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Telecommunications security (of voice, data, and/or video communications) is the prevention of any type of intrusion to (that is, either unauthorized or malicious access to or use of) your company's telecommunications equipment by some party.

Your company's "telecommunications equipment" includes both this Avaya product and any other voice/data/video equipment that could be accessed via this Avaya product (that is, "networked equipment").

An "outside party" is anyone who is not a corporate employee, agent, subcontractor, or is not working on your company's behalf. Whereas, a "malicious party" is anyone (including someone who may be otherwise authorized) who accesses your telecommunications equipment with either malicious or mischievous intent.

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Responsibility for Your Company's Telecommunications Security

The final responsibility for securing both this system and its networked equipment rests with you - Avaya's customer system administrator, your telecommunications peers, and your managers. Base the fulfillment of your responsibility on acquired knowledge and resources from a variety of sources including but not limited to:

- Installation documents
- System administration documents
- Security documents
- Hardware-/software-based security tools
- Shared information between you and your peers
- Telecommunications security experts

To prevent intrusions to your telecommunications equipment, you and your peers should carefully program and configure:

- Your Avaya-provided telecommunications systems and their interfaces
- Your Avaya-provided software applications, as well as their underlying hardware/software platforms and interfaces
- Any other equipment networked to your Avaya products

TCP/IP Facilities

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Avaya Inc. is not responsible for any radio or television interference caused by unauthorized modifications of this equipment or the substitution or attachment of connecting cables and equipment other than those specified by Avaya Inc. The correction of interference caused by such unauthorized modifications, substitution or attachment will be the responsibility of the user. Pursuant to Part 15 of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Rules, the user is cautioned that changes or modifications not expressly approved by Avaya Inc. could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

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This product complies with and conforms to the following international Product Safety standards as applicable:

Safety of Information Technology Equipment, IEC 60950, 3rd Edition including all relevant national deviations as listed in Compliance with IEC for Electrical Equipment (IECEE) CB-96A.

Safety of Information Technology Equipment, CAN/CSA-C22.2
No. 60950-00 / UL 60950, 3rd Edition

Safety Requirements for Customer Equipment, ACA Technical Standard (TS) 001 - 1997

One or more of the following Mexican national standards, as applicable: NOM 001 SCFI 1993, NOM SCFI 016 1993, NOM 019 SCFI 1998

The equipment described in this document may contain Class 1 LASER Device(s). These devices comply with the following standards:

- EN 60825-1, Edition 1.1, 1998-01
- 21 CFR 1040.10 and CFR 1040.11.

The LASER devices operate within the following parameters:

- Maximum power output: -5 dBm to -8 dBm
- Center Wavelength: 1310 nm to 1360 nm

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Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposures. Contact your Avaya representative for more laser product information.

Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) Standards

This product complies with and conforms to the following international EMC standards and all relevant national deviations:

Limits and Methods of Measurement of Radio Interference of Information Technology Equipment, CISPR 22:1997 and EN55022:1998.

Information Technology Equipment – Immunity Characteristics – Limits and Methods of Measurement, CISPR 24:1997 and EN55024:1998, including:

- Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) IEC 61000-4-2
- Radiated Immunity IEC 61000-4-3
- Electrical Fast Transient IEC 61000-4-4
- Lightning Effects IEC 61000-4-5
- Conducted Immunity IEC 61000-4-6
- Mains Frequency Magnetic Field IEC 61000-4-8
- Voltage Dips and Variations IEC 61000-4-11
- Powerline Harmonics IEC 61000-3-2
- Voltage Fluctuations and Flicker IEC 61000-3-3

Federal Communications Commission Statement

Part 15:

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

Part 68: Answer-Supervision Signaling

Allowing this equipment to be operated in a manner that does not provide proper answer-supervision signaling is in violation of Part 68 rules. This equipment returns answer-supervision signals to the public switched network when:

- answered by the called station,
- answered by the attendant, or
- routed to a recorded announcement that can be administered by the customer premises equipment (CPE) user.

This equipment returns answer-supervision signals on all direct inward dialed (DID) calls forwarded back to the public switched telephone network. Permissible exceptions are:

- A call is unanswered.
- A busy tone is received.
- A reorder tone is received.

Avaya attests that this registered equipment is capable of providing users access to interstate providers of operator services through the use of access codes. Modification of this equipment by call aggregators to block access dialing codes is a violation of the Telephone Operator Consumers Act of 1990.

REN Number

For MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, and G650 Media Gateways:

This equipment complies with Part 68 of the FCC rules. On either the rear or inside the front cover of this equipment is a label that contains, among other information, the FCC registration number, and ringer equivalence number (REN) for this equipment. If requested, this information must be provided to the telephone company.

For G350 and G700 Media Gateways:

This equipment complies with Part 68 of the FCC rules and the requirements adopted by the ACTA. On the rear of this equipment is a label that contains, among other information, a product identifier in the format US:AAAEQ##TXXXX. The digits represented by ## are the ringer equivalence number (REN) without a decimal point (for example, 03 is a REN of 0.3). If requested, this number must be provided to the telephone company.

The REN is used to determine the quantity of devices that may be connected to the telephone line. Excessive RENs on the telephone line may result in devices not ringing in response to an incoming call. In most, but not all areas, the sum of RENs should not exceed 5.0. To be certain of the number of devices that may be connected to a line, as determined by the total RENs, contact the local telephone company.

REN is not required for some types of analog or digital facilities.

Means of Connection

Connection of this equipment to the telephone network is shown in the following tables.

For MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, and G650 Media Gateways:

Manufacturer's Port Identifier	FIC Code	SOC/REN/ A.S. Code	Network Jacks
Off/On premises station	OL13C	9.0F	RJ2GX, RJ21X, RJ11C
DID trunk	02RV2-T	0.0B	RJ2GX, RJ21X
CO trunk	02GS2	0.3A	RJ21X
	02LS2	0.3A	RJ21X
Tie trunk	TL31M	9.0F	RJ2GX
Basic Rate Interface	02IS5	6.0F, 6.0Y	RJ49C
1.544 digital interface	04DU9-BN	6.0F	RJ48C, RJ48M
	04DU9-IKN	6.0F	RJ48C, RJ48M
	04DU9-ISN	6.0F	RJ48C, RJ48M
120A3 channel service unit	04DU9-DN	6.0Y	RJ48C

For G350 and G700 Media Gateways:

Manufacturer's Port Identifier	FIC Code	SOC/REN/ A.S. Code	Network Jacks
Ground Start CO trunk	02GS2	1.0A	RJ11C
DID trunk	02RV2-T	AS.0	RJ11C
Loop Start CO trunk	02LS2	0.5A	RJ11C
1.544 digital interface	04DU9-BN	6.0Y	RJ48C
	04DU9-DN	6.0Y	RJ48C
	04DU9-IKN	6.0Y	RJ48C
	04DU9-ISN	6.0Y	RJ48C
Basic Rate Interface	02IS5	6.0F	RJ49C

If the terminal equipment (for example, the media server or media gateway) causes harm to the telephone network, the telephone company will notify you in advance that temporary discontinuance of service may be required. But if advance notice is not practical, the telephone company will notify the customer as soon as possible. Also, you will be advised of your right to file a complaint with the FCC if you believe it is necessary.

The telephone company may make changes in its facilities, equipment, operations or procedures that could affect the operation of the equipment. If this happens, the telephone company will provide advance notice in order for you to make necessary modifications to maintain uninterrupted service.

If trouble is experienced with this equipment, for repair or warranty information, please contact the Technical Service Center at 1-800-242- 2121 or contact your local Avaya representative. If the equipment is causing harm to the telephone network, the telephone company may request that you disconnect the equipment until the problem is resolved.

A plug and jack used to connect this equipment to the premises wiring and telephone network must comply with the applicable FCC Part 68 rules and requirements adopted by the ACTA. A compliant telephone cord and modular plug is provided with this product. It is designed to be connected to a compatible modular jack that is also compliant. It is recommended that repairs be performed by Avaya certified technicians.

The equipment cannot be used on public coin phone service provided by the telephone company. Connection to party line service is subject to state tariffs. Contact the state public utility commission, public service commission or corporation commission for information.

This equipment, if it uses a telephone receiver, is hearing aid compatible.

Canadian Department of Communications (DOC) Interference Information

This Class A digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe A est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

This equipment meets the applicable Industry Canada Terminal Equipment Technical Specifications. This is confirmed by the registration number. The abbreviation, IC, before the registration number signifies that registration was performed based on a Declaration of Conformity indicating that Industry Canada technical specifications were met. It does not imply that Industry Canada approved the equipment.

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United States FCC Part 68 Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC)

Avaya Inc. in the United States of America hereby certifies that the equipment described in this document and bearing a TIA TSB-168 label identification number complies with the FCC's Rules and Regulations 47 CFR Part 68, and the Administrative Council on Terminal Attachments (ACTA) adopted technical criteria.

Avaya further asserts that Avaya handset-equipped terminal equipment described in this document complies with Paragraph 68.316 of the FCC Rules and Regulations defining Hearing Aid Compatibility and is deemed compatible with hearing aids.

Copies of SDoCs signed by the Responsible Party in the U. S. can be obtained by contacting your local sales representative and are available on the following Web site: <http://www.avaya.com/support>.

All Avaya media servers and media gateways are compliant with FCC Part 68, but many have been registered with the FCC before the SDoC process was available. A list of all Avaya registered products may be found at: <http://www.part68.org> by conducting a search using “Avaya” as manufacturer.

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Japan

This is a Class A product based on the standard of the Voluntary Control Council for Interference by Information Technology Equipment (VCCI). If this equipment is used in a domestic environment, radio disturbance may occur, in which case, the user may be required to take corrective actions.

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Welcome

Why another instruction book?

You have told us that you want step-by-step instructions on advanced administration tasks for Avaya Communication Manager. This book contains the information you need for advanced administration for your phone system.

This book contains instructions for completing tasks that were not covered in the *Avaya Communication Manager Little Instruction Book for Basic Administration*, 555-233-756. Some steps may vary between the different versions of the software, but the instructions will help you through the more advanced operations.

We wrote this book for you!

Use this book if you are a system administrator. Use it before you attend training, and take it with you to your class. Mark it up, make notes in it, and use it daily even after you complete training.

This book is for you if:

- You are a new administrator taking over from someone else.
- You are filling in for your company's regular administrator.
- You want to refresh your memory.

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What information is in this book?

The *Little Instruction Book for Advanced Administration* is divided into sections to help you find information about advanced topics.

[Managing trunks](#) describes the different types of trunks and how to add a trunk group.

[Setting up night service](#) explains how to set up night service and explains how different types of night service work together.

[Managing announcements](#) explains how to add, record, change, delete, and back up announcements.

[Managing hunt groups](#) describes how to set up hunt groups. It explains how calls to a hunt group are handled and shows you different call distribution methods.

[Managing vectors and VDNs](#) provides an overview of vectors and Vector Directory Numbers (VDN). It gives you basic instructions for writing simple vectors.

[Using reports](#) describes how to generate, list, print, and schedule some of the basic reports on your system. It also explains when to use some common reports and how to interpret the report information.

[Understanding call centers](#) gives an overview of call centers. It shows how to set up a simple inbound call center and lists things to consider as you plan and design your center.

How to use this book

Become familiar with the following terms and conventions. They help you use this book with Communication Manager.

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- A “form” is the display of fields and prompts that appear on a terminal monitor screen. See [Figure 1, Trunk Group form](#), on page 27 for an example of a form and how it is shown in this book.
- We use the term “phone” in this book. Other Avaya books might refer to phones as telephones, voice terminals, stations, or endpoints.
- Keys and buttons are printed as follows: **KEY**.
- Titles of forms are printed in a bold constant width italic font, as follows: ***FORM DISPLAY***.
- To move to a certain field on a form, you can use the **TAB** key, directional arrows, or the **ENTER** key on your keyboard.
- If you use terminal emulation software, you need to determine what keys correspond to **ENTER**, **RETURN**, **CANCEL**, **HELP**, **NEXT PAGE**, etc.
- Commands are printed in a bold constant width font, as follows: **command**.
- Variables are printed in a bold constant width italic font, as follows: ***variable***.
- We show complete commands in this book, but you can always use an abbreviated version of the command. For example, **list configuration station** can be typed as **list config sta**.
- We show commands and forms from the newest release of Communication Manager and refer to the most current books. Substitute the appropriate commands for your system and refer to the manuals you have available.
- If you need help constructing a command or completing a field, remember to use **HELP**.
 - When you press **HELP** at any point on the command line, a list of available commands appears.

— When you press **HELP** with your cursor in a field on a form, a list of valid entries for that field appears.

