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Application Notes for TelStrat Engage with Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager Using Avaya AuraTM Application Enablement Services – Issue 1.0

Abstract

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required for TelStrat Engage to interoperate with Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager using Avaya AuraTM Application Enablement Services. TelStrat Engage is a call recording solution. In the compliance testing, TelStrat Engage used the Telephony Services Application Programming Interface from Avaya AuraTM Application Enablement Services to monitor skill groups and agent telephone extensions on Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager, and used the port mirroring method to capture the media associated with the monitored agents for call recording.

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

1. Introduction

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required for TelStrat Engage to interoperate with Avaya Aura TM Communication Manager using Avaya Aura Application Enablement Services. TelStrat Engage is a call recording solution. In the compliance testing, TelStrat Engage used the Telephony Services Application Programming Interface (TSAPI) from Avaya Aura Application Enablement Services to monitor skill groups and agent telephone extensions on Avaya Aura Communication Manager, and used the port mirroring method to capture the media associated with the monitored agents for call recording.

The TSAPI interface is used by TelStrat Engage to monitor the skill groups and agent telephone extensions. When there is an active call on the monitored agent, TelStrat Engage is informed of the call via event reports from the TSAPI interface. TelStrat Engage starts the call recording by using the replicated media from the port mirroring method. The TSAPI event reports are also used to determine when to stop the call recordings.

1.1. Interoperability Compliance Testing

The interoperability compliance test included feature and serviceability testing.

The feature testing focused on verifying the following on TelStrat Engage:

- Handling of TSAPI messages in the areas of event notification and value queries.
- Proper recording, logging, and playback of calls for scenarios involving inbound, outbound, internal, external, ACD, non-ACD, hold, reconnect, simultaneous, conference, and transfer.

The serviceability testing focused on verifying the ability of TelStrat Engage to recover from adverse conditions, such as disconnecting/reconnecting the Ethernet cable to the TelStrat Engage server.

1.2. Support

Technical support on TelStrat Engage can be obtained through the following:

Phone: (972) 633-4548Email: support@telstrat.com

2. Reference Configuration

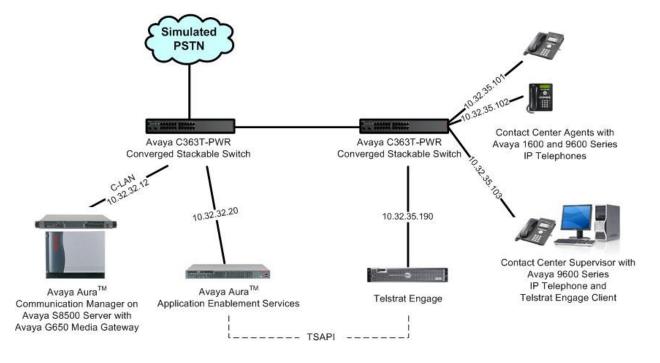
In the compliance testing, the RTP stream for agents with Avaya IP Telephones were mirrored from the layer 2 switch, and replicated over to TelStrat Engage.

TelStrat Engage also has an Engage Client application that can be used to review and playback the call recordings. In the compliance testing, the Engage Client application was installed on the supervisor PC.

The detailed administration of basic connectivity between Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager and Avaya AuraTM Application Enablement Services, and of contact center devices are not the focus of these Application Notes and will not be described. In addition, the port mirroring of the layer 2 switch is also outside the scope of these Application Notes and will not be described.

In the compliance testing, the contact center devices consisted of a skill group, a supervisor, and two agents shown in the table below. TelStrat Engage requested monitoring on the skill group and agent telephone extensions.

Device Type	Extension		
Skill Group	65555		
Supervisor	65000		
Agent IDs	65881, 65882		
Agent Telephone Extensions	65001, 65002		



3. Equipment and Software Validated

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

Equipment	Software
Avaya Aura TM Communication Manager on Avaya S8500 Server	R015x.02.0.947.3
Avaya G650 Media Gateway TN799DP C-LAN Circuit Pack TN2302AP IP Media Processor	HW01 FW032 HW20 FW120
Avaya Aura TM Application Enablement Services	4.2.3
Avaya 1600 Series IP Telephones (H.323)	1.21
Avaya 9600 Series IP Telephones (H.323)	3.1
TelStrat Engage on Windows 2003 Server with Service Pack 2	3.2 Microsoft SQL Server 2005 4.2.0.267
TelStrat Engage Client	3.2

4. Configure Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager

This section provides the procedures for configuring Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager. The procedures include the following areas:

- Verify Communication Manager License
- Administer IP codec set
- Administer CTI link

4.1. Verify Communication Manager License

Log in to the System Access Terminal (SAT) to verify that the Communication Manager license has proper permissions for features illustrated in these Application Notes. Use the "display system-parameters customer-options" command to verify that the **Computer Telephony Adjunct Links** customer option is set to "y" on **Page 3**. If this option is not set to "y", then contact the Avaya sales team or business partner for a proper license file.

