

Avaya Solution & Interoperability Test Lab

Application Notes for RedSky Technologies E-911 Manager and Emergency On-site Notification (EON) with Avaya Communication Manager and Avaya Communication Manager Application Programming Interface - Issue 1.0

#### **Abstract**

These Application Notes describe a compliance-tested configuration comprised of Avaya Communication Manager, Avaya Communication Manager Application Programming Interface, and the RedSky Technologies E-911 Manager with Emergency On-Site Notification (EON). The RedSky E-911 Manager retrieves station numbering and location information from a PBX, and validates, reformats, and uploads the information to public Automatic Location Identification (ALI) databases. EON is an add-on module to the RedSky E-911 Manager that detects emergency calls originated by PBX stations and notifies EON clients and other notification subscribers (reached via e-mail, pager, etc.) when such calls are detected. During compliance testing, the RedSky E-911 Manager produced correct station numbering and location information as Avaya Communication Manager stations were added, deleted, and changed. In addition, the RedSky EON server successfully detected emergency calls placed by Avaya Communication Manager stations and notified EON clients of such calls. Information in these Application Notes has been obtained through compliance testing and additional technical discussions. Testing was conducted via the Developer Connection Program at the Avaya Solution and Interoperability Test Lab.

### 1. Introduction

These Application Notes describe a compliance-tested configuration comprised of Avaya Communication Manager 2.2, Avaya Communication Manager Application Programming Interface, and the RedSky Technologies E-911 Manager with Emergency On-Site Notification (EON). The RedSky E-911 Manager retrieves station numbering and location information from Avaya Communication Manager, and validates, reformats, and uploads the information to public Automatic Location Identification (ALI) databases. When a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) receives an Enhanced 911 (E911) call, the PSAP searches the ALI databases to obtain the specific address/location associated with the Calling Party Number (CPN).

EON is an add-on module to the RedSky E-911 Manager that detects emergency calls originated by Avaya Communication Manager stations and notifies EON clients and other notification subscribers when such calls are detected.

Figure 1 illustrates a sample configuration consisting of:

- an Avaya S8500 Media Server
- an Avaya G650 Media Gateway
- an Avaya Communication Manager API server
- Avaya IP and Digital Telephones
- analog telephones
- an Avaya C364T-PWR Converged Stackable Switch
- a RedSky Technologies E-911 Manager with Emergency On-site Notification (EON) server
- RedSky Technologies EON clients

Avaya Communication Manager runs on the S8500 Media Server, though the solution described herein is also extensible to other Avaya Media Servers and Media Gateways. The RedSky E-911 Manager retrieves station numbering and location information from Avaya Communication Manager at user defined intervals. The RedSky EON server registers with Avaya Communication Manager, via the Avaya Communication Manager API server, as an exclusive mode Avaya Communication Manager API station. This station is configured in Avaya Communication Manager with a "Crisis Alert" button. When an Avaya Communication Manager telephone originates an E911 call, Avaya Communication Manager alerts all stations configured with a Crisis Alert button, including the RedSky EON server. The RedSky EON server thereby detects the E911 call and notifies all EON clients of the call.

During compliance testing, one of the Avaya 4600 Series IP Telephones was also configured with a "Crisis Alert" button to confirm the Crisis Alert function on a physical telephone. Physical telephones configured with "Crisis Alert" buttons are not required by the solution

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In exclusive mode registration, the Communication Manager API station exclusively owns an extension until it unregisters the extension. In shared control mode registration, the Communication Manager API station shares the extension of an already registered physical station for the purpose of controlling the physical station. Shared mode registration is not used by the RedSky EON server.

described herein, but are recommended for wider alerting coverage, particularly where EON clients are not running.

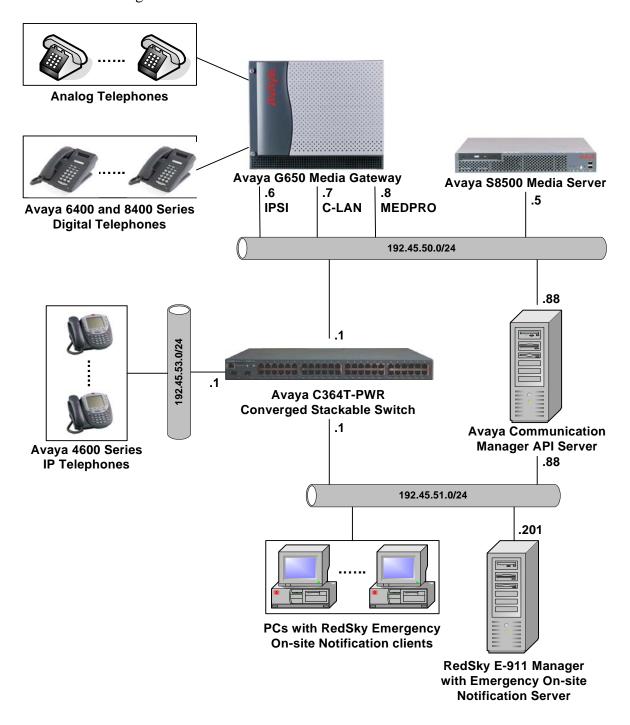


Figure 1: Sample configuration.

