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Application Notes for Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant with Avaya Interactive Response – Issue 1.0

Abstract

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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

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Figure 1 illustrates the configuration used to verify the Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant (OSA) solution with Avaya Interactive Response (IR), Avaya Communication Manager, and the Nuance Speech Server. Nuance OSA is deployed on a dedicated application server running Windows 2003 Server. Avaya IR interfaces to Avaya Communication Manager using T1 or Voice over IP. This solution may be supported with either interfaces, but these Application Notes will focus on the T1/Robbed-Bit Signaling interface. Avaya IR manages the interactions with speech server resources (i.e., speech recognition and text-to-speech) used by VXML applications. VXML pages generated by Nuance OSA are loaded and interpreted by Avaya IR, which controls the interaction with the user. To access the Nuance OSA application, a voice channel on Avaya Interactive Response must be configured to invoke the VXML application when an incoming call is received on that channel.

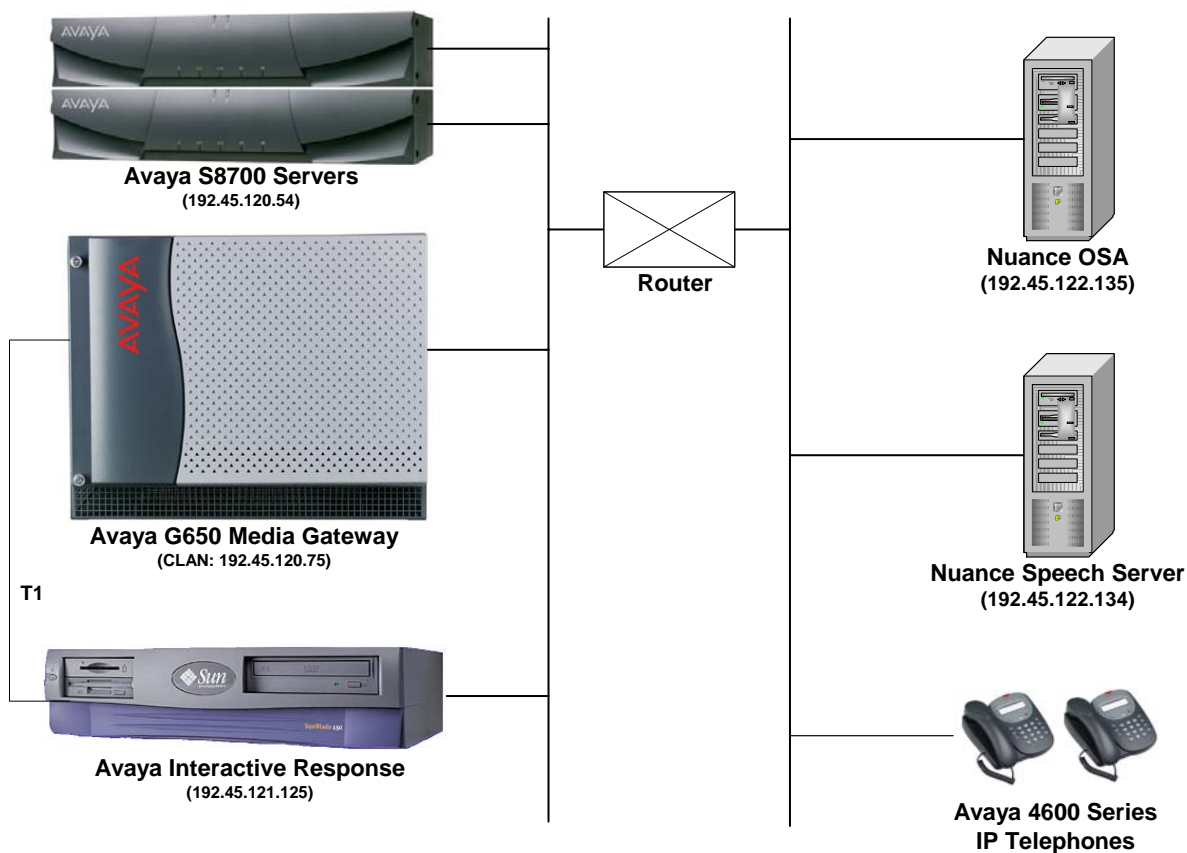


Figure 1: Configuration with Avaya Interactive Response and Nuance OSA

1.1. Equipment and Software Validated

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

Equipment	Software
Avaya Interactive Response	3.0 with Service Pack 2
Avaya S8700 Servers with a G650 Media Gateway	Avaya Communication Manager 4.0 (R014x.00.1.731.2)
Avaya 4600 Series IP Telephones	2.8 (H.323)
Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant (OSA)	3.0 with Hotfix 300HF04
Nuance Speech Server <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Nuance Recognizer▪ Nuance RealSpeak▪ Nuance MRCP Server	9.0.4 4.5 5.0.3

2. Configure Avaya Communication Manager

This section describes the configuration of the T1/Robbed-Bit Signaling link between Avaya Communication Manager and Avaya IR and the stations that correspond to each Avaya IR port. In addition, it covers the configuration of the Hunt Group, Vector Directory Number (VDN), Vector, and Agent Login-IDs required for this solution. Refer to [1] and [2] for additional information on configuring Avaya Communication Manager. The configuration described below covers the following capabilities:

- Establish the T1 interface between Avaya Communication Manager and Avaya IR.
- Configure stations for the Avaya IR ports. Avaya IR ports are configured as **Stations** (79110-79123) with type *DS1FD*.
- Configure the **Hunt Group** that the Avaya IR ports (i.e., Agent Login-IDs) will log into.
- Configure the **Agent Login-IDs** for the Avaya IR ports. Stations associated with Avaya IR ports automatically log into the hunt group via **Agent LoginIDs** (29110-29123).
- Configure the **VDN** that receives incoming calls. Inbound calls are routed to **VDN 75200** which invokes **Vector 200**.
- Configure the **Vector** that is invoked by VDN 75200. **Vector 200** queues the incoming call to **Hunt Group 270** with Avaya IR ports. **Vector 200** passes the DNIS and VDN numbers to Nuance OSA which in turn returns the transfer-to number using the configured **Converse Data Return Code**.

The following configuration is performed via the System Access Terminal (SAT). On the SAT, configure the DS1 board that provides T1 connectivity to the Avaya IR. The **Signaling Mode** of the DS1 board is set to *robbed-bit* signaling with a **Line Coding** and **Framing Mode** of *ami-zcs* and *d4*, respectively.

```
add ds1 1a09                                     Page 1 of 1
                                         DS1 CIRCUIT PACK
      Location: 01A09                               Name: AVAYA IR
      Bit Rate: 1.544                             Line Coding: ami-zcs
Line Compensation: 1                             Framing Mode: d4
      Signaling Mode: robbed-bit
Interface Companding: mulaw
      Idle Code: 11111111
      Slip Detection? n                           Near-end CSU Type: other
```

Figure 2: DS1 Circuit Pack

Configure each Avaya IR port as a station with the **Type** field set to *DS1FD*. Repeat this configuration for each Avaya IR port. In this configuration, 24 IVR ports were configured with an extension range of 79110 to 79123. These stations will be members of **Hunt Group 270** configured in **Figure 4**. The stations (IR ports) will automatically log into the split via the **Agent LoginIDs** configured as shown in **Figure 6**. When using the Voice over IP interface on Avaya IR, the ports are configured as 7434ND stations.

add station 79110		Page	1 of	4
STATION				
Extension: 79110	Lock Messages? n	BCC: 0		
Type: DS1FD	Security Code:	TN: 1		
Port: 01A0910	Coverage Path 1:	COR: 1		
Name: Avaya IR Port 10	Coverage Path 2:	COS: 1		
	Hunt-to Station:	Tests? y		
STATION OPTIONS				
Loss Group: 4		Time of Day Lock Table:		
Off Premises Station? y				
R Balance Network? n				
Survivable COR: internal				
Survivable Trunk Dest? y				
R Balance Network? n				

Figure 3: Station for Avaya IR Port

The Avaya IR ports, configured as DS1FD stations, will automatically log into Hunt Group 270 configured in **Figures 6 and 7**. Set the **Group Extension** field to a valid extension and enable the **ACD** and **Vector** options. This hunt group will be specified in the **Agent LoginIDs** configured in **Figure 6 and 7**.

add hunt-group 270		Page	1 of	3
HUNT GROUP				
Group Number: 270	ACD? y			
Group Name: Nuance OSA (T1)	Queue? y			
Group Extension: 77000	Vector? y			
Group Type: ucd-mia				
TN: 1				
COR: 1	MM Early Answer? n			
Security Code:	Local Agent Preference? n			
ISDN/SIP Caller Display:				
Queue Limit: unlimited				
Calls Warning Threshold: Port:				
Time Warning Threshold: Port:				

Figure 4: Hunt Group for Avaya IR Ports (Page 1)

On Page 2 of the Hunt Group form, enable the **Skill** and **AAS** options. The **AAS** option will allow the IR ports to automatically log into the hunt group via the **Agent LoginIDs**.

add hunt-group 270		Page 2 of 3	
HUNT GROUP			
Skill? y	Expected Call Handling Time (sec): 180		
AAS? y	Service Level Target (% in sec): 80 in 20		
Measured: both	Service Objective (sec): 20		
Supervisor Extension:	Service Level Supervisor? n		
Controlling Adjunct: none			
VuStats Objective:			
Timed ACW Interval (sec):	Dynamic Queue Position? n		
Multiple Call Handling: none			
Redirect on No Answer (rings):			
Redirect to VDN:			
Forced Entry of Stroke Counts or Call Work Codes? n			

Figure 5: Hunt Group for Avaya IR Ports (Page 2)

Add an **Agent LoginID** for each IVR port. The **AAS** option is enabled and the **Port Extension** is set to the extension of the stations corresponding to each Avaya IR port. Repeat this configuration for each DS1FD station. In this configuration, agent login IDs 29110 to 29123 were created.

add agent-loginID 29110		Page 1 of 2	
AGENT LOGINID			
Login ID: 29110	AAS? y		
Name: IR Port 10	AUDIX? n		
TN: 1	LWC Reception: spe		
COR: 1	LWC Log External Calls? n		
Coverage Path:	AUDIX Name for Messaging:		
Security Code:	LoginID for ISDN Display? n		
Port Extension: 79110			
Auto Answer: station			
MIA Across Skills: system			
ACW Agent Considered Idle: system			
Aux Work Reason Code Type: system			
Logout Reason Code Type: system			
Maximum time agent in ACW before logout (sec): system			
Forced Agent Logout Time: :			
WARNING: Agent must log in again before changes take effect			

Figure 6: Agent LoginID for IVR Ports (Page 1)

On Page 2 of the **Agent LoginID** form, set the skill number (SN) to hunt group 270, which is the hunt group (skill) that the Avaya IR ports will log into.

```

add agent-loginID 29110
                                Page 2 of 2
                                AGENT LOGINID
    Direct Agent Skill:
    Call Handling Preference: skill-level
                                Service Objective? n
                                Local Call Preference? n

    SN  RL SL      SN  RL SL      SN  RL SL      SN  RL SL
1: 270    1      16:      31:      46:
2:      17:      32:      47:
3:      18:      33:      48:
4:      19:      34:      49:
5:      20:      35:      50:
6:      21:      36:      51:
7:      22:      37:      52:
8:      23:      38:      53:
9:      24:      39:      54:
10:     25:      40:      55:
11:     26:      41:      56:
12:     27:      42:      57:
13:     28:      43:      58:
14:     29:      44:      59:
15:     30:      45:      60:

