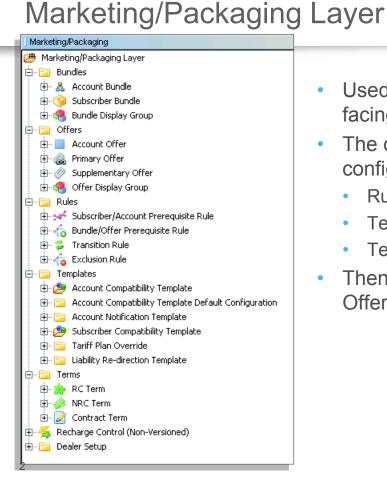
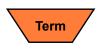


Terms, Rules, and Templates



- Used to define customerfacing market offerings
- The other building blocks are configured here:
 - Rules
 - **Templates**
 - **Terms**
- Then resellers define their Offers and Bundles

Marketing Layer "Building Blocks"



 Defines some pricing aspect of the agreement that is represented by the bundle or offer (3 types)



 A condition or constraint for delivering a bundle or offer (4 types)



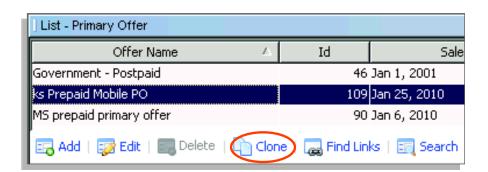
 Entities that are configured to aid in the instantiation of customer accounts or drive configuration of catalog entities (4 types)

Note: Plans, Balances and Accumulators are defined on other layers

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Cloning Entities

- Create a new entity that differs only slightly from an existing entity
- · From the List, select the entity to be duplicated and click Clone
- Enter a name for the duplicate entity and make other changes as necessary



Agenda 6.1 Terms 6.2 Rules 6.3 Templates

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Module Objectives

- Describe the purpose of each of the three types of terms
- Define each of the main attributes (rating, scheduling, RC Award, etc.)
- Given a business scenario, identify and configure the terms

- A Term defines some pricing aspect of the agreement that is represented by the bundle or offer
- Types:
 - Recurring Charge
 - Non-recurring Charge
 - Contract Terms
- Conditions typically include:
 - Charge rates
 - Provisioning rules
 - Proration behavior
 - Contract duration
 - Tax information

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Terms

RC Term
RC/NRC Server
NRC Term
Contract Term
Terms and Bundles



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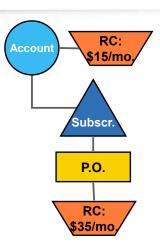
RC Term



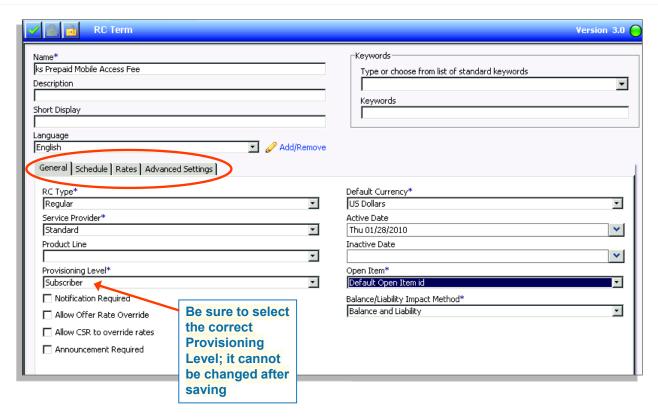
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Recurring Charge (RC) Term Types

- RC Terms are charges that are applied at specified intervals
- Delivered through bundles and offers
- RC Types
 - Regular
 - Commitment
 - Minimum Charge
 - Inventory Vanity
 - Equipment



RC Term Screen



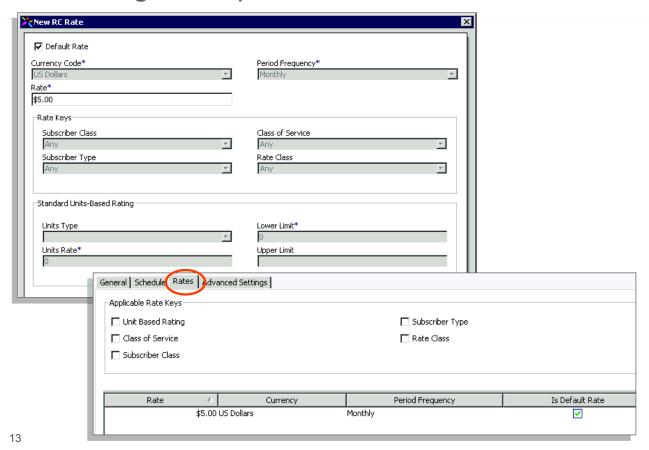
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RC Components

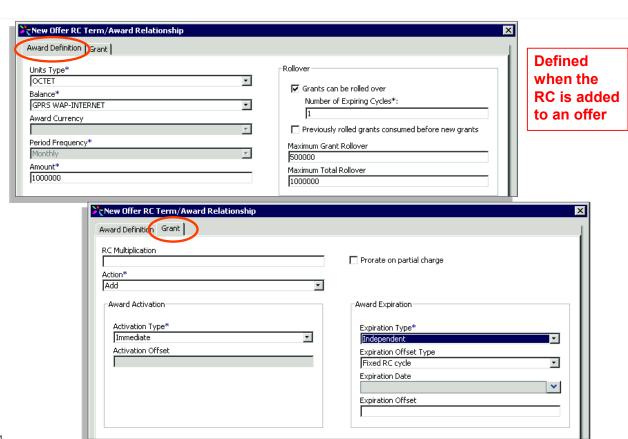
- RC Terms can have 2 components:
 - Charge component Cấu hình Số tiền cần charge RC, VD: 5\$/1 tháng
 - Award component (optional)