# 2. Equipment and Software Validated

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

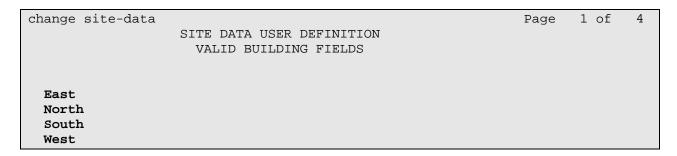
Equipment	Software/Firmware
Avaya S8500 Media Server	2.2 (R012x.02.0.111.4)
Avaya G650 Media Gateway	-
TN2312BP IP Server Interface	13
TN799DP C-LAN Interface	14
TN2302AP IP Media Processor	104
Avaya Communication Manager Application	2.1.25
Programming Interface Server	
Avaya 4600 Series IP Telephones	2.2.3 (4610SW)
	2.2.3 (4620SW)
Avaya 6400 and 8400 Series Digital	1
Telephones	
Analog Telephones	-
Avaya C364T-PWR Converged Stackable	4.5.14
Switch	
RedSky Technologies E-911 Manager Server	
E-911 Manager	5.0.1.17827
PhoneDataExtract.dll	1.0.2110.30299
RedSky Technologies Emergency On-site	5.0.1.11855
Notification (EON) Server	
RedSky Technologies Emergency On-site	1.0.2105.24236
Notification (EON) Client	
RedSky Technologies Emergency On-site	Windows 2000 Professional/Server
Notification (EON) Client PC	(SP4 or higher)
	Windows XP Professional
	(SP1 or higher)

# 3. Configure Avaya Communication Manager

This section describes the steps for configuring station name and location information (room, floor, building), public/unknown numbering formats, and "Crisis Alert" stations.

#### 3.1. Define Site Data

From the Avaya Communication Manager System Access Terminal (SAT), enter the **change site-data** command. On Pages 1 and 2 of the **site-data** form, define the values that may be used for the **Building** field in the **station** form. In the example below, buildings "**East**", "**North**", "**South**", and "**West**" are defined.



Similarly, on Page 3 of the **site-data** form, define the values that may be used for the **Floor** field in the **station** form. In the example below, floors 1 through 5 are defined.

change site-data		Page	3 of	4
	SITE DATA USER DEFINITION			
	VALID FLOOR FIELDS			
_				
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

## 3.2. Configure Station Location Information

From the SAT, enter the **change station n** command, where **n** is an existing station extension. On Page 1 of the **station** form, enter a **Name** if one has not been entered yet.

change station 50001			Page	1 of	4
		STATION			
Extension: 50001 Type: 4610 Port: S00118 Name: John Connell		Lock Messages? n Security Code: * Coverage Path 1: Coverage Path 2: Hunt-to Station:		BCC: TN: COR: COS:	1
STATION OPTIONS					
Loss Group:	19	Personalized Ringin Message	g Patter Lamp Ex		001
Speakerphone: Display Language:	-	Mute Butto	n Enable	ed? y	
Survivable GK Node Name:		Media Co IP	mplex E> SoftPhor		

On Page 2 of the **station** form, if external callers can directly reach the station extension, for example, the station extension is a DID number, then set **Emergency Location Ext** to the station extension (default). If not, set **Emergency Location Ext** to a DID extension as in the example below (where station **50001** has an **Emergency Location Ext** of **53001**). The **Emergency Location Ext** is used, along with any numbering modification defined in the public-unknown-numbering form (see Section 3.3), to form the Calling Party Number in outbound 911 calls and provides the PSAP with a direct call back number. In addition, if **Always Use** is set to "**n**", and the station is an IP phone, then the **Emergency Location Ext** may be overridden by an Emergency Location Extension defined in the ip-network-map form. Refer to [1] for further details on administering Emergency Location Extensions in the ip-network-map form. Otherwise, the **Emergency Location Ext** is always used. In the record uploaded to the ALI database, the RedSky E-911 Manager replaces the station extension with an Emergency Location Extension defined in the ip-network-map form when applicable or with the **Emergency Location Ext** defined in the station form. The RedSky E-911 Manager does not currently consider the **Always Use** parameter.

**Note**: The ip-network-map form was not configured with Emergency Location Extensions during compliance testing.

```
change station 50001
                                                             Page
                                                                    2 of
                                    STATION
FEATURE OPTIONS
          LWC Reception: spe
                                     Auto Select Any Idle Appearance? n
         LWC Activation? y
                                                Coverage Msg Retrieval? y
 LWC Log External Calls? n
                                                           Auto Answer: none
            CDR Privacy? n
                                                      Data Restriction? n
  Redirect Notification? y
                                         Idle Appearance Preference? n
Per Button Ring Control? n
  Bridged Call Alerting? n
                                              Restrict Last Appearance? n
 Active Station Ringing: single
       H.320 Conversion? n
                                 Per Station CPN - Send Calling Number?
      Service Link Mode: as-needed
        Multimedia Mode: enhanced
   MWI Served User Type: qsig-mwi
                                           Display Client Redirection? n
                                           Select Last Used Appearance? n
                                             Coverage After Forwarding? s
                                           Direct IP-IP Audio Connections? y
Emergency Location Ext: 53001 Always Use? n
                                                  IP Audio Hairpinning? y
```

On Page 3 of the **station** form, enter location information for **Room**, **Floor**, and **Building**. The valid **Floor** and **Building** values that may be entered were defined in Section 3.1.