- Text (other than commands) you should type in a form are printed in a bold font, as follows: **text**.
- The status line or message line can be found near the bottom of your monitor. This is where the system displays messages for you. Check the message line to see how the system responds to your input. Write down the message if you need to call the helpline.
- When a procedure requires you to press **ENTER** to save your changes, the form you were on clears. The cursor then returns to the command prompt. The message line shows “command successfully completed” to indicate that the system accepted your changes.

Systems, circuit packs, and media modules

- The word “system” is a general term encompassing all references to an Avaya media server running Communication Manager.
- Circuit pack codes (for example, TN780 or TN2182B) are shown with the *minimum acceptable* alphabetic suffix (like the “B” in the code TN2182B). Generally, an alphabetic suffix higher than that shown is also acceptable. However, not every *vintage* of either the minimum suffix or a higher suffix code is necessarily acceptable. A suffix of “P” means that firmware can be downloaded to that circuit pack.
- The term “cabinet” refers to the external casing (shell) of an MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateway. Circuit packs are installed in the cabinet in a specific carrier (row), and in a specific slot within that carrier.

- The designation “**UUCSSpp**” refers to the location (address) of a circuit pack in cabinet-carrier-slot-port order. In this address designation, **UU** is the cabinet number, **C** is the carrier letter, **SS** is the slot number of a specific circuit pack, and **pp** (if applicable) is a specific port on the circuit pack. A sample address for port 4 on a circuit pack on an MCC1 Media Gateway might look like this: 02A0704.
- A G350 or G700 Media Gateway uses media modules instead of circuit packs. The media module address is designated as **XXXVSp**, where **XXX** is the administered number of the media gateway, **VS** is the slot number of a specific media module location on the media gateway, and **pp** (if applicable) is a specific port on the media module. The **V** is not a variable and needs to be included in the command exactly where shown. A sample address for port 4 in slot V3 on an MM711 Media Module on a G700 Media Gateway might look like this: 002V304.

If an S8300 Media Server is installed in a G700 Media Gateway, it must be installed in slot number V1.

Admonishments

We use the following icons in this book:



NOTE:

Draws attention to information.



CAUTION:

Indicates possible harm to software, possible loss of data, or possible service interruptions.

**SECURITY ALERT:**

Indicates when system administration might leave your system open to toll fraud.

Security concerns

Toll fraud is the theft of long distance service. When toll fraud occurs, your company is responsible for charges. See the *Avaya Toll Fraud and Security Handbook*, 555-025-600, for information on how to prevent toll fraud. You can also call the Avaya Security Hotline at 1 800 643 2353 or contact your Avaya representative.

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- The *Avaya Communication Manager Little Instruction Book for Basic Administration*, 555-233-756
- The *Avaya Communication Manager Little Instruction Book for Basic Diagnostics*, 555-233-758

The *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, explains system features and interactions in greater detail. The Administrator's Guide provides a reference how to plan, operate, and administer your system.

**NOTE:**

Prior to April 1997, this same information was in two separate books: the *DEFINITY Implementation* and the *DEFINITY Feature Description* books.

We also refer to the following books:

- *Overview for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-767
- *Reports for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-505
- *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Call Vectoring and Expert Agent Selection (EAS) Guide*, 555-230-714
- *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Guide to ACD Call Centers*, 555-230-716
- *Installation for Adjuncts and Peripherals for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-116
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- *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Basic Call Management System (BCMS) Operations*, 555-230-706
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You can also access the following services in the USA. You might need to purchase an extended service agreement to use some of these services. Contact your Avaya representative for more information.

Avaya Communication Manager Helpline (for help with feature administration and system applications)	1 800 225 7585
Avaya National Customer Care Center Support Line (for help with maintenance and repair)	1 800 242 2121
Avaya Toll Fraud Intervention	1 800 643 2353
Avaya Corporate Security	1 800 822 9009

1 Managing trunks

This section provides an overview of trunks and tells you how to add trunk groups to your system.

Understanding trunks

Trunks carry phone signals from one place to another. For example, one type of trunk carries phone signals from your switch to the central office (CO).

Groups of trunks perform specific functions. Use the following table to help determine which types of trunk groups your company uses.

trunk group	description
Access	Use access trunks to connect satellite switches to the main switch in Electronic Tandem Networks (ETN). Access trunks do not carry traveling class marks (TCM) and thus allow satellite callers unrestricted access to out-dial trunks on the main switch.
APLT	Advanced Private Line Termination (APLT) trunks are used in private networks. APLT trunks allow inband ANI.
CAMA	Centralized Automatic Message Accounting (CAMA) trunks route emergency calls to the local community's Enhanced 911 systems.
CO	Central Office (CO) trunks typically connect your switch to the local central office, but they can also connect adjuncts such as external paging systems and data modules.
CPE	Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) trunks connect adjuncts, such as pagers and announcement or music sources, to the switch.
DID	Direct inward dialing (DID) trunks connect incoming calls directly to internal extensions without going through an attendant or some other central point.
DIOD	Direct inward and outward dialing (DIOD) trunks connect incoming and outgoing calls directly to your switch.
DMI-BOS	Digital multiplexed interface bit-oriented signaling (DMI-BOS) trunks connect a switch to a host computer, or one switch to another switch.

trunk group	description
FX	Foreign exchange (FX) trunks connect calls to a non-local central office as if it were a local central office. Use FX trunks to reduce long distance charges if your organization averages a high volume of long-distance calls to a specific area code.
ISDN	<p>Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) trunks allow voice, data, video, and signaling information to be sent with calls.</p> <p>There are two types of ISDN trunks:</p> <p>ISDN-Basic Rate Interface (ISDN-BRI) connect telephones, personal computers, and other desktop devices to the switch.</p> <p>ISDN-Primary Rate Interface (ISDN-PRI) connect equipment such as switches to the network, and acts as an interface between equipment such as switches and computers.</p>
RLT	Release-link trunks (RLT) use Centralized Attendant Service (CAS) to connect remote switches to attendants who are at a central location.
Tandem	Tandem trunks are a type of tie trunk used for large networks.
Tie	Tie trunks connect a switch to a CO, or two switches together in a private network.
WATS	Wide Area Telecommunications Service (WATS) trunks allow calls to certain areas for a flat-rate charge. Use WATS trunks to reduce long-distance bills when your company places many calls to a specific geographical area in North America.

Adding trunk groups

Occasionally, your company's phone requirements change and you need to add new trunk groups to your system. For example, maybe your company is expanding and you must have additional two-way access between your switch and your local phone company or CO. After doing some research, you decide that you need to add another CO trunk.

Once you decide that you want to add a new trunk, contact your vendor. Depending on the type of trunk you want to add, the vendor may be your local phone company, a long distance provider, or some other service provider.

When you talk to your vendor, they'll want to know what kind of service you want to add. In our example, request CO service.

The vendor should confirm the type of signal you want and provide you with a circuit identification number for the new trunk. Be sure to record any vendor-specific ID numbers or specifications in case you ever have any problems with this trunk.

**NOTE:**

Remember to keep records of any changes you make to the system for future reference.

Once you've ordered your new service and have gathered all the information associated with the new trunk, you need to configure the system to recognize the new trunk group.

Before you start

Before you can administer any trunk group, you must have one or more circuit packs of the correct type with enough open ports to handle the number of trunks you need to add. To find out what circuit

packs you need, see the *Hardware Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*.

To add a new trunk-group:

- 1 Type **add trunk-group next** and press ENTER.

The **TRUNK GROUP** form appears.

The system assigns the next available trunk group number to this group. In our example, we are adding trunk group 5.

Figure 1: Trunk Group form

```

                                TRUNK GROUP
Group Number: 5                Group Type: co                CDR Reports: y
Group Name: outside calls      COR: 85 TN: 1                TAC:647
Direction: two-way            Outgoing Display? n
Dial Access: n                Busy Threshold: 99            Night Service: 1234
Queue Length: 0                Country: 1                    Incoming Destination:

Comm Type: voice                Auth Code? n        Digit Absorption List: ____
Prefix-l?: y                    Trunk Flash? n      Toll Restricted? y
TRUNK PARAMETERS
Trunk Type: loop start
Outgoing Dial type: tone
Trunk Termination: rc          Disconnect Timing(msec): 500
Auto Guard?: n                 Call Still Held? n   Sig Bit Inversion: none
Analog Loss Group:              Digital Loss Group:

Trunk Gain: high
Disconnect Supervision - In? y  Out? n
Answer Supervision Timeout: 10  Receive Answer Supervision? n
  
```

- 2 In the Group Type field, type the type of trunk you want to add. In our example, type **co**, which is also the default.

If you select a different trunk type, such as DID, the system changes the form to show only those fields that apply to the type of trunk-group you are adding.

- 3 Type a name to identify this trunk group in the Group Name field.

In our example, type **outside calls**.

- 4 In the COR field, assign a class of restriction (COR) that is appropriate for the calling permissions administered on your system. This field controls what users can make and receive calls over this trunk group.

In our example, type **85**.

- 5 In the TAC field, type the code you want to use to access the new trunk group.

In our example, type **647**.

- 6 In the Direction field, indicate the call-flow direction.

For our example, leave the default of **two-way**.

- 7 If you want to direct calls to a night extension, type the extension number in the Night Service field.

In our example, direct night calls to extension **1234**.

- 8 In the Comm Type field, type the type of communication that you want the new trunk to use.

In our example, type **voice**.

- 9 In the Trunk Type field, type **loop start**.

This field tells the system how the calls on this trunk will be sent or received. Your vendor should know what trunk type you can use to complete this field.

- 10 Use NEXT PAGE to go to the GROUP MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS page.

Different fields appear on this form depending on the configuration of your switch.

Figure 2: Trunk Group form (Group Member Assignments page)

TRUNK GROUP
 Administered Members (min/max): xxx/yyy
 Total Administered Members: xxx

GROUP MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS							
	Port	Code Sfx	Name	Night	Mode	Type	Ans Delay
1:	1B1501		5211				
2:	1B1523		5212				
3:	1B1601		5213				
4:	1B1623		5214				
5:	1B1701		5215				
6:							
7:							
8:							
9:							
10:							
11:							
12:							
13:							
14:							
15:							

- 11** In the Port field, type the port number of the physical connection for each member you are adding to the trunk group.
- 12** In the Name field, type the circuit ID or telephone number for each member.

This information is very helpful for tracking your system or troubleshooting problems, but the fields need to be updated whenever the information changes.
- 13** Press ENTER to save your changes.

2 Setting up night service

You can use night service to direct calls to an alternate location when the primary answering group is not available. For example, you can administer night service so that anyone in your marketing department can answer incoming calls when the attendant is at lunch or has left for the day.

Once you administer night service to route calls, your end-users merely press a button on the console or a feature button on their phones to toggle between normal coverage and night service.

There are five types of night service:

- Hunt group night service — directs hunt group calls to a night service destination
- Night station night service — directs all incoming trunk calls to a night service destination
- Night console night service — directs all attendant calls to a Night or Day/Night console
- Trunk group night service — directs incoming calls to individual trunk groups to a night service destination
- Trunk Answer from Any Station (TAAS) — directs incoming attendant calls and signals a bell or buzzer to alert other employees that they can answer the calls

Setting up night service for hunt groups

You can administer hunt group night service if you want to direct hunt group calls to a night service destination. As an example, say your helpline on hunt group 3 does not answer calls after 6:00 p.m. (18:00). When customers call after hours, you would like them to hear an announcement that asks them to try their call again in the morning.

To set up night service for your helpline, you need to record the announcement (in our example, the announcement is on extension 1234) and then modify the hunt group to send calls to this extension.

To administer hunt group night service:

- 1 Type **change hunt-group 3** and press ENTER.

The **HUNT GROUP** form appears for hunt group 3.

Figure 3: Hunt Group form

HUNT GROUP			
Group Number: 3		ACD: n	
Group Name: Accounting		Queue: y	
Group Extension: 2011		Vector: n	
Group Type: ucd-mia		Coverage Path: 1	
TN: 1	Night Service Destination: 1234		
COR: 1	MM Early Answer: n		
Security Code: _____			
ISDN Caller Display: _____			
Queue Length: 4			
Calls Warning Threshold: _____	Port: _____		
Time Warning Threshold: _____	Port: _____		

- 2 Type **1234** in the Night Service Destination field.

The destination can be an extension, a recorded announcement extension, a vector directory number, a hunt group extension, or **attd** if you want to direct calls to the attendant.

- 3 Press ENTER to save your changes.

Once you modify the hunt group, you also need to assign a hunt -ns feature button to a hunt group phone, so that the users in the hunt group can activate and deactivate night service.