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display system-parameters customer-options
                               OPTIONAL FEATURES
   Abbreviated Dialing Enhanced List? y
                                                Audible Message Waiting? n
       Access Security Gateway (ASG)? n
                                                   Authorization Codes? n
       Analog Trunk Incoming Call ID? y
                                                             CAS Branch? n
A/D Grp/Sys List Dialing Start at 01? n
                                                                CAS Main? n
Answer Supervision by Call Classifier? n
                                                       Change COR by FAC? y
                                 ARS? y Computer Telephony Adjunct Links? y
                ARS/AAR Partitioning? y Cvg Of Calls Redirected Off-net? n
         ARS/AAR Dialing without FAC? y
                                                             DCS (Basic)? n
         ASAI Link Core Capabilities? y
                                                       DCS Call Coverage? n
         ASAI Link Plus Capabilities? y
                                                      DCS with Rerouting? n
      Async. Transfer Mode (ATM) PNC? n
 Async. Transfer Mode (ATM) Trunking? n
                                          Digital Loss Plan Modification? n
             ATM WAN Spare Processor? n
                                                                 DS1 MSP? v
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4.2. Administer IP Codec Set

Use the "change ip-codec-set n" command, where "n" is an existing codec set number used for the agents. Enter the desired audio codec types in the **Audio Codec** fields. Note that TelStrat Engage only supports the G.711 and G.729 codec variants.

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change ip-codec-set 7

IP Codec Set

Codec Set: 7

Audio Silence Frames Packet
Codec Suppression Per Pkt Size(ms)