```

Figure 7: Agent LoginID for Avaya IR Ports (Page 2)

Incoming calls will be routed to VDN 75200 based on the DNIS. VDN 75200 will invoke vector 200 which will queue the call to the hunt group containing Avaya IR ports. Avaya IR will invoke the Nuance OSA application and wait for the transfer-to number. Use the **add vdn 75200** command to create the VDN that will handle all incoming calls.

```

add vdn 75200
                                Page 1 of 3
                                VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBER

                                Extension: 75200
                                Name*: Nuance OSA
                                Vector Number: 200
                                Attendant Vectoring? n
                                Meet-me Conferencing? n
                                Allow VDN Override? n
                                COR: 1
                                TN*: 1
                                Measured: none

                                Service Objective (sec): 20
                                VDN of Origin Annc. Extension*:
                                1st Skill*:
                                2nd Skill*:
                                3rd Skill*:

* Follows VDN Override Rules

```

Figure 8: Vector Directory Number (VDN)

VDN 75200, configured above, will invoke vector 200 which will queue the call to the hunt group 270. The **converse-on** step is used to pass the ANI and VDN numbers. Avaya Communication Manager will then **collect** the transfer-to number sent by Nuance OSA. Configure vector 200 as shown below. These steps are required when using a T1/Robbed-Bit Signaling interface. When using a Voice over IP interface on Avaya IR, the call is routed to the hunt group using a **queue-to skill** step. The **converse-on** and **collect** steps should not be used.

change vector 200		CALL VECTOR		Page 1 of 6	
Number: 200		Name: Nuance OSA (T1)			
		Attendant Vectoring? n		Meet-me Conf? n	
Basic? y		EAS? y		G3V4 Enhanced? y	
Prompting? y		LAI? y		G3V4 Adv Route? y	
Variables? y		3.0 Enhanced? y		CINFO? y	
01 wait-time		2 secs hearing ringback		BSR? y	
02 converse-on		skill 270 pri h passing ani		ASAI Routing? y	
03 collect		16 digits after announcement none		Holidays? n	
04 route-to		digits with coverage y			
05 stop					
06					
Press 'Esc f 6' for Vector Editing					

Figure 9: Call Vector

Configure the **Converse Data Return Code** field on the Feature-Access Codes form as shown in **Figure 10**.

change feature-access-codes		FEATURE ACCESS CODE (FAC)		Page 6 of 7	
Call Vectoring/Prompting Features					
Converse Data Return Code: #12					
Vector Variable 1 (VV1) Code:					
Vector Variable 2 (VV2) Code:					
Vector Variable 3 (VV3) Code:					
Vector Variable 4 (VV4) Code:					
Vector Variable 5 (VV5) Code:					
Vector Variable 6 (VV6) Code:					
Vector Variable 7 (VV7) Code:					
Vector Variable 8 (VV8) Code:					
Vector Variable 9 (VV9) Code:					

Figure 10: Feature Access Codes

3. Configure Avaya Interactive Response (IR)

This section covers the configuration of Avaya IR. Avaya Communication Manager routes incoming calls to Avaya IR over a T1 interface. Each channel of the T1 interface is assigned a phone number that should match the corresponding station extensions configured on Avaya Communication Manager and an Avaya IR VoiceXML application. Refer to [3] for additional information on Avaya IR.

The configuration steps required on Avaya IR are summarized below.

- Access the Avaya IR via a web browser and log in.
- Stop the Voice System (i.e., Avaya IR) prior to configuring the T1 interface.
- Configure the T1 interface to the Avaya G650 Media Gateway.
- Administer and assign an ASR and TTS engine.
- Start the Voice System.
- Assign channels to equipment groups.
- Assign phone numbers to channels.
- Assign services (VoiceXML applications) to channels.

Note: The Nuance OSA solution is also supported with a Voice over IP interface between Avaya IR and Avaya Communication Manager. However, the focus of these Application Notes is on the T1 interface.

The packages installed on Avaya IR are displayed below. To verify which packages are installed on Avaya IR, use the “pkginfo | grep AV” command from the command line.

```
devconlr3(root)# pkginfo | grep AV
IVR      AVbackrst      Backup/Restore Utilities
IVR      AVftst         Feature Test Script Package
IVR      AVir           Interactive Response Base System
IVR      AVjdbcint     JDBC Integration
IVR      AVlm          License Manager
IVR      AVmrcpasr     MRCP ASR Proxy
IVR      AVmrcptts     MRCP TTS Proxy
IVR      AVnms         NMS Package
IVR      AVsc          Service Creation Integration Package
IVR      AVsproxy      Speech Proxy Base Software
IVR      AVsrproxy     Speech Proxy SR - Speech Recognition
IVR      AVtsm         Transaction State Machine
IVR      AVttsprxy     Proxy Text-to-Speech Package
IVR      AVucid        Universal Call ID
IVR      AVval         Avaya IR System Validation Package
IVR      AVvoicxml2-0  Voice XML Interpreter
IVR      AVvoip        Voice Over IP
IVR      AVwebadm      Web Administration
IVR      AVweblm       WebLM Server
IVR      AVxfer        Call Transfer and Bridge Package
```

Figure 11: Installed Avaya IR Packages

The Avaya IR configuration was performed via a web browser. Enter the IP address of Avaya IR in the URL field of the web browser. The initial Avaya IR webpage is displayed as shown in **Figure 12**. Select the **Web Administration** link to display the log in screen (not shown), and log into Avaya IR with the appropriate credentials.

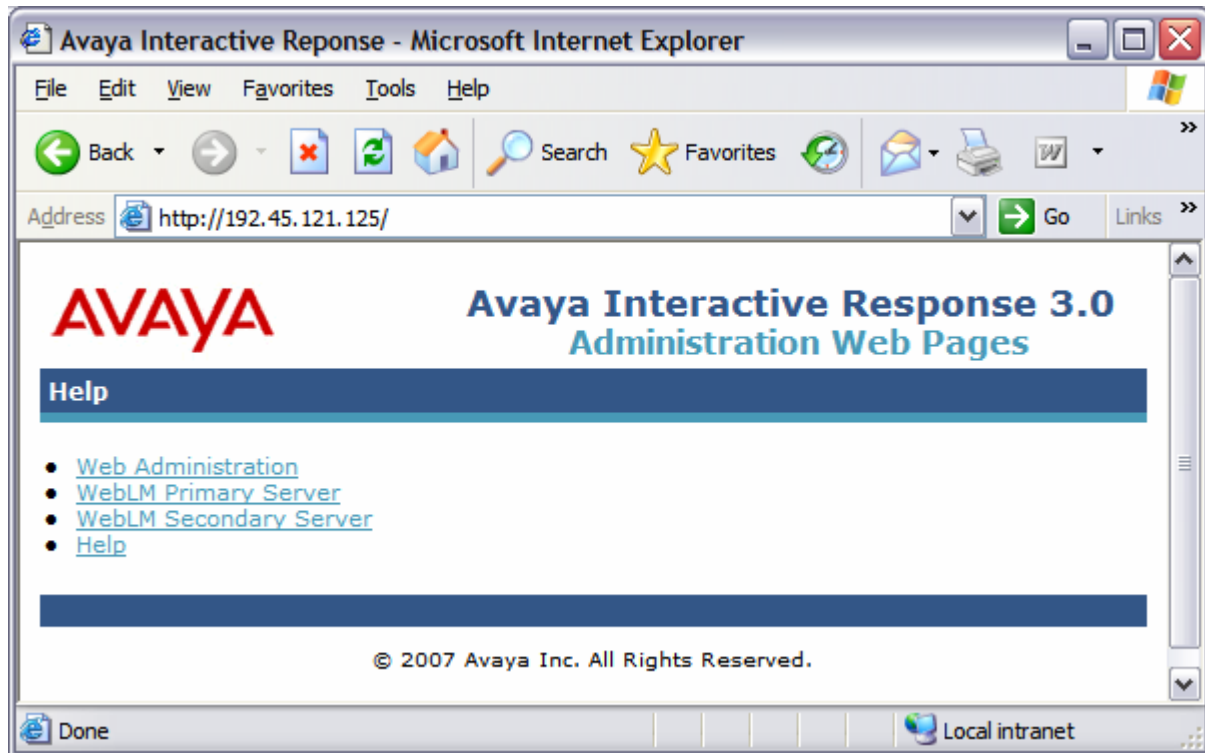


Figure 12: Initial Avaya IR Screen

After successfully logging into Avaya IR, the main Avaya IR configuration webpage is displayed as shown in **Figure 13**.

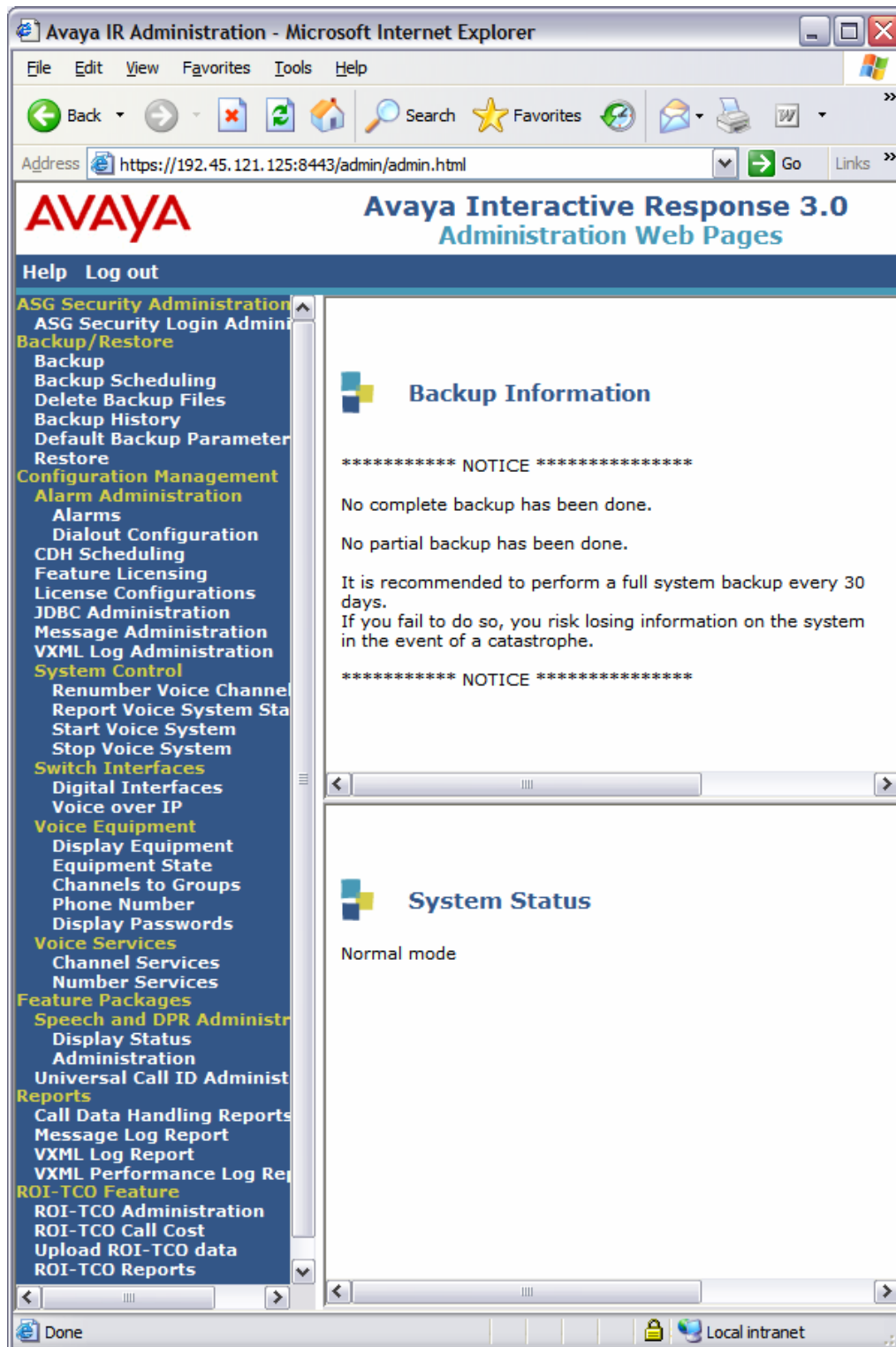


Figure 13: Main Avaya IR Webpage

Prior to configuring the T1 interface to the Avaya G650 Media Gateway, stop the Avaya IR by selecting the **Stop Voice System** link from the left pane in **Figure 13**. The **Stop Voice System** page is displayed. Click the **Submit** button and wait until the system displays a message at the bottom of the page indicating that the voice system has completely stopped.