Setting up night station service

You can use night station service if you want to direct incoming trunk calls, DID-LDN (direct inward dialing-listed directory number) calls, or internal calls to the attendant (dialed '0' calls) to a night service destination.

As an example, say your attendant, who answers extension (List Directory Number or LDN) 8100, usually goes home at 6:00 p.m. When customers call extension 8100 after hours, you would like them to hear an announcement that asks them to try their call again in the morning.

To set up night station service, you need to record the announcement (in our example, it is recorded at announcement extension 1234).

All trunk groups are routed through the attendant direct to this night service destination unless you assign trunk group night service to the individual trunk group. See [Setting up trunk group night service](#) on page 35.

To set up night station service:

- 1 Type **change listed-directory-numbers** and press ENTER.

The **LISTED DIRECTORY NUMBERS** form appears.

Figure 4: Listed Directory Numbers form

LISTED DIRECTORY NUMBERS		
Ext	Name	TN
1: 8100	attendant 8100	
2: _____	_____	_____
3: _____	_____	_____
4: _____	_____	_____
5: _____	_____	_____
6: _____	_____	_____
7: _____	_____	_____
8: _____	_____	_____
9: _____	_____	_____
10: _____	_____	_____

Night Destination: 1234

- 2** Type **1234** in the Night Destination field.

The destination can be an extension, a recorded announcement extension, a vector directory number, or a hunt group extension.

- 3** Press ENTER to save your changes.

- 4** Type **change console-parameters** and press ENTER.

The **CONSOLE PARAMETERS** form appears.

Figure 5: Console Parameters form

CONSOLE PARAMETERS	
Attendant Group Name: OPERATOR	
COS: 1	COR: 1
Calls in Queue Warning: 5	Attendant Lockout? y
CAS: none	
IAS (Branch)? n	Night Service Act. Ext.:1234
IAS Att. Access Code:	IAS Tie Trunk Group No.:
Backup Alerting? n	Alternate FRL Station:
	DID-LDN Only to LDN Night Ext? n

- 5** In the DID-LDN Only to LDN Night Ext? field, type **n**.

- 6** Press ENTER to save your changes.

After you set up night station service, have the attendant use the night console button to activate and deactivate night service.

Setting up trunk group night service

You can use trunk group night service if you want to direct individual trunk groups to night service. The system redirects calls to the trunk group to the group's night service destination.

Trunk group night service overrides night station service. As an example, say that you administer trunk group night service, and then your attendant activates night station service. In this case, calls to the trunk group use the trunk night service destination, rather than the station night service destination.

Let us direct night calls for trunk group 2 to extension 1245.

To set trunk group night service:

- 1 Type **change trunk-group 2** and press ENTER.

The **TRUNK GROUP** form appears.

Figure 6: Trunk Group form

```

                                TRUNK GROUP
Group Number: 2                Group Type: co      CDR Reports: y
Group Name: outside calls      COR: 1             TN: 1       TAC:647
Direction: two-way            Outgoing Display? n
Dial Access: n                Busy Threshold: 99    Night Service: 1245
Queue Length: 0               Country: 1           Incoming Destination:

Comm Type: voice               Auth Code? n   Digit Absorbtion List: ____
Prefix-1?: y                  Trunk Flash? n Toll Restricted? y
TRUNK PARAMETERS
  Trunk Type: loop start
  Outgoing Dial type: tone
  Trunk Termination: rc        Disconnect Timing(msec): 500
    Auto Guard?: n            Call Still Held? n   Sig Bit Inversion: none
  Analog Loss Group:          Digital Loss Group:
                                Trunk Gain: high
Disconnect Supervision - In? y Out? n
Answer Supervision Timeout: 10 Receive Answer Supervision? n

```

- 2 Type **1245** in the Night Service field.

The destination can be a night service extension, a recorded announcement extension, a vector directory number, a hunt group extension, a terminating extension group, or **attnd** if you want to direct the call to the attendant.

- 3 Press ENTER to save your changes.

Setting trunk answer from any station

There may be situations where you want everyone to be able to answer calls when the attendant is away. Use Trunk Answer from Any Station (TAAS) to configure the system so that it notifies everyone when calls are ringing. Then, you can give users the TAAS feature access code so they can answer these calls.

When the system is in night service mode, attendant calls redirect to an alerting device such as a bell or a buzzer. This lets other people in the office know when they should answer the phone.



NOTE:

If no one answers the call, the call will not redirect to night service.

Before you start

You need a ringing device and 1 port on an analog line circuit pack. See the *Hardware Guide for Avaya Communication Manager* for more information on the circuit pack.

Let us define a feature access code (we'll use 71) and configure the alerting device for trunk answer any station.

To set the feature access code for TAAS:

- 1 Type **change feature-access-codes** and press ENTER.

The **FEATURE ACCESS CODE (FAC)** form appears.

Figure 7: Feature Access Code (FAC) form

FEATURE ACCESS CODE (FAC)			
Per Call CPN Unblocking Code Access Code: #27			
Priority Calling Access Code: #29			
Program Access Code: #30			
Refresh Terminal Parameters Access Code: #31			
Remote Send All Calls Activation: #91		Deactivation: #92	
Self Station Display Activation:			
Send All Calls Activation: #32		Deactivation: *32	
Station Firmware Download Access Code: #97			
Station Lock Activation:		Deactivation: _____	
Station Security Code Change Access Code: #34			
Station User Admin of FBI Assign: _____		Remove: _____	
Station User Button Ring Control Access Code: _____			
Terminal Dial-Up Test Access Code: #35			
Terminal Translation Initialization Merge Code: #36		Separation Code: *36	
Transfer to Voice Mail Access Code: #37			
Trunk Answer Any Station Access Code: 71			
User Control Restrict Activation: #39		Deactivation: *39	
Voice Coverage Message Retrieval Access Code: #40			
Voice Principal Message Retrieval Access Code: #41			

- 2 Move to page 3.
- 3 In the Trunk Answer Any Station Access Code field, type **71**.
- 4 Press ENTER to save your changes.

Once you set the feature access code, determine where the external alerting device is connected to the switch (we'll use port 01A0702).

To set up external alerting:

- 1 Type **change console-parameters** and press ENTER.

The **CONSOLE PARAMETERS** form appears.

Figure 8: Console Parameters form

CONSOLE PARAMETERS		
Attendant Group Name:	Operator	
COS:	0	COR: 0
Calls in Queue Warning:	5	Attendant Lockout? y
EXT Alert Port (TAAS):	01A0702	
CAS:	none	
IAS (Branch)?	n	Night Service Act. Ext.:
IAS Att. Access Code:		IAS Tie Trunk Group No.:
Backup Alerting?	n	Alternate FRL Station:
		DID-LDN Only to LDN Night Ext? n

- 2 In the EXT Alert Port (TAAS) field, type **01A0702**.
Use the port address assigned to the external alerting device.
- 3 Press ENTER to save your changes.

How do night service types interact?

Let us look at an example of how several types of night service might be used in one company.

Assume that you already administered the following night service settings:

- night station night service redirects to extension **3000** and DID-LDN only to LDN Night Ext is set to **n**
- EXT Alert Port (TAAS) field is not defined
- Trunk group 4 redirects to extension **2000**

Let us look at how calls for this company are directed after hours:

call type	directs to
An LDN call on a DID trunk	extension 3000
A call on trunk group 4	extension 2000
An internal call to '0'	extension 3000
A call that redirects to the attendant through a coverage path.	the attendant queue

3 Managing announcements

This section explains how to use announcements effectively, and how to add, change, delete, and back up your announcements.

What is an announcement?

An announcement is the recorded message a caller hears while the call is in a queue. An announcement is often used in conjunction with music.

Three types of announcements are:

- delay announcement — explains the reason for the delay and encourages the caller to wait.
- forced announcement — explains an emergency or service problem. Use when you anticipate a large number of calls about a specific issue.
- information announcement — gives the caller instructions on how to proceed, information about the number called, or information that the caller wants.

Announcements are most effective when they are:

- short, courteous, and to-the-point
- played for calls waiting in queue
- spaced close together when a caller on hold hears silence
- spaced farther apart when a caller on hold hears music or ringing

Music on Hold is a package of professionally-recorded music available from Avaya. Contact your Avaya representative for more information.

Announcements can be either integrated or external. Integrated announcements reside on a circuit pack in the switch carrier, or embedded within a G350 or G700 Media Server. External announcements are stored and played back from adjunct equipment.

For more information on external announcements, see the *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Guide to ACD Call Centers*, 555-230-716, and the *Installation for Adjuncts and Peripherals for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-116.



NOTE:

Because instructions might be slightly different for different system configurations, portions of this chapter are divided into two groups: **MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateways**, and **G350 or G700 Media Gateways**.

Also see the *Installation for Adjuncts and Peripherals for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-116, and the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506.

Adding announcements

You first need to tell the switch you want an announcement before you can record it. You assign an extension for each announcement so the switch can identify the announcement. Each extension that you choose cannot be in use, and each must conform to your dial plan.



NOTE:

Use the **change announcement** command to administer an announcement extension. See the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, for more information.

Voice Announcement over LAN (VAL)

Voice Announcement over LAN (VAL) allows you to share, backup, and restore announcement files over your local area network.

MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateways: You can record announcements on a downloadable VAL circuit pack (TN2501AP), or for S8100 Media Server only, on the Integrated Scalable Speech Processor Application (ISSPA) circuit pack. You can also use TN750, TN750B, and TN750C announcement circuit packs to record announcements on your switch. You can have only one TN750 or TN750B per system, but you can use one TN750B with many TN750C and/or TN2501AP (VAL) circuit packs.

G350 or G700 Media Gateways: You can record announcements through the embedded Voice Announcement over LAN (VAL) feature, hereafter referred to as “Virtual VAL” or “VVAL”.

As an example, say we have calls coming into unassigned DID extensions. Let us record a general message to tell these callers to dial the company's main number.

We'll assign the announcement to extension 1234.

MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateways: In this example, use the integrated announcement circuit pack located on 01B18. (See [Systems, circuit packs, and media modules](#) on page 16 for an explanation of the circuit pack address.)



NOTE:

Use the **display integrated-annc-boards** command to find the cabinet, carrier, and slot addresses of your announcement circuit packs. The **INTEGRATED ANNOUNCEMENT BOARD** form lists the location and the type, as well as showing the number of recordings and number of seconds (at the administered rate) left on each circuit pack.

G350 or G700 Media Gateways: For VVAL, use 012V9 as an example. (See [Systems, circuit packs, and media modules](#) on page 16 for an explanation of the media module address.)

Our example explains how to add an integrated announcement, but other types of announcements are available. See the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, for more information about other announcement types, especially how to manage VAL announcements using the SAT and using FTP.

To add an announcement extension 1234:

- 1 Type **change announcements** and press ENTER.

The **ANNOUNCEMENTS/AUDIO SOURCES** form appears.

Figure 9: Announcements/Audio Sources form

ANNOUNCEMENTS/AUDIO SOURCES										
Ann. No.	Ext.	Type	COR	TN	Name	Q	QLen	Pr	Rt	Port
1:	1234	integrated	1	1	unassigned DID	n	N/A	n	32	01B18
2:			1	1		n				
3:			1	1		n				
4:			1	1		n				
5:			1	1		n				
6:			1	1		n				
7:			1	1		n				
8:			1	1		n				
9:			1	1		n				
10:			1	1		n				
11:			1	1		n				
12:			1	1		n				
13:			1	1		n				
14:			1	1		n				
15:			1	1		n				
16:			1	1		n				

- 2
- In the Ext field, type **1234**.
- 3
- In the Type field, type **integrated**.
- 4
- In the Name field, type **unassigned DID**.
- 5
- In the Pro (protected) field, type **n**.
If you type **n**, users with console permissions can change the announcement. If you type **y**, the announcement cannot be changed.
- 6
- In the Rt (rate) field, type **32** for TN750 circuit packs, or **64** for TN2501AP circuit packs.
- 7
- In the Port field, type **01B18**.



NOTE:

For S8100 Media Server, use **1A13** as an example. For G350 or G700 Media Gateways, use **012V9** as an example.

- 8
- Press ENTER to save your work.

VAL Manager

VAL Manager is a standalone application that allows you to copy announcement files and announcement information to and from a TN2501AP announcement circuit pack (or VVAL) over a LAN connection.

VAL Manager offers the following basic features:

- Simplified administration to add, change, and remove announcement information
- The ability to back up and restore announcement files and information
- The ability to view the status of announcements on the TN2501AP circuit pack

Contact your Avaya representative to obtain VAL Manager.

Recording announcements

MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateways: You need to have special circuit packs (TN750, TN750B, TN750C, or TN2501AP) to record announcements.