 Sau khi charge RC thì set or add một Amount vào các
 Balance của Offer, VD: set 100SMS cho SMS Balance
- Examples:
 - As part of a prepaid offer, an RC is instantiated to subtract \$5 from the subscriber's core balance each month, and add 100 SMSs to the subscriber's SMS balance
 - An operator makes additions on a regular schedule to a monetary balance for their employees, which involves a \$0 RC Term

RC Charge Component

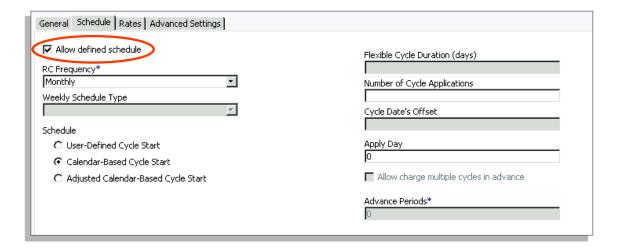


RC Awards



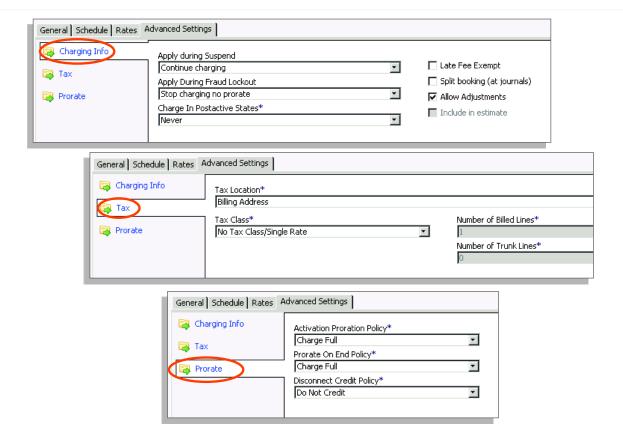
RC Schedule

Select "Allow defined schedule" to set a billing schedule independent of the offer



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Advanced Settings Tab



Commitment RC Term (and NRC Term)

 Both the Commitment RC and Commitment NRC terms are part of a plan in an offer





Free minutes balance: Award 350 minutes every month from the RC

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More RC Options

- RCs can be:
 - Prorated, charged in advance, or billed in arrears
 - Rated based on account or subscriber attributes
 - Rated based on the offer they apply to
 - Allowed to have the rate overridden (ICB) by the CSR
 - Can be charged to multiple balances, if the first balance cannot cover the full amount
 - Configured to handle insufficient balance amounts in various ways
 - Applied immediately, at batch time, or at first usage event
 - Configured to send a real-time notification
 - Redirected to a different liable party
 - Overridden at the bundle level
 - A negative amount, which will increment the balance (use a minus sign)

RC Examples

- Wireless Family Plan with 1000 shared minutes
- Additional line charge
- 100 text messages for \$5/month
- Landline phone service
- Caller ID
- High-speed internet access
- Modem rental
- Basic cable television







HBO premium channel

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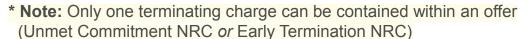
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NRC Term



Non-recurring Charge (NRC) Term Types

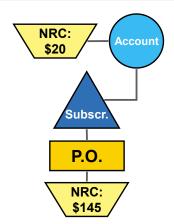
- NRCs are one-time charges
- NRC Types
 - One-time
 - Chargeable Event
 - Activation
 - Early Termination*
 - Unmet Commitment*
 - Offer Reactivation
 - Refinance
 - Inventory Vanity
 - Equipment
 - Late Fee



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One-time NRCs

- Select an Event Type when configuring a One-time NRC
 - Bill Resend
 - Inventory Sales
 - Dispatch
 - Friends and Family
 - Calling Circles
 - General Charge
 - Balance Transfer
- Normally One-time NRCs are applied manually from a customer management GUI
- If the NRC is put in an offer, it is charged when the offer is activated

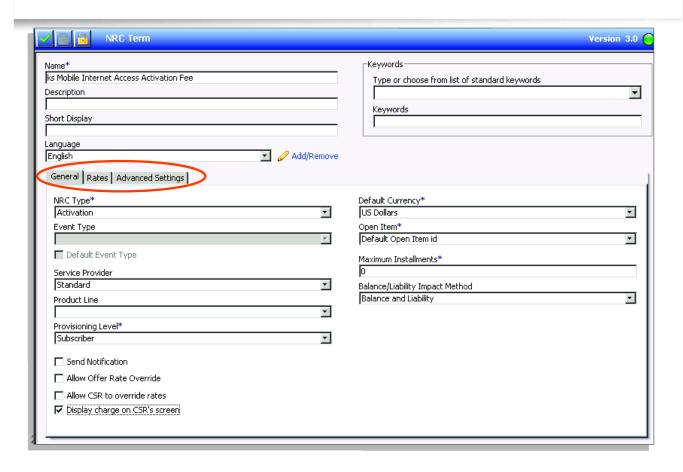


Chargeable Event NRCs

- Chargeable Event NRCs are event-based
- They are applied automatically when certain events occur on the customer's account or subscription
 - Add subscriber to account
 - Add a child account
 - Add, modify, or remove Friends and Family phonebook entry
 - Add, modify, or remove Favorite Area (for example, home zone)
 - Add Favorite Destination
 - Add or modify Happy Hour
 - Add or modify Special Day
 - Bill resend

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NRC Term Screen



NRCs - Similarities with RCs

The same as RCs:

- Both can be rated based on account or subscriber attributes
- Both can be rated based on the offer they are attached to
- Both can have the rate overridden (ICB) by the CSR
- Both can be charged to any monetary balance
- Both can be charged to multiple balances
- Both can be redirected to a different liable party
- Both can be overridden at the bundle level
- Both can trigger a real-time notification
- Both can handle insufficient balance amounts (in slightly different ways)

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NRCs - Differences with RCs

Different from RCs:

- NRCs are only charged once
- NRCs are applied in real-time when instantiated, unless future dated by the CSR (only an option for some types)
- NRCs are never prorated (always attempted in full)
- NRCs never have an award component
- Some NRC types can be configured to allow payment in installments
- Some NRCs can be waived by the CSR

NRC Examples

- Handset purchase
- Balance transfer
- Number change
- Resend invoice
- Support call charge
- Late fee
- Repair charge
- PPV movie







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Contract Term



Contract Term

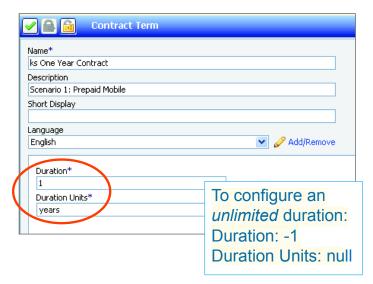
Defines the duration of the commitment

 In order to have one of the following types of NRCs, the offer must also have a contract term, even if the duration is

unlimited:

- Termination NRC
- Commitment NRC

Examples: 1-year contract, 18-month contract



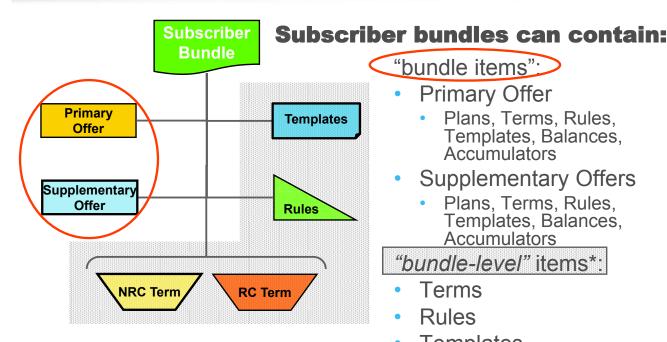
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Reminder – Subscriber bundle items



* Plans, Balances and Accumulators are always at the Subscriber level

"bundle items":

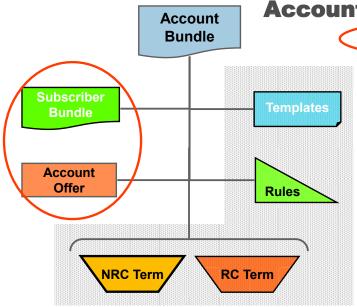
- **Primary Offer**
 - Plans, Terms, Rules, Templates, Balances, Accumulators
- Supplementary Offers
 - Plans, Terms, Rules, Templates, Balances, Accumulators

"bundle-level" items*:

- Terms
- Rules
- **Templates**

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Reminder – Account bundle items



* Plans, Balances and Accumulators are always at the Subscriber level

Account bundles can contain:

"bundle items":

- Subscriber Bundles
 - **Primary Offer**
 - Supplementary Offers
 - "bundle-level" items (see previous slide)
- **Account Offers**
 - Plans, Terms, Rules, Templates, Balances, Accumulators

"bundle-level" items*:

- **Terms**
- Rules
- **Templates**

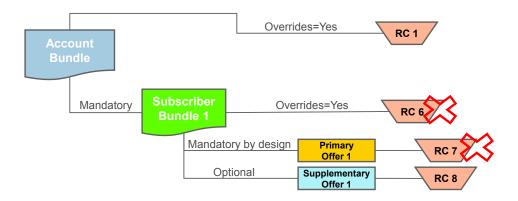
Reminder – Selection Type

- When a supplementary offer is added to a subscriber bundle, or a subscriber bundle is added to an account bundle, configure whether the customer must take the offer or bundle
- Options:
 - Mandatory* Subscriber must take the entity
 - Selective* Subscriber must choose the number specified (example: choose 2 out of 5)
 - Optional Subscriber can accept or decline the entity
 - Optional and Selective Sometimes called "hybrid"
 - * Impacts related to overriding

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Terms within Bundles (1)

- Terms at the bundle level can be set as overriding, which means that any other term of the same type assigned to a bundle item is ignored
- Overriding of terms applies to mandatory and selective bundle items (not to optional items)
- Overriding only applies to the next level down



Terms within Bundles (2)

Bundles do not always have to "Override Offer Terms" (except in the case of Contract Terms)

Options:

- RC Terms 2 options:
 - Do not override RC Offer Terms
 - Override all RC Terms for Mandatory and Selective Offers in the Bundle
- NRC Terms 2 options:
 - Do not override NRC Offer Terms
 - Override the equivalent NRC Terms for Mandatory and Selective Offers in the Bundle
- Bundle-level Contract Terms always override Offer Contract Terms

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Summary

- RC Term Charges that are applied at specified intervals
- NRC Term One-time charges
- Contract Term Defines the duration of the commitment



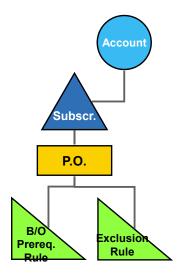
Module Objectives

- Describe the purpose of each of the four types of rules
- Given a business scenario, identify and configure the rules

Rules



- A condition or constraint for delivering a bundle or offer
- Rule types include:
 - Prerequisite (2 types)
 - Transition
 - Exclusion
- Only one rule of each type can be associated to a bundle or offer
- Rules are reusable: create once and attach to multiple offers and bundles



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Rules

Subscriber/Account Prerequisite Rule
Bundle/Offer Prerequisite Rule
Exclusion Rule
Transition Rule
No Rules / Rules and Bundles





Subscriber/Account Prerequisite Rule



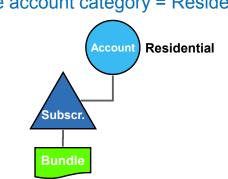
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Subscriber/Account Prerequisite Rule (1)

- Constrains the delivery of a bundle or offer based on characteristics of an account or subscriber
- Enables the targeting of specific customer segments (business, residential, VIP, etc.)
- Can be based on any user-enterable account or subscriber attribute

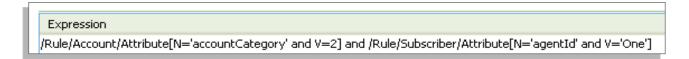
This bundle can be associated ...the account category = Residential with accounts where...