1: G.711MU n 2 20

2:
```

4.3. Administer CTI Link

Add a CTI link using the "add cti-link n" command, where "n" is an available CTI link number. Enter an available extension number in the **Extension** field. Note that the CTI link number and extension number may vary. Enter "ADJ-IP" in the **Type** field, and a descriptive name in the **Name** field. Default values may be used in the remaining fields.

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CTI LINK

Extension: 60100
Type: ADJ-IP

COR: 1

Name: Engage CTI Link

5. Configure Avaya AuraTM Application Enablement Services

This section provides the procedures for configuring Avaya AuraTM Application Enablement Services. The procedures include the following areas:

- Verify TSAPI license
- Launch OAM interface
- Administer TSAPI link
- Obtain Tlink name
- Administer Engage user
- Restart TSAPI service

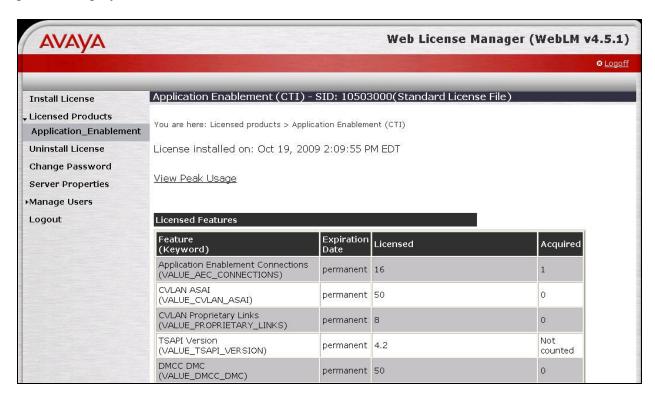
5.1. Verify TSAPI License

Access the Web License Manager interface by using the URL "https://ip-address/WebLM/index.jsp" in an Internet browser window, where "ip-address" is the IP address of the Application Enablement Services server.

The Web License Manager screen is displayed. Log in using the appropriate credentials.



The **Web License Manager** screen is displayed. Select **Application_Enablement** in the left pane, to display the **Licensed Features**.



Scroll down the screen, and verify that there is sufficient license for **TSAPI Simultaneous Users**, as shown below.

TSAPI Simultaneous Users (VALUE_TSAPI_USERS)	permanent	1000	0	
Unified CC API Desktop Edition (VALUE_AEC_UNIFIED_CC_DESKTOP)	permanent	1000	0	
AES ADVANCED MEDIUM SWITCH (VALUE_AEC_MEDIUM_ADVANCED)	permanent	3	0	
CVLAN (VALUE_CVLAN)	permanent	1	0	

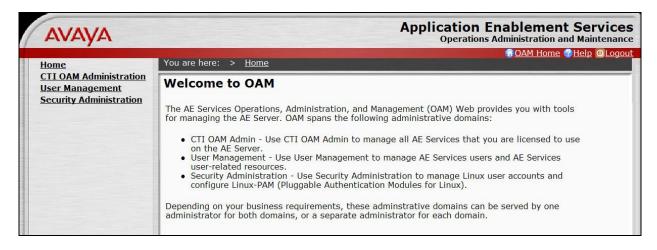
5.2. Launch OAM Interface

Access the OAM web-based interface by using the URL "https://ip-address/MVAP/ index.jsp" in an Internet browser window, where "ip-address" is the IP address of the Application Enablement Services server.

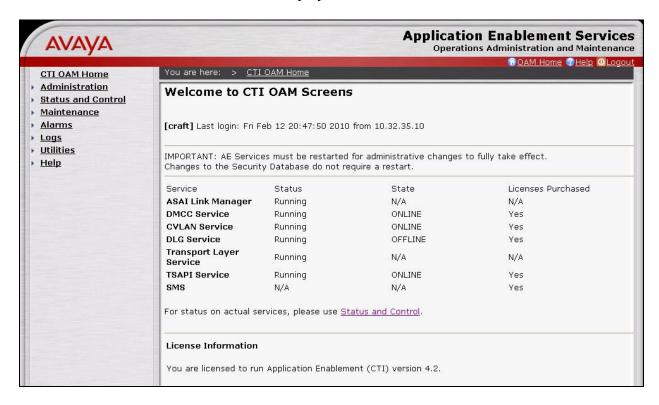
The **Please log on** screen is displayed. Log in using the appropriate credentials.



The **Welcome to OAM** screen is displayed next. Select **CTI OAM Administration** from the left pane.



The Welcome to CTI OAM Screens is displayed.

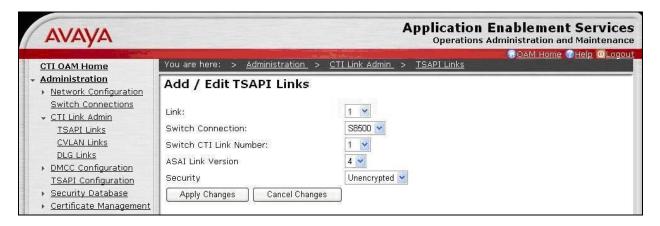


5.3. Administer TSAPI Link

To administer a TSAPI link, select **Administration > CTI Link Admin > TSAPI Links** from the left pane. The **TSAPI Links** screen is displayed, as shown below. Click **Add Link**.



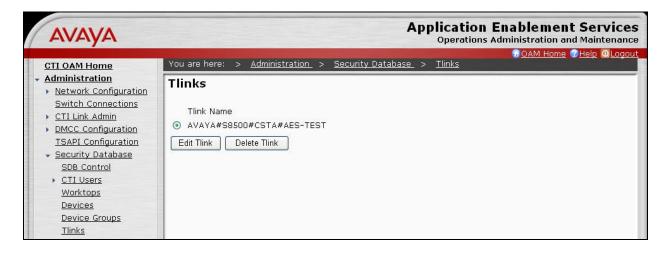
The Add / Edit TSAPI Links screen is displayed next. The Link field is only local to the Application Enablement Services server, and may be set to any available number. For Switch Connection, select the relevant switch connection from the drop-down list. In this case, the existing switch connection "S8500" is selected. For Switch CTI Link Number, select the CTI link number from Section 4.3. Retain the default values in the remaining fields, and click Apply Changes.



5.4. Obtain Tlink Name

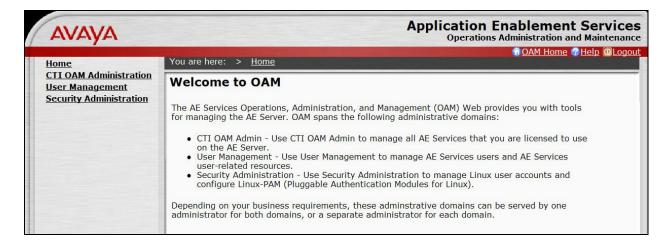
