for the Record Format and **Normal** for Record Options. In the Call Detail Recorder Communications details, the **IP Address** is the Windows XP Workstation (or Server) running the Metropolis OfficeWatch software application. The **IP Port** and the **Max CDRs** entries are predetermined for both Avaya IP Office and Metropolis OfficeWatch. With **Use UDP** unchecked, TCP is used to deliver CDRs with reliability to the Metropolis OfficeWatch application.



Other than normal Avaya IP Office administration, no additional configuration of Avaya IP Office is required to activate CDR for the Metropolis OfficeWatch application.

# 4 Configure Metropolis OfficeWatch

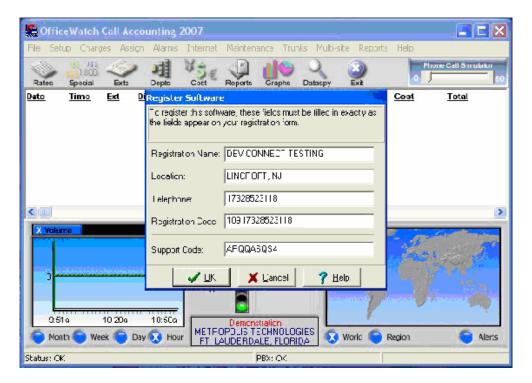
Metropolis OfficeWatch Call Accounting is loaded directly from the <a href="http://metropolis.com/">http://metropolis.com/</a> WEB site. The installation format was straight forward and the procedure was intuitive.

# 4.1 OfficeWatch Opening Screen and Software Registration

The installation leads directly to the opening screen below where the first thing that must be performed is the Registration Software assignment. The following illustration shows how to **Register Software...** under the Help pull-down menu.

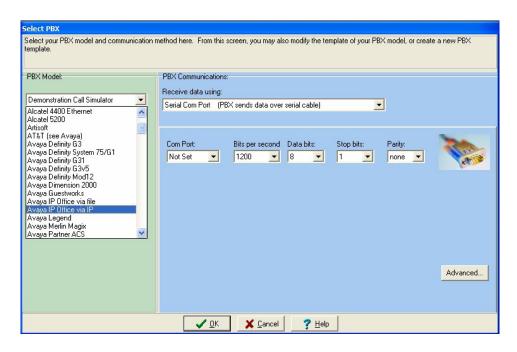


A temporary registration license was used for the compliance test.

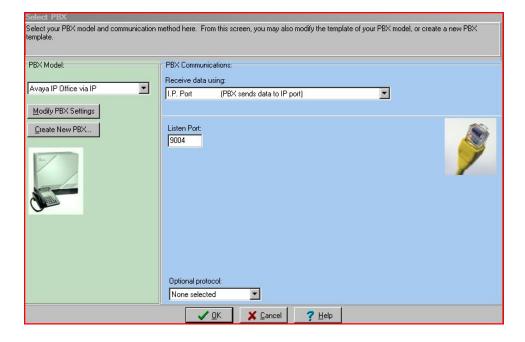


# 4.2 Setup Metropolis OfficeWatch using Avaya IP Office

The following illustrations show how to setup the Metropolis OfficeWatch Call Accounting system with IP Office. Under the Setup pull-down menu, select **PBX...** The **Select PBX** screen is displayed. Select **Avaya IP Office via IP** from the left panel list box, and then click **OK**.

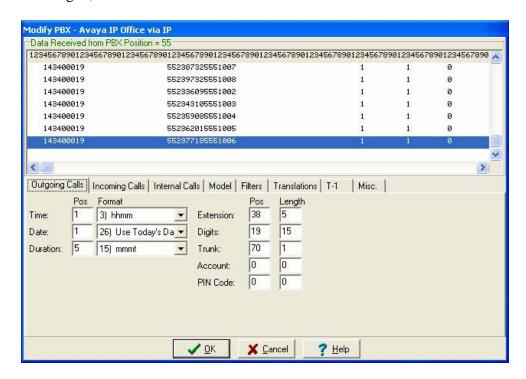


Once **Avaya IP Office via IP** is selected, set the **Listen Port** to coincide with the Avaya IP Office setting (in this case 9004), and set **Optional Protocol** to **None selected**, then click **OK**.

