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DES/APP/DPR/0008	3.0	06/12/2010	Obfuscation of Counter/BAL-OSR Data for 4LS	Dimensions
SVM/SEC/POL/0003	5.0	17/09/2009	Security Policy	Dimensions
DE/PRO/015	2.1	25/04/2004	Post Office Account Systems Integration Directorate Incident/Defect Management	PVCS
WAD019			Obfuscation Tool for evidence to External Peak Companies	SSC Web Site

## 0.5 Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Definition
DHTML	Dynamic Hyper Text Markup Language
EDSC	SSC stack on Peak
GDC	Global Delivery Centre (POA 4 <sup>th</sup> Line Support)
GUI	Graphical User Interface
HNG-X	Horizon Next Generation
HSD	Horizon Service Desk (POA 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Line Support)
KEL	Known Error Log
MSC	Manage Service Change
OTI	Open-Systems Teleservice Interface
PHIL	Platform Hardware Instance List
POA	Post Office Account
QC	Quality Centre
QFP	Quality Filter Process
RMF	Release Management Forum
SDA	Self-Decrypting Archive
SI	Systems Integration
SMC	System Management Centre (POA 2 <sup>nd</sup> Line Support)
SSC	Software Support Centre (POA 3 <sup>rd</sup> Line Support)
URL	Uniform Resource Locator



## 0.6 Glossary

Term	Definition
Call or Incident	A term used to reference the Incident/Defect record held in Peak
Peak	A Fujitsu Services call management system used by the Post Office Account
PinICL	Incident management system which was replaced by Peak

## 0.7 Changes Expected

Changes
Peak is ongoing in its design and therefore features, which may be missing at this release, might be included at a future release.

## 0.8 Accuracy

Fujitsu Services endeavours to ensure that the information contained in this document is correct but, whilst every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of such information, it accepts no liability for any loss (however caused) sustained as a result of any error or omission in the same.

## 0.9 Security Risk Assessment

Security risks have been assessed and it is considered that there are no security risks relating specifically to this document.



## 1 Introduction

Peak is a browser-based software incident and defect management system. It is the Helpdesk system used by Post Office Account (POA) Third and Fourth Line Support Units. It enables diagnostic details to be captured in a searchable format and allows the tracking of problems from detection through to resolution.

Peak was written in-house by the Software Support Centre (SSC) and is now supported by the Peak Administrator and Development Staff.

## 2 Scope

This document is targeted at people trying to use the Peak call management system to:

- raise new Peak calls or incidents
- view/update Peaks
- route Peak calls
- manage evidence
- close Peak calls
- and much more

The purpose of this document is to serve as a user reference to accompany the Peak client interface.

The client application actually interfaces with an SQL database via several underlying tables and a limited number of views. Technical details about related tables and files are not included in this User Guide.

Peak administrative functions and specialist functionality for Release Management, Change Management and Request Management are also beyond the scope of this document. These functions can be found in the *Main Menu* page but only if you are a member of the relevant teams.

## 3 Outline of this Document

All the screen shots shown in this document are just examples. Peak is highly configurable so the same screen may look slightly different or have different de/activated buttons for each user depending on their role, browser and user configuration as defined in *Preferences*, etc.

Throughout this document, the same convention has been used to refer to buttons and screens/pages. The page name is shown on the top left hand side of the screen and is referred to in this document in *italics* whilst the buttons are shown in **bold**. So "**Close Window** in *Call Details*" means the **Close Window** button in the *Call Details* page.

Usually, there is more than one way to get to the same function but the main methods are shown below.

1. Using menu driven commands under the main headings: File, Call, Options, Conference, Admin and Help
2. Using shortcut keys  
Shortcut keys only work on the *Main Menu* screen and only exist for a limited number of functions. These are shown throughout this document within square brackets: "[ ]".
3. Using the buttons in the *Main Menu*





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So, for example, to go to the *Preferences* screen, you can use one of the following methods:

1. Via menu, Options/Preferences
2. Via shortcut, press “p” (not “P”) whilst in the *Main Menu*.
3. Via *Main Menu*: **Preferences** button

The 4 main screens within Peak mentioned extensively throughout this document are:

- *Main Menu* - series of buttons; many are duplicated in the drop-down menus
- *Call List* - displays a list of incidents; shows one line per call
- *(Expanded) Call Details* - displays the (expanded) details of a particular call
- *Add Response* - where you can add a response to a call

The best way to use this document is to familiarise yourself with the basics by reading the first 6 sections of this document and then look up your specific function/screen/button/function via the Table of Contents (§0.1).

Note that on many of the pages within Peak, if you hover over the buttons you can get tool-tips with more help.



## 4 Getting Started with Peak

You will need access to the Fujitsu Corporate LAN, a browser and a username/password; which is supplied by the Peak Administrator.

Once you have all these elements, you may start using the Peak system immediately, as all the facilities are available on HTML pages. Some users prefer to use the Java enhanced features offered but some preparatory work is needed and this option is due to be phased out.

There are 2 main Peak machines which are both part of the Peak domain ( **IRRELEVANT** ):

- Peak2 – Primary server
- Peak3 – Standby server

In the event of a fail-over, if Peak2 is still available, a redirect page will be put in place otherwise Peak users will be e-mailed with the Peak3 URL.

### 4.1 Connecting to Peak from sites other than BRA01

If you are connecting to Peak from an external site (other than BRA01) and it is taking a long time to display the initial Peak *Logon* page or if Peak is just generally really slow then it may be due to slow DNS name resolution.

The DNS name resolution from external sites to the Primary Peak servers is very slow and impacts all requests. To remedy this, add the following entry into your c:\windows\system32\drivers\etc\Hosts file:

<Peak2\_IP\_address> peak2.peak.fs.fujitsu.com

where <Peak2\_IP\_address> can be found in the *FAQ* page (within Peak via drop-down menu Help/FAQ).

To speed up access to Peak from home, if you have broadband/ADSL then you should not need to make any changes. But if you use a dial-up modem, we recommend that you use the AJAX grid and customise your search to display only those fields that you are interested in (otherwise by default many superfluous fields will be displayed).

### 4.2 Peak Support

The Peak Administrator is responsible all administrative functions that need to be done within the Peak system, including:

- creating/updating/deleting users, teams, products, product groups, releases, companies, etc.
- restricting functionality so that only selected users/teams can raise new calls (for a limited set of releases) or clone calls, etc.

Peak Development staff are responsible for supporting the live system and they are custodians of the Peak Enhancement Register which is a Word document which details all the Peaks and verbal/e-mail enhancement requests we have received.



To contact Peak Support, please use one of the following methods:

1. Send an e-mail to the appropriate group mailbox:

peakDBA **GRO** for administration support (e.g. users, Peak routing, etc.)

or

peak **GRO** for system support (e.g. bugs, enhancements, etc.)

2. Raise a new Peak call with the details and route it to the 'Peak HelpDsk' team.

### 4.2.1 User accounts

In order for a new user to be configured their Management must e-mail the Peak Administrator with the following information:

- User's full name
- Fujitsu Personnel number
- Required permissions e.g. read only, normal or administrative
- Peak teams they should be a member of

### 4.2.2 Password rules

Peak passwords must adhere to the following rules:

- minimum length of 7 characters
- MUST contain at least one capital letter, lowercase letter and non-alphabetic character (digit or special character such as \*, %, #, etc.)
- last 6 passwords cannot be reused

Passwords will expire automatically after 50 days

New or locked users will be assigned a password by the Peak Administrator which must be changed at first logon. Users also have the option to change their own password if they feel their existing one has been compromised via the **New password** button in *Main Menu* (§20).