To configure the T1 interface to the Avaya G650 Media Gateway follow these steps:

1. Under **Switch Interfaces** in the left pane, select the **Digital Interfaces** option to display the **Digital Interfaces Protocols** page.
2. Select the **Assign Card** link to display the **Assign Card** page shown in **Figure 14**. On this page, set the **Card** field to the appropriate number, set the **Card Type** field to *T1*, and set the **Trunk 1** field to *Loop Start T1*. When complete, click the **Submit** button to display the **Assign Card 1: Type T1** page shown in **Figure 15**.

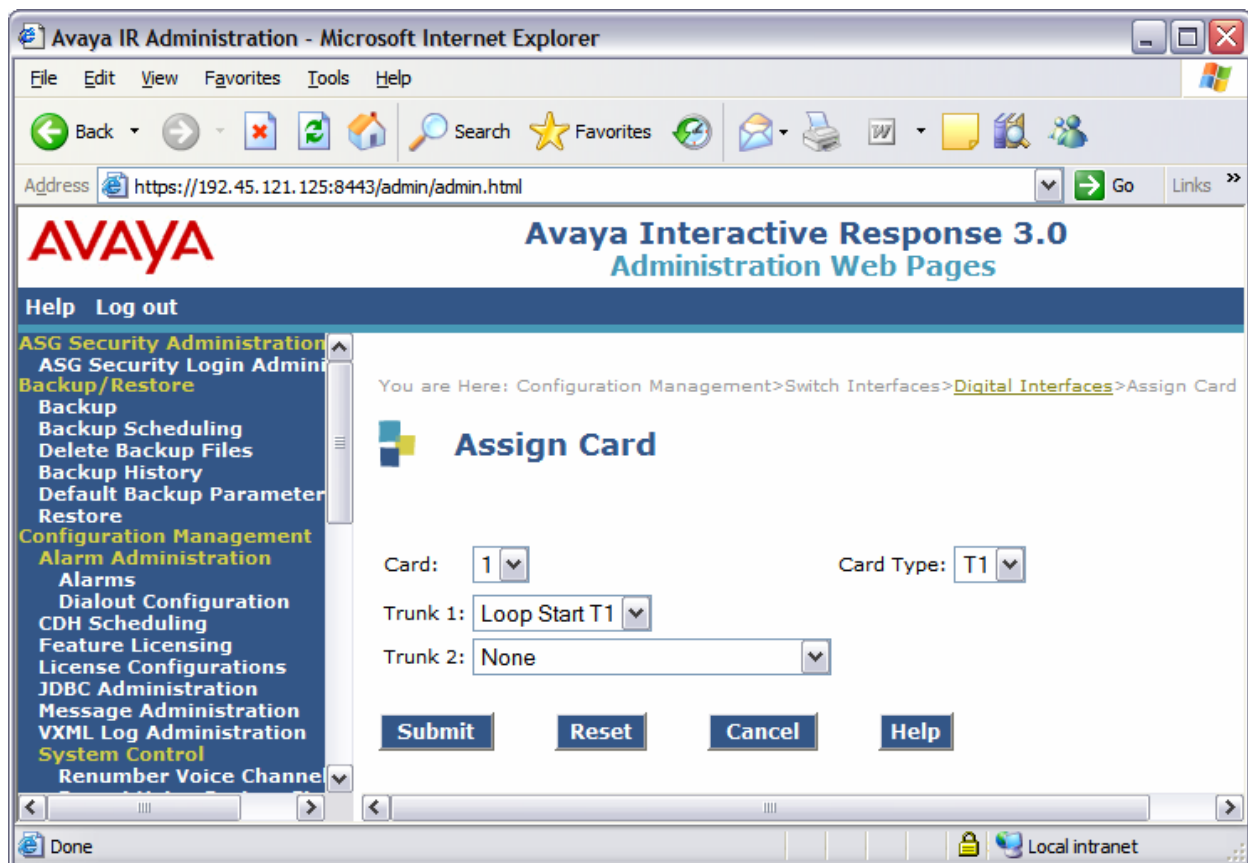


Figure 14: Assign Card

- On the page shown in **Figure 15**, set the **Frame Type** field to *D4* and the **Line Code** field to *AMI_ZCS*. Accept the default for the other fields as shown in the figure. Click the **Submit** button.

The screenshot shows the Avaya Interactive Response 3.0 Administration Web Pages in a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window. The address bar shows the URL: <https://192.45.121.125:8443/admin/admin.html>. The page title is "Avaya Interactive Response 3.0 Administration Web Pages".

The sidebar on the left contains the following navigation links:

- Help Log out
- ASG Security Administration
 - ASG Security Login Admin
- Backup/Restore
 - Backup
 - Backup Scheduling
 - Delete Backup Files
 - Backup History
 - Default Backup Parameter
 - Restore
- Configuration Management
 - Alarm Administration
 - Alarms
 - Dialout Configuration
 - CDH Scheduling
 - Feature Licensing
 - License Configurations
 - JDBC Administration
 - Message Administration
 - VXML Log Administration
- System Control
 - Renumber Voice Channel
 - Report Voice System Sta
 - Start Voice System
 - Stop Voice System
- Switch Interfaces
 - Digital Interfaces
 - Voice over IP
- Voice Equipment
 - Display Equipment
 - Equipment State
 - Channels to Groups
 - Phone Number
 - Display Passwords
- Voice Services

The main content area displays the "Assign Card 1: Type T1" configuration page. The breadcrumb trail is: You are Here: Configuration Management>Switch Interfaces>Digital Interfaces>Assign Card>Assign Card 1.

The configuration fields are as follows:

Common Parameters:	
Idle Code:	11111111
Length:	0
Clock Trunk:	1
Clock Source:	NETWORK
Clock Mode:	STANDALONE
Clock Fallback Trunk:	none
Fax Enabled?:	no
Enabled Channels:	48 (0 to 48)

The "Loop Start T1:" section includes:

Loop Start T1:	
Country:	United States

The "Trunk1" section includes:

Trunk1	
Frame Type:	D4
Line Code:	AMI_ZCS

At the bottom of the configuration area are four buttons: Submit, Reset, Cancel, and Help.

Figure 15: Assign Card Parameters

Next, configure the Automatic Speech Recognition (ASR) server in Avaya IR by selecting the **Administration** option under **Speech and DPR Administration** in the left pane and then selecting **Speech Recognition and DPR Configuration**. For this solution, a Nuance Speech Server was used as the ASR server. The ASR server should be configured as shown in **Figure 16**. The following Speech Recognition and DPR Configuration webpage is shown after it was already configured. The **Engine** field should be set to *mrcp-scansoft*, the **Server Name** field should be set to *<IP Address>/media/speechrecognizer*, and the **IP Address** field should be set to the IP address corresponding to the Nuance Speech Server. Furthermore, the **Ports** field should be set to the number of ports available on the speech server according to its installed license and the **Base Port** field should be set to *4900*.