Subscriber/Account Prerequisite Rule (2)

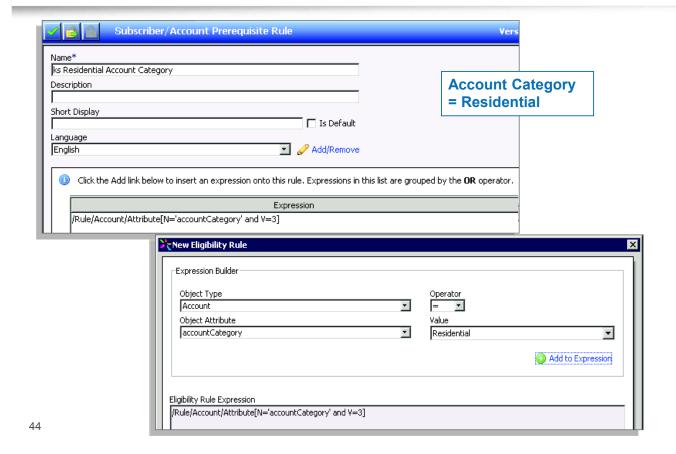
- The rule consists of:
 - An object type (account or subscriber)
 - An attribute of the object (e.g., account category)
 - An operator (e.g., equals)
 - A value (e.g., "Residential")
- The expression can contain multiple parts, with a logical operator of AND (all of the listed items are required)



 Only one subscriber/account prerequisite rule can be defined per bundle or offer

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Subscriber/Account Prerequisite Rule Screen



Subscriber/Account Prerequisite Rule Examples

- European Bundle can only be associated to accounts with Market Code = Europe
- Premium Mobile Offer can only be associated to accounts with Account Segment = Premium and VIP Code > 2

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Bundle/Offer Prerequisite Rule

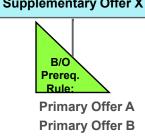


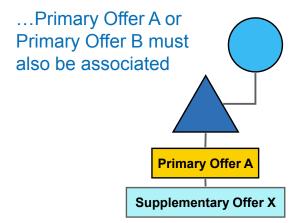
Bundle/Offer Prerequisite Rule (1)

- The associated bundle or offer requires certain other bundles or offers to be delivered to the subscriber or account
- The rule consists of a list of associated bundles or offers

To associate this supplementary offer to a subscriber...

Supplementary Offer X



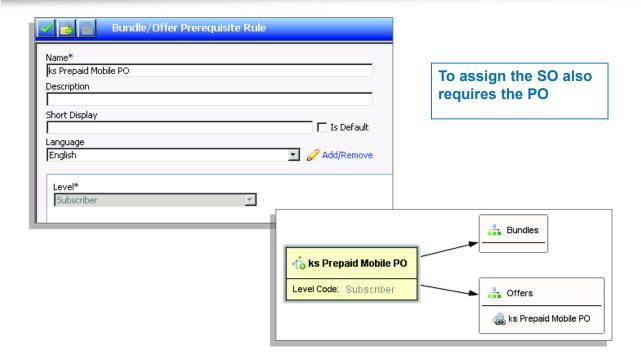


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Bundle/Offer Prerequisite Rule (2)

- The logical operator is OR (only one of the listed items is required, not all of them)
- Either account-level entities or subscriber-level entities can be contained in the same bundle/offer prerequisite rule
- Only one bundle/offer prerequisite rule can be defined per bundle or offer

Bundle/Offer Prerequisite Rule Screens



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Bundle/Offer Prerequisite Rule Examples

- The Data supplementary offer requires the Mobile primary offer
- The Premium Channel supplementary offer requires the Basic Cable primary offer

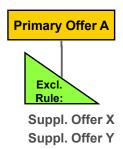


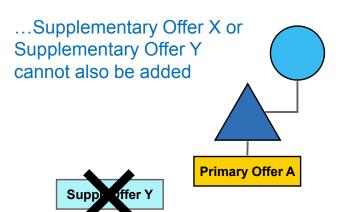
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Exclusion Rule (1)

- A list of the offers and bundles that are NOT compatible with the offer or bundle to which the rule is attached
- This is the opposite of the bundle/offer prerequisite rule

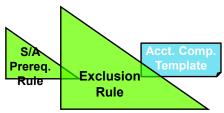
When this primary offer is associated with an account or subscriber...