### 4.2.3 Lifecycle of Peak calls

All Peak calls go through the following lifecycle and each call must pass through each stage in turn:

- Open Initial state of a Peak call
- Pending Incident is being investigated
- Final Investigations have finished –Final response is sent back for approval
- Closed Final state – call is closed on the Peak system.

Peak will enforce this call lifecycle so it will not allow a Final response to be entered unless the current status is Pending and a call cannot be Closed until its status is Final.

Once an incident is closed, it will remain, at least, on the Peak database (it is not archived or deleted) so you should be able to search on calls going back to the switch-over from PinICL to Peak.

## 4.2.4 Role Permissions

A role is assigned to each Peak user which determines what that user is allowed to do on Peak; which affects which screens and buttons are dis/enabled for that user. Most Peak users belong to the 'No administrative role' which has permissions to do the following (usually dependent on the status of the call and which team the call is assigned to):

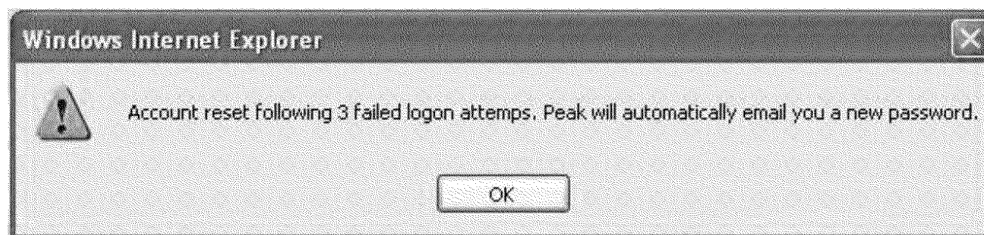
- Edit Call Type (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Edit Summary (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Edit Subject Product (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Edit root cause (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Add Progress (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to any team)
- Edit Reference (Status=Open, Pending, Final or Closed) and (Assigned to any team)
- Add Reference (Status=Open, Pending, Final or Closed) and (Assigned to any team)
  
- Edit Product (Status=Open or Pending) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Add Product (Status=Open, Pending, Final or Closed) and (Assigned to any team)
  
- Edit Evidence (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Add Evidence (Status=Open, Pending, Final or Closed) and (Assigned to any team)
  
- Raise new call
- Route call (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Action call (Status=Open or Pending) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Clone call (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)
- Send Final (Status=Open, Pending or Final) and (Assigned to user's team)

The 'No administrative role' is not allowed to change the Target Release, Priority, Contact, Close calls, Send over OTI, Reopen calls or Enter SQL in Query Builder.

If your role has been set up incorrectly, please contact the Peak Administrator.

## 4.2.5 Locked user accounts

If a Peak user fails to log in after 3 attempts, the account is locked and the user will get the following warning:



*Fig.4.2.5: Locked account warning*

Peak will then automatically reset the password and send an e-mail containing the new password to the mailbox of the registered owner of the user account.



## 4.2.6 New Products and Product Groups

If you have searched the existing products/product groups and feel that a new one is required, e-mail the Peak Administrator with the following information:

### New Product

- Product Name
- Existing Product Group
- Owning Peak Team

### New Product Group

- Product Group Name
- Description
- Product Family
- Owning Peak Team
- Contact Point

## 4.2.7 Companies

This is an enhanced security feature of the Peak system. It restricts people from different companies (Infinite, SSC Website users and POA Joint Testing) looking at or searching for each other's incidents. The rules for viewing incidents are:

- Any incident a team in a user's company has raised
- Any incident assigned to a team in a user's company
- System administrators may view any incident

If you are routed a call, you can place an **Action** on your team/yourself (see §8.21) which will continue to make that call visible to you even though it is routed back to the originating company. Correspondingly, if you add sensitive information or evidence to a call which has an action on a different company, these details will *also* be visible to that company.





## 4.3 Sources of Peak Calls

Three main sources can create Peak calls: They can be created by:

- external Helpdesks (e.g. TRIOLE for Service, Tfs)  
(aka Customer calls/OTI calls/OTI Provider calls)  
Once the Helpdesk have determined that the problem is software and gathered evidence, the call details (along its Tfs call reference) are sent across OTI interface to raise a new Peak call.
- Quality Centre (QC) system  
(aka Test or QC calls/non-OTI calls)  
QC is the defect handling system used by the Test Teams which can raise new calls on Peak.
- Peak itself  
(aka Internal calls/non-OTI calls/OTI Consumer calls)  
These types of calls can be routed around the Peak system or sent to external Helpdesks like Tfs.

### 4.3.1 TRIOLE for Services (Tfs)

TRIOLE for Services (Tfs) is the Helpdesk system used by Post Office Account (POA) First and Second Line Support Units to capture incident details raised by Branches, Post Office Limited and the NBSC (similar in function to Peak).

Each Tfs incident has a unique call reference (e.g. Tfs 3195922) which is an incrementing integer however this is used for other internal references other than Incidents so can not be used as a count of the total incidents raised.

### 4.3.2 Open-Systems Teleservice Interface (OTI)

The Open-Systems Teleservice Interface (OTI) is the interface specification used to send call details between Helpdesk systems. Primarily this is used to receive incidents from Tfs into the Peak system and transfer progress details back from Peak to the originating Helpdesk and vice versa.

Initially when an OTI call is received on Peak, it is routed to the OTI Administrator team (currently the SSC) and has a status of Pending and 'Call Logger:\_Customer Call\_ -- EDSC'. The OTI Team is tasked with checking the integrity of incoming OTI calls and then routing them on to the relevant Peak teams/stacks or to QFP (§8.20.1) – this activity is known as “prescanning”.

All updates or responses will be sent back over the OTI to update the originating Helpdesk; except for 'Progress Only' updates. It should take 2 minutes for Peak updates to appear on their Tfs call and for Tfs updates to appear on their Peak call.

Note that the maximum size of response that Tfs can cope with is 4Kb so be aware that because of this limit when sending responses back across the OTI the Tfs update may be truncated.

Once the OTI call has a Final response from a non-OTI enabled team, the incident will be routed back to the OTI Administrator team to check the integrity of the closure response before closing the call on Peak; which sends the final response back across the OTI and passes ownership back to the originating Helpdesk. The Helpdesk can then continue working on the call (checking back with the Branch, route the call onto another Helpdesk, etc.) before closing the call on their system.

Note that whilst a Peak call is being investigated, the Helpdesk could accidentally close or withdraw the associated OTI call. Withdrawing the OTI call will automatically change the associated Peak call status from Pending to Closed. But closing the OTI call will not change the Peak call status so any updates made on Peak will not be passed back across the OTI.





### 4.3.3 Quality Centre (QC)

The Quality Centre (QC) is the system used by the Test Teams to manage test scripts. When one of these scripts fails, it is reviewed and if they believe the failure was due to a build or software defect they can get QC to create a Peak incident.

Incidents from QC do not come via the OTI link. Initially, QC incidents are logged as being raised by 'Call Logger: QC Peak Interface user' in the 'QC Interface' team and routed to the QFP team/stack. If the QC user is also a Peak user they will be shown as the 'Call Logger' instead. Any evidence will be transferred from QC to the associated Peak (but not from Peak to QC).

Any new comments in QC are passed on to Peak and new progress in Peak is passed back to QC. QC progress is stored in HTML; therefore all updates in Peak from QC will be presented as HTML. It takes up to 10 minutes to transfer updates between the Peak and QC (via the QC interface).

When Peak investigation is complete and a Final Response is entered, the incident is routed back to the QC Interface Team waiting closure agreement from QC. If a Final Response of 'S/W Fix Released to Call Logger' is selected, the incident must have a Baseline reference of the fix otherwise the response will be rejected by Peak.

If the QC users are happy with the response, they can agree closure and the Peak call will be is automatically closed otherwise they can reject the closure and the call on Peak would become active again. Peak users may not close a QC raised incident, only a closure agreement message from the QC system can do this.

