# Oracle® Communications Convergent Charging Controller

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## **About This Document**

#### **Audience**

This guide is for system administrators who upgrade the Convergent Charging Controller platform.

### Scope

This document includes all the information required to upgrade the Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller platform.

## **Prerequisites**

Before upgrading Convergent Charging Controller, you should have a solid understanding of UNIX, Oracle Solaris, and Oracle Solaris Cluster, and a familiarity with IN concepts as well as an understanding of Oracle databases, Oracle Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC), SQL, and PL/SQL. Attempting to upgrade the Convergent Charging Controller system without the appropriate background skills could damage the system; including causing temporary or permanent incorrect operation, loss of service, or rendering your system beyond recovery.

This guide describes system tasks that should be carried out only by suitably trained operators.

## Ways to configure replication

You configure replication when you upgrade the SMS nodes. You can configure replication in two ways:

- By using the SMS UI. This results in all replication processes (updateLoader, smsStatsDaemon, smsAlarmDaemon, replicationIF) reconnecting at the same time, and therefore can be difficult to monitor.
- By using a command line interface to manually create a new replication.config file and then manually stopping and restarting the processes one by one. This provides more control and easier monitoring, and no SMS UI access is required.

Instructions on how to configure replication by using the SMS UI are provided in *Upgrading the SMS* (on page 33). For more detailed information about configuring replication by using the SMS UI, see *Convergent Charging Controller Service Management System User's Guide*. For instructions on manually configuring replication from a command line, see *Manually Configuring Replication* (on page 17).

#### Patch contents

When you unpack a patch .zip file, a directory is created for each component. Under that directory, a subdirectory is created for the patch; for example, the following directory is created for the SMS:

#### SMS/PATCH23253932

Each subdirectory contains the patches for that component that you install when you upgrade the nodes. See *Where to install patches* (on page 12) for details of where each component patch should be installed. Additional information about the release is included in the readme text file for the SMS patch.

#### Example

This example shows the patches and readme text file for the SMS component from the unpacked CCC\_6\_0\_1\_0\_0-PATCH23253932\_svr4\_vX\_Y.zip file:

# 1s -1 PATCH23253932 P23253932EXT P23253932SCP P23253932SMS

#### Notes:

- Always carefully study the readme text file for the SMS patch prior to proceeding with the upgrade. This file contains additional information about the release.
- For information on how to unpack the patch .zip file, see Unpacking the patch file (on page 12).

### **Related Documents**

See the following documents for information about installing and managing Convergent Charging Controller:

- Installation Guide
- System Administrator's Guide
- Configuration User's Guide
- Service Management System User's Guide

## **Document Conventions**

## **Typographical Conventions**

The following terms and typographical conventions are used in the Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller documentation.

Formatting Convention	Type of Information
Special Bold	Items you must select, such as names of tabs.
	Names of database tables and fields.
Italics	Name of a document, chapter, topic or other publication.
	Emphasis within text.
Button	The name of a button to click or a key to press.
	Example: To close the window, either click Close, or press Esc.
Key+Key	Key combinations for which the user must press and hold down one key and then press another.
	Example: Ctrl+P or Alt+F4.
Monospace	Examples of code or standard output.
Monospace Bold	Text that you must enter.
variable	Used to indicate variables or text that should be replaced with an actual value.
menu option > menu option >	Used to indicate the cascading menu option to be selected.
,	Example: Operator Functions > Report Functions
hypertext link	Used to indicate a hypertext link.

Specialized terms and acronyms are defined in the glossary at the end of this guide.

# **Introduction to Upgrading**

## Overview

### Introduction

This chapter describes the Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller components that are upgraded and makes general recommendations.

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## **About the Upgrade**

## Releases upgraded

Upgrading to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1 upgrades the Convergent Charging Controller platform from Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.0.

### Convergent Charging Controller node upgrade order

You upgrade each node on the Convergent Charging Controller platform independently and sequentially in three phases:

- Upgrade each Voucher and Wallet Server (VWS) pair in this order: secondary node, then primary
- Upgrade all Service Logic Controller (SLC) nodes, one by one.
- 3 Upgrade the Service Management System (SMS).

Note: Service-critical functions remain available through redundant peer nodes during the upgrade process.

## Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table

The Convergent Charging Controller upgrade to release 6.0.1 is composed of a number of Convergent Charging Controller component patches.

Warning: If a particular component is not installed on your system, omit the patch for that component from the upgrade.

The following table lists the Convergent Charging Controller components patched with this upgrade, the upgrade patch numbers, the name of the base packages for the nodes on which you install each component patch, and the prerequisite patch numbers.

When you upgrade a node, install each component patch or package on the node in the order listed in the column for the node's base packages. Before you install a component patch on a node, check that the prerequisite patch is already installed. For example, the P21489970SMS patch is the prerequisite for the P23253932SMS patch on the SMS node. A corresponding prerequisite patch must exist for each component patch.

For more information about the contents of the patch, see *Patch contents* (on page v). For information about where to install component patches, see *Where to install patches* (on page 12).

#### Note:

- The prerequisite patch numbers are not applicable if the previous release was a fresh install using the Oracle Universal Installer (the installer).
- NA in the column for the node means that this component should not be installed on this node.

Component	Upgrade Patch Number or Package	SMS Base Package	VWS Base Package	SLC Base Package	Prerequisite 6.0.0 Patch Number
SMS	23253932	smsSms efmSms	smsExtras	smsScp	21489970
SLEE	23253922	NA	SLEE	SLEE	21489966
BE	23248169	beSms	beBe	beScp	21489680
ACS	23248130	acsSms	acsBe	acsScp	21489661
OSD	23253855	osdSms	NA	osdScp	21489931
PI	23253869	piSms	NA	NA	21489935
DAP (SMS and SLC only)	23248281	dapSms	NA	dapScp	21489726
ccs	23248224	ccsSms ccsDapSms	ccsBe	ccsScp	21489701
DAP (VWS only)	23248281	NA	dapExtras	NA	21489726
CCSCDRPART	23248229	ccsCdrPart	NA	NA	21489706
CCSVCHRPAR T	23248236	ccsVchrPart	NA	NA	21489713
DCD	23248287	dcdSms	NA	dcdScp	21489741
DCA	23248284	dcaSms	NA	dcaScp	21489734
ECA	23248292	ecaSms	NA	ecaScp	214897644
LCP	23248304	IcpSms	NA	IcpScp	21489757
RCA	23253878	rcaSms	NA	rcaScp	21489938
MOB_ROAM	23248305	roamingSms	NA	roamingScp	21489823
RIMS	23253884	rimsSms	NA	rimsScp	21489939
XMS	23254038	xmsSms	NA	xmsScp	21490008
CCS_SMCB	23248219	smcbSms	NA	smcbScp	21489700
SEI	23253889	NA	NA	seiScp	21489942
SES	23253899	sesSms	NA	sesScp	21489953

Component	Upgrade Patch Number or Package	SMS Base Package	VWS Base Package	SLC Base Package	Prerequisite 6.0.0 Patch Number
SIGTRAN	23253905	sigtranSms	NA	sigtranScp	21489955
IS41 (CDMA_GW)	23248300	cdmaSms	NA	cdmagw	21489753
TFR	23254001	NA	NA	tfr	21489988
SCA (SIP)	23253912	scaSms	NA	scaScp	21489958
UIS (USSD_GW)	23254007	uisSms	NA	uisScp	21489993
UPC (USSD_GW)	23254016	upcSms	NA	upcScp	21490000
VPN	23254022	vpnSms	NA	vpnScp	21490002
XMLTCIF (SLEE_TC)	23253916	NA	NA	xmlTclf	21489961
CAP3_GW	23248194	capgwSms	NA	capgwScp	21489691
SMSC	23253944	NA	NA	SMSC	21489972
NP (NP_SERVICE _PACK)	23253848	npSms npPISms	NA	npScp	21489930
ENUM	23248294	enumSms enumPISms	NA	enumScp	21489751
CCSPI	23248245	piCcsSms piSubscriberSm s piWalletSms piVouchersms piSrmSms	NA	NA	21489720
ACSPI	23248147	piAcsSms	NA	NA	21489672
VPNPI	23254030	piVpnSms	NA	NA	21490004
XMSPI	23254043	piXmsSms	NA	NA	21490013
VSSP	23254035	vsspSms	NA	VSSP	21490005
BCD	23248156	bcdSms	NA	bcdScp	21489676
CAP3GPRS (CAP3GPRS Control Agent)	23248182	cap3gprsSms	NA	cap3gprsScp	21489683
NGW (Notifications Gateway)	23253837	NA	NA	ngwScp	21489827
MFW	24761834	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT	23253951	supportSms	SupportBe slee-ctrl	supportScp slee-ctrl	21489974

## **About backward compatibility**

The Convergent Charging Controller application and upgrade patches are backward compatible. For example, backwards compatibility is maintained between:

- SLC and VWS nodes
- Primary and secondary VWS nodes

### **General recommendations**

Upgrading an environment of Convergent Charging Controller is a complex process.

You should:

- Carefully study this upgrade guide, the updated Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.1 user documentation, and the patch readme text file. See Convergent Charging Controller Release Notes for a list of the updated documentation.
- Prepare a detailed step-by-step upgrade plan specific to the target environment being upgraded.
- Validate and rehearse the upgrade on a test environment that replicates your production system.
- Ensure a validated backup and restore process is in place for the production environment prior to proceeding with the upgrade.

# **About the Upgrade Process**

## Overview

#### Introduction

This chapter describes the stages of a complete Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller end-to-end upgrade process and the general tasks you perform at each stage.

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## **Upgrade Process Overview**

## About upgrade stages

There are two main stages to upgrading Convergent Charging Controller: preparation and upgrade. Each stage includes a series of tasks you perform.

### **Preparation stage**

You perform the following tasks to prepare the system for upgrade:

- Back up the Convergent Charging Controller databases and ensure database integrity. You can use the backup files to roll back the upgrade if necessary. You ensure database integrity by making sure triggers and constraints are enabled. This ensures that any operations that could corrupt the database are aborted.
- Back up configuration files and create new configuration files for the upgrade.
- Download and unpack the upgrade patch files on the target system.
- Update the replication configuration for changes to the tables replicated.

For instruction on the preparation tasks, see Preparing for the Upgrade (on page 9).

## **Upgrade stage**

When you upgrade Convergent Charging Controller, you upgrade the Service Management System (SMS), Voucher and Wallet Server (VWS), and Service Logic Controller (SLC) nodes independently. The overall steps to upgrading a node include stopping processes on the node, installing upgrade patches, adding upgrade configuration files, and restarting processes on the node. Upgrading VWS and SLC nodes include additional steps specific to those types of nodes. The upgrade patches update the database schema and data and the Convergent Charging Controller software.

Note: Service-critical functions remain available through redundant peer nodes during the upgrade process.

You upgrade the nodes on the Convergent Charging Controller platform in three phases:

- Upgrade each VWS node pair.
  - Sequentially upgrade each VWS pair. Upgrade one VWS pair at a time. Within a VWS pair, upgrade the secondary and then the primary VWS separately. This allows for continuous service with minimal interruption because at least one VWS is always available.
- 2 Upgrade SLC nodes.
  - Upgrading SLC nodes is very similar to upgrading VWS nodes: while the peer SLC nodes are handling all production traffic, you can upgrade another SLC.
- 3 Upgrade the SMS.

For instructions on upgrading the Convergent Charging Controller nodes, see *Upgrading Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller* (on page 15).

## Making sure VWS and SLC nodes are stable during the upgrade

You can minimize interruptions to service by ensuring that each node is stable before upgrading the next node. For example, when upgrading a VWS pair, you can follow this process:

- Upgrade the secondary VWS node.
- Wait while traffic is moved to the secondary VWS node.
- Monitor the secondary VWS node to make sure it is working correctly.
- Upgrade the primary VWS node and repeat the process.

You follow a similar process when upgrading SLC nodes.

If you have more than one pair of VWS nodes, you can upgrade a VWS pair and then wait for a period of time, such as one or two days, before upgrading the next pair. This can help you to manage interruptions to services; for example, when different VWS node pairs provide different services.