G350 or G700 Media Gateways: The announcement feature is embedded within the G700 Media Gateway, and no special media module is required.

You can record announcements using any phone or console whose Class of Service (COS) provides console permissions. You can use the **display cos** command to review COS permissions.

You also need the announcement feature access code for your system. Use the **display feature-access-codes** command to find the announcement access code.

The announcement extension must be set up before you record. Use the **list station data-module** command to determine the announcement extension.

In our example, use your phone to record the announcement for the unassigned DIDs to extension 1234. Our announcement access code is *56.

To record the announcement:

1 Dial the announcement access code.

In our example, we'll dial *56.

- If you hear dial tone, go to step 2.
- If you hear a fast busy signal, hang up and redial the FAC and extension every 45 seconds until you hear dial tone.

2 Dial the announcement extension.

In our example, we'll dial **1234**. You hear dial tone.

3 Dial **1** to begin recording.

- If you hear a beep or stutter tone, begin speaking. If the circuit pack memory becomes full during recording, the system drops your connection and does not retain the announcement.
- If you hear intercept tone, hang up and record your announcement on another extension that is assigned to a different circuit pack.

4 End the recording.

- If you are using a digital phone, press #. You hear dial tone allowing you to continue your session (for example, dial **2** to hear the announcement just recorded).

- If you are using an analog phone, hang up. If your analog phone is not connected through lineside DS1, the system records an electrical click at the end of the recording. You have to redial the announcement feature access code to continue your session.

**NOTE:**

The announcement records the sound of the receiver returning to the phone. Hang up gently, press the drop button, or press the switch hook with your finger.

- 5 To listen to the announcement you just recorded:
 - If you are using a digital phone, do not hang up. Dial **2**. The recording plays back through the handset.
- 6 If you are not satisfied with the announcement,
 - dial **1** to re-record the announcement.
 - dial **3** to delete the announcement and end the recording session.
- 7 If you want to listen to the announcement after you have hung up, dial the extension from any phone or console. In this example, dial **1234**. The announcement plays through the handset.

You have to wait 15 seconds after you record the announcement before you can dial the extension to hear your announcement. During this 15-second window, you cannot record a new announcement and no one can play this announcement. You can re-record the announcement. Dial the feature access code, dial the extension, and press 2 before the 15-second timer expires.

Professional or computer recordings

If you are using the VAL TN2501AP announcement circuit pack, or if you have a G350 or G700 Media Gateway with VVAL, you can record announcements at a computer rather than at a system phone. You can also record announcements at an off-site location and transfer them using VAL Manager or File Transfer Protocol (FTP).

To be compatible with the TN2501AP circuit pack (the circuit pack is applicable to MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateways only) and Communication Manager, announcement recordings must have the following parameters:

- CCITT A-Law or CCITT μ -Law companding format (do not use PCM)
- 8KHz sample rate
- 8-bit resolution (bits per sample)
- Mono (channels = 1)

Recording new announcements at a computer

To record an announcement at a computer:

- 1** At the computer, open the application that you use to record “wave” (.wav) files.
- 2** Set the recording parameters.
- 3** Record the announcement by speaking into a microphone connected to the computer.
- 4** Play the announcement back at the computer before transferring the file to the VAL (TN2501AP) circuit pack (the circuit pack is applicable to MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateways only), or to your G350 or G700 Media Gateway.

Deleting announcements

Let us delete the unassigned DID announcement assigned to extension 1234.

We know that the announcement access code is *56. Use any console or phone with console permissions to delete the announcement.

To delete the announcement, use a phone with console permissions to complete the following steps:

- 1 Dial the announcement access code.
In our example, we'll dial *56. You hear dial tone.
- 2 Dial the announcement extension.
In our example, we'll dial 1234. You hear dial tone.
- 3 Dial 3 to delete the announcement from the circuit pack.
- 4 Hang up the phone.

You also need to remove the information from the system. To remove the information, use your system administration terminal to complete the following steps:

- 1 Type **change announcements** and press ENTER.
The **ANNOUNCEMENTS/AUDIO SOURCES** form appears.
- 2 Delete the information in the Ext and Type fields.
- 3 Press ENTER to save your work.

Backing up your announcements



NOTE:

To back up announcements, you need to use either FTP or VAL Manager. See the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, or your Avaya representative for more information about these tools.

MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, or G650 Media Gateways: Make sure you back up your announcements recorded on TN750 and TN750B circuit packs. The system loses announcements stored on these circuit packs if power is shut down or the circuit pack is removed.

The TN750C circuit pack has on-board FLASH memory so you do not have to back it up. However, you may want to back up your TN750C to another TN750C circuit pack or tape for extra security. You need to administer the data module that is built into the TN750 circuit pack before you save your announcements. See the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, for more information.

**CAUTION:**

Do not copy, save, or restore announcements from a TN750C to a TN750 or TN750B. It may corrupt the announcement.

To backup announcements on TN750 or TN750B circuit packs:

- 1 Type **save announcements** and press ENTER to save the changes.

**NOTE:**

If you have both TN750B and TN750C circuit packs, save the announcements from the TN750B slot.

The save announcement process can take up to 40 minutes.
You cannot administer your system while it is saving
announcements.

4 Managing hunt groups

This section shows you how to set up hunt groups. It explains how calls to a hunt group are handled and shows you different call distribution methods.

What are hunt groups?

A hunt group is a group of extensions that receive calls according to the call distribution method you choose. When a call is made to a certain phone number, the system connects the call to an extension in the group.

Use hunt groups when you want more than one person to be able to answer calls to the same number. For example, set up a hunt group for:

- a benefits department within your company
- a travel reservations service

Setting up hunt groups

Let us set up a hunt group for an internal helpline. Before making changes to the switch, we'll decide:

- the phone number for the hunt group
- the number of people answering calls
- the way calls are answered

Our example dial plan allows 4-digit internal numbers that begin with 1. The number 1200 is not in use. So, we'll set up a helpline hunt group so anyone within the company can call extension 1200 for help with a phone.

We will assign 3 people (agents) and their extensions to our helpline. We want calls to go to the first available person.

To set up our helpline hunt group:

- 1 Type **add hunt-group next** and press ENTER.

The **HUNT GROUP** form appears. The Group Number field is automatically filled in with the next hunt group number.

Figure 10: Hunt Group form

```

                                HUNT GROUP

Group Number: 5                                ACD? n
Group Name: internal helpline                    Queue? n
Group Extension: 1200                            Vector? n
Group Type: ucd-loa                            Coverage Path:
      TN: 1                                Night Service Destination:
      COR: 1                            MM Early Answer? n
Security Code: —
ISDN Caller Display: _____
  
```

- 2 In the Group Name field, type the name of the group.
In our example, type **internal helpline**.

- 3 In the Group Extension field, type the phone number.
We'll type **1200**.
- 4 In the Group Type field, type the code for the call distribution method you choose.

We'll type **ucd-loa** so a call goes to the agent with the lowest percentage of work time since login.



NOTE:

The COS for all hunt groups defaults to 1. Therefore, any changes to COS 1 on the **CLASS OF SERVICE** form changes the COS for all your hunt groups. A COS field does not appear on the **HUNT GROUP** form.

- 5 Click NEXT PAGE to find the GROUP MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS page.

Figure 11: Hunt Group form, Group Member Assignments page

HUNT GROUP

Group Number: 5 Group Extension: 1200 Group Type: ucd-loa

Member Range Allowed: 1 - 999 Administered Members (min/max): 1 / 9

Total Administered Members: 3

GROUP MEMBER ASSIGNMENTS

Ext	Name	Ext	Name
1: 1011		14:	
2: 1012		15:	
3: 1013		16:	
4:		17:	
5:		18:	
6:		19:	
7:		20:	
8:		21:	
9:		22:	
10:		23:	
11:		24:	
12:		25:	
13:		26:	

At End of Member List

- 6 In the *Ext* field, type the extensions of the agents you want in the hunt group.

We'll type **1011**, **1012**, and **1013**.



NOTE:

For a **ddc** group type (also known as “hot seat” selection), the call is sent to the extension listed in the first *Ext* field. The system uses this form to determine the hunting sequence. See [Call distribution methods](#) on page 60 for more information.

- 7 Press ENTER to save your work.

The Name fields are display-only and do not appear until the next time you access this hunt group.

To make changes to a hunt group:

- 1 Type **change hunt-group n** and press ENTER, where **n** is the number of the hunt group.
- 2 Change the necessary fields.
- 3 Press ENTER to save your changes.



NOTE:

Type **list member hunt group** to see a list of logged-in members of a hunt group by group number. For splits and skills, the login ID, name, and different fields for EAS and Advocate appear on the list. See [Call distribution methods](#) on page 60 for a definition of “splits” and “skills.”

Setting up a queue

You can tell your switch how to handle a hunt-group call when it cannot be answered right away. The call waits in a “queue.”

Let us tell the switch that up to 10 calls can wait in the queue, but that you want to be notified if a call waits for more than 30 seconds.

You also want the switch to send a warning when 5 or more calls are waiting in the queue. This warning flashes queue-status buttons on phones that have a status button for this hunt group. When the buttons flash, everyone answering these calls can see that the helpline calls need more attention.

To set up our helpline queue:

- 1 Type **change hunt-group *n*** and press ENTER, where ***n*** is the number of the hunt group to change.

In our example, type **change hunt-group 5**.

The **HUNT GROUP** form appears.

Figure 12: Hunt Group form

```

HUNT GROUP

Group Number: 5                      ACD? n
Group Name: internal helpline        Queue? y
Group Extension: 1200                Vector? n
Group Type: ucd-loa                  Coverage Path:
    TN: 1                            Night Service Destination:
    COR: 1                           MM Early Answer? n
Security Code: —
ISDN Caller Display: —

Queue Length: 10
Calls Warning Threshold: 5            Calls Warning Port:
Time Warning Threshold: 30           Time Warning Port:
  
```

- 2 In the Queue field, type **y**.

- 3 In the `Queue Length` field, type the maximum number of calls that you want to wait in the queue.
In our example, type **10**.
- 4 In the `Calls Warning Threshold` field, type the maximum number of calls that can be in the queue before the system flashes the queue status buttons.
In our example, type **5**.
- 5 In the `Time Warning Threshold` fields, type the maximum number of seconds you want a call to wait in the queue before the system flashes the queue status buttons.
In our example, type **30**.
- 6 Press **ENTER** to save your changes.

Adding hunt group announcements

You can add recorded announcements to your hunt group queue. Use announcements to encourage callers to stay on the line or to provide callers with information. You can define how long a call remains in the queue before the caller hears an announcement.

See [Recording announcements](#) on page 46 for information on how to record an announcement.

Let us add an announcement to our internal helpline. We want the caller to hear an announcement after 20 seconds in the queue, after approximately 4 or 5 rings. Our announcement is already recorded and assigned to extension 1234.



NOTE:

You can use the **display announcements** command to find the extensions of your recorded announcements.

To add an announcement to our helpline queue:

- 1 Type **change hunt-group n** and press ENTER, where **n** is the number of the hunt group to change.

In our example, type **change hunt-group 5**.

The **HUNT GROUP** form appears.

- 2 Press NEXT PAGE to find the First Announcement Extension field.

Figure 13: Hunt Group form

HUNT GROUP

Message Center: _____

AUDIX Extension: _____

Message Center AUDIX Name: _____

Primary? _____

Calling Party Number to INTUITY AUDIX? _____

LWC Reception: _____

AUDIX Name: _____

Messaging Server Name: _____

First Announcement Extension: 1234 Delay (sec): 20

Second Announcement Extension: _____ Delay (sec): _____

Recurring? _____

- 3 In the First Announcement Extension field, type the extension of the announcement you want callers to hear.

In our example, type **1234**.

- 4 In the Delay (sec) field, type the number of seconds you want the caller to wait before hearing the first announcement.

In our example, type **20**.



NOTE:

If you set the delay announcement interval to **0**, calls automatically connect to the announcement before they are queued, follow coverage, or connect to an available agent. This is called a “forced first announcement.”

5 Press ENTER to save your work.

You can use the same announcement for more than one hunt group. See the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, for more information on announcements and hunt groups.

Call distribution methods

You have more call distribution choices if your company acquires Automatic Call Distribution (ACD) or Expert Agent Selection (EAS).

ACD and EAS allow you to distribute calls according to the work loads and skill levels of your agents in each hunt group. You can track call handling and monitor the efficiency of your agents.

- When you assign ACD to a hunt group, the group is called a “split.”
- When you assign EAS to a hunt group, the group is called a “skill.”

The following table shows 6 types of call distribution methods and the software required for each method.