## 5 Log on and Log off

To access Peak enter the following URL into your browser (Internet Explorer 6+ and Firefox 3 are recommended):

URL **IRRELEVANT**

The initial *Logon* screen will be shown:



Fig.5: Initial Logon screen

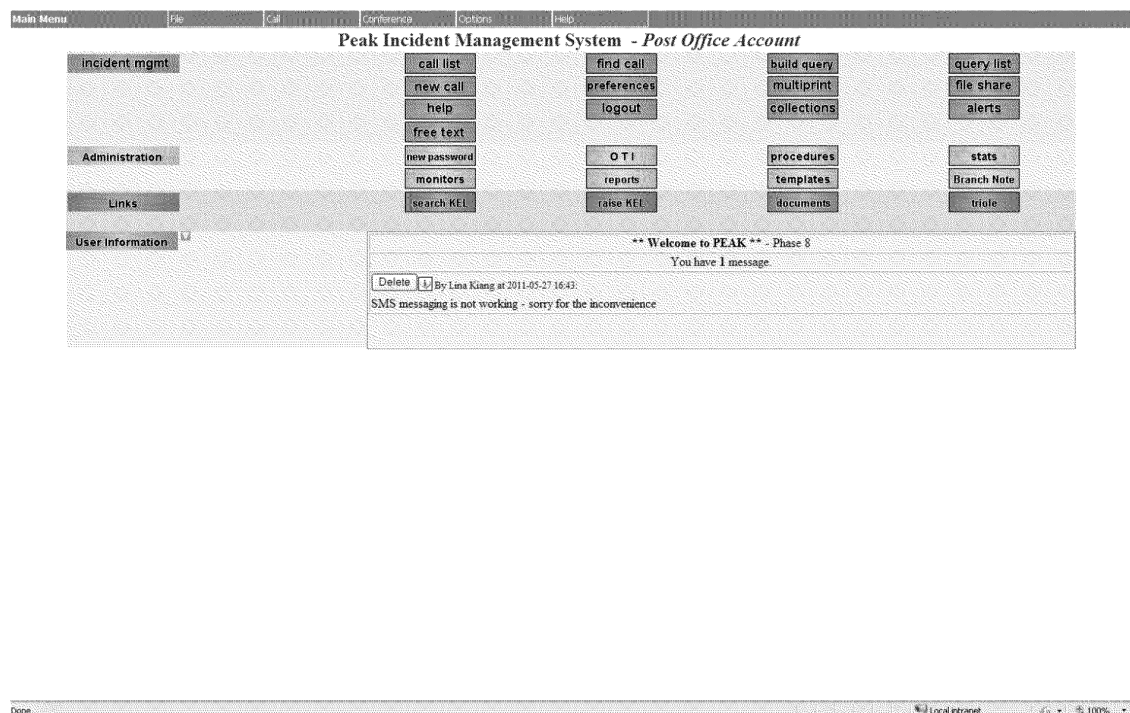
The UserName is case insensitive but the Password is not and must be typed in exactly as it was set up (§4.2.2).

With the introduction of encryption to sensitive Peak pages (*Logon* and change *Password* screens), your browser may try to warn you whenever you access an encrypted page from an unencrypted one, that the Peak Certificate has not been signed by one of the trusted Certification Authorities. For details on this, see APPENDIX B: Peak Encryption.

To logout out, you can either use the menu, File/Logout or *Main Menu: Logout*. Peak users will automatically be logged out after 5 hours of inactivity.

## 6 Main Menu

The *Main Menu* page is the first screen displayed immediately after successful validation of your user account details.



*Fig.6: Main Menu page for non-administrator role (with 1 broadcast)*

This page is split off into sections which are visible only if your role permits (§4.2.4):

- **Incident Management**  
These functions mainly deal with user access to the Peak system and managing a problem or call when it was first logged through to its resolution and closure.
- **Administration**  
These functions are related to the administration side of Peak such as changing your password, etc.
- **Links**  
These functions interface to systems outside Peak e.g. SSC Website for KELs and Support documents and TRIOLE for Services (TfS).





## 7 Displaying Call List – call list

The *Call List* page enables you to view a list of existing calls – ranging from all open calls on a particular stack/user to calls with a particular Reference.

On entry to the *Call List* screen, the default query or the last query loaded is displayed. For new users, the default query is set up by Peak but this can be changed via Query Builder (§11.1.5.1).

There are three versions of *Call List* (called *Incident List* in HTML) grid which can be configured via *Preferences* (§13.7):

- HTML (default grid)

Fig.7a: Incident List – HTML version (default)



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- Dynamic HTML – which does not work with Firefox

Call Refer	P	T	Summary	Assignee	Top Reference	Top Collection	Site	Date Open
PC0210656	A	1	L Branch 6004 ? NB102 Section 2 State 12	P Sudip Sur	Live Supp Test			20110603
N PC0210667	B	3	L H21630900102 - Thread died unexpectedly	P _Unassigned_	4076194		216909	20110603
N PC0210668	B	3	L H16520100103 - Thread died unexpectedly	P _Unassigned_	4190628		155201	20110603
PC0209769	B	-43	L H19171100107 - Thread died unexpectedly	P Andy Keil	3958144		191711	20110418
PC0209974	B	-27	L FAD004237 Thread died unexpectedly	P Andy Keil	4040611		004337	20110504
PC0210130	B	-20	L IDS Attack - RDP - Microsoft Remote Desktop Connection Heap Overflo	P Andy Keil	4079190		CS Secur	20110511
N PC0210236	B	-15	L FAD272420 Thread died unexpectedly	P Andy Keil	4102422		272420	20110516
PC0210410	B	-10	L 319324 - plu klt is not calibrated properly	P Andy Keil	4139078		319324	20110521
PC0210614	B	1	L H21183200103-Session 953890 could not recover 5963365 - com.fujitsu	P Andy Keil	4177265		211832	20110601
PC0171811	B	-71	L Web services monitoring returning error state incorrectly (APOPMGRM	F Anne Chambers	PC0210567	R2 RMF	SMC1	20081217
PC0206604	B	-1	L LPRPDAT001 - LFS LFSX801 sh not runnable due to changes to SUDO	F Catherine Obeng	3214741			20110123
PC0207530	B	-1	C Branch 75946 Query from POL re<Moneygram txn not appearing on P	P Cheryl Card	PC0207357			20110107
PC0210396	B	-11	L H25132400103-Exception raised but with no specified error code - co	P Cheryl Card	4135380		251324	20110520
PC0210615	B	1	L H36053800101 - bandwidth error	P Chris Hawkes	4195927		360539	20110601
PC0210662	B	3	L H08710400102 - Thread died unexpectedly	P Olive Turrell	4044237		087104	20110603
PC0210164	B	-19	L Reconciliation database - requirements	P Darrian Avenell				20110512
PC0210695	B	3	L AP Token ID missing from TIP file	P Dave Allen	PC0209552			20110603
PC0210619	B	1	L H13114000102-Thread died unexpectedly - com.fujitsu.poa.chr.maint.	P David Seddon	4195318		131140	20110601
PC0210659	B	3	L H19883000101 - Thread died unexpectedly - com.fujitsu.poa.chr.maint.	P David Seddon	4205586		169830	20110603
N PC0208251	B	-15	J FTMS servers (ppspg001 and lprplg001) should be using vdat001 all	F Gary Maxwell	FTMS_TIP_LOC	BIFApproved	HNG SMC	20110208
N PC0210302	B	-13	L BMX 1006 - Failed to do update info database	F Gary Maxwell	4119512		SMC1	20110518
PC0210613	B	1	L H00722700112 - Thread died unexpectedly	P Joe Harrison	4080094		007227	20110601
PC0210004	B	-26	L Load Balancer - ceaRealServerStateChangeRev1	P Kevin Miller	4045529		SMC1	20110505
PC0210405	B	-11	L OSR A0063 : [20560] : [152801-1-6H-2012-5] - [SQLException occurred	P Kevin Miller	4137019		SMC1	20110520
PC0210424	B	-8	L OSR A0200 : [20560] : [50010-2-XD-2308-5] - Unable to lock existing re	P Kevin Miller	4142909		SMC1	20110523
N PC0210594	B	1	L MONSERV MOND DVA SERVICE MONSERV DIAG 559	P Kevin Miller	4191345		SMC1	20110601
N PC0210664	B	3	L H12644400101 - Thread died unexpectedly	P Kevin Miller	4044213		126444	20110603
PC0210604	B	1	L H17423800102 - Error while parsing	P Lina Kiang	4194137		174238	20110601
PC0210617	B	1	L H35152300102-Thread died unexpectedly - com.fujitsu.poa.chr.maint.	P Lina Kiang	4196364		351523	20110601
N PC0210663	B	3	L H49064100101 - Thread died unexpectedly	P Lina Kiang	4074958		490641	20110603
PC0206361	B	-1	J The certificate of the communication partner has expired	P Mark Wright	3168797		HNG SMC	20101115
PC0206367	B	-1	J Slip mode mismatch for packet	P Mark Wright	wrightm35317L		HNG SMC	20101115
PC0209037	B	-76	J Client disconnected	P Mark Wright	3791029		HNG SMC	20110316
C PC0209782	B	-43	L H21722700102 - Thread died unexpectedly	P Mark Wright	3933321		217227	20110418
N PC0210346	B	-12	L H01452300102-Thread died unexpectedly - com.fujitsu.poa.chr.maint.	P Mark Wright	4126810		014523	20110519
C PC0210515	B	-6	Q SVAI R5C1 - RIG TVIS jobs SSC_GATH_SSC_LFS_SAPADS_IN & SS	P Mark Wright	15026-hng_L_hng			20110526
PC0210658	B	3	L H00002900105 - Thread died unexpectedly - com.fujitsu.poa.chr.maint.	P Mike Croshaw	4208453		900029	20110603
PC0207189	B	-1	L Audit filter - Filter A0102 messages without a FAD code from BAL syslog	F Steve Parker	AUDIT_QUERIES			20101216