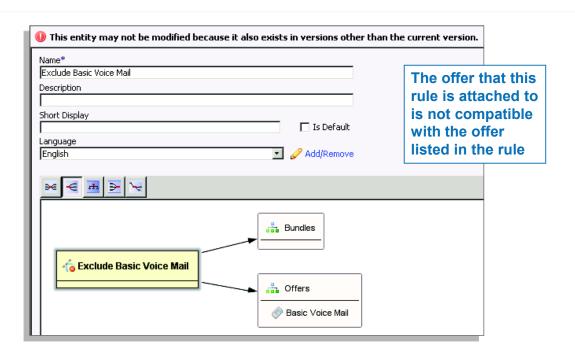
Exclusion Rule (2)

- Exclusion rules work in both directions
 - When one of the offers or bundles are already provisioned, then the others referenced in the rule cannot be
 - In our example, if the subscriber already has Supplementary Offer Y, they cannot also have Primary Offer A
- Only one exclusion rule can be defined per bundle or offer
- Exclusion rules take precedence over any other rule or offer compatibility template
 - The exclusion rule is evaluated first; for items not specifically excluded by the rule, other rule/compatibility checking will occur



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Exclusion Rule Screen



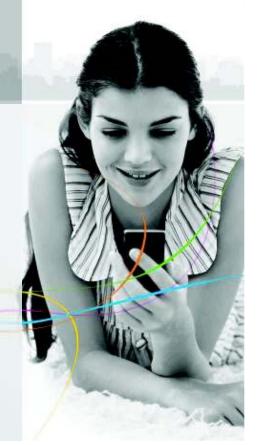
Exclusion Rule Examples

- The HBO HD supplementary offer cannot exist on the same subscriber as the (regular) HBO supplementary offer
- Older cable offers cannot be associated with a new set of cable offers

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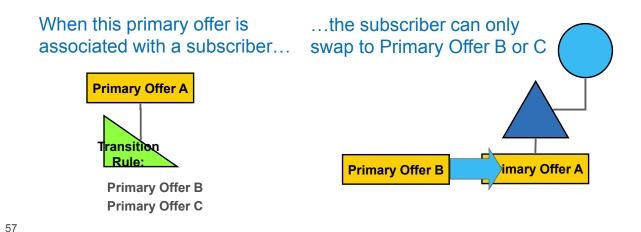
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Transition Rule



Transition Rule (1)

- Specifies the primary offers or subscriber bundles a subscriber can switch to ("swap") from their current primary offer or subscriber bundle
- The rule consists of a list of primary offers or subscriber bundles



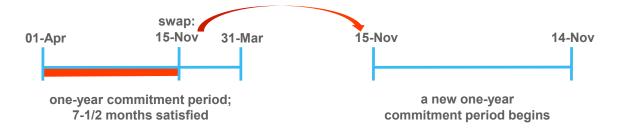
Transition Rule (2)

- Only one transition rule can be defined per bundle or offer
- The logical operator between items is OR (only one can be swapped to)
- If a primary offer has no transition rule attached (and is not included in a bundle that has its own transition rule), then there is no way to swap offers: the subscriber must be disconnected and a new subscriber created
- When a swap is performed, if the new offer does not contain a balance that the old offer contained, the funds in the original balance are forfeited



Transition Rule (3)

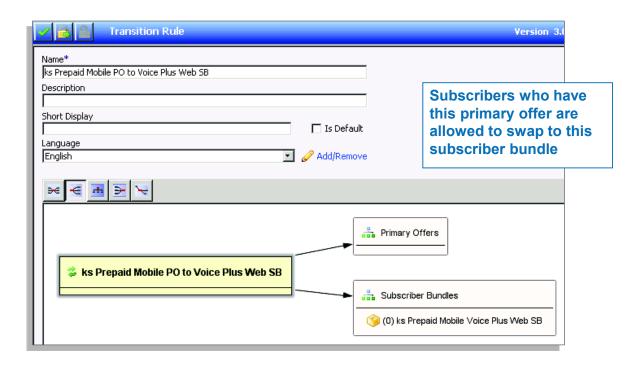
 When a swap is performed, if there is a commitment period for the new offer or bundle, it begins on the day the new service is activated



 Early termination fees (for the original offer or bundle) and activation fees (for the new offer or bundle) can be waived during the swap action

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Transition Rule Screen



Transition Rule Example (1)

 Assume that you have a variety of offers with different levels of service and different commitment terms:



 You want to allow subscribers to swap to different levels of service, but not to a shorter commitment period...

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500 mins./mo, 2 yr commitment

Transition Rule Example (2)

Create a Transition rule for each of the offers. The rule will contain the other offers that have the same or longer commitment period.



500 mins./mo, 2 yr commitment

200 mins./mo, 2 yr commitment

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No Rules / Rules and Bundles



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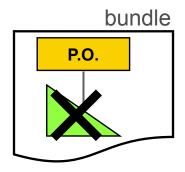
No Rules Defined

- Bundles and offers not having associated prerequisite, transition, or exclusion rules are marked as "Generally Available"
 - They can be provisioned to any account or subscriber permitted by the guidelines defined in their compatibility templates

:List - Primary Offer			
Offer Name	Id (Generally Available	Global
BON CHIPPIE PREPAID BASIC	51000058		✓
BON CHIPPIE PREPAID FRIENDS & FAMILY	51000060		✓
BON CHIPPIE PREPAID PLUS	51000059		✓
BON CHIPPIE STUDENT	51000061		✓
BON LITS EMPLOYEE	51000074		V

Rules within Bundles

 When bundling is used, any rules defined on bundle items are ignored (even if a rule is not set at the bundle level)



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Summary

- Subscriber/Account prerequisite rule Constrains the delivery of a bundle or offer based on characteristics of an account or subscriber
- Bundle/Offer prerequisite rule The associated bundle or offer requires certain other bundles or offers to be delivered to the subscriber or account
- Exclusion rule A list of the offers and bundles that are not compatible with the offer or bundle to which the rule is attached
- Transition rule Specifies the primary offers or subscriber bundles a subscriber can switch to ("swap") from their current primary offer or subscriber bundle



Module Objectives

- Describe the purpose of each of the four types of templates
- List the three functions of the Subscriber Compatibility Template
- Given a business scenario, identify and configure the templates