## **About Configuring Replication**

## Ways to configure replication

You configure replication when you upgrade the SMS nodes. You can configure replication in two ways:

- By using the SMS UI. This results in all replication processes (updateLoader, smsStatsDaemon, smsAlarmDaemon, replicationIF) reconnecting at the same time, and therefore can be difficult to monitor.
- By using a command line interface to manually create a new replication.config file and then manually stopping and restarting the processes one by one. This provides more control and easier monitoring, and no SMS UI access is required.

Instructions on how to configure replication by using the SMS UI are provided in *Upgrading the SMS* (on page 33). For more detailed information about configuring replication by using the SMS UI, see *Convergent Charging Controller Service Management System User's Guide*. For instructions on manually configuring replication from a command line, see *Manually Configuring Replication* (on page 17).

## **About Service Interruption**

## About minimizing the impact of service interruption

During the upgrade, system availability will be impacted. The upgrade process is designed to retain end user service to a maximum degree during the upgrade. This is particularly important when upgrading the VWS and SLC nodes because these are the key elements providing end user service.

**Note:** At various times when individual nodes are being upgraded, capacity is reduced. Depending on how redundancy has been configured, the failover for SLC nodes is reduced or does not exist.

## Service interruption on SMS

During the upgrade, you stop the Convergent Charging Controller application processes. This means that all services and functions running from the SMS node will be interrupted until the processes are restarted.

Services interruption on the SMS occurs only while you upgrade the SMS node. The services and functions interrupted depend on the environment specific configuration. This list gives typical services and functions that will be interrupted:

- SMS UI access
- Provisioning Interface (PI) access
- Downstream replication to VWS and SLC nodes
- VWS call detail record (CDR) processing
- Update requests from VWS and SLC nodes: this includes Subscriber Self Management, which is executed from SLC control plans.

Note: Update requests will be queued during the upgrade and processed after the interruption.

## Minimizing service interruption on VWS

During the upgrade, service interruption on the VWS is minimized by the following two features:

- Backward compatibility between Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.1 VWS nodes and Convergent Charging Controller 6.0 SLC nodes for the releases upgraded. See Releases upgraded (on page 1). This means you can upgrade all VWS nodes while the SLC nodes remain operational.
- Backward compatibility between the Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.1 and Convergent Charging Controller 6.0 VWS synchronization processes. This means you can upgrade one node of a VWS pair while the other node continues to process traffic. When the first node is upgraded, the VWS node pair resynchronizes. You can then upgrade the second node while the first node processes traffic.

### Minimizing service interruption on SLC

The following attributes of the SLC allow you to perform a phased upgrade of all SLC nodes with no or minimal service interruption:

- Independence: SLC nodes do not interact with each other.
- Redundancy: where each network function is supported on multiple redundant SLC nodes in an N+1 or better configuration.

Note: The specific redundancy configuration deployed will determine the number of SLC nodes that can be taken out of service and upgraded simultaneously.

# **Preparing for the Upgrade**

## Overview

### Introduction

This chapter explains the tasks that you must perform before upgrading Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller.

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## **Backing Up Database Tables and Ensuring Their Integrity**

### Introduction

Before you upgrade, you must ensure that data is backed up by performing a full database backup. You should use the mechanism normally used when performing system maintenance to back up the Convergent Charging Controller database. The backup should be scheduled to run immediately before commencing this patch upgrade.

You should also ensure that the integrity of the database is maintained during the upgrade.

## **Ensuring database integrity**

You must verify that application triggers and constraints are enabled on all Service Management System (SMS), Voucher and Wallet Server (VWS) and Service Logic Controller (SLC) nodes to ensure:

- The integrity of the database is maintained during the upgrade
- No problems occur during the upgrade due to triggers and constraints having become accidentally disabled

Repeat these steps on each node to verify that application triggers and constraints are enabled.

Step	Action
1	Log in to the node as the oracle user.
2	Enter the following commands to verify that triggers and constraints are enabled: sqlplus '/ as sysdba' select table_name, constraint_name, status from dba_constraints where status != 'ENABLED' and owner != 'SYSTEM' and owner != 'SYS'; select table_name, trigger_name, status from dba_triggers where status != 'ENABLED' and owner != 'SYSTEM' and owner != 'SYS';
	<b>Result:</b> If no rows are returned, all triggers and constraints are enabled. If any triggers or constraints are returned, contact your database administrator for assistance.

## **Preparing Upgrade Configuration Files**

### Introduction

The Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.1 release notes include information about new and updated configuration. Review the release notes for any configuration file changes or additions. You will prepare updated configuration files that include all the configuration changes relevant to you, and you will copy these files into place during the upgrade.

To prepare updated configuration files, perform the following tasks:

- 1 Back up the existing configuration files on all nodes. See *Backing up configuration files* (on page 10).
- **2** Copy the existing configuration files to a new location and update the configuration files in the new location with the configuration changes. See *Preparing new configuration files* (on page 11).

**Note:** Some patches automatically update the configuration files with configuration changes. After installing the upgrade patches on a node, you must review the existing configuration files for additional configuration updates and apply these updates to the configuration files in the new location.

## **Backing up configuration files**

Follow these steps on all SMS, VWS, and SLC nodes in turn to back up the old configuration files.

Step	Action
1	Create a backup directory on the node:  mkdir -p /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old/
2	Copy the existing configuration files to the backup directory by entering the following command for each file:  cp /IN/service_packages/config_file_name /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old/backup_config_file_name
	where:
	<ul> <li>config_file_name is the name of the configuration file</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>backup_config_file_name is the name you give the configuration file</li> </ul>
	Back up the following configuration files on the specified nodes:
	eserv.config on all nodes
	SLEE.cfg on VWS and SLC nodes
	acs.conf on SLC nodes
	Give the backup files meaningful names. For example, eserv.config_pre_CCC601.
3	Copy the existing .html and .jnlp files to the backup directory on the SMS node by entering the following command:  cp /IN/html/file_name /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old/backup_file_name
	where:
	<ul> <li>file_name is the name of the .html or .jnlp file</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>backup_file_name is the name you give the .html or .jnlp file</li> </ul>
	Back up the following files on the SMS node:
	acs.jnlp, ccp.jnlp, sms.jnlp, and vpn.jnlp
	acs.html, sms.html, and vpn.html

## Preparing new configuration files

Follow these steps on all nodes to create new versions of the configuration files that have changes or additions.

Step	Action
1	Make a new directory for the configuration files that you will be updating:  mkdir -p /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/new/
2	Go to the new directory.
3	Copy the existing configuration files to the new directory by entering the following command for each file:  cp /IN/service_packages/config_file_name .
	where config_file_name is the configuration file name.
4	Use a text editor such as vi to update the configuration files in the new directory.
5	Edit existing sms.jnlp and sms.html files, and do the following:  • Remove <jar href="xmlpublic.sig.jar"></jar>
	<ul><li>Remove <jar href="xbean.sig.jar"></jar></li></ul>
	Remove applet-desc info and add the following:
	<pre><application-desc main-class="UserScreens.Application"></application-desc></pre>
	For guidance on where to add this command, see Example of sms.jnlp file (on page
	55).
	Do one of the following:
	<ul> <li>a) If the param name contains ORB_HOST, replace <pre>param</pre></li> </ul>
	name="xxxx"yyyy> With <property name="jnlp.xxxx" yyyy=""></property>
	b) If the param name does not contain ORB_HOST, replace <pre>param</pre>
	name="xxxx"yyyy> With <property name="jnlp.aaa.xxxx" yyyy=""></property>
	where aaa is the application (sms, acs, ccs, vpn, or osd).
	For the guidance on the application to use, see Example of sms.jnlp file (on page 55).

## **Unpacking the Patches**

### **Patch contents**

When you unpack a patch .zip file, a directory is created for each component. Under that directory, a subdirectory is created for the patch; for example, the following directory is created for the SMS:

#### SMS/PATCH23253932

Each subdirectory contains the patches for that component that you install when you upgrade the nodes. See Where to install patches (on page 12) for details of where each component patch should be installed. Additional information about the release is included in the readme text file for the SMS patch.

#### **Example**

This example shows the patches and readme text file for the SMS component from the unpacked CCC 6 0 1 0 0-PATCH23253932 svr4 vX Y.zip file:

```
# ls -1 PATCH23253932
P23253932EXT
P23253932SCP
P23253932SMS
Patch23253932 v1 0 README.txt
```

#### Notes:

- Always carefully study the readme text file for the SMS patch prior to proceeding with the upgrade. This file contains additional information about the release.
- For information on how to unpack the patch .zip file, see Unpacking the patch file (on page 12).

## Where to install patches

The following table lists the type of node on which to install the different patches for each component. The type of node is indicated by the letters at the end of the patch filename.

### Example

P23253932SMS should be installed on the SMS node.

If the Patch Filename Ends In	Install on This Type of Node
SMS	SMS. If the SMS is a cluster, install on both cluster nodes.
EFM	SMS. If the SMS is a cluster, install on both cluster nodes.
SCP	SLC
SCS	SLC
EXT	VWS
BE	VWS
SLEE	SLC and VWS

## Unpacking the patch file

You unpack the patches for Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1 on all SMS, VWS, and SLC nodes. Before unpacking the patch files, ensure you have the following disk space available on each node:

- 3 GB of disk space for unpacking the patches. You can unpack the patches in any location. However, this document assumes the patches will be unpacked in the /var/spool/pkg/CCC601 directory:
- 2 GB of disk space to install the patches on each node in the /IN directory.

Follow these steps to unpack the patches.

Step	Action
1	Download the Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.1 patches contained within the patch .zip file to the /var/spool/pkg/CCC601 directory. The patch files are available from the Oracle Support website, located at https://support.oracle.com.
	Note: The patch number for Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.1 is 23248120.
2	Go to the patch directory and as the root user, enter the following command to unzip all patches: unzip filename.zip
	where filename is the name of the patch .zip file.
	<b>Result:</b> Creates a component directory for each patch, containing the component ZIP file. <b>Example:</b>
	SMS/CCC_6_0_1_0_0-23253932_svr4_v1_0.zip SLEE/CCC_6_0_1_0_0-PATCH23253922_svr4_v1_0.zip
	···

Step Action 3 Extract the patches from the .zip file: ./extract patches.sh Result: All the patches are extracted to their component directory. Example: SMS/PATCH23253932 SLEE/PATCH23253922 4 For each component being patched, ensure that the prerequisites are satisfied. For information about the prerequisite packages and prerequisite patch numbers, see Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1).

# **Upgrading Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller**

## Overview

#### Introduction

This chapter explains how to install the Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller upgrade patches and then upgrade the Service Management System (SMS), Service Logic Controller (SLC), and Voucher and Wallet Server (VWS).

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## **About Upgrading**

### **Upgrade** order

Installing the upgrade requires each node of the Convergent Charging Controller platform to be upgraded independently and sequentially in the following order:

- Upgrade each VWS pair in this order: secondary node, then primary node.
- 2 Upgrade all SLC nodes, one by one.
- 3 Upgrade the SMS nodes.

### Upgrading an individual node

Upgrading an individual node typically consists of the following high level steps:

- Shut down the Convergent Charging Controller application processes.
- Install the Convergent Charging Controller upgrade patches on the node, one by one, in the order listed in the Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1). Component patches that come later in the installation order require the preceding patches to be installed first. For example, the BE patch must be installed after the SMS and SLEE patches have been installed.
- Restart the Convergent Charging Controller application processes on the node.

Note: Service-critical functions remain available through redundant peer nodes during the upgrade process.

## **About upgrading the Convergent Charging Controller remote database**

If you are using a remote database for Convergent Charging Controller, you can perform the upgrade only if the Oracle sys user is able to log in to the database on the remote machine as sysdba.

Before you upgrade to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1, check whether the Oracle sys user can log in to the database as sysdba on the remote machine. Set up the TWO\_TASK environment variable to point to the remote database machine, and then enter the following command as the smf\_oper user:

#### sqlplus "sys/password as sysdba"

where *password* is the password for the sys user. If the SQL prompt appears, the sys user can log in as sysdba and no configuration is necessary.