Fig.7b: Call List – DHTML version

The dynamic grid does not cope well in a reduced window size. If it fails to sort a column or the drag/drop appears offset then maximise the window when performing these tasks.







## 7.2 Bulk Update (HTML/DHTML/Java)

This button will only be activated, if it is applicable. If no calls are selected, then the button will be greyed out. As soon as least one call is selected, **Bulk Update** will be activated.

*Bulk Update* enables you to update a group of calls (maximum is 100 calls) with the same information in one go. For example, if more than one call needs updating with the same type of details e.g. Summary, Top Collection, Progress Text, you do this by:

- Highlighting the calls you wish to update by holding down CTRL+clicking on the individual calls (or if in the HTML grid, use the tick boxes).
- Click **Bulk Update** button to open up the *Bulk Update* form (which is similar to the *New Call* page) where any changes will be applied to all the selected calls.
- When the changes have been **saved** a results window will be displayed with any failures due to permissions.

The screenshot shows the 'Bulk Update' form within the 'Peak Incident Management System'. The form is divided into several sections. At the top, there are dropdown menus for 'Release', 'Call Type', 'Top Collection', 'Summary', and 'Impact', each with a 'No Change' option. Below these are fields for 'Progress Text' and 'Progress Templates'. The 'Response Category' section includes a dropdown menu and a 'Target Date' field. The 'Target Time' field is also present. The 'Subject Product' and 'Manual Routing' sections have dropdown menus. The 'Group Only' section has a checkbox. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Save', 'Save - Auto Route', 'close window', and 'main window'. The form is titled 'Peak Incident Management System' and has a 'Bulk Update' button in the top left corner.

Fig.7.2: Bulk Update form

There is no Close button so it is not possible to bulk close calls but you can add a Final Response to a group of calls.



## 7.3 Change Layout (HTML) and Save Layout (DHTML/Java)

A lot of the column properties within the HTML/DHTML and Java *Call List* can be customised and then saved; there is no method to alter the layout of the AJAX grid.

To customise the HTML layout, select the **Change Layout** button to display a sub menu for resizing and moving the columns in the grid then save any changes by pressing **Save Layout** or **Cancel Layout**.

To customise the DHTML and Java layout, this can be done within the *Call List* grid itself:

- To change the column width  
Point the mouse at the dividing line on the right side of the column till the cursor changes to a horizontal arrow "↔" then click the left mouse button and drag to the new preferred point and release the mouse.
- To change the order of the columns  
Click and drag each column across to the desired position
- To sort a selected column  
Point and click the relevant column heading  
Note that changing the sort order in this way will only affect the current display; the order is not saved. If you wish to save a sort order, edit the query via *Build Query* (§11.1.8).
- To resize the window  
Use standard Windows techniques with the mouse (this information is not saved as a preference)
- Then select the **Save Layout** button

Any layout changes you make will only apply to the current query.

If you create a new query by editing an existing query and saving it to a different name then the layout will also be copied over from the original query.

To configure which column headings are actually displayed in the *Call List* page, use Query Builder to edit the 'Display Fields' within the relevant query (§11.1.9).

## 7.4 Refresh

This forces an immediate update of the data in the call grid to show any changes. There is an automatic refresh timer and this can be set via *Preferences* (§13.5).

## 7.5 Copy (HTML/DHTML/Java)

You can use the **Copy** button to copy all the incidents in the *Call List* (including headers) into the clipboard as a tab-separated list which can then be pasted into e.g. an Excel spreadsheet which can then be manipulated or printed (§14.1).

On the HTML *Call List*, IE5+ is required and it may take some time to copy a large grid, the information will be available as soon as the **Copy** button is re-enabled.



## 7.6 XML (HTML/DHTML/Java)

The **XML** button will retrieve the call details for all incidents in the current *Call List* and display them on one page; in a format similar to the *Expanded* view.

This page could then be printed using the browser print option; where each incident will start on a new page.

This feature could be used to send copies of a Peak call or a list of incidents to someone by e-mail. To do this, you need a compliant XML parser (IE6+):

- Create a call list to display all the incidents you wish to send.
- Press **XML** which will eventually open a new window showing the complete call defaults for each call in the current query.
- Use the File-Save feature of the browser to save the XML file to local disk.
- Copy the style-sheet from the Peak share (\\peak2\share\PeakStyle3.xsl) to the same location as the XML file. Open the XML file in a Text Editor and change the second line that points to the style-sheet from:

```
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" href="IRRELEVANT" to  
<?xml-stylesheet type="text/xsl" href="PeakStyle3.xsl"?>
```

- Now e-mail both files to the end user.
- If the recipient opens the XML file in a browser that complies with xslt standards (IE6 or Firefox), the call details will be displayed.

## 7.7 Search Grid for Text (DHTML)

The **Search Grid for Text** button, which only appears in the DHTML grid, will search the call details of all the incidents in the current *Call List*. If it finds an incident which contains your text anywhere within its call details, it is highlighted in the *Call List* page.