Templates



- Templates provide the framework for configuration of several types of complex entities:
 - Compatibility Templates (2 types)
 - Tariff Plan Override Template
 - Liability Re-direction Template

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Templates

Subscriber Compatibility Template
Account Compatibility Template
Tariff Plan Override Template
Liability Redirection Template



Compatibility Templates

- Define the priority order between various functional areas (the order in which balances are charged, for example)
- Two types:
 - Subscriber Compatibility Template (this type has additional functionality)
 - Account Compatibility Template

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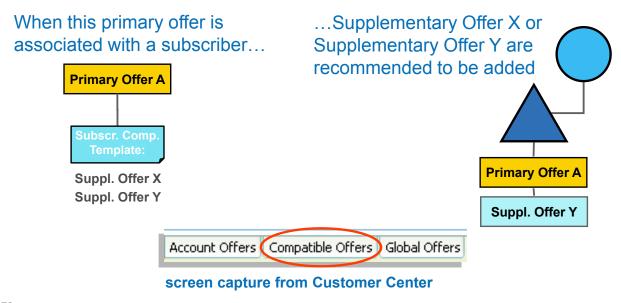
Subscriber Compatibility Template



Subscriber Compatibility Template (1)

Provides three functionalities:

1. Lists the supplementary offers that are recommended to be sold with the associated primary offer*



Subscriber Compatibility Template (2)

- 2. Defines the priority order of application for these subscriber-level data elements:
 - Tariff priority
 RC priority
 Balance priority
 Discount priority
 Display order

 Term X
 RC Term Y
 RC Term Y
 Term Z
 RC Term Y
 Term Z



Subscriber Compatibility Template (3)

3. Is required to create a Subscriber bundle

- A subscriber bundle is composed of a subset of offers included in the subscriber compatibility template of its primary offer.
- Thus, it is not possible to build a subscriber bundle if the primary offer does not have a subscriber compatibility template attached to it.

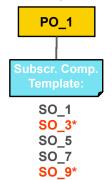
Also note:

- Only one subscriber compatibility template can be assigned to each primary offer
- Include the primary offer itself in the template

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Bundles and Subscriber Compatibility Templates

Primary Offer_1 is configured with a compatibility template:

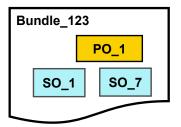


These SOs are *not* in PO_1's compatibility template:

SO_2 SO_4* SO_6

SO_8*

When Bundle_123 is configured and PO_1 is added to it, any SO that is in the compatibility template for PO_1 can be added to it.



SO_3, SO_5, and SO_9 are **not** added to the bundle even though they are in the template; this is a limiting device

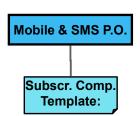
* indicates "Can be sold outside of the Compatibility Template"

Subscriber Compatibility Template Example

Subscriber compatibility template for the "Mobile and SMS" Primary Offer:

- "Unlimited Weekend SMS" supplementary offer (SO)
- Data supplementary offer (SO)

When URE guides to an offer, it will use the "Unlimited Weekend SMS" SO first if it matches, and get the tariffs from that offer



Unlimited Weekend SMS S.O.

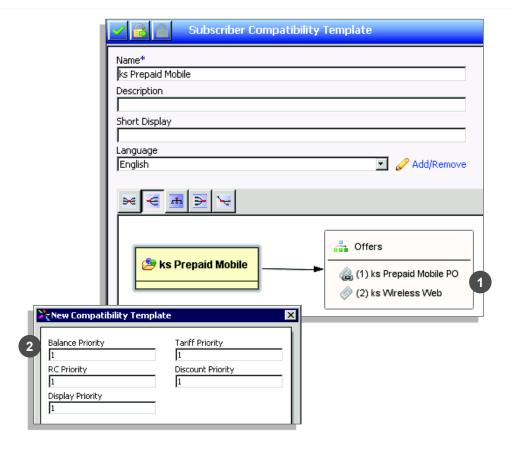
Data S.O.

Mobile & SMS P.O.

Offer	Offer Type	Tariff Plan Priority Order		
Unlimited Weekend SMS	Supplementary Offer		1	
Data	Supplementary Offer		2	
Mobile and SMS	Primary Offer		3	

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Subscriber Compatibility Template Screen



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Account Compatibility Template



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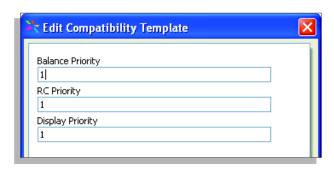
Account Compatibility Template

- Defines the priority order of application for these account-level data elements:
 - Account balances
 - Account RC terms
 - Display order









Account Compatibility Template Matching (1)

- An account compatibility template is automatically associated with an account when the account is created
- Comverse ONE attempts to match specific criteria to define which account compatibility template should be assigned to each account
- In the template, the following four account attributes are prioritized:

	Example:	Ranking:
Account Category	Business	1 st
Market Code	(null)	3 rd
Regulatory ID	(null)	4 th
VIP Code	VIP 2	2 nd

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Account Compatibility Template Matching (2)

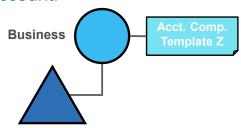
A match is sought with the criterion that has the highest priority

Comverse ONE looks at the highest priority attribute (Account Category)...



