How to swap Effect Items in Tekken 7

What you'll need: (I have links to most if not all of the necessary applications on my Basic Info page of my Github Wiki)

- U4pak to pak the finished mod
- An asset viewer (e.g. CompareIt or Hex editor)
- UassetRenamer
- The game files you want to use.
 - o For this tutorial I'm going to use the Effect Item for Devil Jin and a particle file.
 - o Best if you've already unpak'd all of the game files.
- Optional NinjaTool, Text2FileFolder.exe
- Locate the Effect Character Item (ECI) asset you want to change. I'm using DVJ's default which can be found at:
 D:\quickbms\out\TekkenGame\Content\Character\Item\EffectItem\DVJ\ECI_DVJ_unique_0.uasset. Copy it to a workspace. NEVER USE THE ONLY COPY OR RISK LOSING IT IF YOU MESS UP.
- 2. Open the asset file with the viewer and see what you want to change.

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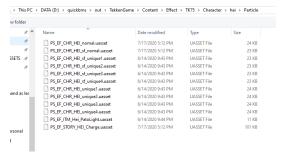
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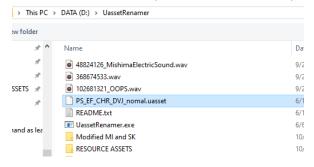
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- 3. What we are going to swap is the Particle asset for his normal heavy hit; the classic electric. By looking at the asset we also know where the original file is (/Game/Effect/TK75/Character/dvj/Particle) and common sense says that heihachi's would likely be in the same area except in the "../hei/..". The other thing to notice is for ECI files the path in the asset leads to a file with _0 or _1 etc. on it. This will be important to know when swapping these assets.
- 4. Now that you know what you want to swap, copy the name of just the asset and rename the ECI asset.
 - a. ECI_DVJ_unique_0.uasset > renamed to > PS_EF_CHR_DVJ_nomal.uasset
- 5. Open up UassetRenamer and go to the folder that has the particle you want to use. I'm going to grab the PS_EF_CHR_HEI_sf_normal.uasset rather ...HEI_normal because this is actually a bigger spark than the normal one. Select it and hit Open.



6. Now navigate back to the asset you renamed. As we can see, I haven't removed the _0 from the file name. If I were to select and hit Open tselect it and hit Open.



- 7. I will now have a new file called PS_EF_CHR_HEI_sf_nomal-new.uasset. I can delete the asset I initially renamed to reduce confusion (PS_EF_CHR_DVJ_normal.uasset).
- 8. I now need to rename the new file to the original assets name.
 - a. PS_EF_CHR_HEI_sf_nomal-new.uasset > renamed to > ECI_DVJ_unique_0.uasset
 - b. You can open up an asset view to see the changes.

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- 9. It's now time to pak it up and test it in the game.
 - a. If you are using the ninja tool you will need to remove the "_0" first and then go to the pak file folder, add the "0" back, and repak it by with the tool using a file that doesn't require this step.
 - b. If you are using U4pak then create the folders to replicate the ECI's file path
 - i. Mod Name P > TekkenGame > Content > Character > Item > EffectItem > DVJ
 - ii. Make sure your asset still has the "_0" on it and proceed to pak it up.
 - c. You can also use an app called Text2FileFolders
 - i. You can simply go to the folder that holds the original asset you wanted to change.
 - ii. Copy the file path from the top of your windows explorer
 - iii. Paste it into the manual folder option and add the Mod_Name_P \ before the "...\TekkenGame\"
 - iv. Create the folder then put your modded asset in the folder.
- 10. Put the new pak folder in your ~mods folder and test in game.

EXTRA: Non-exclusive list of additional particle asset locations

- 1. D:\quickbms\out\TekkenGame\Content\Effect\TK75\Common\Particle
 - a. holds all of the shared particle effects
- 2. D:\quickbms\out\TekkenGame\Content\Effect\TK75\Character
 - a. Holds char folders that each have their own particle effects
- 3. D:\quickbms\out\Effect\TK75\Verk\Particle
 - a. Holds aura particle effects from season 2 and 3