## 8 Displaying Call Details

To display the details for a particular call from *Call List* either double-click a call or highlight an entry and click the **Call Details** button, which will display a new page containing the properties of that call:

**Peak Incident Management System (8 unread)**

Call Reference	PC0206322	Call Logger	Customer Call -- EDSC	OTI Provider call
Release	Reported In -- HNG-X 01.00	Top Ref	3162996	References
Call Type	L - Live Incidents/Defects	Priority	B - Business restricted	Site 055003
Contact	EDSC	Status	Closed -- Advice after Investigation	
Impact	This office is a busy office and they normally have around 1000 records each. Business Impact.			
Summary	FAD055003 Special reports are not printing. Save Summary. KEL [2] [?] [X]			

Date: 12-Nov-2010 09:46:48 User: Customer Call  
CALL PC0206322 opened  
Details entered are:-  
Summary: Special reports are not printing. Pm out off twice. 0291 - ...  
Call Type: L  
Call Priority: C  
Target Release: HNG-X 01.00  
Routed to: EDSC - Unassigned  
Date: 12-Nov-2010 09:46:48 User: Customer Call

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT**  
Date/Time Raised: Nov 12 2010 9:31AM  
Priority: C  
Contact Name: Mrs Goper  
Contact Phone: 020 72427262  
Originator: XXXXXX87F501  
Originator's reference: 3162996  
Product Serial No:  
Product Size: 055003

Special reports are not printing.  
Pm out off twice. 0291 - the reports will not out off.  
Incident History:  
2010-11-12 09:31:06 [ Unsworth, Daniel]  
INIT : create a new request/incident/problem/change/issue  
2010-11-12 09:32:48 [ Unsworth, Daniel]

Root Cause	42 -- Gen - Outside Program Control	Collections	Hide Audit	Add Response
Routing	EDSC	Team Only	Route	Action
Subject Product	EPOSS & Desktop -- Counter Common	Products	Expand	
Assignee	Customer Call -- EDSC	Clone	Evidence	ReOpen
Last Progress	03-Feb-2011 12:20 -- Customer Call	Target: 15/11/2010	Cost: 0 Man Days	Graphs

close window main window find call print

Fig.8: Call Details raised on TfS by Branch 055003

The text near the top of this *Call Details* screenshot shows that this user has 8 Peak broadcasts "(8 unread)". Clicking on the icon "✉" will take you back to the *Main Menu* to enable you to read or delete any read messages (§29).

Updates to the call will appear in an area in the middle of the *Call Details* page called the Progress field. If you click on the **Expand** button, you will be able to see the progress updates, references, collections and Products listed on one page.

If a button background is orange, this means that at least one item has been defined for this button. For example, the screenshot above shows that there are some References, Collections and Evidence associated with this particular call.

If a button has ellipses "(.)" after the name (e.g. **Business Impact..**) then another screen will be displayed asking for more information but if the button name does not have ellipses (e.g. **Route**) then that operation will just happen.

You can send someone a link to a specific call, so they will be taken straight to the *Call Details* page for that call, by copying the relevant URL into the e-mail:

**IRRELEVANT**





## 8.1 Call Reference

All Peak call references begin with "PC" followed by a 7-digit number which uniquely identifies each call. The call number is assigned automatically when the Peak call is created.

The Call Reference for live incidents, that is those of 'Call Type: L', will appear in red in the HTML and Java *Call Lists* (§7).

## 8.2 Call Logger

The 'Call Logger' field will contain the name followed by the team of the user who raised the call on Peak. For customer calls, this team will be the OTI Administrator team (currently the SSC). For QC calls, this field will contain the QC PEAK Interface team.

When a Final response is added to the call, it is automatically routed back to the Call Logger to approve the response.


If you click the 'Call Logger' hyperlink, then a new e-mail template will be generated addressed to the Call Logger with the subject "Query regarding Peak PCnnnnnnn you logged".


## 8.3 OTI Provider call/OTI InTransit/OTI Down

You can determine the status of the OTI interface link (§4.3.2) by looking at the *Call Details* of any OTI-originated incident:

- OTI Provider call            shown if the OTI is up
- OTI Down                    shown if the OTI is down

The OTI up/down status is set on Peak manually by SSC when the OTI Administrator informs them of a change in state (§21).

- OTI inTransit " "        shown briefly when a Peak is sent to an external Helpdesk (e.g. TfS) to raise a new incident at that desk
- OTI Consumer                shown when a Peak has been received by the external Helpdesk. It will remain in this state until they send back a Final response.

If the status is stuck at OTI in Transit, then you can click on the icon " " to retry the send to the external Helpdesk.



## 8.4 Release

This field holds information related to releases pertaining to a particular Peak call:

- **Reported In** indicates which release the fault was found in
- **Requested For** indicates which release the fix should be applied
- **Proposed For** indicates which release the fix is proposed for
- **Targeted At** indicates which release the fix is targeted at – this can be changed throughout the lifecycle of a call
- **Released At** indicates which release the fix was actually applied

Press the button with the ellipse icon “(…)” which is next to the ‘Release’ field to display the *Releases* screen where you can view the release history, select a release type and release then **Add** it to this call. If you have administrative privileges then the **Delete** button will be enabled for you to delete an existing release. Generally, this field is set when the Peak is first created and is subsequently updated by members of the Release Management team.

The fields under the headings ‘Description’, ‘Date Out Dev’, ‘Date Out PIT’, ‘Date Into Test’, ‘Date Out Test’, ‘Date Out Live’ and ‘Deploy Groups’ are automatically filled in if you choose a release type of ‘Targeted At’ and select a release which has those properties associated with it; usually set up by Release Management.

All roles may be set the ‘Reported In’ release but the ‘Targeted At’ option is only available to roles with the Administrative privileges (§4.2.4).

## 8.5 Top Ref/References

References are used to relate resources of information to a call. These references may be used to search and display a specific set of calls via *Quick Search* or *Query Builder*.

The **References** button will take you into the *References* page where you can **Add Reference**, **Delete** existing references and nominate a **Top Reference** which will make that particular reference visible in the ‘Top Ref’ field on top-level *Call List* and *Call Details* pages.

To add a reference to an existing incident:

- Select the reference type from the ‘Add Reference Type’ drop-down list (e.g. ‘MSC’).
- If necessary, change the template for the reference type by using the ‘Expected Format’ drop-down list (e.g. ‘043Jnnnnnnn’ and ‘043Jnnnnnnn-nn’).
- Type in the ‘Reference Value’ – which must be of the ‘Expected Format’ - then **Add Reference**.

Many references are hyperlinks to external resources e.g. TfS calls, SSC KELs, MSC Tasks, Release Notes, documents, etc. For example, if a call was raised on TfS, the TfS call reference would appear as a hyperlinked top reference (like [3245056](#)). Clicking on this link will take you directly to that particular call in TfS but first you must set up your TfS login details via *Preferences*, see §13.24.

If you add a reference of type ‘Product Baseline’, next to the **Add Reference** button, the icon “” will appear. If you click this icon, you will be able to search then select from a list of current software baselines by typing in a minimum of 4 characters.

Once the incident has been associated with more than one reference, the background to the **References** button will turn orange in *Call Details* (as shown in Fig.8).





## 8.6 Call Type

The 'Call Type' defines the type of call that was logged:

- L raised on the Live estate
- E Enhancement
- R Release note
- A Administrative call
- O Operational SSC
- C Cloned call
- Z Zero immediate impacts
- etc.

When you raise new calls, it is possible to set the 'Call Type' field to default to a certain call type via *Preferences* (§13.23). The 'Call Type' chosen may affect the list of priorities displayed in the drop-down list. Similarly, if you subsequently change the 'Call Type' which means that the current priority is now invalid, the 'Priority' will automatically change to the lowest possible priority.

## 8.7 Priority

Each call must have a priority associated with it. The priority levels start from "A" to "Z" with "A" being the highest priority level and "Z" the least.

For example:

- A business is stopped
- B business is restricted
- C non-critical
- D internal

Calls logged as "A" priority will be shown in red in the *Call List* page (§7).

Priorities are originally set by the Call raiser and may be modified on Peak by authorised roles (§4.2.4).