Method	The system hunts for...	I need...
Direct Department Calling- (DDC)	the first agent administered in the hunt group. If the first agent is busy, it goes to the second agent, and so forth. This “hot seat” method puts a heavy call load on the first few agents.	no extra software (you cannot use this method if you have EAS enabled)
Circular (circ)	the next available agent in a chain.	no extra software

Method	The system hunts for...	I need...
Uniform Call Distribution - Most Idle Agent (UCD-MIA)	the available agent who has been idle the longest since their last call.	no extra software
Uniform Call Distribution - Least Occupied Agent (UCD-LOA)	the available agent with the lowest percentage of work time since login.	ACD, EAS, and CentreVu Advocate
Expert Agent Distribution - Most Idle Agent (EAD-MIA)	the available agent with the highest skill level who has been idle the longest since their last call.	EAS
Expert Agent Distribution - Least Occupied Agent (EAD-LOA)	the available agent with the highest skill level and the lowest percentage of work time since login.	EAS and CentreVu Advocate

5 Managing vectors and VDNs

This section provides an introduction to vectors and Vector Directory Numbers (VDN). It gives you basic instructions for writing simple vectors.

This section also outlines the enhancements made to the conferencing feature of Communication Manager.



SECURITY ALERT:

Vector fraud is one of the most common types of toll fraud because vectors route calls based on the Class of Restriction (COR) assigned to the VDN. Refer to the *Avaya Products Security Handbook*, 555-025-600, or your Avaya representative for more information.

This section references announcements, hunt groups, queues, splits, and skills, which are covered in detail in other sections of this book. You can find information about these topics in the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, and the *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Call Vectoring and Expert Agent Selection (EAS) Guide*, 555-230-714.

What are vectors?

A vector is a series of commands that you design to tell the system how to handle incoming calls. A vector can contain up to 32 steps and allows customized and personalized call routing and treatment. Use call vectoring to:

- play multiple announcements
- route calls to internal and external destinations
- collect and respond to dialed information

**NOTE:**

The vector follows the commands in each step in order. The vector “reads” the step and follows the command if the conditions are correct. If the command cannot be followed, the vector skips the step and reads the next step.

Your system can handle calls based on a number of conditions, including the number of calls in a queue, how long a call has been waiting, the time of day, day of the week, and changes in call traffic or staffing conditions.

Writing vectors

Writing vectors is easy, but we recommend that you set up and test your vectors before you use them across the system.

We’ll write a vector to handle calls to our main number. It is the first vector so we’ll use number 1.

**NOTE:**

Type **list vector** to see a list of existing vectors. Type **list usage vector** to see where each vector is used throughout the switch. Type **list usage digit string** to see all the vectors, vector tables, and Best Service Routing (BSR) plans that use a specific dial string.

Before you start

- On the **SYSTEM-PARAMETERS CUSTOMER-OPTIONS** form, verify the Basic Call Vectoring field is **y**. If not, contact your Avaya representative.

For MCC1, SCC1, CMC1, G600, and G650 Media Gateways:

- To provide announcements, you need an Announcement circuit pack. See the *Hardware Guide for Avaya Communication Manager* for more information on the circuit pack.
- Use one of the following:
 - Tone Clock with Call Classifier - Tone Detector circuit pack
 - Call Classifier - Detector circuit pack

For G350 and G700 Media Gateways:

- To provide announcements, no circuit packs are required. The announcement feature is embedded within the media gateway, and no special media module is required.

To write a vector:

- 1 Type **change vector 1** and press ENTER.
The **CALL VECTOR** form appears.

The vector Number field on the left side of the form is filled in automatically.

Figure 14: Call Vector form

```

                                CALL VECTOR
Number: 1                      Name: main number calls
Multimedia? n                  Lock? n
Basic? y  EAS? n  G3V4 Enhanced? n  ANI/II-Digits? n  ASAI Routing? n
Prompting? y  LAI? n  G3V4 Adv Route? n  CINFO? n  BSR? n
01
02
03
04
05

```

- 2 Type a description for the vector in the Name field.

In our example, type **main number calls**.



NOTE:

The information in the heading of the **CALL VECTOR** form is display only. Use the **display system-parameters customer-options** command to see the features that are turned on in your switch.

- 3 Type your vector steps in the numbered column on the left of the form.



NOTE:

When you type your vector steps, the switch automatically completes some of the vector step information for you. For example, if you type “**q**” in a vector step field, the switch fills in “**queue-to**”. Also, additional fields appear when you complete a field and press TAB. This makes it very easy to type in your vector steps.

Now that vector 1 is set up, let us add a vector step to it to tell the switch how to handle the calls to our main number.

Putting a call in a queue

Write a vector so that calls that come into the main business number redirect to a queue.

We'll use a vector-controlled hunt group for the main number queue. This hunt group was set up as main split 47. When calls first arrive, all calls to our main number should be queued as “**pri 1**” for low priority.

To queue calls, write the following vector (step 2). (Please note, we started our example on step 2 because step 1 is used later in this chapter.)

Figure 15: Call Vector form

```

                                CALL VECTOR
Number: 1                      Name: main number calls
Multimedia? n                  Lock? n
  Basic? y EAS? n    G3V4 Enhanced? n  ANI/II-Digits? n  ASAI Routing? n
  Prompting? y LAI? n  G3V4 Adv Route? n      CINFO? n      BSR? n
01
02 queue-to main split 47 pri 1
03
04
05

```



NOTE:

Remember, the switch automatically fills in some of the information when you type your vector step and press TAB.

Playing an announcement

Write a vector to play an announcement for callers in a queue. Use the announcement to ask callers to wait. You need to record the announcement before the vector can use it. For more information see [Adding announcements](#) on page 43.

Let us play our announcement 4001, asking the caller to wait, then play music for 60 seconds, then repeat the announcement and music until the call is answered. The **goto** command creates the loop to repeat the announcement and the music. **Unconditionally** means under all conditions.



NOTE:

Rather than loop your vectors directly back to the announcement step, go to the previous queue-to step. This way, if for some reason the call does not queue the first time, the switch can attempt to queue the call again. If the call successfully queued the first time through, it merely skips the queue-to step and plays the announcement. The system cannot queue a call more than once in the exact same priority level.

To play and repeat an announcement, write this vector (steps 3-5):

Figure 16: Call Vector form

```

                                CALL VECTOR
Number: 1                      Name: main number calls
Multimedia? n                  Lock? n
Basic? y EAS? n    G3V4 Enhanced? n  ANI/II-Digits? n  ASAI Routing? n
Prompting? y LAI? n  G3V4 Adv Route? n    CINFO? n      BSR? n
01
02 queue-to main split 47 pri 1
03 announcement 4001 (''All agents are busy, please wait...'')
04 wait-time 60 secs hearing music
05 goto step 2 if unconditionally

```

Routing based on time of day

Write a vector for calls that come in after your office closes.

Assume that your business is open 7 days a week, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. When calls come in after business hours, you want to play your announcement 4002, which states that the office is closed and asks callers to call back during normal hours. The call is disconnected after the announcement is played.

For after-hours treatment, write this vector (steps 1, 6, 7):

Figure 17: Call Vector form

```
1. goto step 7 if time-of-day is all 17:00 to all 8:00
2. queue-to main split 47 pri 1
3. announcement 4001 (All agents are busy, please wait...)
4. wait-time 60 secs hearing music
5. goto step 2 if unconditionally
6. stop
7. disconnect after announcement 4002 ("We're sorry, our
   office is closed...")
8.
```

If the **goto** command in step 5 fails, the switch will go to the next step. The **stop** in step 6 prevents callers from incorrectly hearing the “office is closed” announcement in step 7. **Stop** keeps the call in the state it was in before the command failed. In this case, if step 5 fails, the call remains in step 4 and the caller continues to hear music.



CAUTION:

Add a stop vector step only after calls are routed to a queue. If a stop vector is executed for a call NOT in queue, the call is dropped.

Allowing callers to leave a message

Write a vector that allows callers to leave messages. This type of vector uses a hunt group called a messaging split. For our example, we send after-hours calls to the voice mailbox at extension 2000 and use messaging split 99.

Once the vector routes a call to the mailbox, the caller hears a greeting (that was recorded with the voice mail for mailbox 2000) that tells them they can leave a message.

To let callers leave messages, write this vector (step 7).

Figure 18: Call Vector form

```
1. goto step 7 if time-of-day is all 17:00 to all 8:00
2. queue-to main split 47 pri 1
3. announcement 4001 (All agents are busy, please wait...)
4. wait-time 60 secs hearing music
5. goto step 2 if unconditionally
6. stop
7. messaging split 99 for extension 2000
8.
```

Redirecting calls during an emergency or holiday

You can provide a quick way for a supervisor or agent to redirect calls during an emergency or holiday. Use a special mailbox where you can easily change announcements. This vector is also an alternative to making sure all agents log out before leaving their phones.

**NOTE:**

You can also use Holiday Vectoring, which simplifies vector writing for holidays and other times when you need to provide special handling for date-related calls. This feature allows you to administer up to ten different holiday tables, then use those tables to make vectoring decisions. For information, see the *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Call Vectoring and Expert Agent Selection (EAS) Guide*, 555-230-714.

In our example, no agents are normally logged in to split 10. We'll use split 10 for an emergency. We preset buttons on our agents' phones so people with these phones can log in at the touch of a button.

To quickly redirect calls:

- 1 Create a special mailbox with the appropriate announcement such as "We are unable to answer your call at this time" or "Today is a holiday, please call back tomorrow."

In our example, we recorded the mailbox greeting for extension 2001.

- 2 Insert the following bold vector steps (steps 1, 10, 11):

Figure 19: Call Vector form

```
01. goto step 10 if staffed agents split 10 > 0
02. goto step 8 if time-of-day is all 17:00 to all 8:00
03. queue-to main split 47 pri 1
04. announcement 4001 ("All agents are busy, please wait...")
05. wait-time 60 secs hearing music
06. goto step 3 if unconditionally
07. stop
08. messaging split 99 for extension 2000
09. stop
10. messaging split 99 for extension 2001
11. stop
```

When there is an emergency, fire drill, or holiday, the supervisor or agent logs into this split.

When an agent logs into split 10, the system looks at vector step 1, sees that more than 0 people are logged into split 10, and sends calls to step 10 (which sends to messaging split 99).

When your business returns to normal and the agent logs out of split 10, call handling returns to normal.

Giving callers additional choices

You can give your callers a list of options when they call. Your vector tells the switch to play an announcement that contains the choices. The switch collects the digits the caller dials in response to the announcement and routes the call accordingly.

We'll create a vector that plays an announcement, then lets callers dial an extension or wait in the queue for an attendant.

Please note, the following example of this “auto attendant” vector is a new vector and is not built on the vector we used in the previous examples.

To let callers connect to an extension, write this kind of vector:

Figure 20: Call Vector form

```

                                CALL VECTOR
Number: 20                      Name: extension or attendant
Multimedia? n                  Lock? n
Basic? y    EAS? n    G3V4 Enhanced? n    ANI/II-Digits? n    ASAI
Routing? n
Prompting? y    LAI? n    G3V4 Adv Route? n    CINFO? n    BSR? n
1. wait-time 0 seconds hearing music
2. collect 4 digits after announcement 4004 (You have reached our
   company. Please dial a 4-digit extension or wait for the attendant.)
3. route-to digits with coverage y
4. route-to number 0 with cov n if unconditionally
5. stop

```

Inserting a step

It is easy to change a vector step and not have to retype the entire vector. Let us add announcement 4005 between step 3 and step 4 in vector 20.

To insert a new vector step in vector 20:

- 1 Type **change vector 20** and press ENTER.
The **CALL VECTOR** form appears.
- 2 Press EDIT.
- 3 Type **i** followed by a space and the number of the step you want to add.
In our example, type **i 4**.
- 4 Type the new vector step.
We'll type **announcement 4005 (Please wait...)**.
- 5 Press ENTER to save your changes.



NOTE:

When you insert a new vector step, the system automatically renumbers the rest of the vector steps and all references to the vector steps. The switch inserts a "*" when the numbering needs more attention.

Deleting a step

To delete vector step 5 from vector 20:

- 1 Type **change vector 20** and press ENTER.
The **CALL VECTOR** form appears.

- 2 Press EDIT.
- 3 Type **d** followed by a space and the number of the step you want to delete.

In our example, type **d 5**.

**NOTE:**

You can delete a range of vector steps. For example, to delete steps 2 through 5, type **d 2-5** and press ENTER.

- 4 Press ENTER to save your changes.

**NOTE:**

When you delete a vector step, the system automatically renumbers the rest of the vector steps and all references to the vector steps. The switch inserts a * when the numbering needs more attention.