Select **Administration > Security Database > Tlinks** from the left pane. The **Tlinks** screen shows a listing of the Tlink names. A new Tlink name is automatically generated for the TSAPI service. Locate the Tlink name associated with the relevant switch connection, which would use the name of the switch connection as part of the Tlink name. Make a note of the associated Tlink name, to be used later for configuring TelStrat Engage.

In this case, the associated Tlink name is "AVAYA#S8500#CSTA#AES-TEST". Note the use of the switch connection "S8500" from Section 5.3 as part of the Tlink name.



5.5. Administer Engage User

Administer a new user account for TelStrat Engage, which is created from the User Management web pages. Select **OAM Home**, located at the upper right corner of the screen, to display the **Welcome to OAM** screen below. Select **User Management** from the left pane.

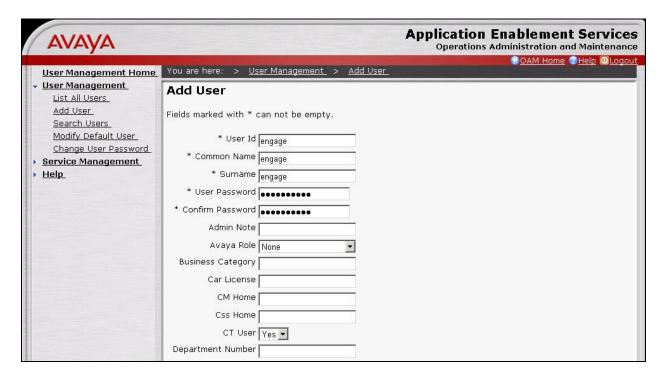


The Welcome to the User Management home page screen is displayed next, as shown below.



Select User Management > Add User from the left pane. In the Add User screen shown below, enter desired values for User Id, Common Name, Surname, User Password, and Confirm Password

For **CT User**, select "Yes" from the drop-down list. Retain the default value in the remaining fields. Click **Apply** at the bottom of the screen (not shown below).



5.6. Restart TSAPI Service

Return to the CTI OAM Administration web pages by selecting **OAM Home**, located at the upper right corner of the screen, to display the **Welcome to OAM** screen (shown in **Section 5.2**). Select **CTI OAM Administration** from the left pane to display the **Welcome to CTI OAM Screens** (shown in **Section 5.2**).

Select Maintenance > Service Controller from the left pane. The Service Controller screen is displayed, and shows a listing of the services and associated status. Check TSAPI Service, and click Restart Service.



6. Configure Avaya IP Telephones

This section provides the procedures for obtaining the MAC addresses from the Avaya IP Telephones.

6.1. Obtain MAC Address

From the Avaya IP Telephone, press the **MENU** button to display the **Menu** screen (not shown).

From the **Menu** screen, navigate to **Network Information** > **Miscellaneous** to display the **Miscellaneous** screen (not shown).

From the **Miscellaneous** screen, page down as necessary to display the **MAC** parameter (not shown).

Make a note of the **MAC** address, which will be used later to configure TelStrat Engage. In the compliance testing, the MAC addresses associated with the two agents were "00040DFA0FBB" and "00040DECB8F2".

Repeat this section for all Avaya IP Telephones used by the agents in **Section 2**.

7. Configure TelStrat Engage

This section provides the procedures for configuring TelStrat Engage. The procedures include the following areas:

- Administer VoIP engine
- Administer ACD groups
- Administer device port mappings

7.1. Administer VoIP Engine

From the Engage server, click the **VoIP Engine Server** icon from the system tray, as shown below.



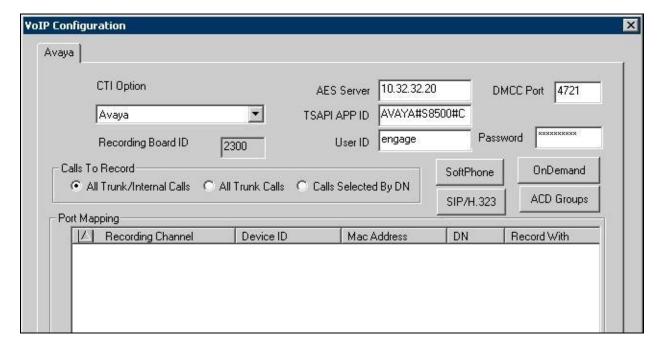
The **VoIP Configuration** screen is displayed. Enter the following values for the specified fields, and retain the default values for the remaining fields.

• **AES Server:** The IP address of the Application Enablement Services server.