When creating new calls, if 'Default Logging Call Type' was selected in *Preferences* (§13.23) then the lowest priority available will be the default priority. Choosing a valid priority activates and populates the 'Target Date' and 'Target Time' fields at the bottom of the *New Call* screen.

Each new user will have a default alert (§17) to e-mail them if they are assigned an 'A' priority call.

Note that changing the priority on Peak will not automatically update the priority on the external helpdesk if the call originated over OTI.




## 8.8 Site

The 'Site' hyperlink field exists if the call was raised via TfS by a Branch and it will contain the FAD/Branch code. An example of a TfS call raised by Branch 055003 is shown in Fig.8. Clicking on this hyperlink, will take you into TfS with a view of all open TfS calls raised on that particular site but first you must set up your TfS login details via *Preferences* (§13.24).

If the call was raised by a TfS group like 'SMC1' then the text 'TfS Group: SMC1' will appear in this field otherwise it will be empty.

### 8.8.1 View Branch Notes



If the 'HNGX Site' field has an orange background and icon “”, then this Branch has at least one branch note associated with it. Clicking on this icon will display the notes that were set up via **Branch Note** in *Main Menu* (§27) and will allow you to include additional notes.

## 8.9 Contact


The 'Contact' field usually contains the name of the Call Logger and will be the user that the call will be returned to once a Final response has been added.

If a call is closed but the Call Logger has left the Company then the call will be routed back to the Call Logger's team.

## 8.10 Status

This field indicates which stage, within the lifecycle of a call, this particular call is in: Open -> Pending -> Final -> Closed (see §4.2.3 for more details).

## 8.11 Release Management Summary

Clicking on the calendar icon “” will display the *Release Management* Summary page which is used for release planning by the Release Management team and Release Management Forum so is beyond the scope of this document.

### 8.11.1 Release Peaks


The **Release Peaks** button will only appear if the incident has a Release Peak (Call Type: R – Release Management Forum) defined as a 'Reference'. This association is set up by the Release Management team and is beyond the scope of this document.

If you click the **Release Peaks** button, you can view the current status of the related Release Peak and Release Notes.



## 8.12 Business Impact

The 'Impact' should give a brief description of the perceived impact, in terms of cost and scope that the incident is having on the customer or estate and is used by the Business Impact Forum (BIF) (§8.20.2).

An impact can be added, deleted or updated via the **Business Impact** button. After typing in the Impact text, you can spell check the text by selecting " ABC" (§9.2), **Clear Text** (to remove the text you just typed in), **Delete** (to delete an Impact), **Restore** (to revert back to the last saved text) or **Save Changes**.

Once added, the text of the Impact will appear in orange in the *Call Details* page; the first 63 characters (depending on the font) will initially be displayed but you can use the right-arrow key to see the first 80 characters. The full impact text can be seen in the *Expanded* view and printouts.

## 8.13 Summary

The 'Summary' field is used as the title of the call and can be amended as long as the call has not been closed. You can amend this field by typing text immediately into the 'Summary' box then click on the **Save Summary** button to commit the change.


The first 63 characters (depending on the font) of the 'Summary' field will initially be displayed in the *Call Details* page but you can use the right-arrow key to see the first 100 characters. The full summary text can be seen in the *Expanded* view and printouts.


The text in the 'Summary' field will appear greyed-out if the user's role does not allow changes or if the call is closed (§4.2.4).

## 8.14 Links to KEL (Known Error Log)


These 3 icons take you directly to the Known Error Log (KEL) via the SSC website (which uses identical login credentials as the Peak system). See §28.1 for more details.

### 8.14.1 Search the KEL

The " " icon enables you to search the KELs on the SSC Website for the best matching KEL for this call after highlighting some text in the Progress Narrative. You will be taken into the SSC website to a list of KELs that contain the highlighted text.

The icon " " gets Peak to suggest the best matching KEL given the existing symptoms in the call. Peak will automatically select the important words from the first progress of the incident and then search the KEL using these words. You will be taken into the SSC website to a list of the top 10 matches.

### 8.14.2 Create new HNG-X KEL

Clicking the icon " " will create a new KEL after you highlight some text in the Progress Narrative (which will appear in the 'Symptoms' of the new KEL). You will be taken into the SSC website "Create HNGX KEL" page where the 'KEL Title' and 'PEAK Call Ref' have also been automatically populated from the Peak call.

## 8.15 Progress

The area in the middle of the *Call Details* page is referred to as the Progress field. It displays a trail of where the call has been (audit information) and previous updates made to the call. Two background colours can be configured via *Preferences* to distinguish between different Progress updates (§13.13).

The text displayed in this area is read only; not editable and can contain links to References, evidence, user details/teams/admin and embedded HTML.

To see an expanded view of all the Progress Narratives (without the scrollable area) use the **Expand** button.

### 8.15.1 User Details

In the Progress Narrative, if the user's name appears (usually after an update) as a hyperlink then by clicking it you can find out more information about that user such as phone number, e-mail, teams they are members of and admin details.

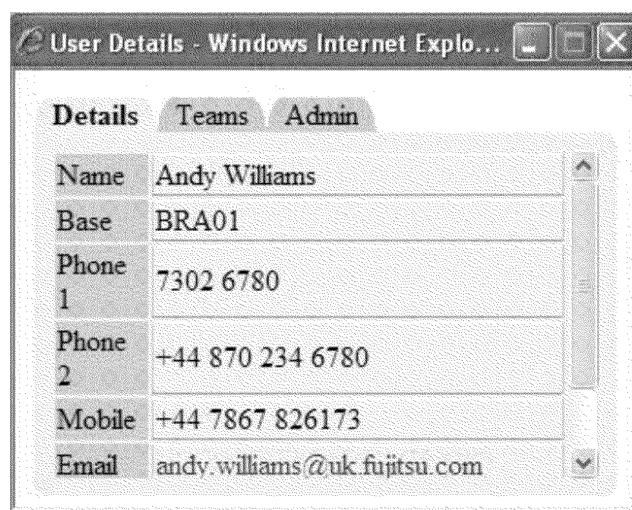


Fig. 8.15.1: User Details, Teams, Admin tabs

Clicking on the 'Email' hyperlink in the 'User Details' window will generate an e-mail addressed to that user and with the 'Subject' field pre-populated with the text: "Peak Incident PCnnnnnnn".

If the user name does not appear as a hyperlink then that user has since left the Company and been removed from Employee database.

## 8.16 Root Cause

The 'Root Cause' field is visible only from *Call Details* page. As a standard user, the root cause can be changed only if the call is on your Team's stack (§4.2.4). A 'Route Cause' must be specified before the call can be closed.





## 8.17 Collections

A Collection is a group of related calls. All the calls within a Collection can then be retrieved by building a query using the collection name (e.g. Collection – Equal To - <Collection\_name>, see §11.1 for details).

If the incident has been associated with least one collection, the background to the **Collections** button will turn orange in *Call Details* (as shown in Fig.8).

First a Collection must be defined (as described in §16) then incidents can be associated with (and then removed from) that Collection by pressing **Collections**:

Name	Description	Date Added	Added By		
HNGX DCA	Debit Card incidents	2011-05-18 11:03	Test User	Delete	TOP
Ref Data	Ref Data Peaks (confirmed or suspected)	2011-06-01 11:15	Test User	Delete	Set Top

Add Incident to Collection: HNGX Collection - Test PATHCode Collection (Public) [v] Add to Collection

Add / Amend / Delete Collections: Edit This Collection Edit Collections...

Back to detail

Fig.8.17: Call associated with 2 Collections

If there are any Collections already associated with the call then it will be shown in the top section of this screen (as shown in the Fig.8.17).