If the SQL prompt does not appear, perform the following steps on the remote database machine where the database is installed:

Step	Action
1	As the oracle user, create a password file by entering the following command:
	orapwd file= \$ORACLE_HOME/dbs/orapwSIDentries=10 force=n ignorecase=y nosysdba=n
	where <i>SID</i> is the SID for the SMF database. The prompt for the sys user password appears.
2	As the oracle user, enter the following SQL query to determine whether the Oracle database instance is started using spfile:
	show parameter spfile;
	The Oracle database instance is started by spfile if the query returns no values.
3	Set the remote_login_passwordfile parameter to EXCLUSIVE by doing one of the following:
	<ul> <li>If the Oracle database instance is not started by spfile, update the \$ORACLE_HOME/dbs/initS/D.ora file to include the following line:</li> </ul>
	remote_login_passwordfile = EXCLUSIVE
	where SID is the SID for the SMF database.
	<ul> <li>If the Oracle database instance is started by using spfile, enter the following commands:</li> </ul>
	sqlplus "/ as sysdba"
	<pre>alter system set remote_login_passwordfile=exclusive scope=spfile;</pre>
4	Restart the database by using the dbshut and dbstart commands.
5	As the oracle user, grant sysdba to the sys user by entering the following commands:
	\$ sqlplus "/ as sysdba";
•	grant sysdba to sys;
6	Recheck that the Oracle sys user can log in to the database as sysdba on the remote machine by entering the following command as the smf_oper user:
	sqlplus "sys/password as sysdba"
	where password is the password for the Oracle sys user. The SQL prompt appears.

## **Using GNU Screen**

## **About using GNU Screen**

Use GNU Screen or a similar tool to perform every upgrade-related action on any Convergent Charging Controller node. After installing GNU Screen, start a new screen session each time you perform an upgrade action. For example, start a screen session before installing a package on a node and running its configuration script.

Using GNU Screen ensures that shell sessions do not hang if there are any network connection issues between the session client and the telnet or ssh server on the node being upgraded. Using GNU Screen ensures that you can recover the shell session if the network connection is lost, and that any processes you were running in that shell session will not be stopped or left hanging.

## Using GNU Screen for a shell session

Follow these steps to start a GNU Screen session to perform upgrade-related actions on a node of Convergent Charging Controller.

Note: You must have already installed GNU Screen on the system.

Step	Action	
1	Log in as the root user.	
2	Enter screen at the command line.	
	Tips:	
	• To see all screen sessions, enter: screen -ls	
	<ul> <li>If the connection is lost, re-attach to the screen session by entering:</li> <li>screen -DR id</li> </ul>	
	where id is the session ID.	
3	When the upgrade action completes, exit the screen session by using the standard exit command.	
	Note: For more information about GNU Screen, see the GNU Screen user documentation.	

## **Manually Configuring Replication**

## **About replication configuration**

You configure replication at specific points during the upgrade process.

You can configure replication automatically by using the SMS UI or manually configure replication from a command line. This section describes how to configure replication from a command line.

For more information, see About Configuring Replication (on page 6).

Instructions on how to configure replication by using the SMS UI are included in *Upgrading the SMS* (on page 33). If you choose to configure replication manually, perform the following tasks instead of using the SMS UI when you upgrade the SMS nodes.

To manually configure replication and stop and restart the replication process, you perform the following tasks.

Step	Action
1	Verify that the replication processes are running. See <i>Verifying that replication is running</i> (on page 18).
2	Configure replication. See Configuring replication from the command line (on page 18).
3	Stop and restart the replication processes. See <i>Stopping and starting replication processes</i> (on page 19).
4	Verify that the replication processes are running.

## Verifying that replication is running

You verify replication is running to ensure it is working before you modify the replication configuration. Then, if any problems occur when you restart replication, you will know that the problems have been caused by the modifications, and not as a result of a pre-existing problem.

Follow these steps on all SMS nodes to verify replication is running.

Step	Action
1	From the command line on the SMS node, enter the following commands to verify that there are no synchronization processes running:  tail -f /IN/service_packages/SMS/tmp/smsMaster.log  tail -f /IN/service_packages/SMS/tmp/resyncServer.log  ps -ef   grep -i sync
	Result: No resyncs should be ongoing.
2	Log in to the SMS node as the smf_oper user and enter: sqlplus / select * from rep_pending_queue; select count(*) from rep_ora_renumbered; select unique table_name from rep_ora_renumbered;
	<b>Result</b> : The ROE_EVENTID value for all replication nodes in the REP_PENDING_QUEUE table should be approximately the same, and should gradually but slowly increase. This means that updates are being replicated to the nodes.
	If replication is not running, you should determine the reason and resolve any problems. See Convergent Charging Controller Service Management System User's Guide for more information.

## Configuring replication from the command line

When configuring replication from the command line, you use the following two Convergent Charging Controller utilities:

- repConfigWrite to manually create the replication.config file. repConfigWrite obtains the replication configuration from the database and writes it to the replication.config file in the location specified by the output parameter.
- copyCnf to copy the new replication.config file to the VWS and SLC nodes.

Follow these steps to configure replication from the command line.

Step	Action
1	Log in to the SMS as the smf_oper user.
2	Back up the replication.config file on the SMS node by entering the following commands: cd /IN/service_packages/SMS/bin cp/etc/replication.config/etc/replication.bak

Action Step 3 As the smf oper user, make a backup of the replication.config file on each VWS or SLC node by entering the following commands: bash cd /IN/service packages/SMS/bin for NODE in hostname list ssh \$NODE cp /IN/service packages/SMS/etc/replication.config \ /IN/service packages/SMS/etc/replication.bak done where hostname list is a space-separated list of host names for the VWS or SLC nodes, reachable from the SMS. 4 Create a new replication.config file by entering the following commands: repConfigWrite -user smf user/smf password -output ../etc/replication.config ls -lart ../etc where: smf user is the smf user on the local database smf password is the password for the smf user Note: The new replication.config file replaces the existing replication.config file in the /IN/service\_packages/SMS/etc directory. 5 Copy the new replication.config file created in step 4 to each VWS or SLC node by entering the following commands: for NODE in hostname list copyCnf /IN/service packages/SMS/etc/replication.config \$NODE where hostname list is a space-separated list of host names for the VWS or SLC nodes, reachable from the SMS. Note: If you are running the Convergent Charging Controller applications in a clustered environment, you must also copy the new replication.config file to the other SMS nodes in

## Stopping and starting replication processes

the cluster.

After configuring replication, you stop and restart the replication processes.

Follow these steps to stop and restart replication processes from the command line.

Step	Action
1	Open terminal sessions to all nodes.
	<b>Warning:</b> The next step will interrupt the replication subsystem. You should go through this procedure as quickly as possible to minimize the length of the interruption. Replication updates are normally queued and therefore will be processed when the replication subsystem is brought back up again.

#### Step Action

- 2 Do the following to stop all updateLoader processes on the VWS and SLC nodes:
  - On Solaris:
  - On each VWS or SLC node, log in as the root user and use a text editor such a) as vi to open the inittab file. For example:
    - vi /etc/inittab
  - b) In the inittab file, search for and comment out (prefix with #) the updateLoader lines prefixed with scp5 or ccs8.
  - Save the inittab file. c)
  - d) Stop the updateLoader inittab processes by entering the command:

Result: Replication is interrupted and all updateLoader processes are stopped.

On Linux:

For VWS:

systemctl stop updateLoaderWrapper.service For SLC:

systemctl stop updateLoader.service

3 Verify that the updateLoader processes have stopped by checking for connection errors in the smsMaster.log file in /IN/service packages/SMS/tmp on the SMS nodes.

> Result: You should see TCP connection errors which indicate that the updateLoader processes have disconnected.

#### smsMaster.log example

Feb 6 10:28:34 smsMaster(4919) ERROR: TCP connection to 192.168.45.38.33007 was lost

When all updateLoader processes have been stopped, restart the smsMaster processes on the SMS. If you are running the Convergent Charging Controller applications in a clustered environment, you will need to do this at the same time for all cluster nodes running smsMaster.

Log in to the SMS as the smf oper user and enter the following commands: ps -ef | grep smsMaster

kill PID1 PID2

where:

PID1 and PID2 are the PIDs for the two smsMaster processes.

Note: Update requesters (replicationIf, StatsDaemons, and so on) are not stopped and should reconnect immediately.

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Step Action

Do one of the following to restart the updateLoader processes on the VWS and SLC nodes:

- On Solaris:
- a) On each VWS or SLC node, log in as the root user and use a text editor such as **vi** to open the **inittab** file. For example:
  - vi /etc/inittab
- b) In the inittab file, search for and comment out (prefix with #) the updateLoader lines prefixed with scp5 or ccs8.
- c) Save the inittab file.
- d) Stop the updateLoader inittab processes by entering the command: init q

Result: In smsMaster.log you should see the updateLoader connecting to the smsMaster process. In resyncServer.log you should see an ENHANCED resync starting for the node.

On Linux:

For VWS:

systemctl restart updateLoaderWrapper.service
For SLC:

systemctl restart updateLoader.service

Enter the following command to check for FULL resyncs on the SMS node:

tail -f /IN/service packages/SMS/tmp/smsMaster.log

When a FULL resync has started, then:

- a) Log in as the smf\_oper user on the SMS node.
- b) Enter these commands:

ps -ef | grep [Rr]esyncServer

kill -9 PID1 PID2

where PID1 and PID2 are the PIDs of the resyncServer and smsCompareResyncServer processes on the node that is doing a full resync

c) As the root user on the SLC or VWS replication node where the full resync is ongoing, enter:

pkill -USR2 updateLoader

Result: This causes the updateLoader process to read its queued orders file. It should report:

"Node back in sync"

**Note:** At this point, the interruption to the replication subsystem has ended.

d) You can double check for hanging resynchronization processes by entering the following commands as the root user:

for NODE in hostname\_list

do

ssh \$NODE ls /IN/service\_packages/SMS/tmp/???queuedOrders.dat

done

where *hostname\_list* is a space-separated list of hostnames for VWS or SLC nodes, reachable from the SMS

Result: No queuedOrders files should exist.

On the SMS, verify that replication is running. For details, see *Verifying that replication is running* (on page 18).

## **Upgrading the VWS**

## About upgrading the VWS

To upgrade VWS nodes to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1, complete these procedures in the order listed, on each primary and secondary VWS pair. For each pair of nodes, upgrade the secondary VWS node first, and then the primary VWS node.

Step	Action
1	Update the timeout configuration for the beCDRMover. See <i>Updating beCDRMover timeout configuration</i> (on page 22).
2	Disable the beGroveller process on the VWS. See <i>Disabling grovelling on the VWS</i> (on page 23).
	<b>Note:</b> You should disable the beGroveller for the period required to upgrade both the primary and the secondary VWS.
3	Stop the SLEE on the VWS. See Stopping the SLEE (on page 23).
4	Verify that the system is running. See <i>Verifying the system is running</i> (on page 24).
5	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS. See Stopping Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs (on page 24).
6	Update .profile file. See Update .profile file (on page 25).
7	Install the upgrade patches on the VWS. See <i>Installing patches on the VWS</i> (on page 25).
8	Install the updated configuration files on the VWS. See <i>Installing the updated configuration files</i> (on page 25).
9	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS. See Restarting Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs (on page 26).
10	Restart the SLEE on the VWS. See Restarting the SLEE (on page 27).
11	Re-enable the beGroveller process on the VWS only after you have upgraded both the primary and the secondary VWS nodes. See <i>Re-enabling grovelling on the VWS</i> (on page 27).
12	Verify that BeClient processes are running correctly on the VWS. See <i>Verifying BeClient processes on the VWS</i> (on page 27).

## Updating beCDRMover timeout configuration

Before you upgrade the VWS nodes, update the configuration for the becord process to set the timeout parameter to a low value, such as 4 seconds. By setting a low timeout value, you ensure that the upgrade process is not slowed down by the beCDRMover process.

Note: When the timeout parameter is set to a high value, the upgrade process will take longer. For example, if the timeout parameter is set to 600 seconds, the beCDRMover can take up to 10 minutes to respond to a SIGTERM, which in turn will make the patch upgrade process very slow.