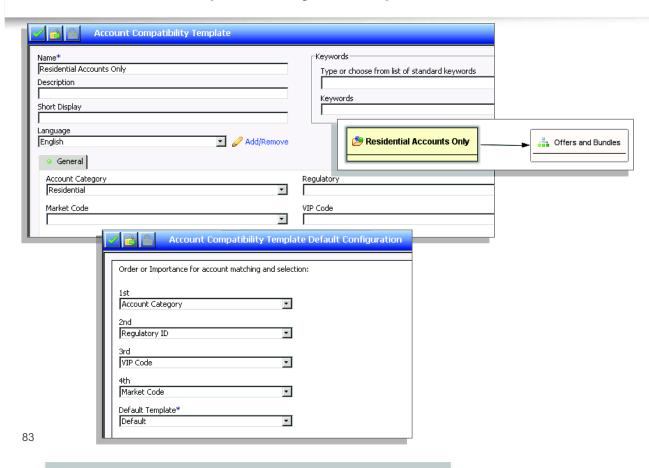
1st: Account Category = Business

2nd: VIP Code = VIP 2 3rd: Market Code (null) 4th: Regulatory ID (null) ...and attempts to match that value (Business) to the new account. If it's a match, that template is associated with the account.



- If a match cannot be found on the highest priority attribute, it moves on to the second criterion, and so forth
- One compatibility template is marked as the default, and is used when a match is not found

Account Compatibility Template Screens



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Tariff Plan Override Template

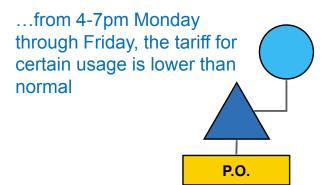


Tariff Plan Override Template (1)

 Defines specific conditions under which a provisioned tariff plan is overridden

When this primary offer is associated with a subscriber...





 Tariff plan override templates can be added to primary offers, supplementary offers, and subscriber bundles

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Tariff Plan Override Template (2)

- Conditions involve these account/subscriber attributes:
 - Home Zone
- Happy Hour
- Longevity
- Favorite Area
- Birthday
- Balance
- Anniversary
- Dialed Number Prefix

Note: Once a tariff plan is derived using an override template, the tariff plan continues for the activity duration (the condition is never rechecked). For example, a happy hour call can continue to be free indefinitely, if otherwise allowed.

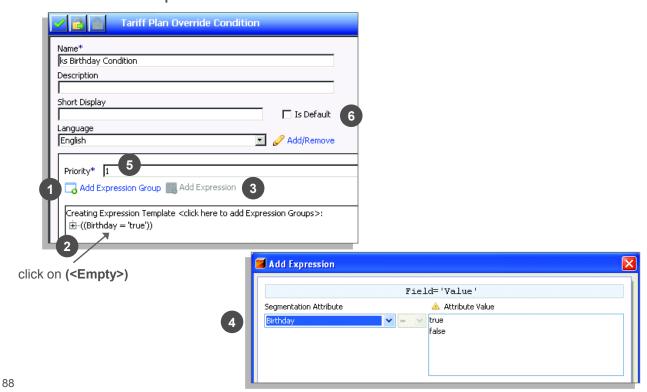
Tariff Plan Override Components

- The override template consists of two parts:
 - Tariff plan override condition Use to define the rules that govern when the override takes place
 - Tariff plan override template Specify the initial tariff plan and the tariff plan that overrides it; associate the override condition

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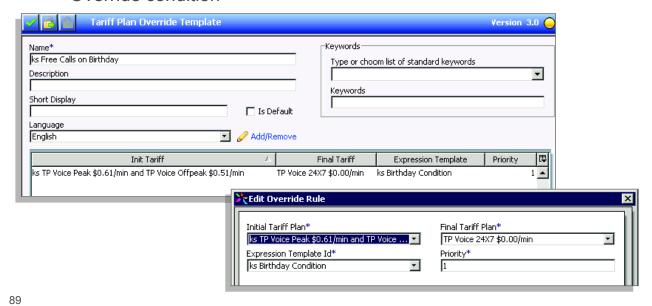
Tariff Plan Override Condition

Create an expression that defines the override rules



Tariff Plan Override Template

- Specify:
 - Initial tariff plan
 - Overriding tariff plan
 - Override condition



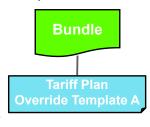
Tariff Plan Override Template Examples

- SMSs sent on the subscriber's anniversary with the provider are only \$0.02 each
- Subscribers who have \$50 or over in their core balance enjoy
 5% discount on data downloads
- Calls from the subscriber's home zone are half price

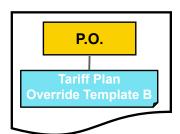
Tariff Plan Override Templates and Bundles

 Bundle-level Tariff Plan Override Templates are evaluated first, then any Offer-level Templates

If this bundle contains a tariff plan override template...



And the bundle also contains a mandatory offer with its *own* tariff plan override template...

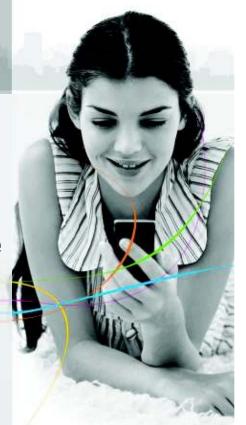


...then the template at the bundle-level is applied first

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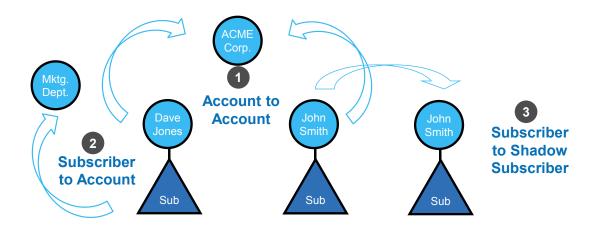


Liability Redirection Template



Review of Liability Redirection (LR)

There are 3 types of liability redirection



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Liability Redirection Example

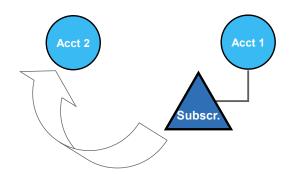
When this LR template is instantiated in Customer Center...