To add the call to an existing Collection, select the collection name from the 'Add Incident to Collection' drop-down list then **Add to Collection** which will then create an entry in the top section of the screen. Note that the 'Add Incident to Collection' drop-down list will only display Collections which you have permissions to update i.e. all public collections, your own privately created collections and your team's private collections

To remove this call from a Collection, press **Delete** on the relevant Collection line. The Delete button will only be enabled if you are the user who added the incident to the Collection or the Collection owner, otherwise it will be disabled.



You can also make a collection the top collection (which means that it will be displayed in the *Call List* if the 'Top Collection' column is configured), press the **Set Top** on the relevant Collection line. Note that the **Set Top** button will only be visible if this call belongs to more than one collection.

You could define a new Collection via this *Collections* page by pressing the **Edit Collections** button which will take you straight into the Collections definitions with a blank Collection (§16). Or you could edit one of your own Collections by selecting the name via the 'Add Incident to Collection' drop-down list and then pressing **Edit This Collection**. Note that if you will be shown a blank Collection if you select a Collection that you did not create.

## 8.18 Show/Hide Audit

The Progress field can hold progress text (responses added by users) and audit information (such as Call Type, Root Cause, References, Routing, etc.); which are effectively changes to all call attributes other than progress text.

You can adjust what is shown in the progress field by using the button which toggles between **Show Audit** and **Hide Audit**. Use **Show Audit** to view more than just the narrative text and **Hide Audit** to display progress only (no admin information). This toggle will then affect all calls viewed via *Call Details*.

Note that toggling the **Show/Hide Audit** buttons will affect the 'Initial Audit View ON' field on the *Preferences* page (§13.10) and vice versa, and also the *Expanded* view.

## 8.19 Add Response to a call

See §9.

## 8.20 Routing call to another team/user

Calls on Peak can be transferred between teams and within teams to individuals by first changing the 'Routing Team' and/or 'Routing User' fields (using the drop-down lists) then pressing the **Route** button. The default value is the currently assigned team and user. Users with the standard role may only route Open calls that are assigned to one of their teams.

If you know the user you want to route a call to but do not know which team(s) they are a member of, you may search for a user by pressing the ellipse button "(...)" which is next to the 'User name' field. This will display the "Choose a user" pop-up window that lists all the valid Peak users. Under 'Select User', choose the name you are looking for and then 'Select Team' will be populated with any teams that they are members of. Choose the appropriate team and press **OK** to copy these details back into your original form or **Cancel**.

Usually you will be able to route calls directly to individuals within a team. However team restrictions can be set up by the Peak Administrator, to prevent the routing of calls directly to members of a team. Instead the call will be routed to the "\_Unassigned\_" user within that team. This set-up is applies for calls routed to the EDSC, when a Prescanner within the SSC is responsible for routing all new unassigned calls to individual users.

Note that in the *Call Details* page, only the short name of the 'Routing Team' are displayed. But if you have IE7 or later, if you hover over the team name in the drop-down list a tool-tip will appear with the full team name.



### 8.20.1 QFP Team

The Quality Filter Process (QFP) team is the gateway into Systems Integration (SI) for non-SI teams, so all calls must be routed to this team for progressing by any SI team.

The members of the QFP are representatives of all the SI design/development units. Allied to the QFP Team is the QFP Forum which has a role similar to the Release Management Forum (RMF) but which authorises the release of fixes into baseline releases, rather than the live estate. For more details see document reference DE/PRO/015.

### 8.20.2 BIF Team

The Business Impact Forum (BIF) team is the initial review body for incidents raised by the live estate. They meet daily to discuss all Peaks on their stack and decide, depending on the business impact, whether a fix is justified. If it is not then the call is closed with a KEL otherwise the call will be routed through to Development to investigate and provide a fix is required. This relies upon Business Impact statements (§8.12) from the support and Development teams.

If an incident is urgent, it may by-pass the BIF team straight to Development but this should be stated in the Business Impact.

## 8.21 Action/Remove Action

Peak Incident Management System (\$ unread)

Call Reference	PC0205688	Call Logger	Customer Call -- EDSC	OTI Provider call
Release	Reported In -- HNG-X 01.00	Top Ref	3061914	References
Call Type	J -- HNG-X Data Centre Raised Incidents/Defects	Priority	B -- Progress Stopped	TIS Group:HNG SMC
Contact	EDSC	Status	Closed -- Advice after Investigation	
Impact		Business Impact		
Summary	FAD696311 transaction failed	Save Summary		KEL [?] [?] [?]

Date:24-Oct-2010 14:07:16 User: Customer Call  
CALL PC0205688 opened  
Details entered are:-  
Summary:Transaction Failure from branch code 696311  
Call Type:J  
Call Priority:B  
Target Release:HNG-X 01.00  
Routed to:EDSC -- Unassigned  
Date:24-Oct-2010 14:07:15 User: Customer Call

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT  
Date/Time Raised: Oct 24 2010 2:03PM  
Priority: B  
Contact Name: Adam Parker  
Contact Phone: 1438849264  
Originator: XXXXXXBTFS01  
Originator's reference: 3061914  
Product Serial No:  
Product Size: HNG SMC

During BCT -at 13:30 powered down pilinfw005. Recovery was within SLA then This transaction failed out of expected time window from branch code 696311 a card account transaction.

Incident History:  
---  
2010-10-24 14:03:08 [ Khan, Almiraz]  
INIT : create a new request/incident/problem/change/issue

Root Cause	41 -- General - in Procedure	Collections	Hide Audit	Add Response
Routing	EDSC	Team Only	Route	Remove Action
Subject Product	EPOSS & DeskTop -- Counter Common	Products		Expand
Assignee	Customer Call -- EDSC	Clone	Evidence	ReOpen
Last Progress	07-Dec-2010 11:10 -- Customer Call	Target: 27/10/2010	Cost: 0 Man Days	Graphs

close window main window find call print

Fig.8.21: 'Action on xOSR\_GDC' team

If you would like to place an action on a call to ensure that a person or team carries out certain tasks related to that incident (without losing control of the incident) then you can use this button which toggles between **Action** and **Remove Action**.





First change the Routing Team (and User) fields to the relevant team and user that you want to place an action on and then press **Action**.

Once the incident has an action defined, the **Action** button toggles to **Remove Action**, the button background changes to orange in *Call Details* and the actioned team is displayed above the button (e.g. "Action on xOSR\_GDC" as shown in Fig.8.21).

This will cause the actioned user/team to see this call in assigned queries as if it is on their stack but the call is not actually assigned to them. By default, you will not get an alert if call is actioned on you but this can be configured via Alerts (§17).

Once the tasks related to that call have been completed, you can **Remove Action**.

Note that if you action a team in another Company then that will allow them to access the call (§4.2.7).

## 8.22 Subject Product

Each Peak call must be related to at least one product. If the incident has been associated with more than one product then the background to the **Products** button will appear orange in the *Call Details*.

To view the products related to an incident, in the *Call Details* screen, click **Products**:

Product Group	Product	Version	Subject	Build Chunk	Deployment Group	Live	LST	SV&I	Delete	Subject
General Other Misc			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						Delete	Subject
HNG-X Platforms	BAL Management Collation Server (BMD)			DATABASE	DC_BAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Delete	Subject

Product Group	Product	Version
APS	AP-GGP	1

back to detail

Fig.8.22: Call associated with 2 Products





If there are any *Products* already associated with the call then it will be shown in the top section of this screen (as shown in the Fig.8.22).

The first product associated with a call is automatically designated the default 'Subject Product' which means that it will appear in the *Call Details* page. To change the default product, click the relevant **Subject** button in the *Products* form.

Note you will not be allowed to modify the *Products* if your role does not have the necessary privileges (§4.2.4). Consequently the middle section of the screen (as shown in the Fig.8.22) will only be visible for privileged roles to add a product to a call:

- If you know the product group and product then select a 'Product Group' which will then automatically populate the 'Product' drop-down list with only relevant products, then click **Add Product**.