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4
change station 50001
                                                                 Page
                                                                        3 of
                                       STATION
 SITE DATA
       Room: 101
                                                           Headset? n
                                                           Speaker? n
       Jack:
      Cable:
                                                          Mounting: d
      Floor: 1
                                                      Cord Length: 0
                                                         Set Color:
   Building: North
ABBREVIATED DIALING
    List1:
                                List2:
                                                           List3:
BUTTON ASSIGNMENTS
                                           5:
 1: call-appr
 2: call-appr
                                           6:
                                           7:
 3: call-appr
 4:
                                           8:
```

## 3.3. Configure Numbering

From the SAT, enter the **change public-unknown-numbering** command to invoke the **Numbering – Public/Unknown Format** table. This table specifies the digit(s) to pre-pend to the calling party numbers of outbound calls routed to ISDN trunk groups. The entry in the example below states that all **5**-digit calling party numbers that begin with "**5**" will be prepended with "**73285**" to form **10**-digit calling party numbers. If **Trk Grp(s)** is blank, then the entry applies to all calls originated by "5xxxx" extensions and routed to any ISDN trunk group. If one or more consecutive trunk groups are specified for **Trk Grp(s)**, then the entry applies to calls originated by "5xxxx" extensions and routed to those specific trunk groups. Additional entries may be similarly configured for other extension lengths and prefixes - for example, for "72xxx" extensions. The RedSky E-911 Manager also retrieves the information in this table from Avaya Communication Manager stations before uploading to the ALI databases.

change public-unknown-numbering Page 1 of 8								
		NUMBERING	- PUBLIC/UNKNOWN	FORMAT				
			Total			Total		
Ext Ext	Trk	CPN	CPN Ext Ext	Trk	CPN	CPN		
Len Code	Grp(s)	Prefix	<b>Len</b> Len Code	Grp(s)	Prefix	Len		
5 5		73285	10					

# 3.4. Avaya Communication Manager API Station for EON Server

Step					Description				