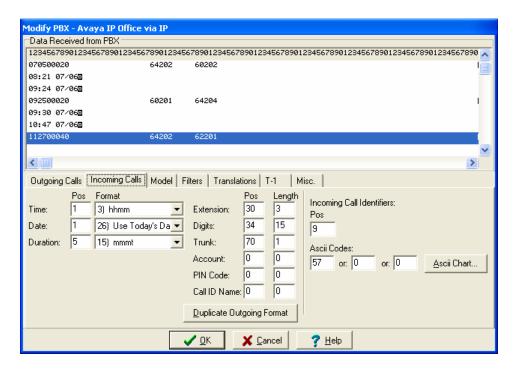


# 4.3 Customizing Outgoing, Incoming and Internal CDR Records Format

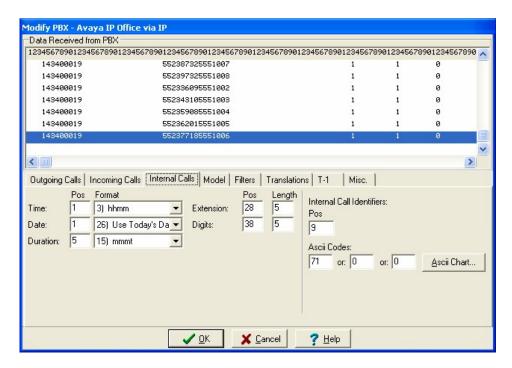
Click on **Modify PBX Settings** on the Select PBX screen (see previous screen display). The **Outgoing Calls**, **Incoming Calls** and **Internal Calls** tabs allow the Metropolis OfficeWatch administrator to customize the CDR records based on how the CDR data is positioned in the record. Flexibility to fine-tune meaningful data is performed within these tabs. When the values are added or changed, click **OK**.



**Incoming Calls** tab displayed below. When completed click **OK**.



**Internal Calls** tab is displayed below. When completed click **OK**.



# 5 Interoperability Compliance Testing

Interoperability compliance testing included feature, serviceability, and performance. The feature test evaluated the ability of Metropolis OfficeWatch to collect and process CDR records for various types of calls. The serviceability test introduced failure scenarios to verify if OfficeWatch could resume CDR collection after failure recovery. The performance test utilized bulk call volumes to generate a moderate amount of CDR records.

#### 5.1 General Test Approach

The general test approach was to manually place various types of calls (intra-switch calls, interswitch calls, inbound and outbound PSTN trunk calls) to and from the telephones controlled by the Avaya IP Office, and verify that Metropolis OfficeWatch collected the CDR records and report information was correct. For serviceability testing, logical links were disabled/re-enabled in different sections of the network, and media servers were reset. For performance testing, a call generator was used to place calls over an extended period of time.

#### 5.2 Test Results

All feature, serviceability and performance tests passed. Metropolis OfficeWatch successfully captured and processed call records from Avaya IP Office. OfficeWatch also successfully processed the CDR data and produced call accounting reports. The types of calls generated during the compliance test include: intra-switch calls, inbound/outbound PSTN trunk calls, inbound/outbound inter-switch IP trunk calls, transferred calls, bridged calls, and conferenced calls.

Performance tests were conducted using the Hammer Bulk Call Generation. The Hammer was programmed to make twenty outgoing PRI calls to the Avaya IP Office, were the calls were answered and terminated at an Avaya IP Office POTS endpoint. The Hammer test ran for one hour yielding 180 calls per channel per minute for a total of 3600 calls. Metropolis OfficeWatch collected and processed CDR records during the sustained performance test period.

# 6 Verification Steps

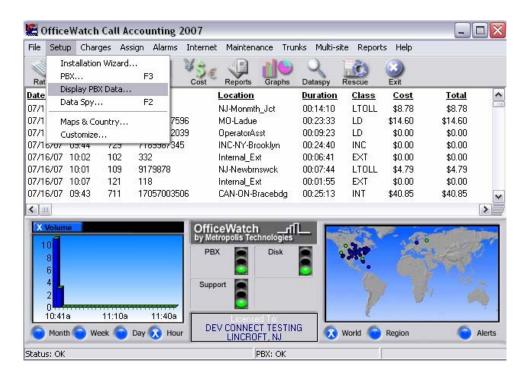
The following steps were used to verify the CDR records by Avaya:

# 6.1 System Monitor

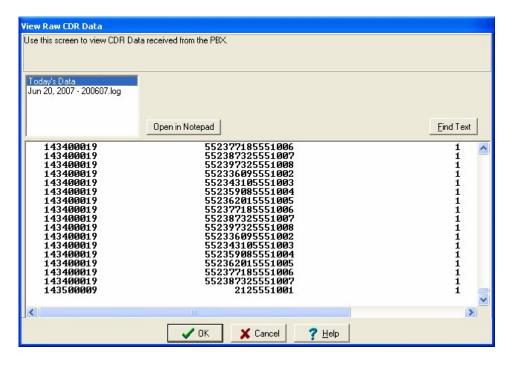
Using the System Monitor provided by Avaya IP Office, Call Detail Records were captured and viewed in real time as they are being sent to Metropolis OfficeWatch.

#### 6.2 Raw Data

This mode of operation helps the administration to immediately determine if the Metropolis OfficeWatch application is receiving CDR records in an unformatted fashion. Select **Setup Display PBX Data...** from the Setup Menu as below.



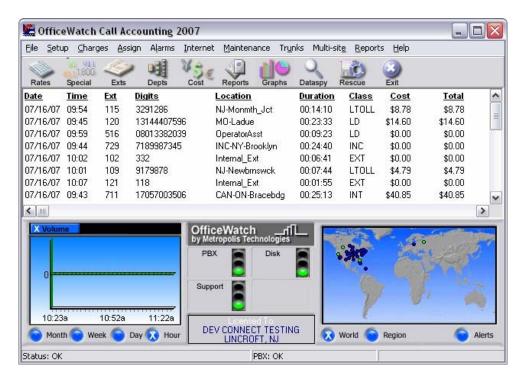
This option displays the following dialog, allowing the administrator to quickly see transactions or select which day's CDR data activity to view using Notepad.