• **DMCC Port:** "4721"

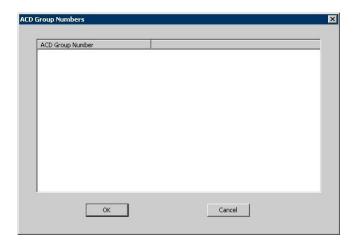
• TSAPI APP ID: The Tlink name from Section 5.4.

User ID: The Engage user credentials from Section 5.5.
 Password: The Engage user credentials from Section 5.5.

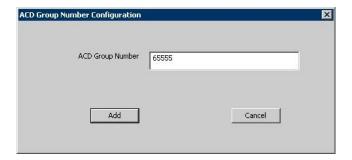


7.2. Administer ACD Groups

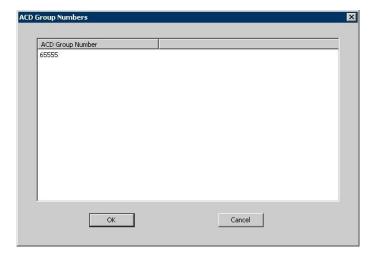
From the **VoIP Configuration** screen shown in **Section 7.1**, click on **ACD Groups** to display the **ACD Group Numbers** screen below. Right click in the empty pane and select **Add**.



The **ACD Group Number Configuration** screen is displayed next. Enter the first skill group extension from **Section 2**.



Repeat this section to add all remaining skill groups.



7.3. Administer Device Port Mappings

From the **VoIP Configuration** screen shown in **Section 7.1**, right-click in the empty pane and select **ADD**. The **Device And CommSrv Port Mapping** screen is displayed.

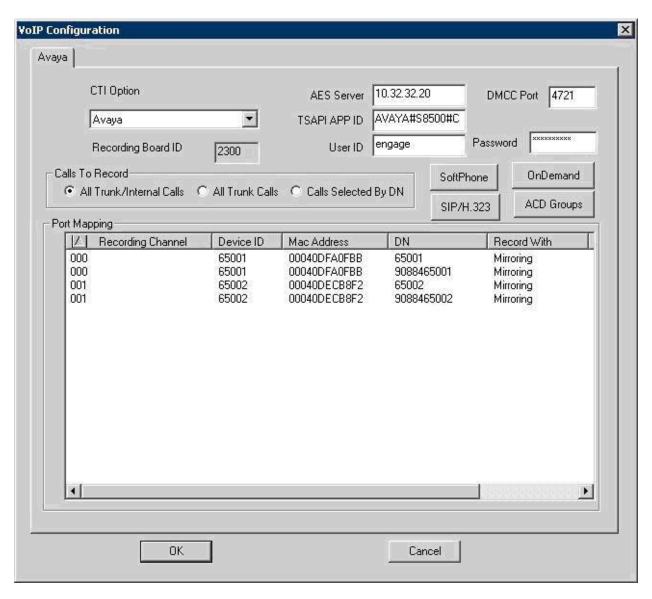
For **Device ID**, enter the first agent telephone extension from **Section 2**. Select the **Mirroring** radio button to enable the **Mac Address** field. For **Mac Address**, enter the MAC address of the first agent telephone from **Section 6.1**. For **CommSrv Port Number**, enter an available port, which begins with "0".

For **DN**, enter the dialed number to reach the agent directly for personal calls (non-ACD). For calls originated inside the switch, this is usually the agent telephone extension, depending on the switch configuration. For calls originated outside the switch, the dialed number usually contains the dial plan prefix. Note that a device port mapping needs to be created for every possible dialed number that can reach the agent directly.



Repeat this section to create device port mappings for all agents in **Section 2**.

In the compliance testing, two entries were created for each agent. The incoming trunk calls directly to the agent will have a prefix of "90884", as shown below.



8. General Test Approach and Test Results

The feature test cases were performed both automatically and manually. Upon start of the TelStrat Engage application, the application automatically queries for the skill group and agent telephone extensions and requests monitoring using Avaya TSAPI.

For the manual part of the testing, each call was handled manually on the agent telephone with generation of unique audio content for the recordings. Necessary user actions such as hold and reconnect were performed from the agent telephones to test the different call scenarios. The serviceability test cases were performed manually by disconnecting/reconnecting the Ethernet cable to TelStrat Engage.

The verification of tests included using the TelStrat Engage logs for proper message exchanges, and using the Engage Client application for proper logging and playback of the calls.

All test cases were executed and passed. The following were the observations on TelStrat Engage from the compliance testing:

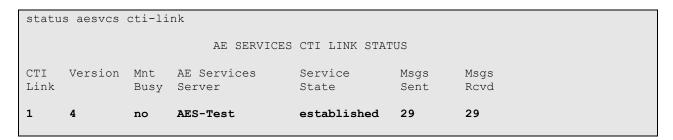
- In the attended conference scenarios, the first recording for the conference-from agent included silence for the period that the conference-from agent was conversing with the conference-to agent, and the second recording for the conference-from agent contained the conversation with the conference-to agent.