Follow these steps to set the beCDRMover timeout parameter.

```
Step
          Action
1
          Set the timeout parameter in the beCDRMover section of the eserv.config file on the
          VWS to a low value, by using the following syntax:
           beCDRMover = {
               timeout = int
           }
          where int is the number of seconds before becdrever times out. You should set the
          timeout parameter to the recommended value of 4 or less.
2
          Reload the configuration by sending a SIGHUP to beCDRMover.
          For more information about the beCDRMover process and beCDRMover configuration,
          see Convergent Charging Controller Voucher and Wallet Server Technical Guide.
```

## Disabling grovelling on the VWS

Disable grovelling while you upgrade the primary and secondary VWS nodes to ensure that wallet transactions are not duplicated by the begroveller process during the upgrade.

You disable be Groveller by setting the no Processing Times parameter in the be Groveller section of the eserv.config file on the VWS. For example, the following configuration disables the begroveller process for six hours starting at 06:00 AM.

```
beGroveller = {
    noProcessingTimes = [
        { startsAt = "06:00", endsAt = "12:00" }
}
```

Follow these steps to disable grovelling for a specified period.

Step	Action
1	Make a note of the current configuration for the noProcessingTimes parameter. After completing the upgrade on the VWS node, you must reset the configuration for the noProcessingTimes parameter to its original value.
2	Set the noProcessingTimes parameter for the period of time required to upgrade the primary and secondary VWS nodes.
3	Reload the configuration by sending a SIGHUP to beGroveller.

## Stopping the SLEE

To stop the SLEE on the VWS, as the ebe oper user, enter the following command: slee-ctrl stop

**Note:** While the SLEE is stopped, all traffic should fail over to the peer VWS.

## Verifying the system is running

Follow these steps to verify that the system is running correctly before proceeding with the upgrade.

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Step	Action
1	On the SMS, verify that CCS CDRs are being received from the peer VWS by entering the following commands:  cd /global/CDR/cdr_directory
	ls -l   grep VWS_peer
	where:
	<ul> <li>cdr_directory is the directory used to store CDRs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>VWS_peer is the name of the peer VWS node</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> The folder used for storing CDRs will depend on the ccsCDRLoader configuration and the custom CDR archiving scripts.
2	On the SLC, verify that BeClient can still connect to the BE pair by checking the syslog for messages such as:  "Cannot contact either BE from BE Pair"
3	Go to the /IN/service_packages/E2BE/sync/ directory on the peer VWS, and verify that the sync files are being queued in this directory by entering the command: while true; do du -h; sleep 10; done.

## **Stopping Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs**

Follow these steps to stop Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS node.

Follow th	ese steps to stop Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS node.
Step	Action
1	Log in to the VWS node you are upgrading as the ccs_oper user.
2	Stop all cronjobs that use Convergent Charging Controller application binaries or scripts or that lock Convergent Charging Controller database tables, or both, by commenting out all the jobs in ccs_oper crontab.
3	As the root user, stop the Convergent Charging Controller applications that are not started from the SLEE.
	Do one of the following to stop the <b>inittab</b> processes:  • On Solaris:
	<ul> <li>Edit the letclinittab file to comment out the Convergent Charging Controller application processes.</li> </ul>
	Note: The Convergent Charging Controller application process lines are lines which include the text, "respawn:/IN/service_packages".
	b) Enter the following command:
	init q  Result: The commented out inittab processes will stop.
	On Linux:
	<ul><li>a) Create a copy of /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh and name it as OUI_systemctl_stop.sh.</li></ul>
	b) Edit /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh and replace "systemctl restart" with "systemctl stop".
	c) Run /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh

## Update .profile file

Before you install the patches on the VWS, edit the /IN/service packages/SMS/.profile file on VWS, and replace the following:

```
tty > /dev/null
if [ $? -eq 0 ]; then
with
if [ -t 0 ]; then
```

## Installing patches on the VWS

Install all patches that have a component for the VWS node on the VWS node you are upgrading. Component patches should be installed in the order listed in the Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1).

Follow these steps to install a patch.

Step	Action
1	As the root user, log in to the VWS node on which you want to install the patch and go to the patch directory.
2	Do one of the following to install the patch:  • On Solaris:  • Plat ab number Suffix
	<pre>pkgadd -d . PPatch_numberSuffix • On Linux:</pre>
	rpm -inodeps PPatch_numberSuffix
	<ul> <li>where:</li> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are adding</li> <li>Suffix is one of BE, EXT, SLEE</li> </ul>
	<b>Warning:</b> If a particular component is not installed on your system, omit the patch for that component from the upgrade.
3	Enter the following command to run the patch package configuration script:  /IN/service_packages/PATCH/PatchPatch_numberSuffix/bin/configure.s h where:
	Patch_number is the number of the patch you are adding

## Installing the updated configuration files

Suffix is one of BE, EXT, SLEE

Follow these steps to install updated configuration files required on the VWS node you are upgrading.

**Note:** These are the configuration files that you prepared earlier in the upgrade process. See *Preparing Upgrade Configuration Files* (on page 10) for details.

#### Step Action

Compare the current configuration files with the old configuration files to check for any automatic updates applied during patch installation by entering the following command for each configuration file on the VWS:

```
diff backup_config_file current_config_file
```

#### where:

- backup\_config\_file is the backed up copy of the configuration file. See Backing up configuration files (on page 10)
- current\_config\_file is the current configuration file after the upgrade patches have been installed
- 2 Note any reported differences.
- Go to the directory where you created the updated configuration files for the VWS node you are currently upgrading, for example /IN/service\_packages/CCC601UP/config/new.
- If any differences were reported in step 1, edit <code>current\_config\_file</code> to include these changes.
- 5 Copy current config file to the directory where they will be used.

See *New configuration files* (on page 26) for a list of the directories in which to install the updated configuration files.

#### Example

```
cd /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/new
cp eserv.config /IN/service_packages
cp SLEE.cfg /IN/service packages/SLEE/etc
```

#### **New configuration files**

The following table lists the location for new configuration files on the VWS node.

Configuration File	Location
eserv.config	/IN/service_packages
SLEE.cfg	/IN/service_packages/SLEE/etc

Open the **eserv.config** file and check for the database connection strings. If not already available, add or update the following database connections strings:

```
CCS = {
  oracleUserAndPassword = "/@E2BE"
..
}
BE = {
  oracleUserAndPassword = "/@E2BE"
..
  eventStorage = {
    oracleUserAndPassword = "/@E2BE"
..
}
..
}
```

## Restarting Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs

Do one of the following to restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS node.

#### On Solaris:

Step	Action
1	As the root user on the VWS node, edit the /etc/inittab file to uncomment (remove the # prefix) the Convergent Charging Controller application processes previously commented out.
2	Restart the inittab processes by entering:
3	Restart the cronjobs previously commented out.

#### On Linux:

Step	Action
1	Enter the following command to restart all services:
	/IN/bin/OUI systemctl.sh

## **Restarting the SLEE**

To restart the SLEE on the VWS, as the ebe oper user, enter the command: slee-ctrl start

Log off the session where the upgrade was performed and create a new login session. This new session is required so that environment changes made by the patch upgrade on the VWS are reflected in the ebe\_oper session that restarts the SLEE.

## Re-enabling grovelling on the VWS

Re-enable the begroveller process on the VWS node only after you have upgraded both the primary and the secondary VWS nodes.

To re-enable the begroveller process, restore the configuration that was specified for the noProcessingTimes parameter before you disabled the beGroveller process. Then reload the configuration by sending a SIGHUP to beGroveller.

You configure the noProcessingTimes parameter in the beGroveller section of the eserv.config file on the VWS.

## Verifying BeClient processes on the VWS

Follow these steps to verify BeClient processes are running on the VWS node.

Step	Action
1	Enter one of the following commands to verify the VWS is starting up correctly and synchronizing with the peer VWS:  • On Solaris:  tail -f /var/adm/messages  • On Linux:  tail -f /var/log/messages
	<b>Result:</b> Successful startup messages are logged for the VWS processes (beServer, beVWARS, and so on).

### Step Action

Result: After a couple of minutes, sync starts and the following messages are logged:

beSync(18712) NOTICE: BE Synchronisation process is running 28035 seconds behind target (28040s total delay)

You may see multiple occurrences of beWriter messages. You can ignore these messages. For example:

Apr 26 23:26:31 beid beWriter: [ID 953149 user.warning] beWriter(29194) WARNING:

remote syncBuffer [seqNo 8316183..8316184] 1 items in (4294 .. 4295): output timed out message 8316184 Apr 26 23:26:31 beid beWriter: [ID 848595 user.crit] beWriter(29194) CRITICAL:

syncBuffer remote: Incoming message has seqNo 8316107, before last sent seqNo 8316185, either a subsequent message timed out of this is a duplicate.

2 Skip this step if you are upgrading the secondary VWS node.

If you are upgrading the primary VWS node, after sync has completed, enter the following commands to verify that CDRs are being generated on the SMS:

cd /global/CDR/cdr directory

ls -l | grep VWS name

where:

- cdr directory is the directory used to store CDRs
- VWS\_name is the name of the VWS you are upgrading.

Result: You should see newly generated CDRs coming from the primary VWS node.

**Note:** The directory used for storing CDRs is dependent on the ccsCDRLoader configuration and the custom CDR archiving scripts.

3 Verify BeClient processes on the SLC nodes:

tail -f /IN/service packages/E2BE/tmp/BeClient.log

**Result:** All BeClient processes should have reconnected to the primary VWS node which should have taken over traffic again.

## **Upgrading the SLC**

### About upgrading the SLC

To upgrade SLC nodes to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1, complete these procedures in the order listed on each SLC.

Step	Action
1	Monitor calls and redirect traffic to the peer SLC. See <i>Monitoring calls and redirecting traffic</i> (on page 29).
2	Stop the SLEE on the SLC. See Stopping the SLEE (on page 29).
3	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller applications on the SLC. See Stopping the Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs and applications (on page 29).
4	Install the upgrade patches on the SLC. See Installing patches on the SLC (on page 30).
5	Install the updated configuration files on the SLC. See <i>Installing the updated configuration files</i> (on page 31).

Step	Action
6	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller application processes on the SLC. See Restarting processes and cronjobs on the SLC (on page 33).
7	Restart the SLEE on the SLC. See Restarting the SLEE (on page 33).
8	Verify the system startup. See Verifying the SLC startup (on page 33).

# Monitoring calls and redirecting traffic

Follow these steps to monitor for outstanding calls and to direct traffic away from this SLC.

Step	Action
1	Log in as the acs_oper user.
2	Go to the /IN/service_packages/SLEE/bin/ directory.
3	Redirect traffic away from this SLC, using the check command to monitor for any outstanding calls: ./check -b 10

# Stopping the SLEE

To stop the SLEE, log in to the SLC as the acs\_oper user and enter the command: slee-ctrl stop

Note: While the SLEE is stopped, all traffic should fail over to the peer nodes.

#### Where to install patches

The following table lists the type of node on which to install the different patches for each component. The type of node is indicated by the letters at the end of the patch filename.

#### Example

P23253932SMS should be installed on the SMS node.

If the Patch Filename Ends In	Install on This Type of Node
SMS	SMS. If the SMS is a cluster, install on both cluster nodes.
EFM	SMS. If the SMS is a cluster, install on both cluster nodes.
SCP	SLC
SCS	SLC
EXT	vws
BE	vws
SLEE	SLC and VWS

# **Stopping the Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs and applications**

Follow these steps to stop Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs on the SLC node, and all Convergent Charging Controller applications that are not started from the SLEE.

Step	Action
1	Log in to the SLC as the acs_oper user.

Step	Action
2	Edit the crontab by entering the following command: crontab -e
	<b>Note:</b> The crontab for the acs_oper user is located in the following directory by default: /var/spool/cron/crontabs/acs_oper.
3	Stop the rca_get_read_count cronjob by commenting out the line in the crontab that runs rca_get_read_count.sh.
4	As the root user, stop the Convergent Charging Controller applications that are not started from the SLEE.
	Do one of the following to stop Convergent Charging Controller processes:  • On Solaris:
	<ul> <li>Edit the /etc/inittab file to comment out the Convergent Charging Controller application processes.</li> </ul>
	Note: The Convergent Charging Controller application process lines are lines which include the text, "respawn:/IN/service_packages".
	b) Enter the following command:  init q
	Result: The commented out inittab processes will stop.
	On Linux:
	<ul><li>a) Create a copy of /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh and name it as OUI_systemctl_stop.sh.</li></ul>
	b) Edit /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh and replace "systemctl restart" With "systemctl stop".
	c) Run /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh

# Installing patches on the SLC

Install all patches that have a component for the SLC node on the SLC node you are upgrading. Component patches should be installed in the order listed in the Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1).