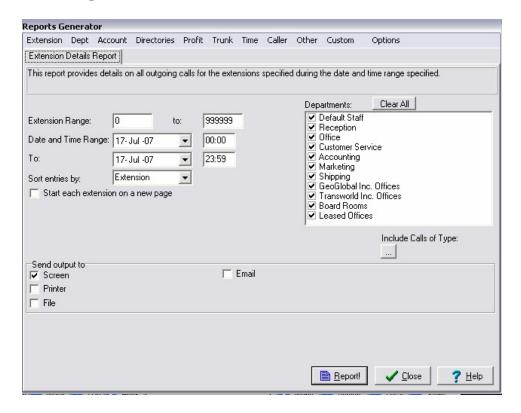
# 6.3 Generating a Report

The Metropolis OfficeWatch application allows reporting CDR information with different configurable parameters. Reports generated with parameters such as **Extension Range** or **Date** 

**and Time Range** are among a few report variations that may be used. Select the Report Menu from the Metropolis OfficeWatch application is below.



From the **Report Generator** window displayed below, provide the **Date and Time Range** to be viewed. Click the **Report** button at the bottom.



The following screen displays a sample CDR report.

Extension Details Report Outgoing + Incoming calls Extension Range: 0 to 999999 Date Range: 16-Jul-07 to 16-Jul-07 DEV CONNECT TESTING LINCROFT, NJ

Report Date: 16-Jul-07 11:23:32

Dept: Default Staff

Ext: 101 Harold Conyers

Date	Time	Number Dialed	Location	Account	Duration	Charge	Tax	Total
07/16/07	09:47	05082182310	OperatorAsst	733	00:21:20	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	09:48	9062277	NJ-Metuchen	753	00:20:13	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:00	2904333	NJ-Matawan	933	00:08:47	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:07	5830487	NJ-Matawan	453	00:01:42	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:07	5830487	NJ-Matawan	453	00:01:42	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:22	4762217	NJ-Metuchen	353	00:22:52	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Calls: 6	Average Dur: 12:46		01:16:36	0.00	0.00	0.00

Dept: Default Staff

Ext: 102 Malcolm Sutherland

Date	Time	Number Dialed	Location	Account	Duration	Charge	Tax	Total
07/16/07	10:00	18043028451	VA-Midlothian	283	00:08:53	5.51	0.00	5.51
07/16/07	10:00	2151743	NJ-Rahway	413	00:08:48	5.46	0.00	5.46
07/16/07	10:02	332	Internal_Ext	363	00:06:41	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:02	332	Internal_Ext	363	00:06:41	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:02	7262461	NJ-Woodbridge	323	00:06:53	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:24	3334109	NJ-Freehold	153	00:21:17	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:31	2610194	NJ-Metuchen	233	00:14:12	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:43	6931589	NJ-Eatontown	183	00:02:30	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:43	9128800	NJ-Woodbridge	533	00:01:42	0.00	0.00	0.00
		Calls: 9	Average Dur: 08:37		01:17:37	10.97	0.00	10.97

Dept: Default Staff

Ext: 103 Charlita Saltus

Date	Time	Number Dialed	Location	Account	Duration	Charge	Tax	Total
07/16/07	09:54	4617096	NJ-Red_Bank	333	00:14:20	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	09:57	13142928083	MO-Bridgeton	573	00:11:42	7.25	0.00	7.25
07/16/07	09:57	13142928083	MO-Bridgeton	573	00:11:42	7.25	0.00	7.25
07/16/07	10:02	5275979	NJ-Woodbridge	443	00:06:30	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:07	02058840473	OperatorAsst	223	00:01:39	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:26	8513043	NJ-Englishtn	873	00:18:54	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:29	5438583	NJ-Newbrnswck	913	00:16:28	10.21	0.00	10.21
07/16/07	10:29	2037111916	INC-Unknown	223	00:15:45	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:31	2411504	NJ-Middletown	143	00:13:48	0.00	0.00	0.00
07/16/07	10:41	3755824	NJ-Seaside_Pk	373	00:04:29	2.78	0.00	2.78

# 7 Support

Technical support for Metropolis OfficeWatch can be obtained by contacting Metropolis Support at 954-941-1010 or by sending e-mail to <a href="mailto:support@Metropolis.com">support@Metropolis.com</a>.

# 8 Conclusion

These Application Notes describe the procedures for configuring Metropolis OfficeWatch to collect Call Detail Records from Avaya IP Office. Metropolis OfficeWatch successfully passed all compliance testing.

#### 9 References

This section references the Avaya and Metropolis documentation that are relevant to these Application Notes. The Avaya product documentation can be found at <a href="http://support.avaya.com">http://support.avaya.com</a>, and the OfficeWatch documentation can be obtained at <a href="http://www.metropolis.com">http://www.metropolis.com</a>.

- [1] Avaya IP Office Release 4.0, Manager: 02, Configuration Guide Issue 19(k), January 2007.
- [2] OfficeWatch Users Guide, Version 2007.05.08.

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