Diagnosing a vector problem

If there is a problem with a vector, the switch records the error as a vector event. Vector events occur for a number of reasons including problems with a trunk, full queue slots, or the vector reaching the maximum 1000 steps allowed.

Use the **display events** command to access the **EVENT REPORT** form and see the event record. Use the event record to see why the vector failed.

To view the event report:

- 1 Type **display events** and press ENTER.

The **EVENT REPORT** form appears.

Figure 21: Event Report form

EVENT REPORT

The following option control which events will be displayed.

EVENT CATEGORY

Category: Vector

REPORT PERIOD

Interval: _a_ From: __/__/__:__ To: __/__/__:__

SEARCH OPTIONS

Vector Number: _____

Event Type: _____

Extension: _____

- 2 To see all current vector events, press ENTER
- or

Indicate the events that you want to see by completing the Report Period and Search Option fields. See the *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Call Vectoring and Expert Agent Selection (EAS) Guide, 555-230-714, for more information.*

- 3 Press ENTER to view the report.
- The **EVENT REPORT** (detail) form appears.

Figure 22: Event Report form (detail)

EVENT REPORT						
Event	Event	Event	Event	First	Last	
Event		Data 1	Data 2	Occur	Occur	Cnt
Type	Description					
20	Call not queued	12/5	B	09/28/13:43	09/28/13:43	21

Look at the information in the Event Data 1 field to diagnose the vector event. In this example, there was a problem with:

- Vector 12, step 5
- Split 89

Vector Directory Numbers

A Vector Directory Number (VDN) is an extension that directs an incoming call to a specific vector. This number is a “soft” extension number not assigned to an equipment location. VDNs must follow your dial plan.

Let us create VDN 5011 for our sales department. A call into 5011 routes to vector 11. This vector plays an announcement and queues calls to the sales department.

SECURITY ALERT:

Vector fraud is one of the most common types of toll fraud because vectors route calls based on the Class of Restriction (COR) assigned to the VDN. Refer to the *Avaya Products Security Handbook*, 555-233-600, or your Avaya representative for more information.

To add a VDN:

- 1 Type **add VDN 5011** and press ENTER.

You type the VDN extension you want to add. The **VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBER** form appears.

Figure 23: Vector Directory Number form

```

VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBER

Extension: 5011
      Name: Sales Department
Vector Number: 11

Allow VDN Override? n
      COR: 1
      TN: 1
      Measured: both
  
```

- 2 Type a description for this VDN in the Name field.

In our example, type **Sales Department**.

The information in the VDN Name field appears on a display phone. This allows the agent to recognize the nature of the call and respond accordingly.

**NOTE:**

The Allow VDN Override field on the Vector Directory Number form controls the operation of the display.

- 3 Type the vector number in the Vector Number field.

In our example, type **11**.

- 4 In the Measured field, indicate how you want to measure calls to this VDN.

In our example, type **both** (for CMS and BCMS).

**NOTE:**

BCMS must be enabled to use “both.” Use the **display system-parameters customer-options** command to see if BCMS is enabled. See the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager, 555-233-506*, for more information.

- 5 Press ENTER to save your changes.

To see the VDNs already associated with your vectors:

- 1 Type **list VDN** and press ENTER.

The **VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBERS** form appears.

Figure 24: Vector Directory Numbers form

Name	VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBERS									
	VDN		Vec			Orig	Event		Skills	
	Ext	Ovrd	COR	TN	Num	Meas	Annc	Adj	1st	2nd
3rd										
Tech Support	5000	y	59	1	234	none	301			
Customer Serv.	5001	n	1	1		none	302			
New Orders	5002	y	23	1	5	none	303			

Each VDN maps to one vector. Several VDNs can map to the same vector.

Meet-me Conference

Use the Meet-me Conference to set up a dial-in conference of up to six parties. Meet-me Conference uses Call Vectoring to process the setup of the conference call.

Meet-me Conference can require an access code. If an access code is assigned, and if the vector is programmed to expect an access code, each user dialing into the conference call must dial the correct access code to be added to the call. Any user can dial the Meet-me Conference extension if the extension number is part of the customer's DID block.

Administering Meet-me Conference takes three basic steps:

- 1 Make sure the customer options are set up to accept Meet-me Conferencing.
- 2 Create a Meet-me Conference VDN.
- 3 Create a vector for the Meet-me Conference.

Verifying the customer options

Let us first make sure the customer options are correctly set up.

- 1
- Type **display system-parameters customer-options** and press ENTER.

The **OPTIONAL FEATURES** form appears.

Figure 25: Optional Features form

VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBERS

	VDN	Vec	Orig	Event Notif	Skills					
Name	Ext	Ovrd	COR	TN	Num	Meas	Annc	Adj	1st	2nd
3rd										
Tech Support	5000	y	59	1	234	none	301			
Customer Serv.	5001	n	1	1		none	302			
New Orders										
	5002	y	23	1	5	none	303			

OPTIONAL FEATURES

G3 Version: V11

Location: 1

Platform: 2

Maximum Ports: 2800

Maximum XMOBILE Stations: 700

Used

856

0

IP PORT CAPACITIES

Maximum Administered IP Trunks: 200

Maximum Concurrently Registered IP Stations: 480

Maximum Administered Remote Office Trunks: 0

Maximum Concurrently Registered Remote Office Stations: 0

Maximum Concurrently Registered IP eCons: 2

Maximum Administered IP SoftPhones: 1000

84

6

0

0

0

20

Maximum Number of DS1 Boards with Echo Cancellation: 5

Maximum TN2501 VAL Boards: 3

0

1

(NOTE: You must logoff & login to effect the permission changes.)

- 2
- On the first form, make sure the G3 Version field is set to **V11** (the default setting for Communication Manager). On the third page (not shown), make sure the Enhanced Conferencing field is set to y.

Setting up a Meet-me Conference VDN

Now let us set up a Meet-me Conference VDN. For this example, we'll set it up at extension 36090:

- 1 Type **add vdn 36090** and press ENTER.

The **Add VDN** form appears for extension 36090. Let us assign vector 90 to this VDN.

Figure 26: Vector Directory Number, first add form

```
VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBER
      Extension: 36090
      Name: Meet-me Conference VDN
      Vector Number: 90
      Meet-me Conferencing? y
      COR: 1
      TN: 1
```



NOTE:

If the VDN extension is part of the customer's DID block, external users will be able to access the conference VDN. If the VDN extension is not part of the customer's DID block, only internal callers on the customer's network (including DCS or QSIG) or remote access callers can access the conference VDN.

The second Add VDN form allows you to assign a six digit access code for the Meet-me conference, and to indicate the person responsible (the extension number) for controlling the access code.

Let us assign access code 937821 and extension number 80214 as the responsible party.

! SECURITY ALERT:

It is recommended that you always assign an access code. However, if you do not want to assign an access code, leave the Conference Access Code field blank.

Figure 27: Vector Directory Number, second add form

VECTOR DIRECTORY NUMBER

MEET-ME CONFERENCE PARAMETERS:

Conference Access Code: 937821

Conference Controller: 80214

Creating a Meet-me Conference vector

Finally, let us create a vector for the Meet-me Conference.

**NOTE:**

Before you can set up a vector that references announcements, first you must set up the announcements in the system. See the chapter on Announcements in this book for more information.

- 1 Type **change vector 90** and press ENTER.

The **CHANGE VECTOR** form appears for VDN 90. Let us write a call vector for this Meet-me Conference. (See the following two form samples to help you set up a Meet-me Conference.)

Figure 28: Call Vector, first change form

change vector 90 Page 1 of 3
 SPE A

CALL VECTOR

Number: 90	Name: Enh Conf Vec
me Conf? y	Attendant Vectoring? n Meet-
Basic? y	Lock? y
Digits? n ASAI	EAS? n G3V4 Enhanced? n ANI/II-
Prompting? y	Routing? n
n	LAI? n G3V4 Adv Routs? n CINFO? n BSR? n Holidays?

01 collect 6 digits after announcement 12340
 02 goto step 6 if digits = meet-me-access
 03 collect 6 digits after announcement 12341
 04 goto step 6 if digits = meet-me-access
 05 disconnect after announcement 12342
 06 goto step 11 if meet-me-idle
 07 goto step 14 if meet-me-full
 08 announcement 12343
 09 route-to meetme
 10 stop
 11 announcement 12344

Figure 29: Call Vector, second change form

change vector 90 Page 2 of 3
 SPE A

CALL VECTOR

Number: 90	Name: Enh Conf Vec
me Conf? y	Attendant Vectoring? n Meet-
Basic? y	Lock? y
Digits? n ASAI	EAS? n G3V4 Enhanced? n ANI/II-
Prompting? y	Routing? n
n	LAI? n G3V4 Adv Routs? n CINFO? n BSR? n Holidays?

12 route-to meetme
 13 stop
 14 disconnect after announcement 12345
 15 stop
 16
 17
 18
 19
 20
 21
 22

This is what happens when a person calls the Meet-me Conference telephone number:

Each caller hears announcement 12340, which says something like: “Welcome to the Meet-me Conferencing service. Enter your conference access code.” Each caller enters the access code 937821. The **collect** vector step 1 collects the access code digits. If the access code is valid, the vector processing continues with vector step 6.

If the access code is invalid, the vector processing continues with vector step 3, which plays announcement 12341. Announcement 12341 says something like: “The access code you entered is invalid. Please enter the access code again.”

If the caller enters the wrong access code again, the vector processing continues with vector step 5, which plays announcement 12342. Announcement 12342 says something like: “This access code is invalid. Please contact the conference call coordinator to make sure you have the correct conference telephone number and access code. Good bye.” The caller is disconnected.

Vector step 6 is only valid for the first caller into the Meet-me Conference. The **meet-me-idle** condition routes the first caller to announcement 12344 (vector step 11). The recorded announcement says something like: “You are the first party to join the call.” The caller is then routed to the Meet-me Conference call by vector step 12 and vector processing stops.

Vector step 7 is used when the Meet-me Conference already has the maximum of six parties on the call. The **meet-me-full** condition disconnects the caller after playing announcement 12345 (vector step 14). The recorded announcement 12345 says something like: “This Meet-me Conference is filled to capacity. Please contact the conference call coordinator for assistance. Good bye.”

If a caller enters the correct access code, is not the first caller, and the conference call is not full, vector processing continues with vector step 8, which plays announcement 12343. The announcement says something like: “Your conference call is already in progress.” The caller is then routed to the Meet-me Conference call by vector step 9 and vector processing stops.

As each caller enters the conference call, all parties on the call will hear an “entry” tone. When the conference call is over and callers drop out of the conference call, any remaining parties on the call will hear an “exit” tone.

Options for vector steps

collect — When the Meet-me Conf field is enabled, the **collect** vector step collects the next six digits and uses those digits as the access code for a Meet-me Conference call. See vector steps 1 and 3 in the example.

goto — The **goto** vector step has two conditions:

- **meet-me-idle**
- **meet-me-full**

The **meet-me-idle** condition routes the first caller accessing a Meet-me Conference to the conference call. An announcement step, saying they are the first party to access the call, can be given to the caller. See vector steps 6 and 11 in the example.

The **meet-me-full** condition is used when the Meet-me Conference already has the maximum of six parties on the call. See vector steps 7 and 14 in the example.

The **goto** step vector also has an option, **meet-me access**, for the digits condition to verify that the access code is valid. If the access code entered by the caller equals the access code administered for the VDN, vector processing continues. See vector steps 2 and 4 in the example.

route-to — The **route-to** vector step has one condition: **meetme**. When successful, this condition adds the caller to the Meet-me Conference call, and all parties on the call hear an “entry” tone to signify that another caller has joined the conference. This condition is valid when the caller has entered the correct access code and there are not already six parties on the call. See vector steps 9 and 12 in the example.

If the **route-to meetme** step ever fails, vector processing stops and the caller hears busy tone.

Disabling Meet-me Conference

If you want to disable Meet-me Conference, you must first remove all Meet-me Conference VDNs and vectors. If you do not, the change is not allowed, and a message appears telling you that you must first remove all Meet-me Conference VDNs and vectors before you can disable this option.

6 Using reports

This section explains how to generate, display, list, and print some of the basic reports from Communication Manager, and provides instructions for scheduling reports.

This section also contains information on how and when to use the system monitoring reports. It explains how to interpret some of the information displayed in the reports.

Using report scheduler

Use report scheduler to print reports automatically. Because printing reports requires significant switch processor resources, it is a good idea to print reports during off-peak hours.

**NOTE:**

There is no port on the G350 or G700 Media Server to hook up a printer, but you can print to a LAN connected-printer. Therefore, the report scheduler would not work with a G350 or G700 Media Server.