Follow these steps to install a patch.

Step	Action
1	As the root user, log in to the SLC node on which you want to install the patch and go to the patch directory.
2	<ul> <li>Do one of the following to install the patch:</li> <li>On Solaris: <pre>pkgadd -d . PPatch_numberSuffix</pre></li> <li>On Linux: <pre>rpm -inodeps PPatch_numberSuffix</pre></li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are adding</li> <li>Suffix is SCP or SLEE</li> <li>Warning: If a particular component is not installed on your system, omit the patch for that component from the upgrade</li> </ul>

Step	Action
3	Enter the following command to run the patch package configuration script:  /IN/service_packages/PATCH/PatchPatch_numberSuffix/bin/configure.s h
	<ul> <li>where:</li> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are adding</li> <li>Suffix is SCP or SLEE</li> </ul>

# Installing the updated configuration files

Follow these steps to add new configuration files on the SLC node you are upgrading.

Note: These are the configuration files that you prepared earlier on in the upgrade process. See Preparing Upgrade Configuration Files (on page 10) for details.

Step	Action
1	Compare the current configuration files with the old configuration files to check for any automatic updates applied during patch installation by entering this command for each configuration file on the SLC:
	<pre>diff backup_config_file current_config_file</pre>
	where:
	<ul> <li>backup_config_file is the backup copy of the configuration file. See Backing up configuration files (on page 10)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>current_config_file is the current configuration file after the upgrade patches have been installed</li> </ul>
2	Note any reported differences.
3	Go to the directory where you created the updated configuration files for the SLC node you are currently upgrading, for example /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/new.
4	If any differences were reported in step 1, edit the updated configuration files to include these changes.
5	Copy the updated configuration files to the directory where they will be used.
	See New configuration files on the SLC (on page 31) for a list of the directories in which to install the updated configuration files.
	<pre>Example   cd /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/new   cp eserv.config /IN/service_packages   cp SLEE.cfg /IN/service_packages/SLEE/etc   cp acs.conf /IN/service packages/ACS/etc</pre>

#### New configuration files on the SLC

The following table lists the location for new configuration files on the SLC node.

Configuration File	Location
eserv.config	/IN/service_packages
SLEE.cfg	/IN/service_packages/SLEE/etc
acs.conf	/IN/service_packages/ACS/etc

Open the eserv.config file and check for the database connection strings. Add or update the following database connections strings, if not already available:

```
CCS = {
oracleUserAndPassword = "/@SCP"
OSD = {
osdInterface = {
 oracleDatabase = "/@SCP"
 }
}
LCP = {
oracleUserAndPassword = "/@SCP"
}
SES = {
 sesTrigger = {
databaseLogin = "/@SCP"
}
. .
RADIUSControlAgent = {
OracleUserAndPassword = "/@SCP"
. .
}
XMS = {
xmsTrigger = {
 oracleDatabase = "/@SCP"
 }
. .
}
BCD = {
 bcdBillingClient = {
 oracleUserAndPassword = "/@SCP"
 }
```

The brmBeClient is configured by default for TLS connections to BRM. To use TLS connections, configuration of Oracle wallet is required. The default wallet directory path used is /IN/service\_packages/BCD/wallet. Create the wallet directory and contents to make use of TLS connections to BRM. For more information on configuring a wallet for BRM, see the BRM Charging Driver Technical Guide. If TLS connections to BRM are not required, add the following settings to the eserv.config file on SLC:

```
BCD = {
...
bcdBillingClient = {
...
```

```
ConnectionManager = {
        enableTLS = 0
. . . }
```

# Restarting processes and cronjobs on the SLC

Follow these steps to restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the SLC.

Step	Action
1	As the root user, edit /etc/inittab on the SLC and uncomment the Convergent Charging Controller process lines. The Convergent Charging Controller process lines contain this text: "service_packages".
2	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes by entering one of the following commands:  • On Solaris:  init q  • On Linux:  /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh
3	As the acs_oper user, restart the rca_get_read_count cronjob by editing the crontab.
4	Uncomment the line in the crontab that runs rca_get_read_count.sh by removing the "#" from the beginning of the line.

# Restarting the SLEE

To restart the SLEE on the SLC, as the acs\_oper user, enter the command: slee-ctrl start

# Verifying the SLC startup

Enter one of the following commands to verify that the SLC starts up correctly and that traffic is being processed:

On Solaris:

```
tail -f /var/adm/messages
On Linux:
 tail -f /var/log/messages
```

# **Upgrading the SMS**

# **About upgrading the SMS**

To upgrade the SMS nodes to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1, complete these procedures in the order listed on each SMS.

Step	Action
1	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs on the SMS. See <i>Stopping Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs</i> (on page 34).
2	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller applications on the SMS. See <i>Stopping Convergent Charging Controller applications</i> (on page 34).
3	Install the upgrade patches on the SMS. See <i>Installing patches on the SMS</i> (on page 35).

Step	Action
4	Install the updated configuration files on the SMS. See <i>Installing the updated configuration files</i> (on page 36).
5	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller services on the SMS. See Restarting the SMS (on page 37).

# **Stopping Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs**

Follow these steps to stop Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs on the SMS.

#### Important:

- This will stop all cronjobs that use Convergent Charging Controller application binaries or scripts, or that lock Convergent Charging Controller database tables, or both.
- SMS services will be interrupted following this procedure.

Step	Action
1	Log in to the SMS.
2	Comment out the following jobs in the acs_oper crontab:  • acsDbCleanup
3	Comment out the following jobs in the ccs_oper crontab:  • ccsWalletExpiry
	• ccsPeriodicCCRecharge
	• ccsCDRTrimFiles
	• ccsExpiryMessageLoader
	• ccsPeriodicCharge
	• ccsbt_deactivate_cleanup
	<ul> <li>ccsbt_execute (there can be more than one)</li> </ul>
	• cdrDeletion
4	Comment out the following jobs in the smf_oper crontab:  • smsDbCleanup
	• smsCdrProcess
	• smsReportsCleaner
5	Comment out the following jobs in the uis_oper crontab:  • cdrLoaderCron

# **Stopping Convergent Charging Controller applications**

To stop the application processes on a single non-clustered SMS node:

Step	Action
On Solaris:	
1	Write down the current system run-level, and then take the system to run-level 2 by entering the following command:
	init 2
2	Ensure that the Oracle database and sshd are running.

Step	Action
On Linux:	
1	Create a copy of /In/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh and rename it as OUI_systemctl_stop.sh.
2	Edit /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh and replace systemctl restart with systemctl stop.
3	Run /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh.

To stop the application processes on a clusterered SMS, shut down each resource group on the SMS node that you are upgrading by performing the following steps:

Step	Action
1	Determine the resource groups for all running processes by using the scstat command; for example:
	scstat -g   egrep -i 'group: sms group: acs group: ccs group: mmx group: rims'  grep -i Online  awk '{print \$2}'  sort -u
2	Shut down each resource group with the scswitch command; for example:
	scswitch -F -g resource-1, resource-2, resource-3

# Installing patches on the SMS

Install all patches that have a component for the SMS node on the SMS node. Component patches should be installed in the order listed in the Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1).

Follow these steps to install a patch.

Step	Action
1	Log in to the SMS node on which you want to install the patch as the root user and go to the patch directory.
2	Do one of the following to install the patch:  • On Solaris:
	<pre>pkgadd -d . PPatch_numberSuffix</pre>
	On Linux:
	<pre>rpm -inodeps PPatch_numberSuffix</pre>
	where:
	<ul> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are adding</li> </ul>
	Suffix is SMS, EFM, or CLUSTER
	<b>Warning:</b> If a particular component is not installed on your system, omit the patch for that component from the upgrade.
3	Enter the following command to run the patch component configuration script: /IN/service_packages/PATCH/PatchPatch_numberSuffix/bin/configure.sh
	<ul> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are adding</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Suffix is one of SMS, EFM, or CLUSTER</li> </ul>
	<b>Note:</b> On a cluster model, install the patch on both primary and secondary SMS nodes, but run the database configuration on the primary node only.

## Installing the updated configuration files

Follow these steps to install the updated configuration files required on the SMS node you are upgrading.

**Note:** These are the configuration files that you prepared earlier on in the upgrade process. See *Preparing Upgrade Configuration Files* (on page 10) for details.

#### Step Action

1 Compare the current configuration files with the old configuration files to check for any automatic updates applied during patch installation by entering this command for each configuration file on the SMS:

```
{\tt diff} \ backup\_config\_file \ current\_config\_file
```

#### where:

- backup\_config\_file is the backup copy of the configuration file. See Backing up configuration files (on page 10)
- current\_config\_file is the current configuration file after the upgrade patches have been installed
- 2 Note any reported differences.
- Go to the directory where you created the updated configuration files for the SMS node you are currently upgrading; for example:

## IN/service\_packages/CCC601UP/config/new.

- If any differences were reported in step 1, edit the updated configuration files to include these changes.
- 5 Copy the updated configuration files to the directory where they will be used.

See *New configuration files on the SMS* (on page 36) for a list of the directories in which to install the updated configuration files.

#### Example

```
cd /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/new
cp eserv.config /IN/service packages
```

#### New configuration files on the SMS

The following table lists the location for new configuration files on SMS nodes.

Configuration File	Location
eserv.config	/IN/service_packages

Open the **eserv.config** file and check for the database connection strings. If not already available, add or update the following database connections strings:

```
CCS = {
  oracleUserAndPassword = "/@SMF"
   ..
  ccsBeOrb = {
    ..
  mergeWalletsOptions = {
     oracleLogin = "/@SMF"
    ..
  }
  ccsCDRLoader = {
   ..
  dbUserPass = "/@SMF"
```

```
}
 ccsCDRFileGenerator = {
 OracleUsernamePassword = "/@SMF"
 }
}
notificationIF = {
oracleLogin = "/@SMF"
triggering = {
 oracleLogin = "/@SMF"
}
pi = {
 general =
   oraUser = "/@SMF"
 PIbeClient = {
   oracleLogin = "/@SMF"
 }
```

## Restarting the SMS

Follow these steps to restart services on the SMS.

#### Step Action

1 Restart the previously stopped services. Do one of the following:

- If Convergent Charging Controller is installed on a single non-clustered SMS: On Solaris:
- Return the system to the previous run-level, which you wrote down before stopping the Convergent Charging Controller applications.

On Linux:

- a) Run the following command:
  - /IN/bin/OUI\_systemctl.sh
- If Convergent Charging Controller is installed on a clustered SMS, use the scswitch command on the upgraded SMS cluster node to restart each resource group that you shut down previously; for example:

```
scswitch -Z -g resource-1, resource-2, resource-3
```

Step	Action
2	Check that the SMS processes are running by entering the following commands:
	tail -f /IN/service_packages/SMS/tmp/smsNamingServer.log
	tail -f /IN/service_packages/SMS/tmp/smsTaskAgent.log
	tail -f /IN/service_packages/SMS/tmp/smsMaster.log
	tail -f /IN/service_packages/CCS/tmp/ccsBeOrb.log
	Restart any processes that are not running.
3	Continuously monitor the syslog file using one of the following commands:  • On Solaris:  tail -f /var/adm/messages
	• On Linux:
	tail -f /var/log/messages
4	Restart the cronjobs you previously commented out.
5	Clear the temporary Internet files from the Java cache.
6	Restart the SMS UI.

# **Migrating balance-related AVP Mappings**

If you are upgrading from a previous release of Convergent Charging Controller, perform the following to migrate your balance-related AVP mappings to the Convergent Charging Controller 6.0.1 release:

Step	Action			
1	Make a backup copy of the eserv.config file (for example, create a file named eserv.config.backup).			
2	Open your eserv.config file in a text editor.			
3	Remove all instances of the ccsBalanceScale parameter from the file.			
4	<pre>Set the conversionScale parameter to 0 for appropriate balance-type AVPs: DIAMETER = {     DomainTypes = [</pre>			

This configures DCD to use the scale factors specified in the Balance Type Mapping tab.