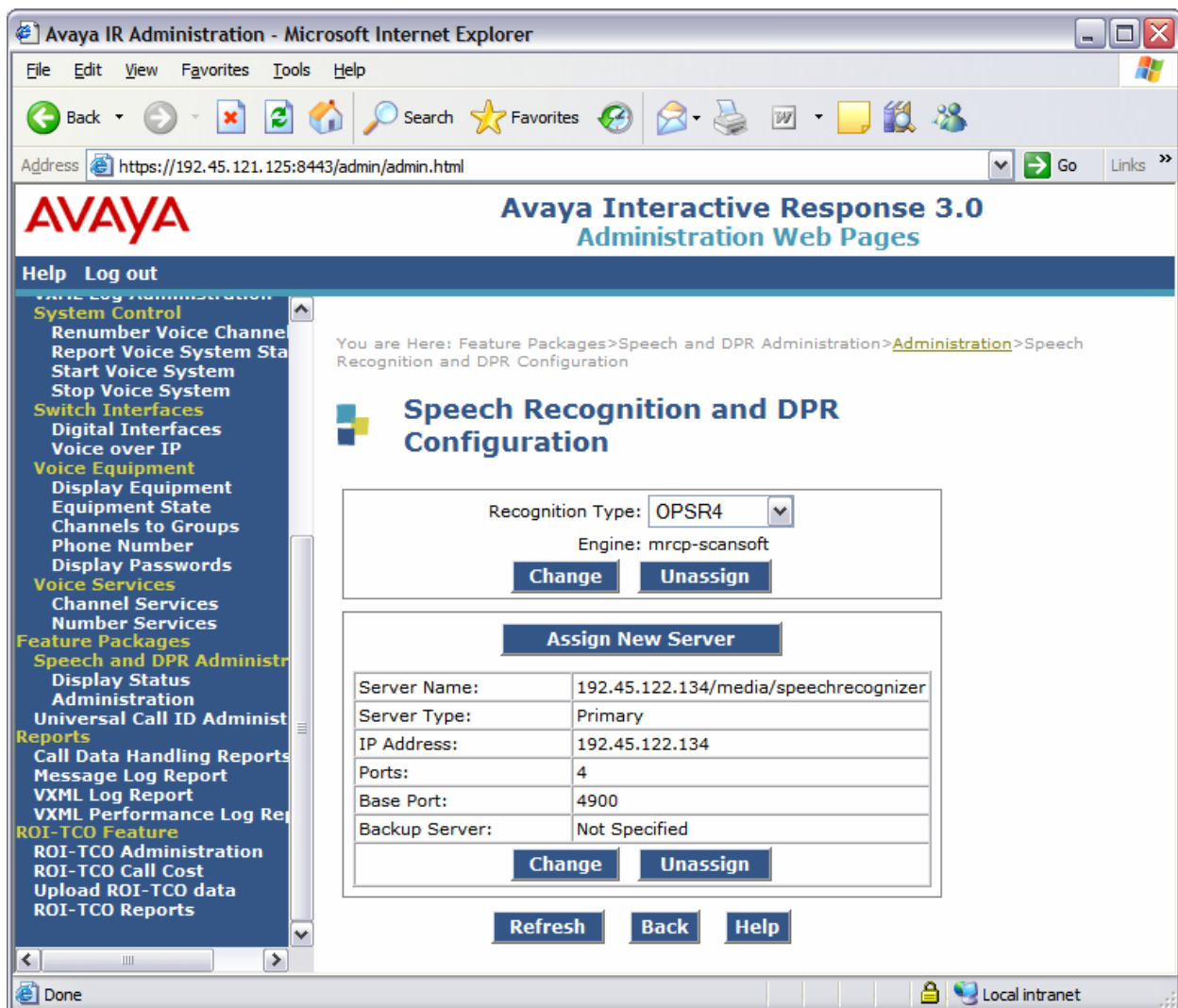


Figure 16: Speech Recognition and DPR Configuration

To Configure the Text-to-Speech (TTS) engine in Avaya IR, select the **Administration** option under **Speech and DPR Administration** in the left pane and then select **Text-to-Speech Configuration**. For this solution, a Nuance Speech Server was used as the TTS server. The TTS server should be configured as shown in **Figure 17**. The following TTS configuration webpage is shown after it was already configured. In this configuration, the default voice of *jill* was used. The **Engine** field should be set to *mrsp-scansoft*, the **Server Name** field should be set to *<IP Address>/media/speechsynthesizer*, and the **IP Address** field should be set to the IP address corresponding to the Nuance Speech Server. Furthermore, the **Ports** field should be set to the number of ports available on the speech server according to its installed license and the **Base Port** field should be set to *4900*.

Avaya IR Administration - Microsoft Internet Explorer

Address: <https://192.45.121.125:8443/admin/admin.html>

AVAYA Avaya Interactive Response 3.0 Administration Web Pages

Help Log out

You are Here: Feature Packages>Speech and DPR Administration>Administration>Text-to-Speech Configuration

Text-to-Speech Configuration

Default Voice: jill [Change](#)

Text-to-Speech Type: [Change](#)

Engine: mrsp-scansoft [Unassign](#)

[Assign New Server](#)

Server Name:	192.45.122.134/media/speechsynthesizer
Server Type:	Primary
IP Address:	192.45.122.134
Ports:	4
Base Port:	4900
Backup Server:	Not Specified

[Change](#) [Unassign](#)

[Refresh](#) [Back](#) [Help](#)

Figure 17: Text-to-Speech Configuration Summary

After the T1 card and speech server are successfully configured, start the Avaya IR by selecting **Start Voice System** under **System Control** in the left pane. Before proceeding, wait for the system to display a message indicating that the startup of the voice system is complete.

Next, assign the channels of the T1 card to equipment group '2'. Select the **Channels to Groups** option under Voice Equipment in the left pane, and then select the **Assign** link to display the **Assign Channels to Equipment Groups** page shown in **Figure 18**. Assign group '2' to channels 0-23, which corresponds to the 24 T1 channels, and then click **Submit**.

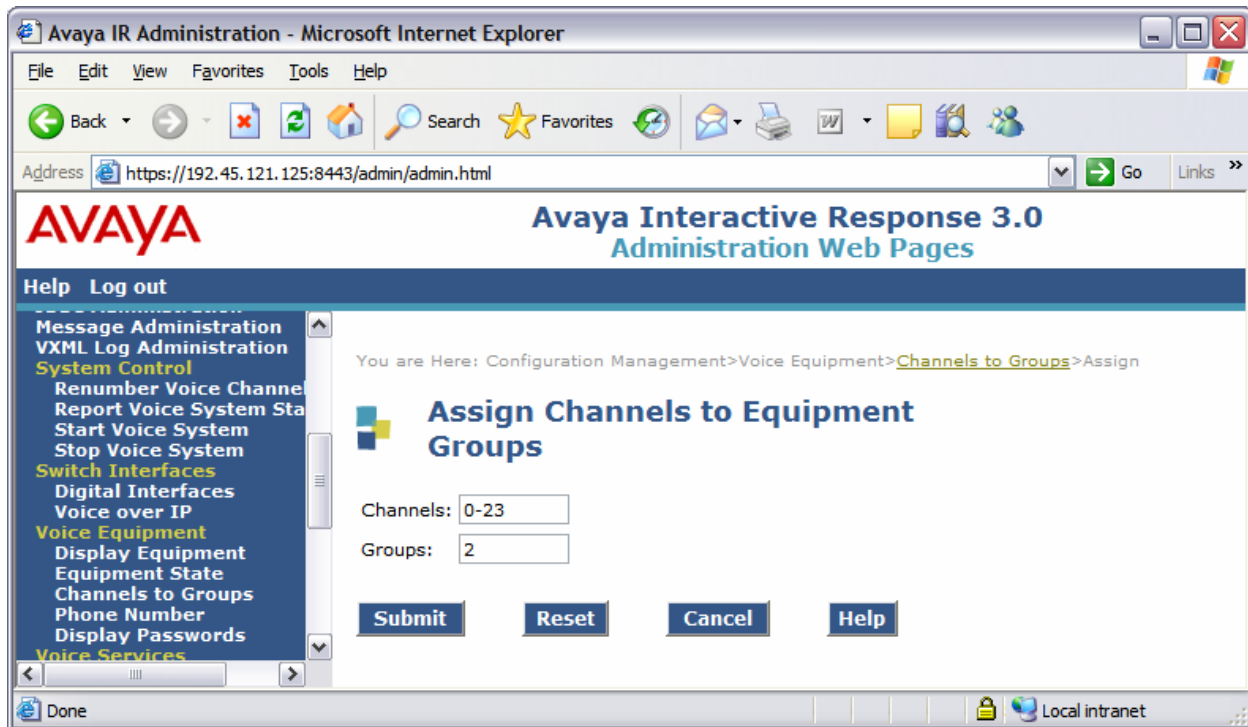


Figure 18: Assign Channels to Equipment Groups

After assigning channels to groups, assign phone numbers to channels. Select the **Phone Number** link under **Voice Equipment** in the left pane to display the **Phone Number – Channel Assignment** page and select the **Assign** link. Assign phone numbers 79110 to 79123 to channels 0 to 23, respectively, as shown in **Figure 19** and then click **Submit**. Essentially, the extensions of the DS1FD stations configured in **Figure 3** are assigned to each T1 channel.

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer window titled "Avaya IR Administration - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar displays "https://192.45.121.125:8443/admin/admin.html". The page header includes the Avaya logo and "Avaya Interactive Response 3.0 Administration Web Pages". A navigation menu on the left lists various administration options, with "Voice Equipment" expanded to show "Phone Number". The main content area is titled "Assign Phone Number to a Channel" and shows the breadcrumb "You are Here: Configuration Management>Voice Equipment>Phone Number>Assign". The form contains three rows of input fields: "Phone Number:" with values "79110" and "79123", "Channel Number:" with values "0" and "23", and "VoIP H.323 MultiVantage Station Password:" with empty fields. Below the form are buttons for "Submit", "Reset", "Cancel", and "Help". The status bar at the bottom shows "Done" and "Local intranet".

Figure 19: Assign Phone Number

Now, assign a Nuance OSA application to a channel (e.g., channel 9 was chosen arbitrarily for this example). This specifies which application a particular Avaya IR channel would run when it receives an incoming call. Select **Channel Services** from the left pane to display the **Channel Services** page in **Figure 20**. Enable the checkbox for channel 9 and then click the **Assign Selected** button.

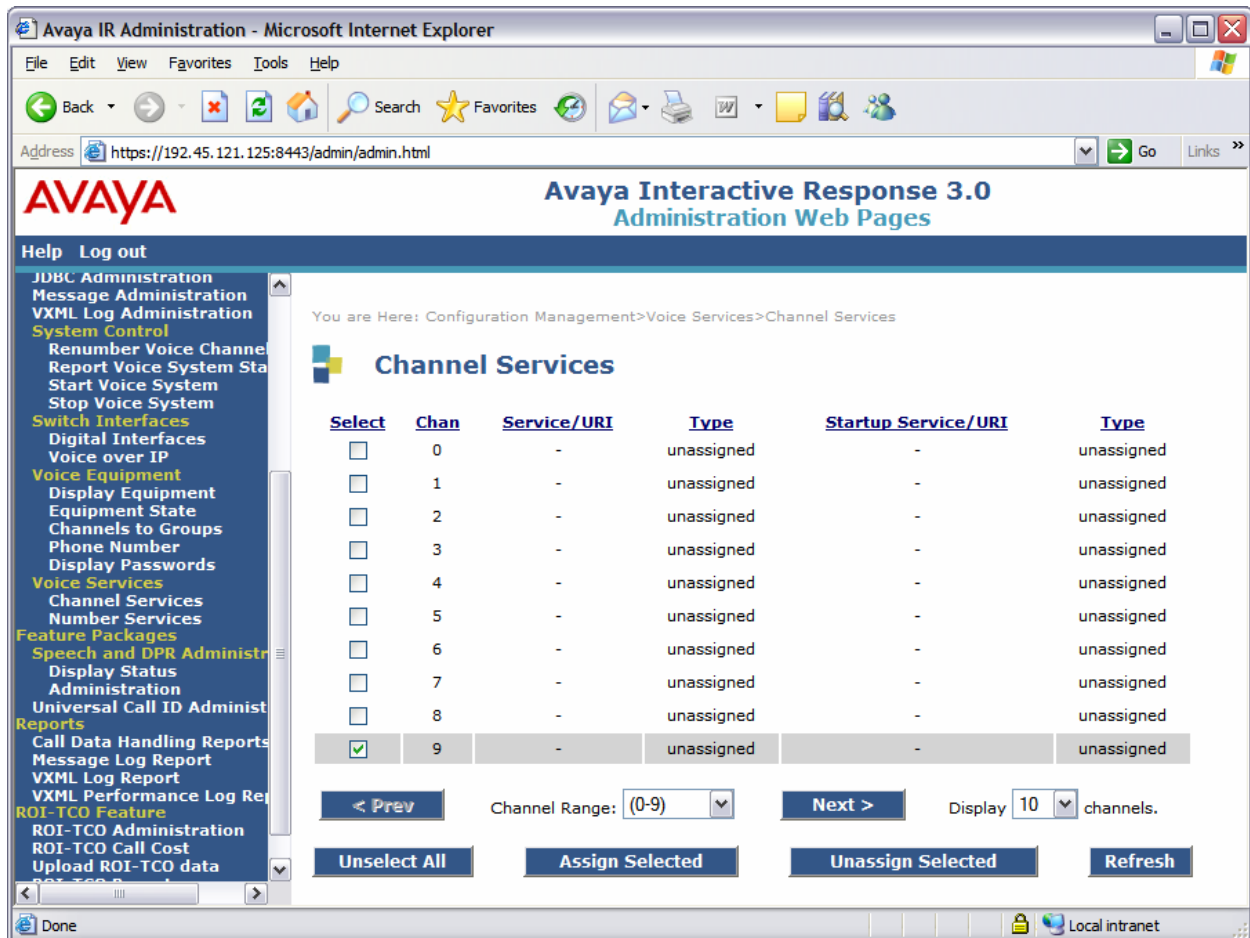


Figure 20: Channel Services

Configure the **Assign Services to Channels** page as shown in **Figure 21**. This configuration assigns the Nuance OSA application named to channel 9. Set the **Assign** field to *VXML URI*, set the **URI** field to

http://192.45.122.135:8080/OpenSpeech/Attendant/servlet/aa?avaya_inband_anidnis=anything&avaya_acm_fac=%2312, and set the **To Chan(s)** field to '9'. The required parameters in the VXML URI allow the ANI and DNIS to be passed to the Nuance OSA and also specify the Converse Data Return Code of '#12' configured in **Figure 10**. Repeat this procedure for all channels that should run this application. Note that the user may change the **To Chan(s)** field to 0-23 to assign the application to the 24 T1 channels in a single step. Click **Submit**.