Setting printer parameters

Report scheduler prints to the system printer connected to your switch. There are two ways to connect the system printer:

- Use a data module extension to connect to a printer outside of the switch room.
- Use the EIA port to connect directly to the printer.

Some of the defaults for the system printer are set when the system is installed. If you make any changes to your system configuration, you may need to change the system parameters for the reports to print accurately.

Let us set the parameters for the EIA port. (Note that G3R cabinets do not have EIA ports.)

To set system parameters:

- 1 Type **change system-parameters features** and press ENTER.

The **FEATURE-RELATED SYSTEM PARAMETERS** form appears.



NOTE:

The **FEATURE-RELATED SYSTEM PARAMETERS** form contains numerous pages. Move to the page that contains the **SYSTEM PRINTER PARAMETERS** section.

Figure 30: Feature-Related System Parameters form

FEATURE-RELATED SYSTEM PARAMETERS

SYSTEM PRINTER PARAMETERS

System Printer ENdpoint: eiaLines Per Page: 60
EIA Device Bit Rate: 9600

SYSTEM-WIDE PARAMETERS

Switch Name: ST12
Emergency Numbers - Internal: 56107External: 911
No-License Incoming Call Number: 56107

MALICIOUS CALL TRACE PARAMETERS

Apply MCT Warning Tone? nMCT Voice Recorder Trunk Group:

SEND ALL CALLS OPTIONS

Send All Calls Applies to: station
Auto Inspect on Send All Calls? n

UNIVERSAL CALL ID

Create Universal Call ID (UCID)? yUCID Network Node ID: 12

2 In the System Printer Endpoint field, type **eia**.



NOTE:

If you’re connecting to a data module instead of EIA, type the extension for the data module. The EIA option is not available for DEFINITY R.

3 In the Lines Per Page field, type the number of lines per page.

For our example, leave the default of **60** in this field.

4 In the EIA Device Bit Rate field, type **9600**.



NOTE:

If you are connecting to a data module instead of EIA, the data module controls the speed.

5 Press ENTER to save your changes.

**NOTE:**

Check frequently to ensure that the system printer has enough paper. Reports lost due to printer failure cannot be recovered.

For more information, refer to both the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, and *Reports for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-505.

Scheduling and printing reports

You can schedule up to 50 reports at a time. If you need to schedule more reports, you can purchase CMS or BCMS VU. For more information on CMS and BCMS VU, see [Selecting a call management system](#) on page 112.

To schedule or print a report:

- 1 Type a **list** or **display** command, followed by the report name, and followed by the word **schedule**, and press ENTER.

For example:

list measurement attendant group schedule

The **REPORT SCHEDULER** form appears.

Figure 31: Report Scheduler form

REPORT SCHEDULER

Job Id: 2	Job Status: none
Command: list measurements attendant group	
Print Interval: scheduled	
Print Time: 23:00	
Sun: n Mon: y Tue: n Wed: y Thu: n Fri: y Sat: n	

- 2 In the `Print Interval` field, specify one of the following print options:
 - **immediate** — prints the report immediately
 - **scheduled** — enables you to specify the day and time you want the report to print on a daily or weekly basis
 - **deferred** — enables you to print the report once for the date and time you specify
- 3 For scheduled and deferred reports, complete the `Print Time` field to indicate the time you want the report to print.

**NOTE:**

You can schedule reports in 15-minute intervals. If a deferred report does not print within 4 hours of the scheduled time, it is canceled and you must reschedule it. If scheduled reports do not print within 4 hours, they print at the next scheduled time.

- 4 In the days of the week fields, type **y** for each day of the week the report should print.
- 5 Press `ENTER` to save your changes.

Listing scheduled reports

You can list all of the scheduled reports and the time and day they are scheduled to print.

To list scheduled reports:

- 1 Type **list report-scheduler** and press `ENTER`.
The **REPORT SCHEDULER** form appears.

Figure 32: Report Scheduler form

REPORT SCHEDULER					
Job Id	Days (smtwtfs)	Time	User	Status	Type
1	nynynyn	23:00	johnston	waiting	scheduled
	list measurements attendant positions				
4	nnnnnyn	23:45	johnston	waiting	scheduled
	list measurements attendant-group				

Changing scheduled reports

It is easy to reschedule the time and day a report prints. As an example, let us change the time on job ID 12 so that it prints at 10:00 p.m. (22:00).

To change the report scheduler for job ID 12:

- 1 Type **list report-scheduler** and press ENTER.
The **REPORT SCHEDULER** form appears.
- 2 Locate the job ID for the report you want to change.
In our example the job ID is 12.
- 3 Type **change report-scheduler 12** and press ENTER.
The **REPORT SCHEDULER** form for job ID 12 appears.
- 4 In the Print Time field, type **22:00**.
- 5 Press ENTER to save your changes.

Removing scheduled reports

As your needs change, you may want to remove certain reports from the report scheduler. The following example removes Job 12 from the report scheduler.



NOTE:

You can use the **list report-scheduler** command to determine which reports you want to remove.

To remove job 12 from the report scheduler:

- 1 Type **remove report-scheduler 12** and press ENTER.
The **REPORT SCHEDULER** form for job ID 12 appears.
- 2 Press ENTER to remove the report.



NOTE:

If you want to print a different report, you must remove the old report from the report scheduler, and then add the new report.

Analyzing report data

Most of the information displayed in these reports is measured in centum call seconds (CCS). CCS equals the amount of call traffic it takes to keep one piece of traffic-sensitive equipment busy for 0.6 minutes. To convert CCS to minutes, use the following equation:

$$\text{minutes} = \text{the number of CCS} / 0.6$$

For more information, refer to *Reports for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-505.

Using attendant reports

Attendant group reports enable you to assess the quality of service provided to anyone who calls your attendant. Monitor these reports to ensure that attendant groups are adequately staffed. There are three attendant reports:

- Attendant Group Measurements report — measures attendant group traffic
- Attendant Positions Report — measures individual attendant performance
- Attendant Group Performance report — measures attendant group performance

The system automatically gathers the information for these reports, so you can use them to view attendant information at any time.

Measuring attendant group traffic

The Attendant Group Measurements report provides peak hour traffic measurements for any attendant group. It displays a summary of attendant group activity for yesterday's peak, today's peak, and the last hour.

To display the Attendant Group Measurements report:

- 1 Type **list measurements attendant group** and press ENTER.

The **ATTENDANT GROUP MEASUREMENTS** form appears.

Figure 33: Attendant Group Measurements form

ATTENDANT GROUP MEASUREMENTS											
Grp	Meas	-----Calls-----					-----Time-----			Time	Speed
Siz	Hour	Ans	Abnd	Qued	H-Abd	Held	Avail	Talk	Held	Abnd	Ans(sec)
6	1000	100	0	0	0	0	200	80	0	0	0 YEST PEAK
9	1100	106	0	0	0	0	212	76	0	0	0 TODAY PEAK
9	1500	107	0	0	0	0	224	64	0	0	1 LAST HOUR

- There are several ways to determine if traffic flow is optimal. For example:
- If the Time Abnd (time abandon) field approximately equals the average delay, the attendant group is staffed appropriately.
 - If the number of calls in the Time Abnd field is high, according to your company standards, you may need to schedule additional attendants during peak hours.

For information on how to calculate the average answering delay, and what the data in the fields represent, refer to *Reports for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-505.

Measuring individual attendant performance

The Attendant Positions Report provides peak individual attendant position measurements. It displays a summary of each attendant’s activity for yesterday’s peak, today’s peak, and the last hour. This report enables you to assess personnel performance and to identify when additional attendant training is necessary.

To display the Attendant Positions report:

- 1 Type **list measurements attendant positions** and press ENTER.

The **ATTENDANT POSITIONS MEASUREMENTS** form appears.

Measuring attendant group performance

The Attendant Group Performance report displays the average speed of calls answered for each hour of a 24-hour period, for either yesterday or today.

To display today's Attendant Group Performance report:

- 1 Type **list performance attendant today** and press ENTER.

The **ATTENDANT SPEED OF ANSWER** form appears.

Trunk group reports

Trunk Group Reports can help you detect traffic flow problems such as out-of-service trunks, load balance, or peak-hour blocking.



NOTE:

If a trunk appears to have intermittent service, use the **list testcalls summary** command to determine whether a specific trunk member is not functioning.

If you suspect a trunk is having problems, use Automatic Circuit Assurance (ACA) to monitor the trunk group. Refer to the *Avaya Communication Manager Little Instruction Book for Basic Diagnostics*, 555-233-758, for more information about ACA.

Summary of trunk group activity

The Trunk Group Summary Report displays traffic measurements for all trunk groups except for personal central office line groups. The Trunk Group Summary Report displays traffic measurements for yesterday's peak, today's peak, or the last hour.

To display the Trunk Group Summary Report for the last hour:

- 1 Type **list measurements trunk-group summary last-hour** and press ENTER.

The **TRUNK GROUP SUMMARY REPORT** form appears.

Use this report to determine general traffic flow. For more detailed information about a particular trunk group, see [Hourly trunk group activity](#) on page 97.

The Trunk Group Summary Report allows you to determine measurement data such as the trunk group's total usage, the total number of calls, and trunk blockage.

If a trunk is out of service, see [Out-of-service trunks](#) on page 99. It is best to make adjustments to a trunk group only when all of the trunks are functioning.

For more information on interpreting the reports, refer to *Reports for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-505.

Hourly trunk group activity

Trunk Group Hourly reports are used in conjunction with the Trunk Group Summary Report to locate trunk problems. For example, if the Traffic Group Summary Report indicates a traffic flow problem, run the hourly report to help you locate the problem.

When you run this report, you first specify the trunk group you want to monitor on the Trunk Group Measurement Selection form. Once you select the trunk group you want to gather data on, the system starts collecting information on the trunk group activity. The Trunk Group Hourly report can display up to 24 hours of information. For example, if you started data collection on Thursday at noon (12:00) you would have 24-hours of data by noon (12:00) on Friday.

To monitor trunk group 12 for the next hour:

- 1 Type **change meas-selection trunk-group** and press ENTER.

The **TRUNK GROUP MEASUREMENT SELECTION** form appears.

Figure 34: Trunk Group Measurement Selection form

TRUNK GROUP MEASUREMENT SELECTION				
Trunk Group Numbers				
1: 44	6: 12	11: 16:	21:	
2: 17	7:	12: 17:	22:	
3: 3	8:	13: 18:	23:	
4: 245	9:	14: 19:	24:	
5: 39	10:	15: 20:	25:	

- 2 Move to the next blank field and type **12**.
- 3 Press ENTER to save your changes.

The system records the activity of trunk group 12 for the next hour.

- 4 After a minimum of one hour has elapsed, type **list measurements trunk-group hourly 12** and press ENTER.

The **TRUNK GROUP HOURLY** report displays data from the previous hour.

Out-of-service trunks

The Trunk Out of Service Report lists the trunks that were out-of-service during a selected period of time. This report may include up to five out-of-service trunks and lists how many times each trunk was out during the specified time. The system records trunk-outage data for the last hour, current day, and previous day.

To display the Trunk Out of Service Report for yesterday:

- 1 Type **list measurements outage-trunk yesterday** and press ENTER.

The **TRUNK OUT OF SERVICE REPORT** appears.

If there are no outages, the form is blank.

The Trunk Out of Service Report samples trunk activity once per hour. Therefore, if the report covers several hours, but indicates only a small number of outages, a trunk member may be providing intermittent service.

Current trunk group status

The Trunk Group Status report displays a current view of the load on various trunk groups by showing the number of calls waiting for service. This report shows data for 60 trunk groups at a time, but you can start the display at any number you want. For example, let us display trunk groups 5 and up.

To display the Trunk Group Status report:

- 1 Type **monitor traffic trunk-groups 5** and press ENTER.

The **TRUNK GROUP STATUS** report displays trunk groups 5 through 64. This report shows only administered trunk groups.

- 2 Press CANCEL to return to the prompt.

Least used trunks

The Trunks Lightly Used Measurements report lists the five trunk members with the lowest number of calls carried for each trunk group. The system shows trunk lightly-used data for the last hour, current day, or previous day. To display the Trunks Lightly Used Measurements report for today:

- 1 Type **list measurements lightly-used-trunk today** and press ENTER.

If the trunk member in the **Calls Carried** field has an unusually low number of calls compared to other trunk members, use Facility Test Calls to determine how a specific trunk member is functioning. To monitor a particular trunk group, use Automatic Circuit Assurance (ACA). Refer to *Avaya Communication Manager Little Instruction Book for Basic Diagnostics*, 555-233-758, for more information.