Step Action

For balance-type AVPs, the conversion array must not include balance types that are defined in the Balance Type Mapping tab.

For example, if you will define the scale factor for Convergent Charging Controller General Cash balance types in the **Balance Type Mapping** tab, delete the following conversion array from your **eserv.config** file:

```
avpCode = 233
name = "ORA-Balance-Element-Id"
vendorId = 3512
ccsConcept = "walletInfoBalanceType"
type = "Unsigned32"
conversion = [
    esg = 110  # NCC Balance Type Id (General Cash)
    vendor = 1000091 # ECE Balance Type Id
]
```

- 6 Save and close the file.
- 7 Log in to the SMS UI.
- 8 From the Services menu, select Convergent Charging > Service Management.

The Service Management screen is displayed.

- 9 From the **Service Provider** list, select the service provider.
- 10 Click the Balance Type Mapping tab.
- 11 Click the **New** button.

The New Balance Type Mapping dialog box is displayed.

- For each ccsBalanceScale entry in the eserv.config.backup file, create an equivalent mapping in the New Balance Type Mapping dialog box:
  - From the **Balance Type** list, select the name of the Convergent Charging Controller balance type.
  - In the **Third-Party Resource** field, enter the equivalent balance type ID from the third-party application, such as BRM or ECE. The third-party balance type you enter is mapped to the Convergent Charging Controller balance type.
  - In the Third-Party Resource Scale field, enter the value from the conversionScale parameter.
  - From the **Domain Type** list, select **DIAMETER\_Diameter**.

The following table shows an example of how to migrate balance type mappings from the ccsBalanceScale parameter in an eserv.config file to the New Balance Type Mapping dialog box.

eserv.config File Entry	Balance Type Field	Third-Party Resource Field	Third-Party Resource Scale Field	Domain Type Field
<pre>ccsBalanceScale = [</pre>	General Cash	110	100	DIAMETER_Diameter

<pre>ccsBalanceScale = [     {         # scale for SMS         conversionScale = 1         balance_type_id = 111      } ]</pre>	SMS	111	1	DIAMETER_Diameter
<pre>ccsBalanceScale = [</pre>	General Time	113	6000	DIAMETER_Diameter
<pre>ccsBalanceScale = [</pre>	ECE Currency	114	0.01	DIAMETER_Diameter

Note: If a balance requires sign inversion between Convergent Charging Controller and ECE, enter a negative number in the Third-Party Resource Scale field of the Balance Type Mapping dialog box. For example, to switch between negative ECE values and positive Convergent Charging Controller values for General Cash balance types (shown in the table above), enter -100 in the Third-Party Resource Scale field. Do not use the signInversion parameter to apply sign inversion to balance-type AVPs, because Convergent Charging Controller would apply sign inversion to all balances, regardless of balance type.

# Rolling Back the Upgrade

## Overview

#### Introduction

This chapter explains how to roll back the Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller upgrade on the Service Management System (SMS), Service Logic Controller (SLC), and Voucher and Wallet Server (VWS).

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# **About Rolling Back the Upgrade**

# Introduction to rolling back the upgrade

You may need to roll back the Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1 upgrade, for example, if the upgrade is unsuccessful and the post-upgraded software is not functioning as expected.

#### Rollback order

Rolling back the upgrade requires each node on the Convergent Charging Controller platform to be rolled back independently and sequentially in the following order:

- Roll back the SMS nodes.
- Roll back all SLC nodes, one by one.
- Roll back each VWS pair in reverse order: primary node, then secondary node.

#### Rolling back an individual node

Rolling back an individual node consists of the following high-level steps:

- Shut down the Convergent Charging Controller application processes.
- 2 Remove the Convergent Charging Controller upgrade patches on the node, one by one.
- Restart the Convergent Charging Controller application processes on the node.

# **Rolling Back the SMS Upgrade**

# About rolling back the SMS upgrade

To roll back the upgrade on the SMS, complete these procedures, in the order listed, on all the SMS nodes that have been upgraded to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1.

Step	Action
1	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs on the SMS. See <i>Stopping Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs</i> (on page 42).
2	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller applications on the SMS. See <i>Stopping Convergent Charging Controller applications during rollback</i> (on page 43).
3	Remove Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1 patches from the SMS. See <i>Removing patches on the SMS</i> (on page 43).
4	Configure the replication.config file. See Configuring replication file (on page 44).
5	Restore backed up configuration files. See Restoring backed up configuration files (on page 45).
6	Restart the SMS. See Restarting the SMS (on page 46).

# **Stopping Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs**

Follow these steps to stop Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs on the SMS.

#### Important:

- This will stop all cronjobs that use Convergent Charging Controller application binaries or scripts or that lock Convergent Charging Controller database tables, or both.
- SMS services will be interrupted following this procedure.

Step	Action			
1	Log in to the SMS.			
2	Comment out the following jobs in the acs_oper crontab:  • acsDbCleanup			
3	Comment out the following jobs in the ccs oper crontab:			
	• ccsWalletExpiry			
	• ccsPeriodicCCRecharge			
	• ccsCDRTrimFiles			
	• ccsExpiryMessageLoader			
	• ccsPeriodicCharge			
	• ccsbt_deactivate_cleanup			
	<ul><li>ccsbt_execute (there can be more than one)</li></ul>			
	• cdrDeletion			
4	Comment out the following jobs in the smf_oper crontab:			
	• smsDbCleanup			
	• smsCdrProcess			
	• smsReportsCleaner			

Step	Action
5	Comment out the following jobs in the uis_oper crontab:
	• cdrI.oaderCron

# **Stopping Convergent Charging Controller applications during rollback**

To stop the application processes on a single non-clustered SMS node:

Step	Action
On Solaris:	
1	Write down the current system run-level, and then take the system to run-level 2 by entering the following command:
	init 2
2	Ensure that the Oracle database and sshd are running.
On Linux:	
1	Create a copy of /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh and rename it as
	OUI_systemctl_stop.sh.
2	Edit /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh and replace systemctl restart with
	systemctl stop.
3	Run /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh.
To stop the application	on processes on a clustered SMS, shut down each resource group on the SMS node that you are rolling back by performing the following steps:

Step	Action	
1	Determine the resource groups for all running processes by using the scstat command; for example:	
	scstat -g   egrep -i 'group: sms group: acs group: ccs group: mmx group: rims'  grep -i Online  awk '{print \$2}'  sort -u	
2	Shut down each resource group with the scswitch command; for example:	
	scswitch -F -g resource-1, resource-2, resource-3	

# Removing patches on the SMS

Remove all patches that have a component for the SMS node from the upgraded SMS nodes. You must remove component patches in the reverse order to the order used for installation, listed in the Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1).

Follow these steps to remove a patch.

Step	Action
1	As the root user, log in to the SMS node on which you want to remove a patch.

Step	Action
2	Run the patch unconfiguration script by entering the following command:
	Note: On a cluster model, run the patch unconfiguration script only on the primary node.
	<pre>/IN/service_packages/PATCH/PATCHPatch_numberSuffix/bin/unconfigure .sh</pre>
	<ul> <li>where:</li> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are removing</li> <li>Suffix is one of SMS, EFM, CLUSTER</li> </ul>
3	Do one of the following to remove the patch:  • On Solaris:  pkgrm PPatch_numberSuffix  • On Linux:  rpm -e PPatch_numberSuffix
	where:  • Patch_number is the number of the patch you are removing  • Suffix is one of SMS, EFM, CLUSTER

# Configuring replication file

After you remove the patches, create the replication config file and copy it to all nodes.

When configuring replication from the command line, you use the following two Convergent Charging Controller utilities:

- repConfigWrite to manually create the replication.config file. repConfigWrite obtains the replication configuration from the database and writes it to the replication.config file in the location specified by the output parameter.
- copyCnf to copy the new replication.config file to the VWS and SLC nodes.

Follow these steps to configure replication from the command line.

```
Step Action

1 Log in to the SMS as the smf_oper user.

2 Create a new replication.config file by entering the following commands:
    cd /IN/service_packages/SMS/bin
    repConfigWrite -user smf_user/smf_password -output
    ../etc/replication.config
    ls -lart ../etc

where:
    • smf_user is the smf user on the local database
    • smf_password is the password for the smf user

Note: The new replication.config file replaces the existing replication.config file in the /IN/service_packages/SMS/etc directory.
```

Step	Action
3	Copy the new replication.config file created in step 2 to each VWS or SLC node by entering the following commands:  for NODE in hostname_list do     copyCnf /IN/service_packages/SMS/etc/replication.config \$NODE done  where hostname_list is a space-separated list of host names for the VWS or SLC nodes, reachable from the SMS.
	<b>Note:</b> If you are running the Convergent Charging Controller applications in a clustered environment, you must also copy the new <b>replication.config</b> file to the other SMS nodes in the cluster.

# Restoring backed up configuration files

Follow these steps to restore the old configuration files on the SMS node on which you are rolling back the upgrade.

Note: These are the configuration files that you backed up earlier in the upgrade process. See *Preparing* Upgrade Configuration Files (on page 10).

Step	Action
1	Go to the configuration files backup directory for the SMS node you are rolling back: cd /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old
2	Copy the backed up configuration files to their original directories.  See Restored configuration files on the SMS (on page 45) for a list of the directories in which to restore configuration files on the SMS node.
	Example  cd /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old  cp eserv.config_pre_CCC601 /IN/service_packages/eserv.config

## Restored configuration files on the SMS

The following table lists the backup configuration files and the location in which to restore them on the SMS node.

Backup Configuration File	Restore to
eserv.config_pre_CCC601	/IN/service_packages/eserv.config

# **Restarting the SMS**

Follow these steps to restart services on the SMS.

Step	Action
1	Restart the previously stopped services. Do one of the following:  • If Convergent Charging Controller is installed on a single non-clustered SMS: On Solaris:
	<ul> <li>Return the system to the previous run-level, which you wrote down before stopping the Convergent Charging Controller applications.</li> </ul>
	On Linux:
	a) Run the following command:
	/IN/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh
	<ul> <li>If Convergent Charging Controller is installed on a clustered SMS, use the scswitch command to restart each resource group that you shut down previously; for example:</li> </ul>
	<pre>scswitch -Z -g resource-1, resource-2, resource-3</pre>
2	Restart the cronjobs previously commented out.
3	Clear the temporary internet files in the Java cache.
4	Restart the SMS UI.

# Rolling Back the SLC Upgrade

# About rolling back the SLC upgrade

To roll back the upgrade on SLC nodes, complete these procedures in the order listed, on all the SLC nodes that have been upgraded to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1.

Step	Action
1	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller applications on the SLC. See Stopping the Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs and applications (on page 46).
2	Stop the SLEE on the SLC. See Stopping the SLEE (on page 47).
3	Remove the upgrade patches from the SLC. See <i>Removing patches from the SLC</i> (on page 47).
4	Restore the backed up configuration files on the SLC. See Restoring backed up configuration files (on page 48).
5	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller application processes on the SLC. See Restarting processes and cronjobs on the SLC (on page 48).
6	Restart the SLEE on the SLC. See Restarting the SLEE (on page 49).
7	Verify the system startup. See Verifying the SLC startup (on page 49).

# **Stopping the Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs and applications**

Follow these steps to stop Convergent Charging Controller cronjobs on the SLC node, and all Convergent Charging Controller applications that are not started from the SLEE.

Step	Action
1	Log in to the SLC as the acs_oper user.