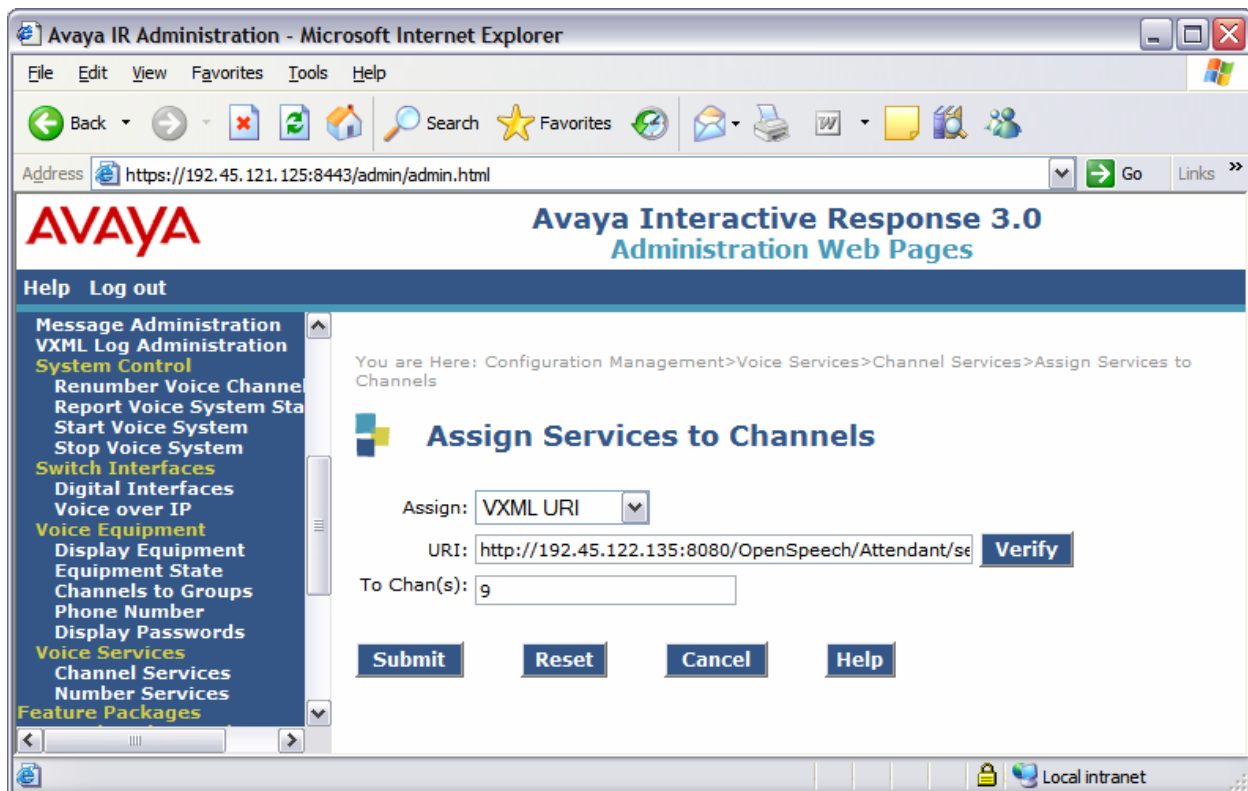


Figure 21: Assign Services to Channels – VXML Application

To view the status of the channels and the channel configuration details, select **Display Equipment** from the left pane. The page in **Figure 22** is displayed. Verify the state of the configured channels. In this configuration, channels 0-23 are in-service and channel 9 was assigned to the Nuance OSA application. Channel 9 is assigned phone number 79110.

Avaya IR Administration - Microsoft Internet Explorer

Address: <https://192.45.121.125:8443/admin/admin.html>

AVAYA Avaya Interactive Response 3.0 Administration Web Pages

Help Log out

JDBC Administration
 Message Administration
 VXML Log Administration
System Control
 Renum Voice Channel
 Report Voice System Sta
 Start Voice System
 Stop Voice System
Switch Interfaces
 Digital Interfaces
 Voice over IP
Voice Equipment
 Display Equipment
 Equipment State
 Channels to Groups
 Phone Number
 Display Passwords
Voice Services
 Channel Services
 Number Services
Feature Packages
 Speech and DPR Administ
 Display Status
 Administration
 Universal Call ID Administ
Reports
 Call Data Handling Reports
 Message Log Report
 VXML Log Report
 VXML Performance Log Re
ROI-TCO Feature
 ROI-TCO Administration
 ROI-TCO Call Cost

CARD 1 STATE: Inserv CLASS: Digital NMS(T1) O.S.INDEX: 1
 NAME: AGS2 OPTIONS: standalone clocking, no tdm
 FUNCTION: NMS

CARD	TRUNK	PORT	CHAN	STATE	SERVICE-NAME	PHONE	GROUP	OPTS	PROTOCOL
1	1	0	0	Inserv	-	79101	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	1	1	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	2	2	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	3	3	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	4	4	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	5	5	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	6	6	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	7	7	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	8	8	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	9	9	Inserv	AVAYAVXIO	79110	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	10	10	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	11	11	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	12	12	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	13	13	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
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1	1	15	15	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	16	16	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	17	17	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	18	18	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	19	19	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	20	20	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	21	21	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	22	22	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP
1	1	23	23	Inserv	-	-	2	talk	LOOP

Done Local intranet

Figure 22: Display Equipment

In Avaya IR, change the **client.inet.connection.persistent** parameter to '0' in the *default0.cfg*, *default1.cfg*, and *default2.cfg* files located in the */vs/data/vxml* directory. Stop the voice system with the **stop_vs** command and then restart the voice system with the **start_vs** command.

4. Configure Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant

This section covers the procedure for configuring Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant (OSA). The procedure includes the following areas:

- Administer settings in the Configuration Panel
- Administer transfer entries in the Phone Directory and Menu Editor
- Administer top-level menu in the Phone Directory and Menu Editor

Nuance OSA is configured through Admin Tools which can be started by navigating to Start→Nuance→Admin Tools. The initial screen is displayed as shown in **Figure 23**.

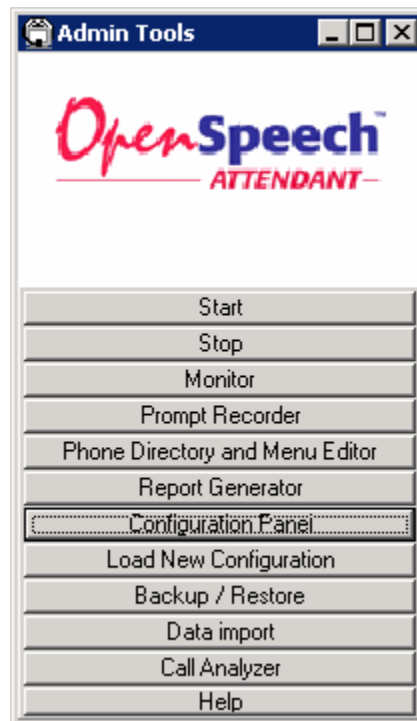


Figure 23: Admin Tools

4.1. Administer Settings in the Configuration Panel

To open the **Configuration Panel**, click on this option in the **Admin Tools** window in **Figure 23**. The login prompt will be displayed to the user as shown in **Figure 24**. Log in with the appropriate credentials using *Level 2* access level.

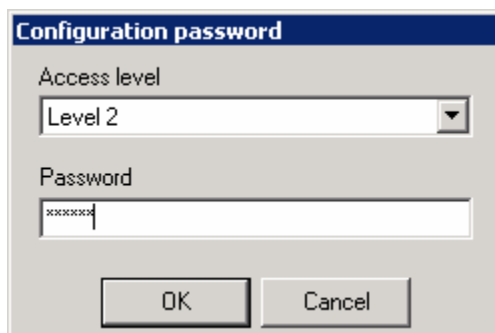


Figure 24: Configuration Panel Login Window

The **Configuration Panel** shown in **Figure 25** is displayed. The **Configuration Panel** allows the transfer mode and operator extension number to be configured. Nuance OSA supports blind transfers with Avaya IR. To enable OSA for blind transfers, set the **Gateway Transfer Mode Supervised** and **Gateway Transfer Mode Bridged** fields to *NO* as shown in the figure below. The **Operator Extension Number** field should be set to a valid extension on Avaya Communication Manager. Click **Apply**.

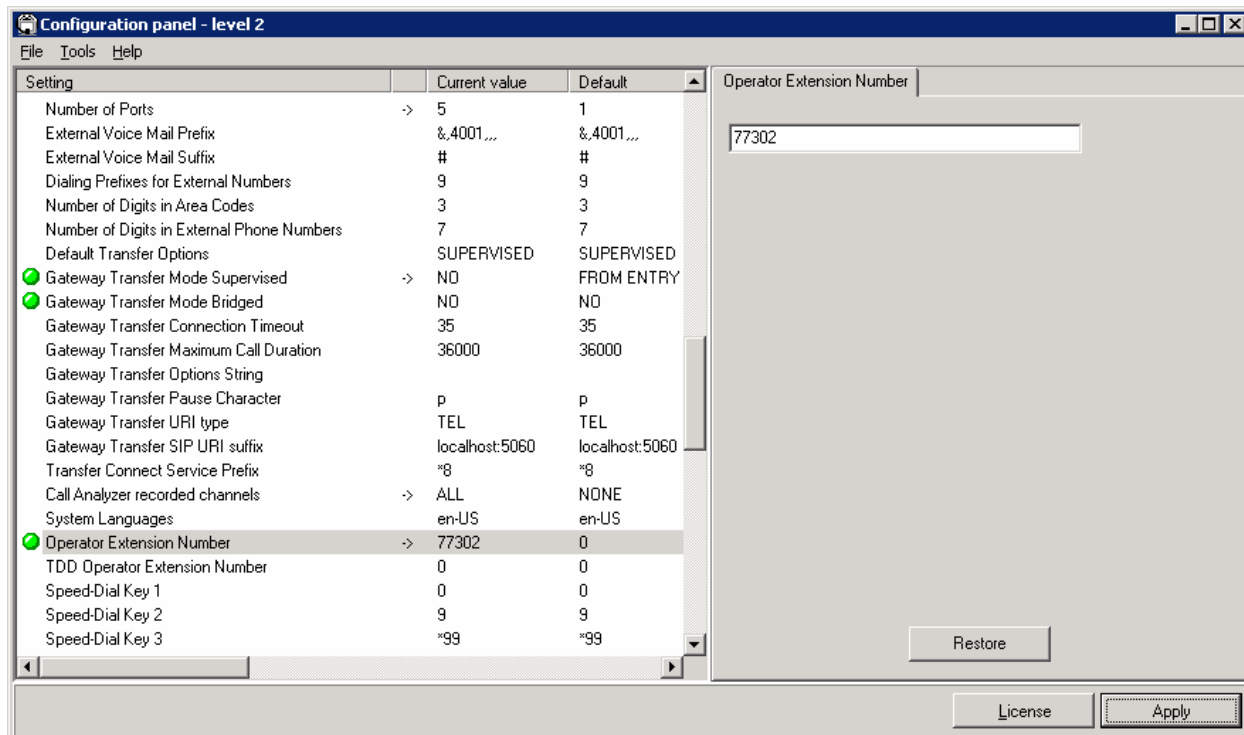


Figure 25: Configuration Panel

Next, close the **Configuration Panel**. Activate the changes when prompted by the system as shown **Figure 26**.