Measuring call center performance

Standard switch reports on Communication Manager provide valuable data about your center's operation.

What should I measure?

Focus on three things:

- How many calls are answered?
- How fast are calls answered?
- How cost-effective is the system?

Communication Manager has three hunt group reports that give you information about agents, hunt groups, trunks, and trunk groups to help you answer these questions. The reports are:

- Hunt Group Measurements
- Hunt Group Performance
- Hunt Group Status

The table below shows you how to monitor the performance of your call center by using these reports. To use the table, pick what you want to measure from the column headings. As you read down the column, each row shows the fields on a particular hunt group report — if any — that measure that aspect of call center performance.

Reports	How many calls are answered?	How fast?	Cost-effective?
Hunt Group Measurements	Calls Ans/Aban.	Speed Ans (sec)	Total Usage Time Available
Hunt Group Performance		Speed Ans (sec)	
Hunt Group Status		LCIQ	

For detailed information on these reports, see *Reports for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-505.

How many people can use switch reports?

The number of switch administrators and super-users who can log in simultaneously to view switch reports varies with the type of configuration you have. Please see the System Capacities Table for the most up-to-date list of system capacities. The most up-to-date system capacity information is not listed in Communication Manager documentation. Instead, this information is available online at <http://www.avaya.com/support>.

A scheduled report counts as a login. Therefore, you should schedule reports to print during off-hours.

Viewing hunt group reports

These procedures tell you how to display or print switch hunt group reports.

Viewing Hunt Group Measurements reports

The Hunt Group Measurements report displays call data for each hunt group in your system. You can print this report for yesterday's peak, today's peak, or the last hour.

A peak hour is the hour during which the greatest usage of agent time occurred. Use this report to determine the time of day with the most traffic or to measure traffic during the previous hour.

Let us print the Hunt Group Measurements report for today's peak:

- 1 Type **list measurements hunt-group today-peak print** and press ENTER.

Viewing Hunt Group Performance reports

The Hunt Group Performance report gives both the slowest hourly average speed of answer for each hunt group and the daily average. You can run the report for today or yesterday. This report can help you quickly find times during the day when your staffing is too low.

To display a Hunt Group Performance report for yesterday:

- 1 Type **list performance hunt-group yesterday** and press ENTER.

Viewing Hunt Group Status reports

The Hunt Group Status report displays a current view of your hunt groups. This report shows 32 hunt groups at a time. To display higher-numbered hunt groups, type the number of the first hunt group to be displayed. For example, let us display hunt groups 2 and higher.

To display the Hunt Group Status report:

- 1 Type **monitor traffic hunt-groups 2** and press ENTER.

The **HUNT GROUP STATUS** report displays hunt groups 2 through 33.

- 2 Press CANCEL to return to the prompt.

This report shows all hunt groups in the range, even if you have not administered them.

For more information on interpreting any of these reports, refer to *Reports for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-505.

Using security reports

Security Violation Notification lets you know when someone may be trying to break into the system. Refer to the *Avaya Communication Manager Little Instruction Book for Basic Administration*, 555-233-756, for information on how to set Security Violation Notification.

7 Understanding call centers

This section introduces you to inbound call centers. It shows how to set up a simple inbound call center and lists things to consider as you plan and design your center.

What is a call center?

A call center is a way of organizing people and equipment to achieve particular business goals. For example, you can use a call center to make several people accessible through one number or to handle multiple calls simultaneously. Call centers work by organizing staff (called agents) with specific functions or expertise into hunt groups.

Call centers use some of the features covered in other chapters of this book: hunt groups, announcements, vectors, and VDNs. In this section, we'll show you how these features work together in a call center.

Planning a call center

Good planning is crucial to setting up an effective call center. Before you administer any part of your call center, you should have a plan that is thorough and specific. Your call center plan should identify:

- the purpose of the call center — what the call center has to do to be successful
- expected call volume — the number of calls you expect per day, per week, and per month
- type of calls — whether the call center should answer internal or external calls or both
- agent functions — the major agent functions
- necessary resources — the resources you must add to the system, such as trunk groups and phones

Once you develop a plan for the call center, organize agents according to their functions. These agent groups will be your hunt groups.

Setting up the call flow

Decide how you want your system to handle calls and what you want callers to experience. You may find it helpful to list the possible situations a call may encounter. Set up the call flow by adding hunt groups, setting up queues, adding announcements, and writing vectors. Refer to earlier sections of this book for details on completing these tasks.

Let us set up an example call flow. We'll set up a hunt group so that the work load is evenly distributed and up to 2 calls wait in a queue.

- 1 Type **add hunt-group next** and press ENTER.

The **HUNT GROUP** form appears. In our example, the next available hunt group is number 2.

Figure 35: Hunt Group form

```

                                HUNT GROUP

Group Number: 2 ACD: n
Group Name: Accounting
Group Extension: 2011
Group Type: ucd-mia
            TN: 1
            COR: 1
Security Code: _____
ISDN Caller Display: _____

Queue Length: 2
Calls Warning Threshold: _____
Time Warning Threshold: _____

Queue: y
Vector: y
Coverage Path: 1
Night Service Destination: 1234
MM Early Answer: n

Port: _____
Port: _____

```

- 2 In the Group Type field, type **ucd-mia**.
This directs the call to the most idle agent — the agent who has waited the longest since handling a call to the hunt group.
- 3 In the Queue field, type **y**.
- 4 In the Queue Length field, type **2**.
- 5 In the Vector field, type **y**.
- 6 Complete the rest of the **HUNT GROUP** form.
- 7 Press ENTER to save your changes.

Now that we've created a hunt group, let us write a simple vector that plays announcement 2340. This announcement asks callers to stay on the line. If a call isn't answered in 1 minute, the vector sends the call to voice mail (extension 2000).

Write this vector:

Figure 36: Call Vector form

```

                                CALL VECTOR
Number: 1                      Name: main number calls
Multimedia? n                  Lock? n
Basic? y EAS? n    G3V4 Enhanced? n    ANI/II-Digits? n    ASAI Routing? n
Prompting? y LAI? n    G3V4 Adv Route? n    CINFO? n    BSR? n
01 queue-to split 2 pri m
02 announcement 2340 ("You have reached...")
03 wait-time 60 sec hearing music
06 messaging split 99 for extension 2000

```

**NOTE:**

Vectors are an optional feature. To see if your company has vectoring, use the ***display system-parameters customer-options*** command.

To make this vector work correctly, you need to create the announcement at extension 2340 and assign a voice mailbox to extension 2000.

Testing the system

Before your new call center goes live, test the system to make sure it works the way you expect it to work.

- With agents available, call each outside number you've created for the call center. Does an agent in the appropriate hunt group answer?
- With only one agent available in a hunt group, make several calls at once to that hunt group. Now that several calls are in queue, call again and listen to the treatment your call receives in queue.

If you've administered an announcement, do you hear it? Does it play when it's supposed to? If there's a music source, does it play when it's supposed to? Do queue warning lamps flash when they're supposed to?

- With all agents in Aux Work, call the hunt group. Does the call follow the intended path?

Monitoring your call center

This step never ends. Monitor your call center's performance regularly so you can solve problems quickly and adjust to changing conditions.

It's critical that you monitor a new call center closely for the first month. Use the hunt group and trunk reports described in [Using reports](#) on page 87 to track your system. If you underestimated call volume and trunk capacity, or overestimated agent productivity, you need to change your system immediately.

In addition, perform a traffic analysis when your call center begins operation. Work with your Avaya representative and your local network provider. A traffic analysis gives you a comprehensive picture of the demands on your system and how well the system is performing.

For example, trunk reports tell you how often your trunks reach 100% occupancy. Your network provider may be able to tell you how many callers are getting a busy signal from the CO when all of your incoming trunks are in use. You need both pieces of information to determine the total demand that your system needs to meet.

If your business is growing, regular traffic analysis is crucial. Use traffic analysis to project future demands on your system and plan expansions accordingly.

Viewing system capacity

The capacities of your system depend on the type of switch you have, the software you're using, and your contract with Avaya. Use the System Capacity form to view the maximum capacities of your system and your current level of usage. Remember, however, that the capacities you've purchased from Avaya may be lower than the maximums shown on the switch.

For example, to find out how many hunt groups your system can support:

- 1 Type **display capacity** and press ENTER.

The **SYSTEM CAPACITY** form appears.

- 2 Go to the page that shows capacities for hunt groups, splits, or skills.

This form shows the system limits for hunt groups and how much of this capacity is currently used.

Understanding Automatic Call Distribution

Automatic Call Distribution (ACD) is a Communication Manager feature used in many call centers. ACD gives you greater flexibility to control call flow and to measure the performance of agents.

ACD systems operate differently from non-ACD systems, and they can be much more complex. ACD systems can also be more powerful because they allow you to use features and products that are not available in non-ACD systems.

Enhancing an ACD system

All call center management systems (such as Avaya's Basic Call Management System (BCMS), BCMSVu, and the sophisticated CentreVu® Call Management System) require ACD. These management systems give you the ability to measure more aspects of your center's operation, and in more detail, than is possible with standard Communication Manager reports. For a comparison of these systems, see [Selecting a call management system](#) on page 112.

Call vectoring greatly enhances the flexibility of a call center, and most vectoring functions require ACD. Vectoring is a simple programming language that allows you to custom design every aspect of call processing. For more information on call vectoring, see [What are vectors?](#) on page 64.

Together, ACD and vectoring allow you to use Expert Agent Selection (EAS). For a variety of reasons, you may want certain agents to handle specific types of calls. For example, you may want only your most experienced agents to handle your most important customers. You may have multilingual agents who can serve callers in a variety of languages.

EAS allows you to classify agents according to their specific skills and then to rank them by ability or experience within each skill. Communication Manager uses these classifications to match each call with the best available agent.

For more information on call vectoring and EAS, see the *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, and the *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Call Vectoring and Expert Agent Selection (EAS) Guide*, 555-230-714.

Selecting a call management system

Avaya provides management systems for the call centers that need more detailed and flexible reporting. These applications are optional. Contact your Avaya representative for more information.

Basic Call Management System (BCMS)	BCMS runs on the switch. With BCMS, you can print reports to a printer connected to your terminal, or schedule reports to print on the system printer.
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BCMS Vu	BCMS Vu software runs on a PC with Windows 95 or Windows NT. BCMS Vu takes BCMS data and stores it on a PC. Users can run real-time and historical reports and export data to other applications such as spreadsheets.
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VuStats	VuStats runs on the switch. An administrator, split supervisor, or agent uses VuStats to view BCMS data on a display telephone.
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CentreVu CMS	CentreVu CMS is a large, multi-faceted reporting system that runs on a Sun SPARC server or Sun Enterprise workstation. CentreVu CMS can measure more aspects of switch performance and produce a greater variety of reports than any of the other 3 products. CMS also allows streamlined ACD administration.
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Use the following criteria to help you choose a call management system.

How many people need to monitor splits simultaneously?	more than 3	use CentreVu CMS, VuStats, or BCMS Vu
	3 or fewer	use standard switch reports or BCMS
How long do you need to store report data?	more than 7 days	use CentreVu CMS or BCMS Vu
	7 days	use BCMS (summary report)
	1 day	use standard switch reports (up to 24 hours), VuStats, or BCMS (24-hour detail)
What ACD elements do you need to monitor?	work code or stroke count data, individual trunks, vectors	use CentreVu CMS
	agents, trunk groups, splits/skills, VDNs	use CentreVu CMS, BCMS Vu, BCMS, or VuStats
	trunk group or hunt group data only	use standard switch reports

Use the following criteria to help you choose a reporting system. If the following scenarios do not describe your needs, standard switch reports or BCMS are probably adequate.

Do small inefficiencies or lapses in service cause big loss of profits?

Use CentreVu CMS or BCMS Vu. Both systems have exception alerting to notify you of problems immediately.

Do you frequently generate special reports for clients or senior management?

Use CentreVu CMS or BCMS Vu. Both systems allow custom report development, though CentreVu CMS allows maximum flexibility in those reports. In addition, CentreVu CMS allows you to create forecasts of call volume and needed staffing.

Do you need an electronic wallboard to display status for your center?

Use CentreVu CMS or BCMS Vu. Both systems allow wallboard display of report data.

Where to get more information

The *Administrator's Guide for Avaya Communication Manager*, 555-233-506, has more details about BCMS, BCMS Vu, VuStats, and CentreVu CMS. For more complete information, see:

- *Avaya MultiVantage™ Call Center Software Basic Call Management System (BCMS) Operations*, 555-230-706
- *BCMS Vu Software R2 V3 Software User Guide*, 585-217-102
- *CentreVu CMS Switch Connections and Administration*, 585-215-876

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