Step	Action
2	Edit the crontab by entering the following command: crontab -e
	<b>Note</b> : The crontab for the acs_oper user is located in the following directory by default: /var/spool/cron/crontabs/acs_oper.
3	Stop the rca_get_read_count cronjob by commenting out the line in the crontab that runs rca_get_read_count.sh.
4	As the root user, do one of the following to stop Convergent Charging Controller applications that are not started from the SLEE:  • On Solaris:
	Edit the /etc/inittab file to comment out the Convergent Charging Controller application processes.  Note: The Convergent Charging Controller application process lines are lines.
	Note: The Convergent Charging Controller application process lines are lines which include the text, "respawn:/IN/service packages".
	b) Enter the following command:
	init q  Result: The commented out inittab processes will stop.
	<ul> <li>On Linux, run the following script that was created during upgrade: /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh</li> </ul>

# Stopping the SLEE

To stop the SLEE, log in to the SLC as the acs\_oper user and enter the command: slee-ctrl stop

Note: While the SLEE is stopped, all traffic should fail over to the peer nodes.

# Removing patches from the SLC

Remove all patches that have a component for the SLC node from the upgraded SLC node. You must remove component patches in the reverse order to the order used for installation, listed in the Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1).

Follow these steps to remove a patch.

Step	Action
1	As the root user, log in to the SLC node on which you want to remove a patch.
2	Enter the following command to run the patch unconfiguration script:
	<pre>/IN/service_packages/PATCH/PATCHPatch_numberSuffix/bin/unconfigure .sh</pre>
	<ul> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are removing</li> <li>Suffix is one of SCP or SLEE</li> </ul>

# Step Action 3 Do one of the following to remove the patch: • On Solaris: pkgrm PPatch\_numberSuffix • On Linux: rpm -e PPatch\_numberSuffix where: • Patch\_number is the number of the patch you are removing • Suffix is one of SCP or SLEE

# Restoring backed up configuration files

Follow these steps to restore the old configuration files on the SLC node on which you are rolling back the upgrade.

**Note:** These are the configuration files that you backed up earlier in the upgrade process. See *Preparing Upgrade Configuration Files* (on page 10).

Step	Action
1	Go to the configuration files backup directory for the SLC node you are rolling back; for example, /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old.
2	Copy the backed up configuration files to their original directories.
	See Restored configuration files (on page 48) for a list of the directories in which to restore configuration files on SLC nodes.
	Example:
	cd /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old
	<pre>cp eserv.config_pre_CCC601 /IN/service_packages/eserv.config</pre>
	<pre>cp SLEE.cfg_pre_CCC601 /IN/service_packages/SLEE/etc/SLEE.cfg</pre>
	<pre>cp acs.conf_pre_CCC601 /IN/service_packages/ACS/etc/acs.conf</pre>

#### **Restored configuration files**

The following table lists the backup configuration files and the location in which to restore them on the SLC node.

Backup Configuration File	Restore to
eserv.config_pre_CCC601	/IN/service_packages/eserv.config
SLEE.cfg_pre_CCC601	/IN/service_packages/SLEE/etc/SLEE.cfg
acs.conf_pre_CCC601	/IN/service_packages/ACS/etc/acs.conf

# Restarting processes and cronjobs on the SLC

Follow these steps to restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the SLC.

Step	Action
1	As the root user, edit the /etc/inittab file on the SLC and uncomment the Convergent Charging Controller process lines. The Convergent Charging Controller process lines contain this text: "service_packages".

Step	Action
2	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes by entering the following command:  • On Solaris:  init q  • On Linux:  /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh
3	As the acs_oper user, restart the rca_get_read_count cronjob by editing the crontab.
4	Uncomment the line in the crontab that runs rca_get_read_count.sh by removing the "#" from the beginning of the line.

# **Restarting the SLEE**

To restart the SLEE on the SLC as the acs\_oper user, enter the command: slee-ctrl start

# **Verifying the SLC startup**

Enter one of the following commands to verify that the SLC starts up correctly and that traffic is being processed:

On Solaris:

tail -f /var/adm/messages

On Linux:

tail -f /var/log/messages

# Rolling Back the VWS Upgrade

# About rolling back the VWS upgrade

To roll back the upgrade on the VWS, complete these procedures, in the order listed, on all the VWS nodes that have been upgraded to Convergent Charging Controller release 6.0.1. Roll back VWS pairs in reverse order of installation.

Step	Action
1	Disable beGroveller on the VWS. See <i>Disabling grovelling during the rollback</i> (on page 50).
2	Stop the SLEE on the VWS. See Stopping the SLEE (on page 50).
3	Set up system monitoring. See Setting up system monitoring (on page 50).
4	Stop the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS. See Stopping Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs (on page 51).
5	Remove the upgrade patches from the VWS. See <i>Removing patches on the VWS</i> (on page 51).
6	Restore the backed up configuration files on the VWS. See Restoring backed up configuration files (on page 52).
7	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS. See Restarting Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs (on page 52).
8	Restart the SLEE on the VWS. See Restarting the SLEE (on page 53).
9	Re-enable beGroveller process on the VWS. See <i>Re-enabling grovelling on the VWS</i> (on page 53).

Step	Action
10	Verify BeClient processes on the VWS are working. See <i>Verifying BeClient processes</i> on the VWS (on page 53).

# Disabling grovelling during the rollback

Disable grovelling while you roll back the upgrade to the primary and secondary VWS nodes to ensure that wallet transactions are not duplicated by the beGroveller process during the roll back process.

To disable grovelling for a specified period, set the noProcessingTimes parameter in the beGroveller section of the eserv.config file on the VWS, and then reload the configuration by sending a SIGHUP to beGroveller.

For example, the following configuration disables the beGroveller process for six hours starting at 06:00 AM.

```
beGroveller = {
     noProcessingTimes = [
          \{ \text{ startsAt} = "06:00", \text{ endsAt} = "12:00" \}
     1
}
```

Note: Before you update the eserv.config configuration file, make a note of the current configuration for the noProcessingTimes parameter. After you complete rolling back the upgrade on the VWS node, you must reset the configuration for the noProcessingTimes parameter to its original value.

# Stopping the SLEE

To stop the SLEE on the VWS, as the ebe oper user, enter the following command: slee-ctrl stop

**Note:** While the SLEE is stopped, all traffic should fail over to the peer VWS.

# Setting up system monitoring

Follow these steps to monitor the system prior to rolling back the upgrade on the VWS node.

#### Step Action 1 Enter one of the following commands to monitor the syslog on the peer VWS node: On Solaris: tail -f /var/adm/messages On Linux: tail -f /var/log/messages 2 Enter one of the following commands to monitor the syslog on the SMS and SLC nodes for billing errors: On Solaris: tail -f /var/adm/messages On Linux: tail -f /var/log/messages Result: Only the connection loss to the upgraded VWS node is reported. Billing will continue using the peer VWS node.

Step	Action
3	On the SMS, verify that Charging Control Services (CCS) CDRs are being received from the peer VWS node by entering these commands:
	cd /global/CDR/cdr_directory
	ls-1   grep VWS_peer
	<ul> <li>vhere:</li> <li>cdr_directory is the directory used to store CDRs</li> <li>VWS_peer is the name of the peer VWS node</li> </ul>
	Note: The folder used for storing CDRs will depend on the ccsCDRLoader configuration and the custom CDR archiving scripts.

# **Stopping Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs**

Follow these steps to stop Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS node.

	•
Step	Action
1	Log in to the VWS node you are upgrading as the ccs_oper user.
2	Stop all cronjobs that use Convergent Charging Controller application binaries or scripts or that lock Convergent Charging Controller database tables, or both, by commenting out all the jobs in ccs_oper crontab.
3	As the root user, do one of the following to stop Convergent Charging Controller applications that are not started from the SLEE:  • On Solaris:  a) Edit the /etc/inittab file to comment out the Convergent Charging Controller application processes.
	Note: The Convergent Charging Controller application process lines are lines which include the text, "respawn:/IN/service_packages".
	b) Enter the following command:  init q  Result: The commented out inittab processes will stop.
	<ul> <li>On Linux, run the following script that was created during upgrade: /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl_stop.sh</li> </ul>

# Removing patches on the VWS

Remove all patches that have a component for the VWS node from the upgraded VWS node. You must remove component patches in the reverse order to the order used for installation, listed in the Convergent Charging Controller components upgrade table (on page 1).

Follow these steps to remove a patch.

Step	Action
1	As the root user, log in to the VWS node on which you want to remove a patch.

Step	Action
2	Enter the following command to run the patch unconfiguration script:  /IN/service_packages/PATCH/PATCHPatch_numberSuffix/bin/unconfigure .sh  where:  Patch_number is the number of the patch you are removing
3	<ul> <li>Suffix is one of BE, EXT, SLEE</li> <li>Do one of the following to remove the patch:         <ul> <li>On Solaris:</li> <li>pkgrm PPatch_numberSuffix</li> <li>On Linux:</li> <li>rpm -e PPatch_numberSuffix</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>where:</li> <li>Patch_number is the number of the patch you are removing</li> <li>Suffix is one of BE, EXT, SLEE</li> </ul>

# Restoring backed up configuration files

Follow these steps to restore the old configuration files on the VWS node on which you are rolling back the upgrade.

**Note**: These are the configuration files that you backed up earlier in the upgrade process. See *Preparing Upgrade Configuration Files* (on page 10).

Step	Action
1	Go to the configuration files backup directory for the VWS node you are rolling back; for example, /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old.
2	Copy the backed up configuration files to their original directories.
	See Restored configuration files (on page 52) for a list of the directories in which to restore configuration files on the VWS node.
	Example
	cd /IN/service_packages/CCC601UP/config/old
	<pre>cp eserv.config_pre_CCC601 /IN/service_packages/eserv.config</pre>
	cp SLEE.cfg pre CCC601/IN/service packages/SLEE/etc/SLEE.cfg

#### **Restored configuration files**

The following table lists the backup configuration files and the location in which to restore them on the VWS node.

Backup Configuration File	Restore to
eserv.config_pre_CCC601	/IN/service_packages/eserv.config
SLEE.cfg_pre_CCC601	/IN/service_packages/SLEE/etc/SLEE.cfg

# **Restarting Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs**

Follow these steps to restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes and cronjobs on the VWS node.

#### On Solaris:

Step	Action
1	As the root user on the VWS node, edit the /etc/inittab file to uncomment (remove the # prefix) the Convergent Charging Controller application processes previously commented out.
2	Restart the inittab processes by entering:
	Restart the Convergent Charging Controller processes by entering the following command:
3	Restart cronjobs previously commented out.

#### On Linux:

:Step	Action
1	Enter the following command to restart all services: /IN/bin/OUI_systemctl.sh

# **Restarting the SLEE**

To restart the SLEE on the VWS, as the ebe oper user, enter the command: slee-ctrl start

## Re-enabling grovelling on the VWS

Re-enable the beGroveller process on the VWS node only after you have rolled back both the primary and the secondary VWS nodes.

To re-enable the begroveller process, restore the configuration that was specified for the noProcessingTimes parameter before you disabled the beGroveller process. Then reload the configuration by sending a SIGHUP to beGroveller.

You configure the noProcessingTimes parameter in the beGroveller section of the eserv.config file on the VWS.

# Verifying BeClient processes on the VWS

Follow these steps to verify BeClient processes are running on the VWS node.

Step	Action
1	Enter one of the following commands to verify the VWS is starting up correctly and synchronizing with the peer VWS:  • On Solaris:  tail -f /var/adm/messages  • On Linux:  tail -f /var/log/messages  Result: Successful startup messages are logged for the VWS processes (beServer, beVWARS, and so on).

#### Step Action

After the startup completes, monitor the progress of sync by keeping the tail open and by entering these commands on the peer VWS:

#### cd /IN/service\_packages/E2BE/sync

while true

do

find . -type f | wc -l

sleep 10

done

Result: After a couple of minutes, sync starts and the following messages are logged:

beSync(18712) NOTICE: BE Synchronisation process is running 28035 seconds behind target (28040s total delay)

You may see multiple occurrences of beWriter messages. You can ignore these messages. For example:

Apr 26 23:26:31 beid beWriter: [ID 953149 user.warning] beWriter(29194) WARNING:

remote syncBuffer [seqNo 8316183..8316184] 1 items in (4294 .. 4295): output timed out message 8316184 Apr 26 23:26:31 beid beWriter: [ID 848595 user.crit] beWriter(29194) CRITICAL:

syncBuffer remote: Incoming message has seqNo 8316107, before last sent seqNo 8316185, either a subsequent message timed out of this is a duplicate.