1.	As described	As described in the Introduction, the EON server registers as an Avaya Communication Manager							
	API station. Each Avaya Communication Manager API station requires an "IP_API_A" license.								
		Note that this is separate and independent of Avaya IP Softphone licenses, which are required for							
		Avaya IP Softphones but not required for Avaya Communication Manager API stations. From							
				-	rameters customer-options com	_			
				_	-	imana ana v	erny mai	•	
	there are suffi	cient I	P_API_	A licenses	S.				
	display sys	tem-pa	aramete	ers custo	mer-options	Page	10 of	11	
			MA	XIMUM IP	REGISTRATIONS BY PRODUCT	ID			
		_ 1			1				
	Product ID				Used				
	IP_API_A		1000		1				
	IP_API_B	•	0		0				
	IP_API_C				0				
	IP_Agent				0				
	IP_IR_A				0				
	IP_Phone				6				
	IP_ROMax				0				
	IP_Soft		1000		0				
	IP_eCons	:	0		0				

Step		Description						
2.	Enter the <b>add station s</b> command, where <b>s</b> is an extension that is valid under the provisioned d plan. On Page 1 of the <b>station</b> form, set <b>Type</b> to " <b>8410D</b> ", <b>Port</b> to " <b>IP</b> ", and <b>IP SoftPhone</b> to " <b>y</b> ", and enter a descriptive <b>Name</b> and a <b>Security Code</b> .							
	add station 60001	STATION	Page 1 of 4					
	Extension: 60001 Type: 8410D Port: IP Name: EON Server	Lock Messages? Security Code: Coverage Path 1: Coverage Path 2: Hunt-to Station:						
	STATION OPTIONS  Loss Group: 2  Data Module? n  Speakerphone: 2-v  Display Language: eng	vay Mute But	ging Pattern: 1 age Lamp Ext: 60001 cton Enabled? y					
			Complex Ext: P SoftPhone? y					
3.	On Page 3 of the <b>station</b> form, conf	figure the <u>first</u> button as a " <b>crss-alert</b>	" button.					
	add station 60001	STATION	Page 3 of 4					
	SITE DATA Room: Jack: Cable: Floor: Building:	Sp Mou Cord I	eadset? n peaker? n unting: d pength: 0 Color:					
	ABBREVIATED DIALING List1:	List2: I	ist3:					
	BUTTON ASSIGNMENTS  1: crss-alert  2: call-appr  3: call-appr  4: 5:	6: 7: 8: 9: 10:						

Step		Description							
4.	Enter the <b>change system-parameters crisis-alert</b> command. Set <b>Every User Responds</b> to "y" to require every station configured with a "crss-alert" button to acknowledge a Crisis Alert call. This ensures that physical telephones configured with "crss-alert" buttons continue to be alerted audibly and visually after the RedSky EON server acknowledges the Crisis Alert on its Avaya Communication Manager API station.								
	change system-parameters	crisis-alert CRISIS ALERT SYSTEM PARAMETERS	Page	1 of	1				