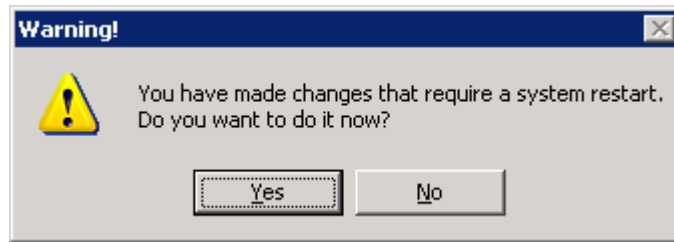


Figure 26: Activate Changes in Configuration Panel

The following window is displayed. Click **OK**.

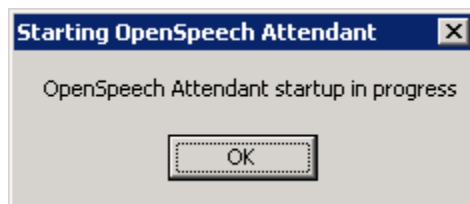


Figure 27: Startup in Progress Window

4.2. Administer Transfer Entries in Phone Directory and Menu Editor

From **Admin Tools**, click on the **Phone Directory and Menu Editor** option. **Figure 28** is displayed.

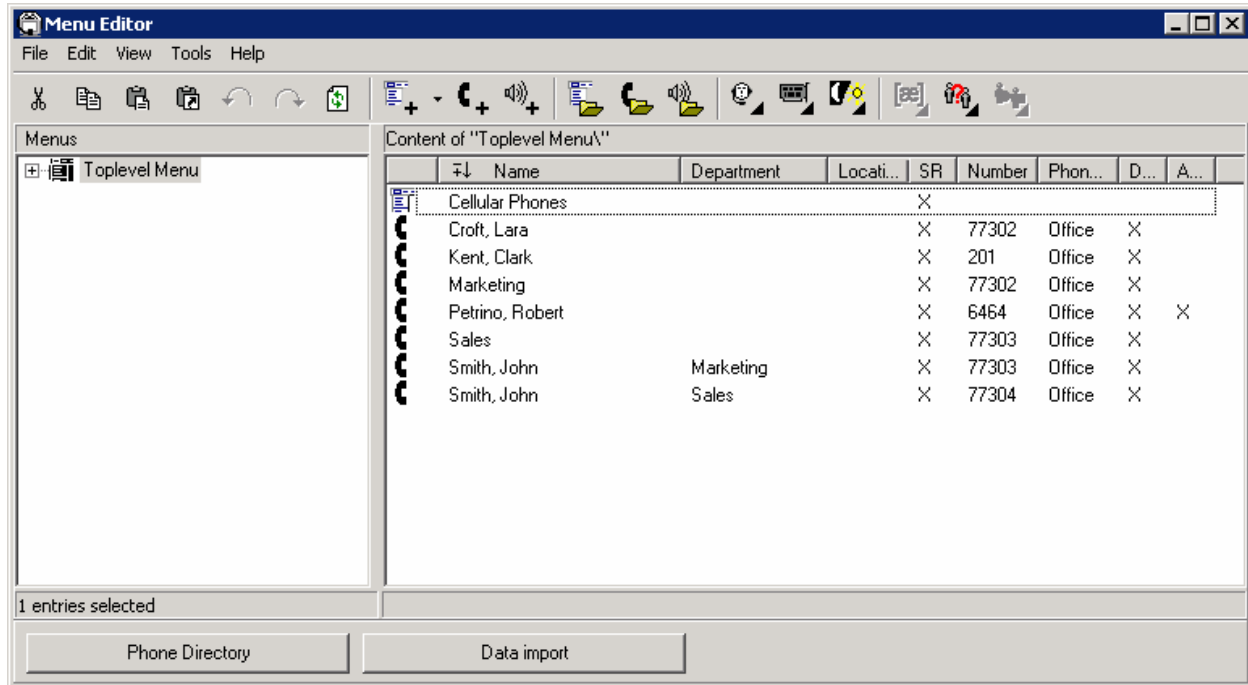


Figure 28: Phone Directory and Menu Editor

Next, select File→New→Transfer Entry from the menu options. The Creating transfer entry window is displayed as shown in **Figure 29**. Configure the **First names** and **Last names** for this entry and set the **Number** to a valid extension. Enable the **Access to personal functions** and **Access to name recorder** options and set the **PIN** fields so that this user can access the Personal Administration Mode (PAM) to change their name recording. Click **OK**.

Creating transfer entry

Name in directory:

☐ Deactivated entry

Names | Advanced | Call Accounting | Information

First names	Middle names	Last names
David		Wells

Aliases (English (US))

Voice file status: ☒ Missing Language: English (US)

Allow:

- ☒ Access to personal functions
- ☒ Voice biometrics
- ☒ Access to name recorder

PIN:

☐ Never propose this name

Schedule: Always

☒ Speech recognition

Number type	Number	S	U	FM #	Priv
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office	77305	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Message: None

Custom Prompt:

Previous New Next OK Cancel Apply

Figure 29: Creating Transfer Entry

The new transfer entry is now displayed in the Menu Editor window, but the entry has not been activated yet. Highlight the new transfer entry and then click on the **Activate Changes** icon.

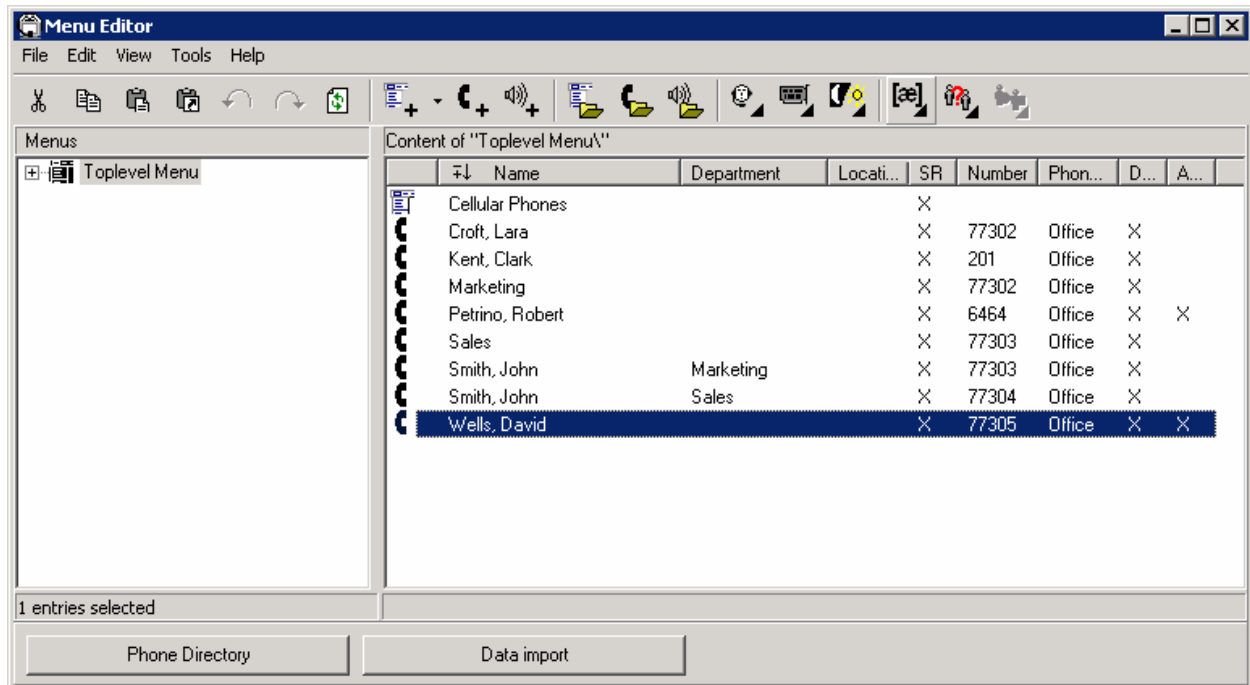


Figure 30: Menu Editor with New Transfer Entry

The following prompt is displayed to activate the new transfer entry so that it would be recognized by Nuance OSA.

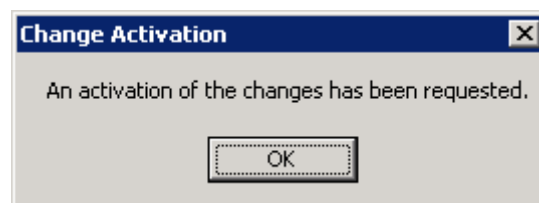


Figure 31: Change Activation

4.3. Administer Top-Level Menu in Phone Directory and Menu Editor

Nuance OSA allows the configuration of multiple entry points. The use of multiple entry points enable individual services or departments to be assigned a different entry point, which can be configured using a DNIS or CLID number. When a call is received, Nuance OSA can route the call to the appropriate entry point based on the dialed number (DNIS) or the caller's phone number (CLID). In this example, an entry point was configured using the DNIS option.

Create a new entry point by selecting File→New→Top-Level Menu from the menu options. The window in **Figure 32** is displayed. Enter a descriptive name in the **Aliases** field, enable the **Access to name recorder** option, and set the **PIN** field for use with PAM. Click **OK** and activate the changes.

The screenshot shows the 'Creating Menu' dialog box. The 'Names' tab is selected, displaying fields for 'First names', 'Middle names', and 'Last names'. Below these is a list for 'Aliases (English (US))' containing 'DNIS Test'. At the bottom left, the 'Voice file status' is 'Missing' and the 'Language' is 'English (US)'. There is a checkbox for 'Never propose this name'. To the right, under 'Allow:', the 'Access to name recorder' checkbox is checked, and a 'PIN' field is visible. On the right side, the 'Menu Behavior' section includes a 'Deactivated entry' checkbox, a 'Schedule' dropdown set to 'Always', an 'Access code' field, a checked 'Call redirect permitted' checkbox, a 'Default number' dropdown set to 'Any type', and a 'Conversation template' dropdown set to 'Default'. Below this, the 'Always' section has tabs for 'Settings', 'Greeting', 'Prompt', 'Alternative Prompt', and 'Help'. The 'Settings' tab is active, showing a checked 'Speech recognition' checkbox, a 'Menu behavior 1' dropdown, a 'New' button, and various other settings like 'Number of utterances', 'Operator extension', 'Number of spellings', 'Voice profile', 'Number of interactions', 'Barge-in function', 'Always ask for confirmation', and 'Listing of entries'. At the bottom are 'Previous', 'New', 'Next', 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Apply' buttons.