Liability Redirection Template X:

On weekends:

- Calls from Brazil to Peru
- Calls from Peru to Brazil

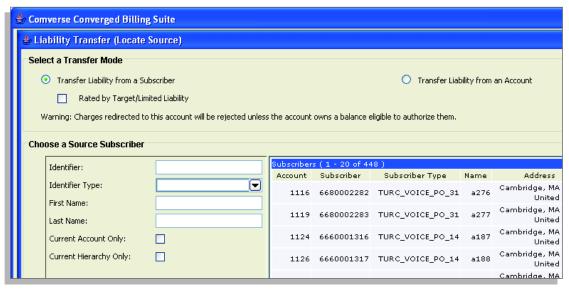
...when usage of this type occurs, the charge for it is transferred as specified in the redirection instantiation



In this example, during the weekends, liability for calls from Brazil to Peru and from Peru to Brazil for this subscriber of Account 1 are directed to Account 2.

Liability Redirection (LR) Template

LR templates facilitate the work of CSRs to define which charges are redirected and when



Liability Transfer screen in *Customer Center*

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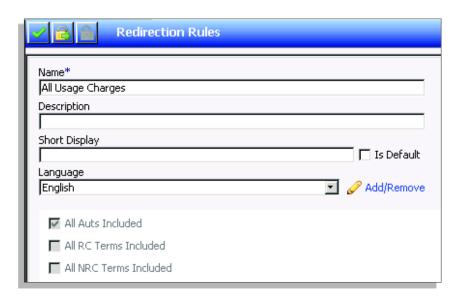
LR Template Components

- Consists of two parts:
 - One or more liability redirection rules Define the set of charges to be redirected*
 - A redirection template Associates a calendar and priority for each rule, and associates the rule(s) with a suggested primary offer**
 - * LR template rules can be overridden at the time the template is selected in Customer Center
 - ** The primary offer suggested in the LR template can be replaced by the CSR when setting up the associated shadow subscriber

Liability Redirection Rule (1)

- Define the set of charges to be redirected
- All charges of a designated type can be redirected:
 - RC Terms
 - NRC Terms
 - Activity Usage Types (AUTs)

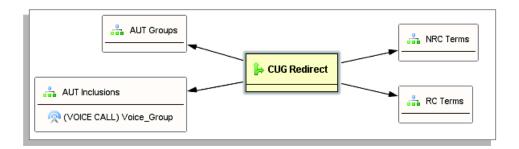
or...



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Liability Redirection Rule (2)

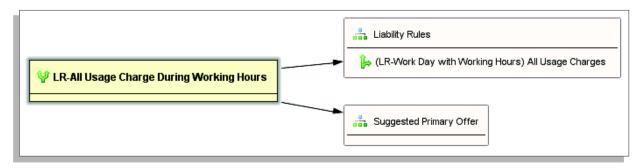
 Or you can limit the redirection to particular charges (for example, only a particular usage type)



A rule can only contain charges from one charge type.
 To redirect other charges, create additional rules

Liability Redirection Template

- Provides several functions:
 - Defines a collection of one or more redirection rules
 - Associates a Calendar and Priority for each rule
 - Allows you to suggest a primary offer to which this template applies

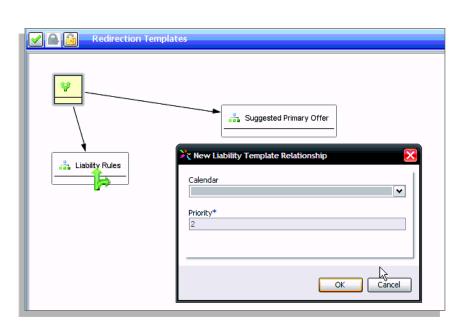


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LR Calendar

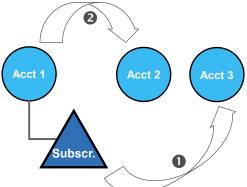
 When a rule is associated with a template, a Calendar* and Priority are designated

* When calendars are configured in Product Catalog, they are defined as pertaining to either tariffs or liability redirection

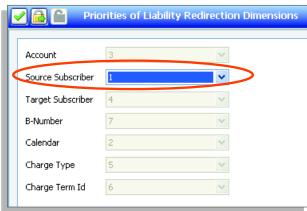


LR Priority

 At event time, it's possible for more than one LR instantiation to apply. So the LR template defines the priority in which the rules are applied



 The priority for the rule is set to indicate which is the most important dimension in this LR template: Source Subscriber For example: Account 1
 redirects charges to
 Account 2, but a subscriber
 on Account 1 redirects its
 charges to Account 3



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LR Template Examples

- Redirect all charges for all times
 - Create 3 rules (one for each charge type)
 - Create a calendar for all day types (every day of the week, midnight-to-midnight)
 - Associate with an LR template
 - Instantiate the LRT to the account or subscriber
- Professional vs. personal use (redirect usage during business hours, Monday-Friday). Requires:
 - One rule: All AUTs Included
 - · A calendar for the working hours

LR Instantiation

- When setting up liability redirection in Customer Center, the CSR must be in the account that is accepting liability
- The CSR selects a LR Template to associate with the account or subscriber
- The source and target do not have to be in a hierarchy
- As mentioned earlier, the CSR can override the rules and calendars in the template

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Summary

- Account compatibility template Lists the recommended account bundles and account offers that can be sold to the associated account, and defines the priority order of application for specific data elements
- Subscriber compatibility template Defines recommended supplementary offers that can be sold with the associated primary offer, and defines the priority order of application for specific data elements
- Tariff plan override template Defines specific conditions under which a provisioned tariff plan is overridden
- Liability redirection template Facilitates the work of CSRs to define the charge redirections for customers