	ALERT STATION Every User Responds?	У							
	ALERT PAGER Alert Pager?	n							

## 3.5. Configure ARS Dial Plan for Alert

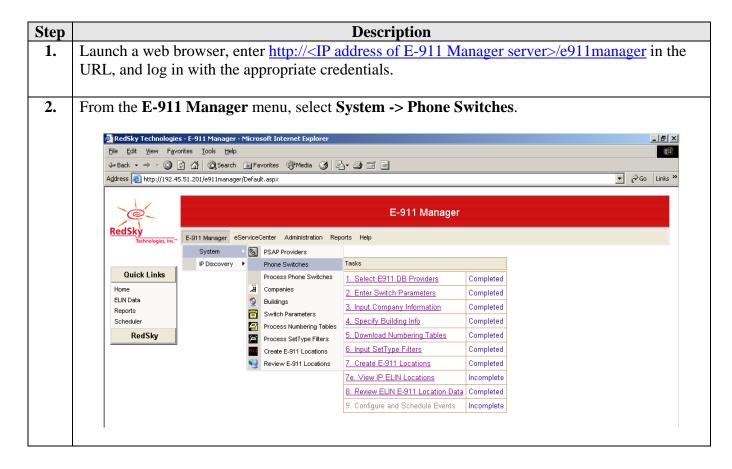
From the SAT, enter the **change ars analysis 911** command. For the "**911**" entry, set **Call Type** to "**alrt**". If the digit 9 is used as the ARS Feature Access Code in Avaya Communication Manager, then add an entry for the **Dialed String** of "**11**" with **Call Type** set to "**alrt**". These two entries allow the caller to dial either "911" or "9911" when placing a 911 call.

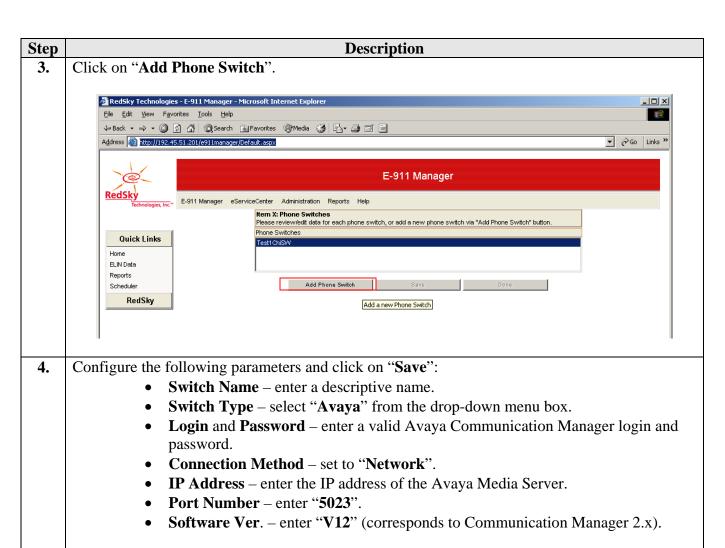
change ars analysis 911						Page 1 of	2
	ARS DIGIT ANALYSIS TABLE						
			Location:	all		Percent Full:	1
Dialed	Tot	al	Route	Call	Node	ANI	
String	Min	Max	Pattern	Type	Num	Reqd	
911	3	3	15	alrt		n	
976	7	7	deny	hnpa		n	
11	2	2	15	alrt		n	

# 4. Configure RedSky E-911 Manager and Emergency On-site Notification (EON)

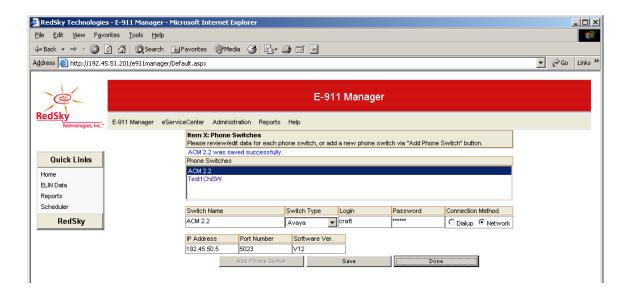
This section provides the relevant steps for configuring the RedSky E-911 Manager to retrieve station numbering and location information from Avaya Communication Manager, and configuring the RedSky EON server to detect emergency calls and notify EON clients.

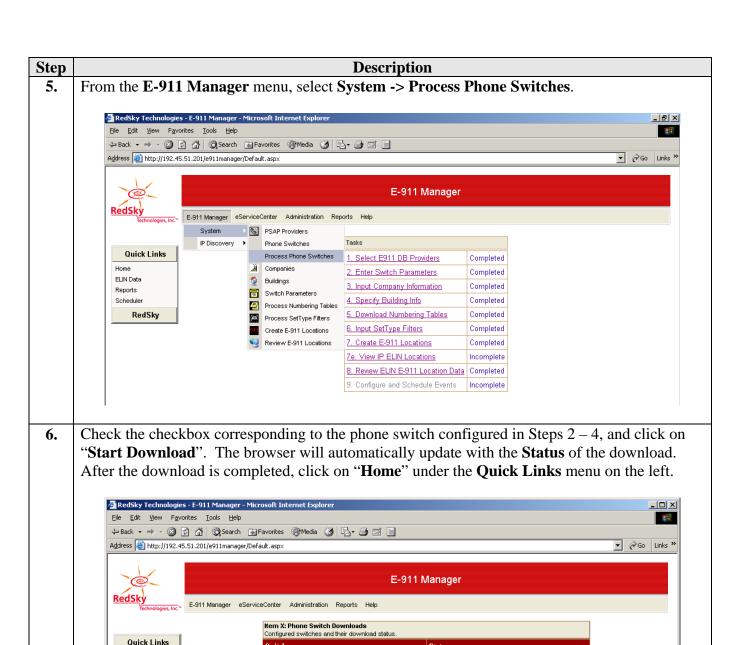
## 4.1. E-911 Manager





Click on "Done" after the save operation is completed successfully.





Status

Start Download

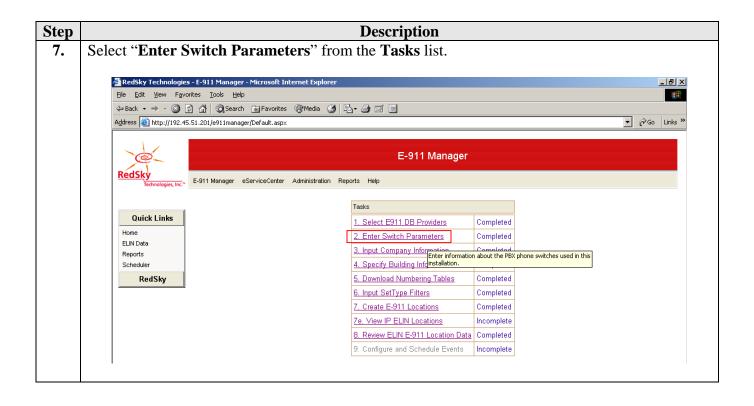
Downloading Station 91/91

ELIN Data

Scheduler RedSky Switch

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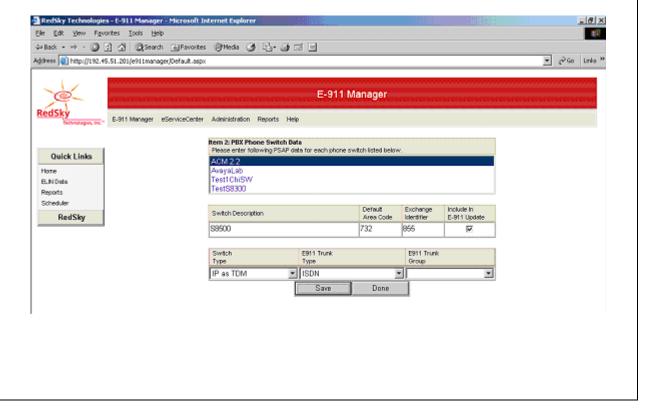
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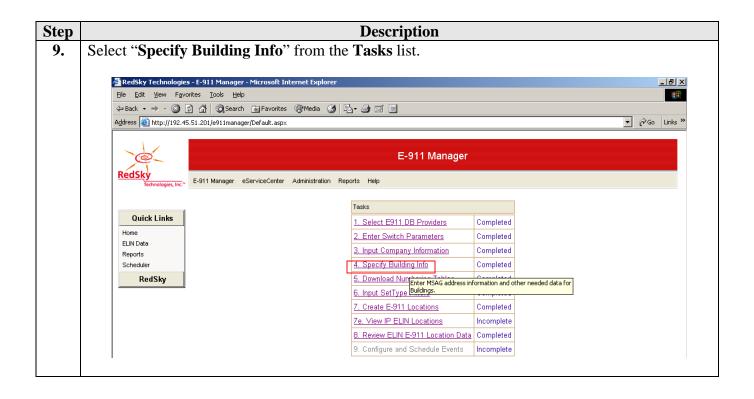


## **Step Description**

- 8. Enter information for **Switch Description**, **Default Area Code**, and **Exchange Identifier**. Check the **Include in E-911 Update** checkbox and configure the following parameters:
  - Switch Type select "IP as TDM" from the drop-down menu box.
  - **E911 Trunk Type** select "**ISDN**" from the drop-down menu box.
  - **E911 Trunk Group** Leave blank if a trunk group is not specified in the public-unknown-numbering form (see Section 3.3). Alternatively, if outbound 911 calls are routed to a specific trunk group, and that trunk group is specified in the public-unknown-numbering form, then select the number of that trunk group in Avaya Communication Manager.

Click on "Save" and then "Done".

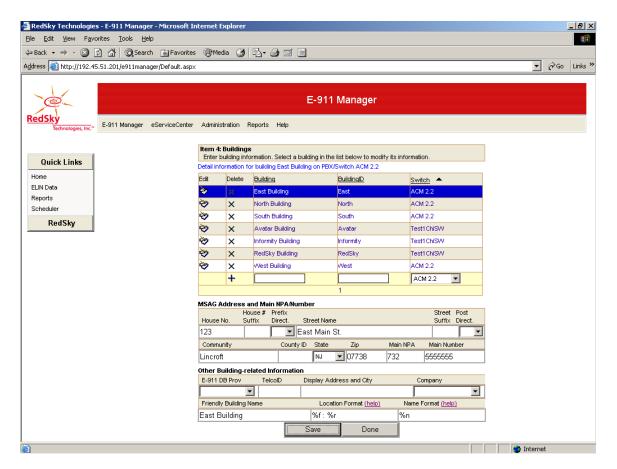




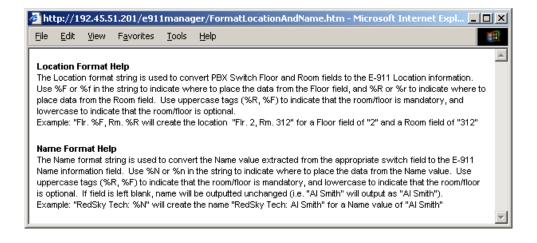