3 Skip this step if you are rolling back the secondary VWS node.

If you are rolling back the primary VWS node, after sync has completed, enter the following commands to verify that CDRs are being generated on the SMS:

```
cd /global/CDR/cdr directory
```

```
ls -1 | grep VWS name
```

where:

- cdr\_directory is the directory used to store CDRs
- VWS name is the name of the VWS you are upgrading.

Result: You should see newly generated CDRs coming from the primary VWS node.

**Note:** The directory used for storing CDRs will depend on the ccsCDRLoader configuration and the custom CDR archiving scripts.

4 Verify BeClient processes on the SLC nodes:

```
tail -f /IN/service packages/E2BE/tmp/BeClient.log
```

**Result:** All BeClient processes should have reconnected to the primary VWS node which should have taken over traffic again.

# **Example of sms.jnlp file**

#### Following is an example of sms.jnlp file:

```
<jnlp spec="1.0+"</pre>
   codebase="http://sms ip addr/"
  href="sms.jnlp" >
   <information>
      <title> SMS - name </title>
      <vendor> Oracle </vendor>
      <homepage href="SMS/install/index.html" />
      <description kind="short"> Starts the SMS Java Application Screens connecting
to host server: sms ip addr. </description>
      <description kind="tooltip"> Service Management System </description>
      <!-- gif or jpg only. Transparency does not work. Rectangular icons will be
badly stretched. -->
      <icon href="SMS/images/favicon.ico" width="64" height="64" kind="default" />
      <icon href="SMS/images/oracle.gif" kind="splash" />
      <!-- installs on Desktop and in Start->Programs->Oracle -->
      <shortcut online="true" >
         <desktop />
         <menu submenu="Oracle" />
      </shortcut>
   </information>
   <security>
      <all-permissions />
   </security>
   <resources>
      <j2se version="1.8.0+" href="http://java.sun.com/products/autodl/j2se" java-
vm-args="--add-modules=java.corba,java.xml.ws" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.packEnabled" value="true" />
      <jar href="sms.sig.jar" main="true" />
      <jar href="common.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="ojdbc7.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="oraclepki.sig.jar" />
      <extension name="Oracle Help for Java" href="ohj.jnlp" />
      cproperty name="java.util.Arrays.useLegacyMergeSort" value="true" />
      <jar href="acs.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="osd.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="PIsecurity.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="pi.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="dap.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="http_client.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="orawsdl.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="oc3c.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="UIS GW.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="UPC.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="upcMacros.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="rims.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="xms.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="smcb.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="np.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="lcp.sig.jar" />
```

```
<jar href="enum.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="ses.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="vpn.sig.jar" />
      <jar href="rca.sig.jar" />
     cproperty name="jnlp.sms.TZ" value="GMT" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.sms.host" value="sms ip addr" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.sms.logo" value="SMS/images/oracle.gif" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.sms.databaseID" value="1521:SMF" />
      cyproperty name="jnlp.sms.databaseHost" value="sms ip addr:1521:SMF" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.sms.EncryptedSSLConnection" value="true" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.sms.sslCipherSuites"
value="(TLS RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA)" />
     cproperty name="jnlp.sms.secureConnectionDatabaseHost"
              value="(DESCRIPTION= (ADDRESS_LIST=
(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=TCPS)(HOST=sms_ip_addr)(PORT=2484))) (CONNECT_DATA=
(SERVICE_NAME=SMF)))" />
      operty name="jnlp.sms.showEFM" value="1" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.SuppressTagID" value="TRUE" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.maximiseAcsScreens" value="false" />
      property name="jnlp.acs.Profile8" value="Account Reference Profile" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.Profile9" value="Product Type Profile" />
      <property name="jnlp.acs.Profile10" value="Control Plan Profile (App 3)" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.Profile12" value="CCS Global Profile" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.Profile13" value="CCS Temporary Profile (App 6)" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.Profile14" value="CCS Temporary Profile (App 7)" />
      <property name="jnlp.acs.Profile15" value="CCS Temporary Profile (App 8)" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.ssfs" value="vssp,sca" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.acs.scfs" value="scf" />
     cproperty name="jnlp.vpn.INProtocol" value="IN PROTOCOL" />
     cproperty name="jnlp.osd.WSDLDirectory" value="/IN/html/wsdls" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.osd.WSDLURL" value="http://wsdlmch/wsdls" />
     cproperty name="jnlp.ccs.UseAnnouncements" value="YES" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.ccs.BeORBTimeoutms" value="5000" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.ccs.VRRedeemMinVoucherLength" value="9" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.ccs.VRRedeemMaxVoucherLength" value="15" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.ccs.defaultEDRSearchAge" value="2" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.ECEExtensions" value="true" />
      cproperty name="jnlp.ORB_HOST" value="sms_ip_addr" />
   </resources>
   <application-desc main-class="UserScreens.Application" />
</jnlp>
```

# **Glossary of Terms**

#### **AAA**

Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting. Specified in Diameter RFC 3588.

#### **ACS**

Advanced Control Services configuration platform.

#### API

Application Programming Interface

#### **AVP**

Attribute Value Pair, used in Diameter to represent properties of a particular request or answer.

#### CCS

- 1) Charging Control Services component.
- 2) Common Channel Signalling. A signalling system used in telephone networks that separates signalling information from user data.

#### **CDMA**

Code Division Multiple Access is a method for describing physical radio channels. Data intended for a specific channel is modulated with that channel's code. These are typically pseudo-random in nature, and possess favourable correlation properties to ensure physical channels are not confused with one another.

#### **CDR**

Call Data Record

Note: The industry standard for CDR is EDR (Event Detail Record).

# Convergent

Also "convergent billing". Describes the scenario where post-paid and pre-paid calls are handed by the same service platform and the same billing system. Under strict converged billing, post-paid subscribers are essentially treated as "limited credit pre-paid".

#### **CORBA**

Common Object Request Broker Architecture. It is a framework that provides interoperability between objects built in different programming languages, running on different physical machines perhaps on different networks. It specifies an Interface Definition Language, and API that allows client / server interaction with the ORB.

#### cron

Unix utility for scheduling tasks.

#### crontab

File used by cron.

#### DAP

Data Access Pack. An extension module for ACS which allows control plans to make asynchronous requests to external systems over various protocols including XML and LDAP.

#### Diameter

A feature rich AAA protocol. Utilises SCTP and TCP transports.

#### DP

**Detection Point** 

#### **ENUM**

E.164 Number Mapping.

#### **GPRS**

General Packet Radio Service - employed to connect mobile cellular users to PDN (Public Data Network- for example the Internet).

#### **GSM**

Global System for Mobile communication.

It is a second generation cellular telecommunication system. Unlike first generation systems, GSM is digital and thus introduced greater enhancements such as security, capacity, quality and the ability to support integrated services.

#### **GUI**

**Graphical User Interface** 

#### **HLR**

The Home Location Register is a database within the HPLMN (Home Public Land Mobile Network). It provides routing information for MT calls and SMS. It is also responsible for the maintenance of user subscription information. This is distributed to the relevant VLR, or SGSN (Serving GPRS Support Node) through the attach process and mobility management procedures such as Location Area and Routing Area updates.

# **HPLMN**

Home PLMN

#### **HTML**

HyperText Markup Language, a small application of SGML used on the World Wide Web.

It defines a very simple class of report-style documents, with section headings, paragraphs, lists, tables, and illustrations, with a few informational and presentational items, and some hypertext and multimedia.

#### IN

Intelligent Network

#### **LCP**

Location Capabilities Pack - set of software components used by other applications to look up the location of mobile devices.

#### MAP

Mobile Application Part - a protocol which enables real time communication between nodes in a mobile cellular network. A typical usage of the protocol would be for the transfer of location information from the VLR to the HLR.

## **Messaging Manager**

The Messaging Manager service and the Short Message Service components of Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller product. Component acronym is MM (formerly MMX).

#### MM

Messaging Manager. Formerly MMX, see also *XMS* (on page 63) and *Messaging Manager* (on page 59).

#### MS

Mobile Station

#### MT

Mobile Terminated

#### NP

**Number Portability** 

#### **ORB**

Object Request Broker. Within an Object based communication system, an ORB keeps track of the actual addresses of all defined objects and thus is used to route traffic to the correct destination. The CORBA defines the ORB in a series of standards enabling different platforms to share common information.

#### **OSA**

Open Service Access provides a standard interface through which developers can design services that may interact with functions within the network.

#### Ы

Provisioning Interface - used for bulk database updates/configuration instead of GUI based configuration.

#### PL/SQL

Oracle's Procedural Language for stored procedures and packages.

#### **PLMN**

Public Land Mobile Network

#### **RIMS**

Routing Information for Mobile Services. Used to cache HLR lookup information.

Note: Now known as "Messaging Manager Navigator".

#### **SCA**

- 1) Service Centre Address
- 2) Session Control Agent for Session Initiation Protocol (SIP)

#### **SCP**

Service Control Point. Also known as SLC.

#### SCS

Service Capability Server (OSA)

#### SCTP

Stream Control Transmission Protocol. A transport-layer protocol analogous to the TCP or User Datagram Protocol (UDP). SCTP provides some similar services as TCP (reliable, in-sequence transport of messages with congestion control) but adds high availability.

#### Service Provider

See Telco.

#### **SES**

Subscriber Event Service is an application that enables a service provider to send text messages to roaming subscribers (both their own and foreign subscribers) when they roam in and out of their network.

#### Session

Diameter exchange relating to a particular user or subscriber access to a provided service (for example, a telephone call).

#### **SGML**

Standard Generalized Markup Language. The international standard for defining descriptions of the structure of different types of electronic document.

#### **SGSN**

Serving GPRS Support Node

#### SIP

Session Initiation Protocol - a signaling protocol for Internet conferencing, telephony, event notification and instant messaging. (IETF)

#### **SLC**

Service Logic Controller (formerly UAS).

#### **SLEE**

Service Logic Execution Environment

#### **SMS**

Depending on context, can be:

- Service Management System hardware platform
- Short Message Service
- Service Management System platform
- Convergent Charging Controller Service Management System application

#### **SMSC**

Short Message Service Centre stores and forwards a short message to the indicated destination subscriber number.

#### SN

Service Number

#### SQL

Structured Query Language is a database guery language.

#### **SSL**

Secure Sockets Layer protocol

#### **SSP**

Service Switching Point

#### **Switching Point**

Anything that can send and receive C7 messages.

#### **System Administrator**

The person(s) responsible for the overall set-up and maintenance of the IN.

#### **TCAP**

Transaction Capabilities Application Part – layer in protocol stack, message protocol.

#### **TCP**

Transmission Control Protocol. This is a reliable octet streaming protocol used by the majority of applications on the Internet. It provides a connection-oriented, full-duplex, point to point service between hosts.

#### Telco

Telecommunications Provider. This is the company that provides the telephone service to customers.

#### **Telecommunications Provider**

See Telco.

#### **TFR**

**TCAP Filter Relay** 

#### **TLS**

Transport Layer Security. Cryptographic protocol used to provide secure communications. Evolved from SSL.

#### UIS

**USSD Interactive Services** 

#### **UPC**

**USSD Portal Components** 

#### **USSD**

Unstructured Supplementary Service Data - a feature in the GSM MAP protocol that can be used to provide subscriber functions such as Balance Query.

#### **VLR**

Visitor Location Register - contains all subscriber data required for call handling and mobility management for mobile subscribers currently located in the area controlled by the VLR.

#### **VPN**

The Virtual Private Network product is an enhanced services capability enabling private network facilities across a public telephony network.

#### **VSSP**

Virtual SSP

#### **VWS**

Oracle Voucher and Wallet Server (formerly UBE).

#### **XML**

eXtensible Markup Language. It is designed to improve the functionality of the Web by providing more flexible and adaptable information identification.

It is called extensible because it is not a fixed format like HTML. XML is a `metalanguage' — a language for describing other languages—which lets you design your own customized markup languages for limitless different types of documents. XML can do this because it's written in SGML.

# **XMS**

Three letter code used to designate some components and path locations used by the Oracle Communications Convergent Charging Controller *Messaging Manager* (on page 59) service and the Short Message Service. The published code is *MM* (on page 59) (formerly MMX).

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