Figure 32: Creating Menu

From the **Menu Editor**, navigate to Edit→Ports and Entry Points to display the window in **Figure 33**. Select the first item under **Port assignment** in the left pane and then select Add→Entry Point from the menu options. **Figure 34** is displayed.

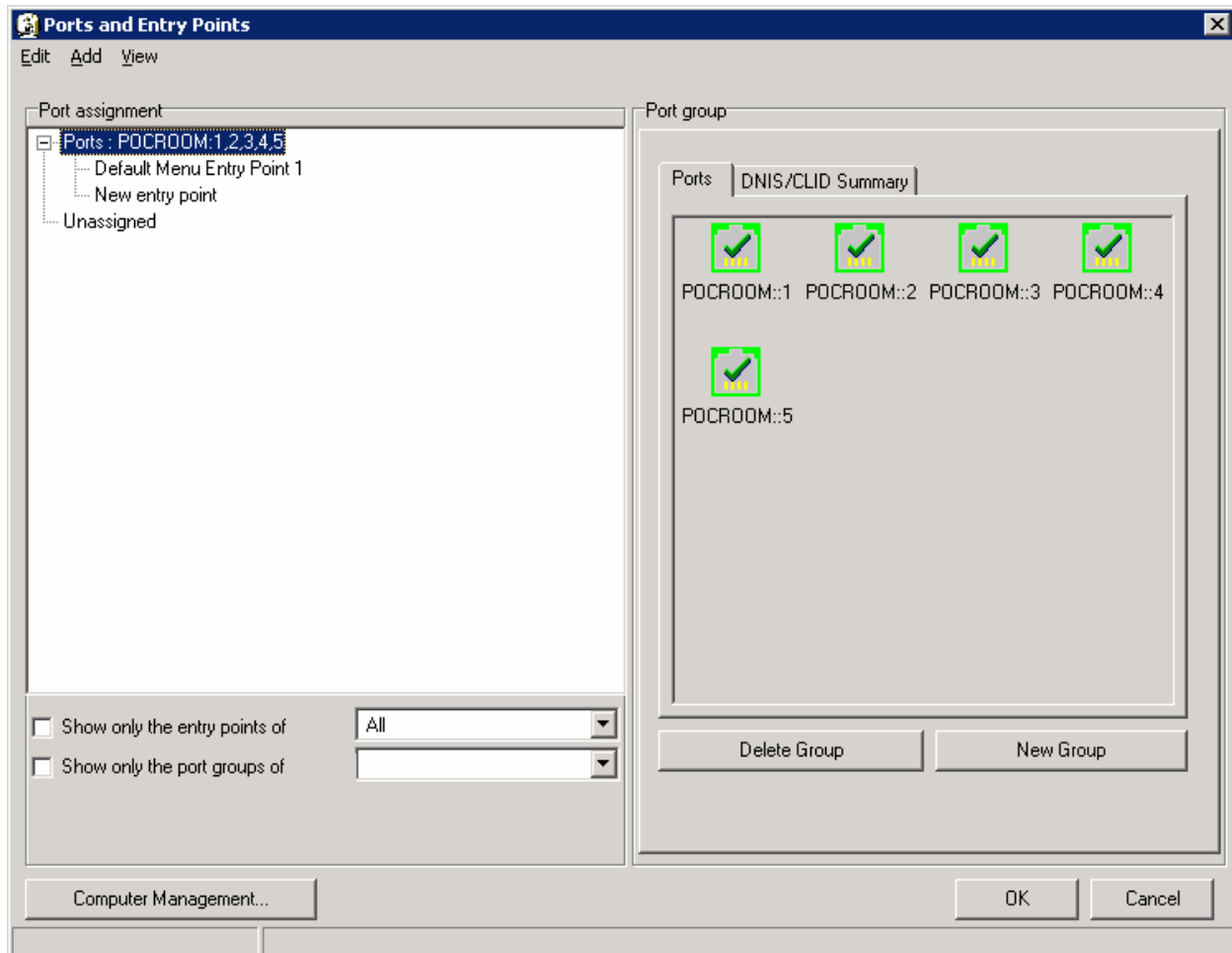


Figure 33: Ports and Entry Points

In the Ports and Entry Points window in **Figure 34**, set the **Home menu** and **Main menu** to the new entry point configured in **Figure 32**. Select the **DNIS/CLID** tab and enter the pilot number associated with the appropriate VDN configured on Avaya Communication Manager. Click **OK**. In this example, this entry point will be used when Nuance OSA receives a DNIS of 75201. Note that the configuration of VDN 75201 and its associated vector is not shown in these Application Notes, but should be configured as shown in **Figure 8** and **Figure 9**.

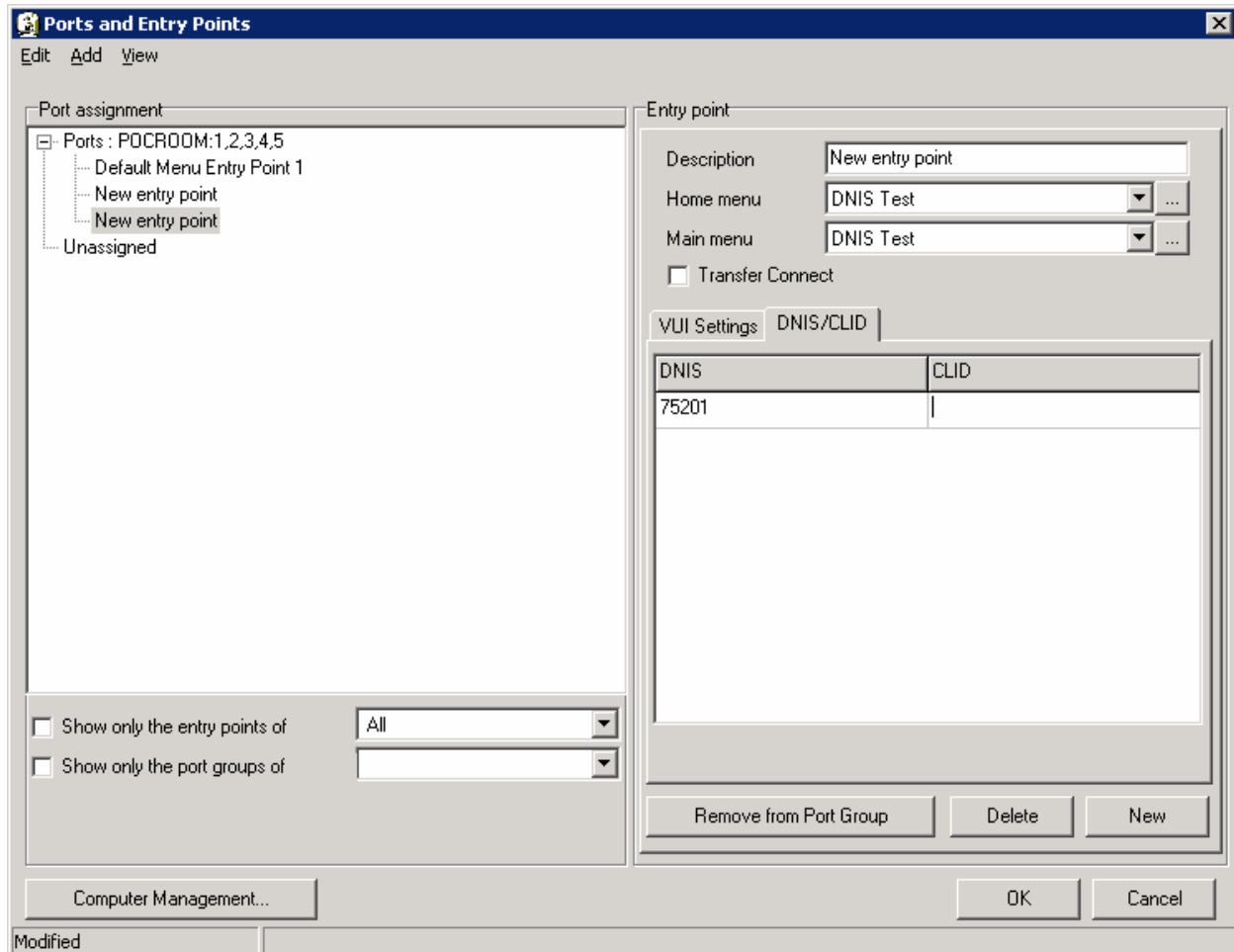


Figure 34: New Entry Point (DNIS/CLID Tab)

In the **VUI Settings** tab, set the **Voice Profile** as shown below. Click **OK**.

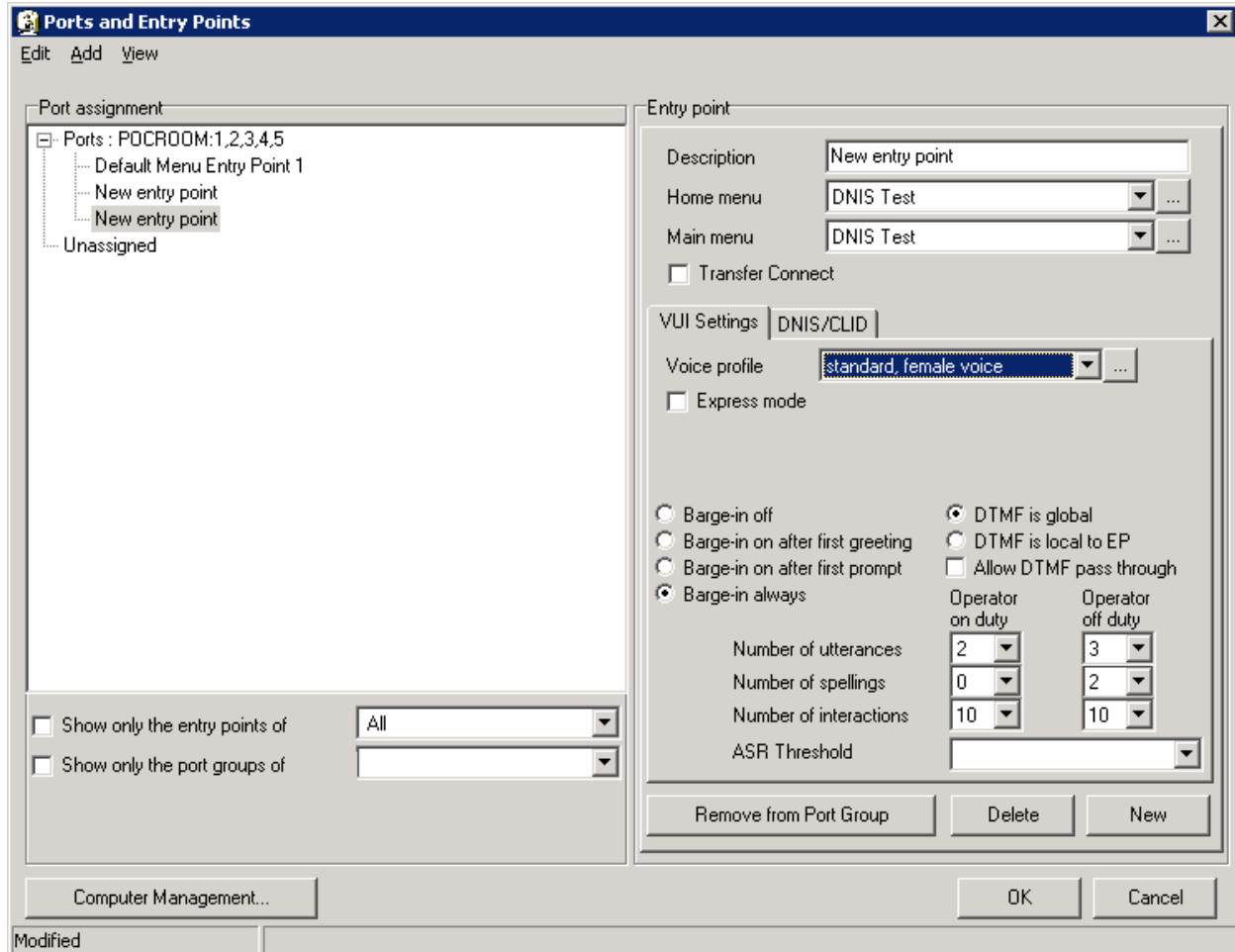


Figure 35: Ports and Entry Points (VUI Settings Tab)

5. Interoperability Compliance Testing

This section describes the interoperability compliance testing used to verify the Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant with Avaya Interactive Response. This section covers the general test approach and the test results.