**Description** Step **10.** For each building defined in Avaya Communication Manager in Section 3.1, enter the BuildingID and a descriptive Building name. The BuildingID value must match the value configured in Avaya Communication Manager. For Switch, select the phone switch configured in Steps 2 – 4 from the drop-down menu box. Click on the "+" icon under the **Delete** column. 🚰 RedSky Technologies - E-911 Manager - Microsoft Internet Explor File Edit View Favorites Tools Help 
 ← Back → → ✓ 🐼 🗗 🚰 🔯 Search
 ★ Favorites
 ★ Media
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 ▼ 🔗 Go Links " Address http://192.45.51.201/e911manager/Default.aspx E-911 Manager RedSky E-911 Manager eServiceCenter Administration Reports Help Item 4: Buildings Enter building information. Select a building in the list below to modify its information. **Quick Links** One item deleted Edit Switch -ELIN Data Ò × East Building East ACM 2.2 Reports North Building ACM 2.2 Scheduler **₩** ACM 2.2 South Building South RedSky × Test1ChiSW è Test1ChiSW Informity Building Informity RedSky Building RedSky Test1ChiSW ACM 2.2 West Building West MSAG Address and Main NPA/Numbe Street Post House # Prefix House No. Suffix Direct. Street Name Community County ID State Main NPA Main Number Other Building-related Information E-911 DB Prov TelcoID Display Address and City 7 ~ Friendly Building Name Location Format (help) Name Format (help) javascript: doPostBack('dgrBuildings\$ ctl9\$LinkButton2',")

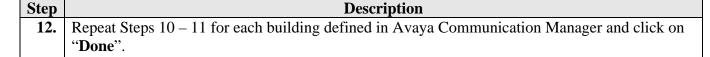
#### **Step** Description

11. Click on the **Edit** icon corresponding to a building defined in Step 10, and enter address and main telephone number information for the building in the **MSAG Address and Main NPA Number** section.

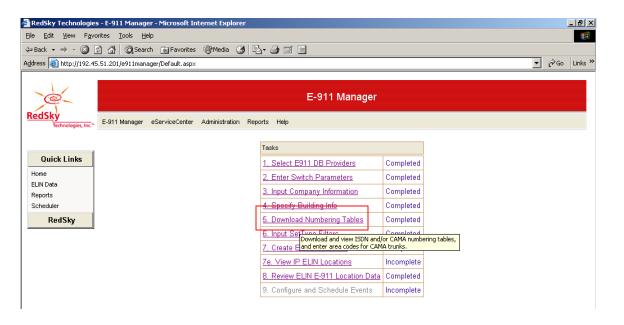


Specify the **Location Format** and **Name Format** according to the instructions below. Click on "Save".

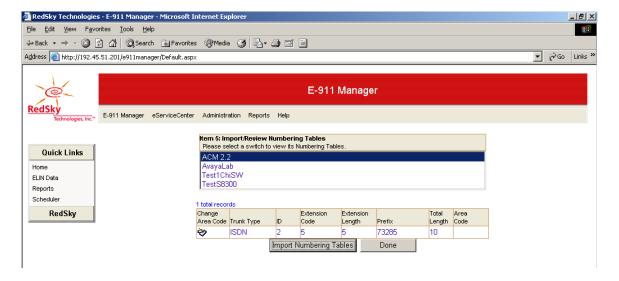




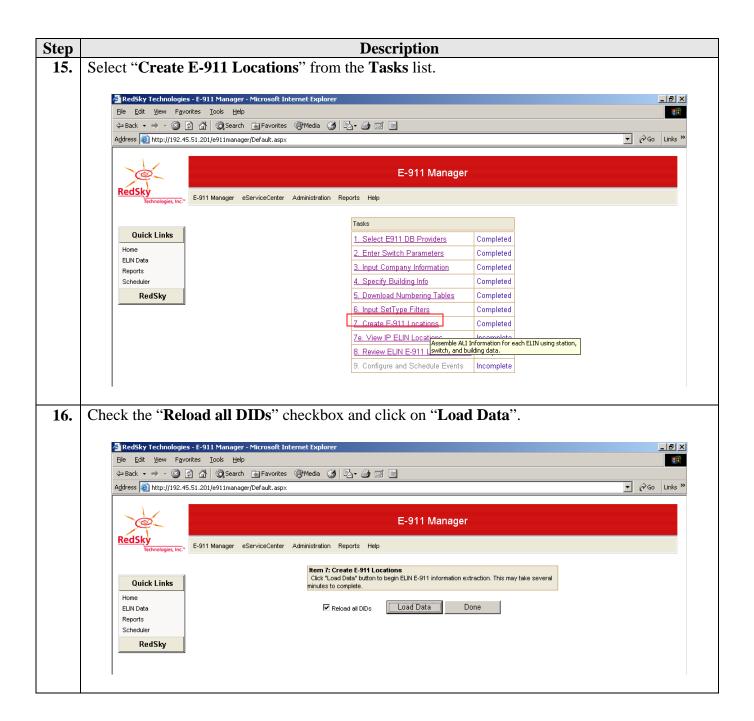
13. | Select "Download Numbering Tables" from the Tasks list.

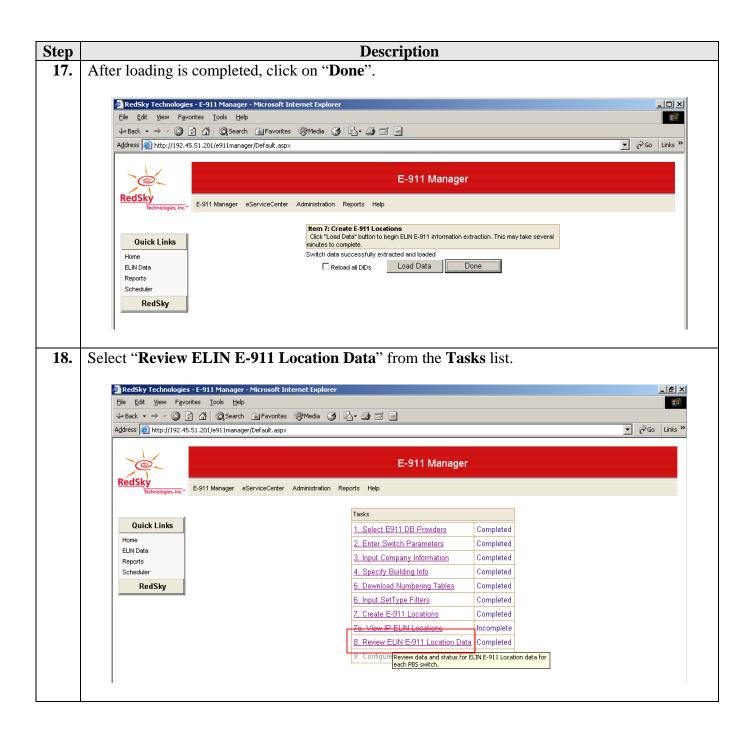


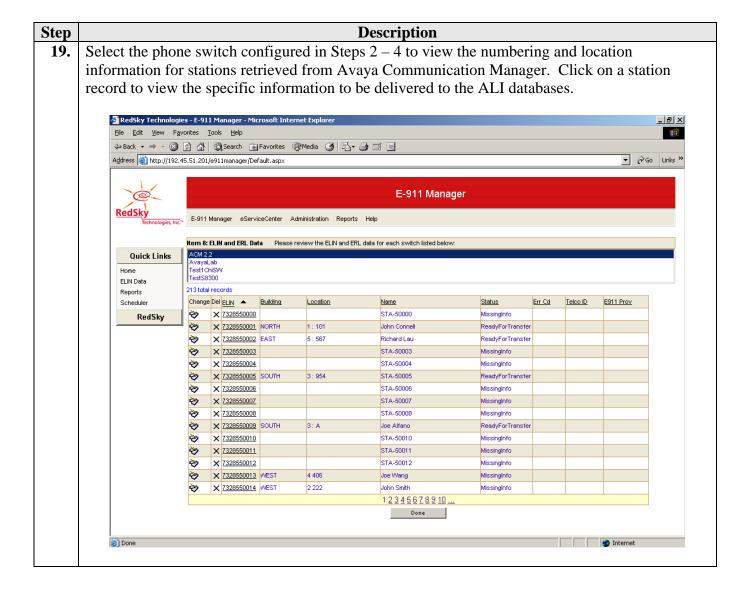
**14.** Select the phone switch configured in Steps 2 – 4 and click on "**Import Numbering Tables**". Click on "**Done**" after the import is completed.



**Note**: The ID column in the above screenshot is an E-911 Manager index and is NOT an Avaya trunk group number.







#### 4.2. EON Server

Configure the following parameters in the "EONServer.exe.config" file in the \RedSkyFiles\EON\ subdirectory on the EON server:

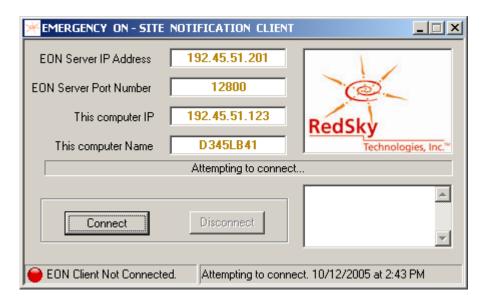
- ClientListeningPortNumber set to "12800".
- **CMAPIServer IP** set to the IP address of the Avaya Communication Manager API server interface facing the CMAPI client (192.45.51.88 in **Figure 1**).
- **CMServerIP** set to the IP address of a C-LAN board (for Avaya S8500 and S8700 Media Servers) or Avaya S8300 Media Server.
- **CMAPIPort** set to "4721".
- CrisisAlertPhoneNum and CrisisAlertPhonePw set to the extension and password of the Avaya Communication Manager API station created in Section 3.4.

#### 4.3. EON Client

Configure the following parameters in the "EONClient.exe.config" file on the EON client:

- **ServerIPAddress** set to the IP address of the EON server.
- serverListeningPort set to "12800".

Start the EON client and click on "Connect" to connect to the EON server.



# 5. Interoperability Compliance Testing

The interoperability compliance testing included functionality, serviceability, and performance testing. The functionality testing evaluated the ability of the RedSky E-911 Manager to accurately retrieve station numbering and location information from Avaya Communication Manager, and the RedSky Emergency On-site Notification (EON) server to correctly detect 911 calls originated by Avaya Communication Manager stations. The serviceability testing introduced failure scenarios to see if the RedSky E-911 Manager and EON server can resume operation after failure recovery. The performance testing stressed the RedSky EON server by continuously placing 911 calls over an extended period of time.

## 5.1. General Test Approach

The main objectives were to verify that:

- The RedSky E-911 Manager accurately retrieves station numbering and location information from Avaya Communication Manager before and after stations are added, deleted, and changed.
- The RedSky EON server correctly detects 911 calls placed by Avaya IP, digital, and analog telephones.
- The RedSky EON server notifies RedSky EON clients of the 911 calls in a timely manner and with the correct caller numbering and location information.

For serviceability testing, connection and cable disconnects and reconnects, and device resets were applied. For performance testing, an Avaya IP Softphone controlling an Avaya Communication Manager physical station continuously originated 911 calls; the off-hook, dialing, and on-hook operations on the Avaya IP Softphone were controlled by a test automation script.