- For calls established before a link outage and stayed up during and after the link outage, the recordings will only contain the conversation up to the link disruption.

9. Verification Steps

This section provides the tests that can be performed to verify proper configuration of Avaya Aura TM Communication Manager, Avaya Aura Application Enablement Services, and TelStrat Engage.

9.1. Verify Avaya Aura[™] Communication Manager

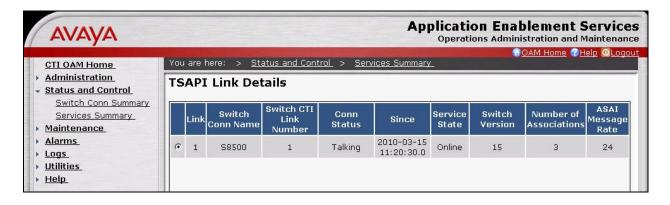
On Communication Manager, verify the status of the administered CTI link by using the "status aesves cti-link" command. Verify that the **Service State** is "established" for the CTI link number administered in **Section 4.3**, as shown below.



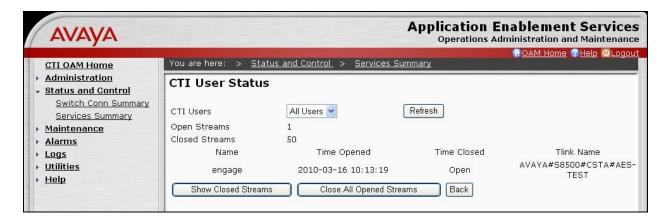
9.2. Verify Avaya Aura[™] Application Enablement Services

On Application Enablement Services, verify the status of the TSAPI link by selecting **Status and Control > Services Summary** from the left pane. Click on **TSAPI Service**, followed by **Details** (not shown below). The **TSAPI Link Details** screen is displayed. Verify the **Conn Status** is "Talking" for the TSAPI link administered in **Section 5.3**, as shown below.

Click User Status from the bottom of the screen.



The **CTI User Status** screen is displayed. Verify that there is an open stream for the Engage user created in **Section 5.5**.



9.3. Verify TelStrat Engage

Log an agent into the skill group to handle and complete an ACD call. From the PC running the Engage Client application, select **Start > All Programs > TelStrat Engage > Engage Client** to launch the application.

The **Engage: Logon Dialog** screen is displayed. Enter the appropriate credentials.



The **Engage** screen below is displayed. Select **Engage > Log > Playback** from the left pane.



The **Engage** screen is updated with a list of the call recordings. Verify that there is an entry reflecting the last call, with proper values in the relevant fields. Double click on the entry and verify that the call recording is played back.



10. Conclusion

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required for TelStrat Engage to successfully interoperate with Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager using Avaya AuraTM Application Enablement Services. All feature and serviceability test cases were completed with observations noted in **Section 8**.

11. Additional References

This section references the product documentation relevant to these Application Notes.

- **1.** Administrator Guide for Avaya AuraTM Communication Manager, Document 03-300509, Issue 5.0, Release 5.2, May 2009, available at http://support.avaya.com.
- **2.** Avaya MultiVantage Application Enablement Services Administration and Maintenance Guide, Release 4.2, Document ID 02-300357, Issue 10, May 2008, available at http://support.avaya.com.
- **3.** Engage Contact Center Suite Installation Guide, Product Release 3.2, March 2010, available on the installation CD.
- **4.** Engage Contact Center System Administration Guide, Product Release 3.2, March 2010, available on the installation CD.

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