5.1. General Test Approach

The interoperability compliance test included feature and serviceability testing. Feature testing focused on the ability of Nuance OSA to successfully recognize spoken names and extensions entered via DTMF and transfer the call to the correct destination. Blind transfers were verified.

Serviceability testing focused on verifying the ability of the Nuance OSA to recover from adverse conditions, such as server restarts, power failures, and disconnecting cables to the IP network.

5.2. Test Results

All test cases passed.

6. Verification Steps

This section provides the verification steps that may be performed to verify Nuance OSA with Avaya IR.

1. From the Avaya IR web interface, verify that the Avaya IR channels are in-service as shown in **Figure 22**.
2. From the Avaya Communication Manager SAT, verify that the T1 channels are in-service using the **status station <extension>** as shown in **Figure 36**.

```
status station 79110                                     Page 1 of 3
                                     GENERAL STATUS
Administered Type: DS1FD                               Service State: in-service/on-hook
Connected Type: N/A
Extension: 79110
Port: 01A0910      Parameter Download: not-applicable
Call Parked? no    SAC Activated? no
Ring Cut Off Act? no
Active Coverage Option: 1

EC500 Status: N/A      Off-PBX Service State: N/A
Message Waiting:
Connected Ports:

Limit Incoming Calls? no

User Cntrl Restr: none
Group Cntrl Restr: none

                                     HOSPITALITY STATUS
Awaken at:
User DND: not activated
Group DND: not activated
Room Status: non-guest room
```

Figure 36: Status Station

- From the Avaya IR web interface, click on **Display Status** under **Speech and DRP Administration** in the left pane to check the status of the Nuance Speech Server. In the resulting page, select the **Speech Resource Status** link and then select the **Resource Status** associated with the ASR server associated with the Nuance Speech Server (e.g., OPSR4). Click **Submit**. The following page will be displayed. Check that the ASR ports are *INSERV*.

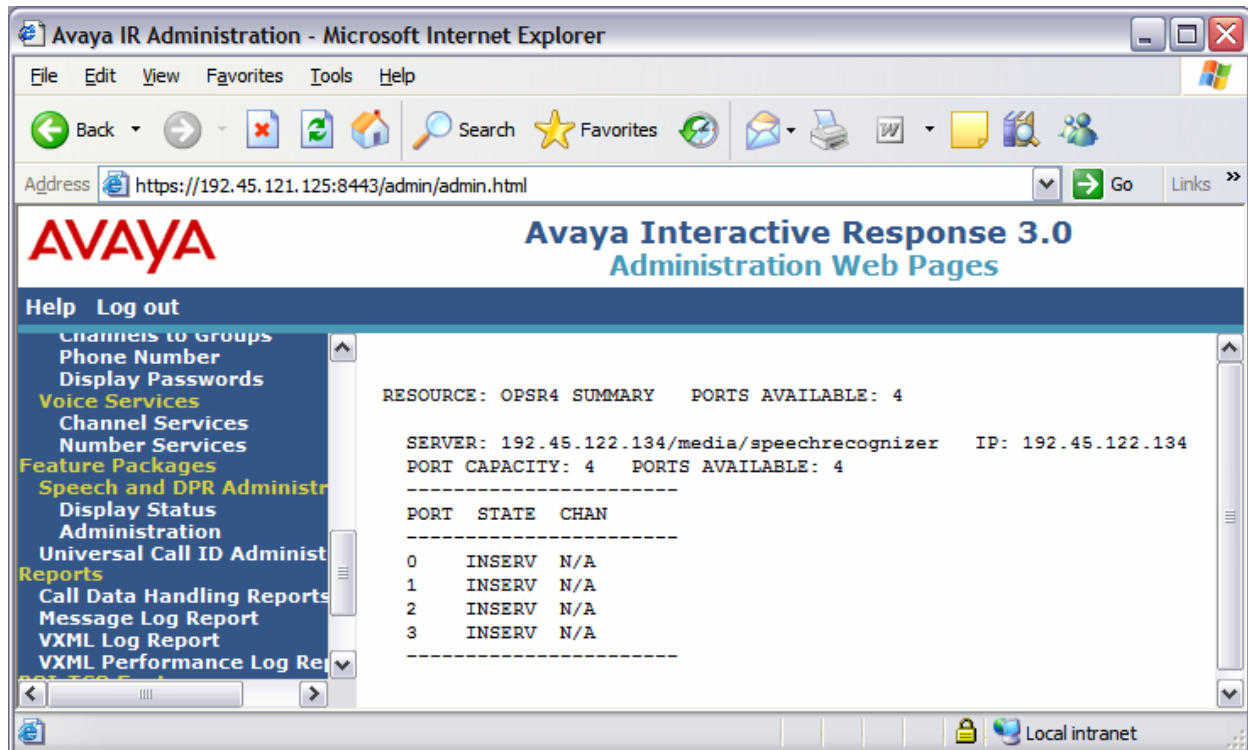


Figure 37: OPSR Status Summary

4. From the Avaya IR web interface, click on **Display Status** under **Speech and DRP Administration** in the left pane to check the status of the Nuance Speech Server. In the resulting page, select the **Speech Resource Status** link and then select the **Resource Status** associated with the TTS engine associated with the Nuance Speech Server (e.g., TTS0). Click **Submit**. The following page will be displayed. Check that the TTS ports are *INSERV*.

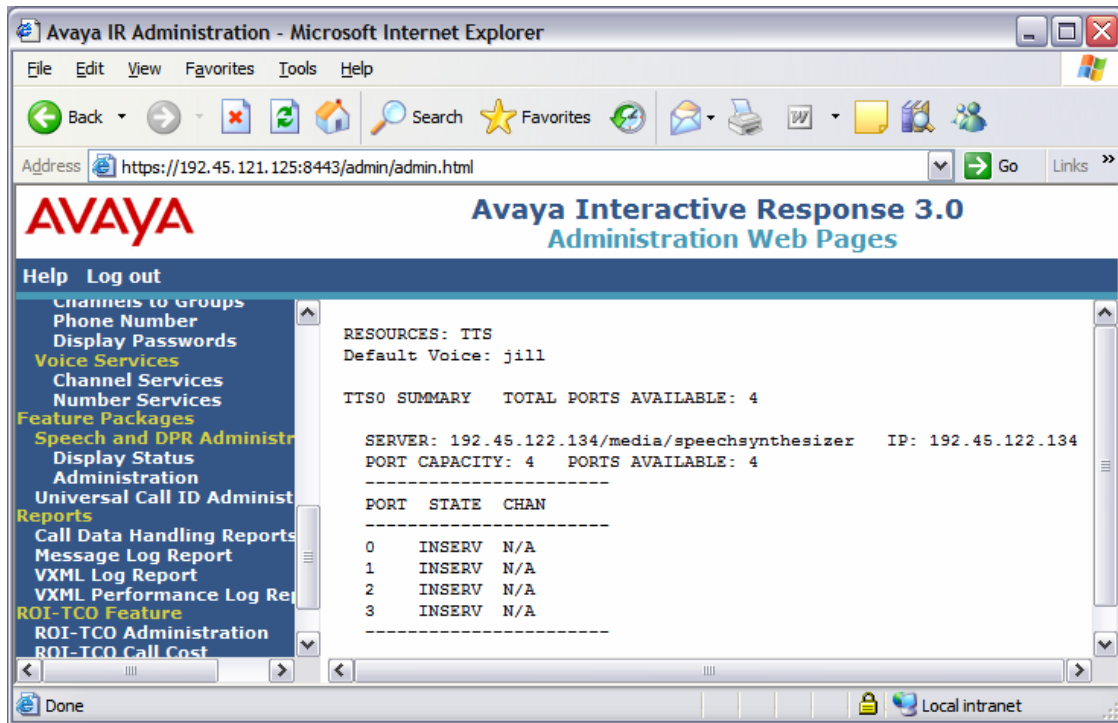


Figure 38: TTS Status Summary

5. Place a call to Avaya IR and verify that the Nuance OSA application answers the call, that the greeting is heard, and that the application is able to recognize the speech and DTMF tones provided by the caller and transfer the call to the correct destination.
6. From **Admin Tools** on Nuance OSA, start the **Monitor** to verify that an active call is detected as shown in **Figure 39**.



Figure 39: OSA Monitor

- From the OSA Monitor, click on the system name (e.g., *pocroom*) to display a browser window that can display the call log. Under **Call logs** in the left pane, click on **Today** under **From archive**. Verify that the call log shown in **Figure 40** is displayed with the correct call information and status.

OpenSpeech ATTENDANT
Hosted on pocroom

Description: Auto Attendant Version: 3.0.0 (GA) Build: 2008.04.10.12.58.04

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Logs from archive (on disk), 16 sessions last 15 calls ok

Call start	Dnis	Clid	Call complexity	Call duration	Error	Termination code	Destination	System Comment	Tagging
18:35:03	23803	77304	5	17		DVE	Croft, Lara	transfer completed	
18:33:32	23803	77303	5	22		DVE	Croft, Lara	transfer completed	
18:32:28	23802	77303	0	22		DOG	Toplevel Menu	transfer completed	
18:14:58	23803	77303	0	11		HG	DNIS Test	caller hangup	
18:12:21	23802	77304	0	14		HG	Toplevel Menu	caller hangup	
17:38:34	23802	77303	20	23		SR12	Smith, John	transfer completed	
17:37:54	23802	77303	20	24		SR12	Smith, John	transfer completed	
17:35:27	75200	77303	20	28		SR12	Smith, John	transfer completed	
17:34:14	75200	77303	0	23		DOG	Toplevel Menu	transfer completed	
17:33:17	75200	77303	0	23		DOG	Toplevel Menu	transfer completed	

Figure 40: Call Log

7. Support

To obtain technical support for Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant, contact Nuance via email or through their website.

- **Web:** www.network.nuance.com
- **Email:** SpeechAttendant.Support@nuance.com
- **Phone:** (866) 434-2564 or (514) 390-3922

8. Conclusion

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required to integrate Nuance OpenSpeech Attendant with Avaya Interactive Response (IR). All feature and serviceability test cases were completed successfully.

9. Additional References

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