#### 5.2. Test Results

The main objectives of Section 5.1 were verified. For serviceability testing, the RedSky E-911 Manager was able to retrieve station numbering and location information from Avaya Communication Manager after the connection to the Avaya S8500 Media Server was disconnected and reconnected, as well as after resets of Avaya Communication Manager and the RedSky E-911 Manager server. The RedSky EON server was able to detect 911 calls and notify RedSky EON clients after resets of Avaya Communication Manager and the RedSky E-911 Manager server. For performance testing, a 911 call was generated once every minute for five hours and the RedSky EON server successfully detected the calls and notified RedSky EON clients.

The following observations were made during testing:

- If Avaya Communication Manager or the Avaya Communication Manager API server is reset, then the RedSky EON server software must be restarted.
- Alerts on RedSky EON clients are not queued up. For example, if two 911 calls are placed, and the RedSky EON client does not acknowledge the first alert, the second alert does not appear on the RedSky EON client display. Alerts to other notification subscribers (reached via e-mail, pager, etc.) are sent independently, so the notification subscribers should receive alerts for both calls (not verified during testing).

# 6. Verification Steps

The following steps may be used to verify the configuration:

- Compare the station numbering and location information reported in the RedSky E-911
  Manager and Avaya Communication Manager, and verify consistency. Add, delete, and
  change Avaya Communication Manager station information. From the RedSky E-911,
  schedule an update in the near future or wait for the next scheduled update. After the
  update completes, re-verify consistency.
- Place 911 calls from Avaya Communication Manager stations and verify that all EON clients are notified of the calls along with the correct caller numbering and location information.

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#### 8. Conclusion

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## 9. Additional References

Product documentation for Avaya products may be found at http://support.avaya.com.

Product information for RedSky Technologies products may be found at <a href="http://www.redskytech.com/src/03\_sec/software/index.htm">http://www.redskytech.com/src/03\_sec/software/index.htm</a>.

[1] Avaya Communication Manager Application Notes: Emergency Calling

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