Or

- If you only know the product (but not the product group) or you wish to see a list of all the available products then use **Find Product**. Start typing the product name into the 'Product name search' field and the products matching the text you entered will be displayed. Click the relevant **Select Product** button and this product/group will be copied into the *Products* page, then select **Add Product**.

If the product cannot be found then you can ask Peak to add it by clicking the 'Request a new product' link which will generate a new e-mail template addressed to Peak with the subject "Product request".

The Build Chunk, Deployment Group, Live, LST, SV&I headings are the release (deployment) groups and the rigs supporting the platform. If the 'Product Group: HNG-X Platforms' is selected then these fields will be automatically populated. This information was imported from the Platform Hardware Instance List (PHIL) document.

## 8.23 Expanded call details

The *Call Details* page displays limited progress text, to view the progress full-screen (without the scrollable area), click the **Expand** button to get an expanded view.

### 8.23.1 To save call as a file

The *Expanded Call Details* page is similar to the *Print* view and from this page, you can save the call to a HTML file:

- From the Explorer File menu, select "Save As".
- In the "Save Webpage" information box, respond **Yes** to saving webpage.
- A standard Microsoft Save Webpage window is displayed and defaulted to your local drive. Type in your filename and click **Save**.



## 8.24 Assignee

The 'Assignee' field shows you who the call is currently assigned to. The user name and team are concatenated and displayed in this read-only field. A call can be assigned to only one user at any one time (whilst the action may be placed on another user).

Clicking on the hyperlink in the 'Assignee' field will generate a new e-mail with the 'To' e-mail field populated with the full e-mail address of the assignee as well as the 'Subject' field populated with the text: "Query regarding Peak PCnnnnnnn you have assigned".

## 8.25 Clone a call

Pressing the **Clone** button will create a duplicate Peak call and display it in the *Call Details* page. The clone will look exactly like the original (including all progress history and references) except for the following:

Call Reference	The clone will have its own unique Peak call reference
Call Logger	Name of the Cloner and their default team
Top Ref	A reference to the master call is made the top reference. Similarly in the master call, the cloned call is made the top reference. Most of the original references are removed other than those to external systems.
Call Type	"C – Cloned call"
Contact	Name of the Cloner
Status	'Pending – Potential Problem Identified'
Progress	Some details about the creation date, time and user of the cloned call are added at the top, before the progress history from the master call. An update showing that this call was cloned, the original call reference and user
	are appended to the end of the original progress. Similarly the cloned call reference will be appended to the end of the master call.
Routing	The clone is automatically routed to the Cloner's default team and username.
Assignee	Name of the Cloner and their default team concatenated together.
Evidence	Links to all the evidence items are copied across

Two separate incidents will then exist on Peak (with different call references) which can be dealt with independently. Call cloning only takes place on Peak so if the call originated from the OTI link, a duplicate call will not be created on e.g.TfS.

Usually you will be able to clone calls however team restrictions can be set up by the Peak Administrator, to prevent all members of a team from cloning calls. If you wish this feature to be enabled/disabled for your team, first check with the Team manager then contact the Peak Administrator.

Note that you may clone closed calls but only if your Peak role allows you to do so (§4.2.4).

## 8.26 Evidence

Aside from text which can be directly input on to a Peak call, extra information such as log files, UNIX dumps, executables, etc. can be attached to calls as evidence.

If a call has evidence attached, the **Evidence** button will appear with an orange background in the *Call Details* page (as shown in Fig.8). There will also be a hyperlink to the evidence file in the Progress Narrative which can be used to open the evidence item directly.

Pressing **Evidence** will display a list of evidence files attached to this particular Peak call:

The screenshot displays the 'Peak Incident Management System' interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs: Evidence, File, Call, Conference, Options, and Help. Below this, a title bar reads 'Peak Incident Management System'. The main content area is titled 'List of Current Evidence Files (Open) displays contents in the browser, [Download] will save to your local disk.' It contains a table with columns: FileName, Description, Size, Type, Date, Compress, OS, and a set of action buttons (Open, Download, Delete, Update). The table lists five evidence files, with the last one marked as 'ARCHIVED'. Below the table is a 'Details of file to be added/amended' form with fields for Source File Name, File Type, Compression Type, Description, and Source OS. There are also checkboxes for 'Encrypt file' and 'Obfuscate file', and an 'Add Evidence' button. A 'Back to detail' button is located below the form. The bottom status bar shows 'Done' and 'Local intranet'.

FileName	Description	Size	Type	Date	Compress	OS	Download All
C:\temp\04_mes100923.txt	FAD401801-PostOfficeCounter log from counter 4 on 23/09/10	1183446	Text	2011-01-27 16:44:12	None		Open Download Delete Update
C:\temp\04_mes100923.txt	FAD401801-Message log from counter 4 dated 23/09/10	1183446	Text	2011-01-27 16:44:44	None		Open Download Delete Update
C:\temp\04_app.txt	FAD401801-App Event Log for counter 4	2708864	Text	2011-01-27 16:55:12	None		Open Download Delete Update
C:\Counters\CounterApp\CTR_04_0_5_15 release.txt	CTR_04_0_5_15 Release Note	61	Text	2011-04-04 16:43:32	None		Open Download Delete Update
D:\PC0100-1.ZIP	MWIDCA02 event & trace logs, heartbeat info	1972379	ZIP file	2004-09-09 16:05:34	ZIP file	Windows NT	ARCHIVED

Details of file to be added/amended

Source File Name:  Browse

File Type:  Compression Type:  None

Description:

Source OS:  ☐ Encrypt file ☐ Obfuscate file

Fig.8.26: Five evidence files one of which is encrypted and now archived

### 8.26.1 Adding evidence

Generally, to add a file as evidence to a Peak call:

- In the *Evidence* page, type in the 'Source File Name' (which is a mandatory field denoted by the orange background) or use the **Browse** button to display the standard Microsoft Windows "Choose file" window to locate your file then click **Open**.
- (Optional) If Peak has not correctly filled in the 'File Type' or 'Compression Type' then update these fields.
- Type in a 'Description' of the type of file or evidence attached (mandatory)  
The 'Description' field will be used in the hyperlink text in the Progress Narrative; which if clicked can be used to open the evidence item.



- (Optional) Choose the 'Source OS' (Operating System).
- Click **Add Evidence** to include the chosen file to the call, the new evidence is added to the list of evidence at the top of the page.

When an evidence file is uploaded, it is given a unique internal name starting with the Peak call reference and ending with its character extension (e.g. PC0101234\_123456.doc). Therefore when you open the evidence item, Windows will know which program to use to open it. But if you choose **Download**, the file will be saved using its original file name.

Compressed files can be added to calls but only if they do not need to be obfuscated.

### 8.26.1.1 Encryption of evidence

Peak can be used to handle secure data by encrypting data which is uploaded as evidence.

Selecting the 'Encrypt file' option will update the Progress text to log that a file has been placed in the encryption queue. The encryption job runs every 10 minutes and will compress the file, convert it into a Self-Decrypting Archive (SDA), add the evidence item and update the Progress text with a random pass-phrase (minimum of 10 characters) along with a link to the encrypted data.

If encryption fails for any reason, the file will not be made available to download, the Call Progress will be updated with a short error message and the User who added the evidence will be sent an e-mail.

Once available, another Peak user will be able to download the encrypted (\*.EXE) file and enter the pass-phrase to decrypt and access the data.

For additional security, encrypted files are deleted 28 days after the call is closed.

The software used to create the SDA is open source software AxCrypt which encrypts using AES-128 File Encryption.

### 8.26.1.2 Obfuscation of evidence

Before evidence containing personal/sensitive data can be passed to external Peak Companies (like the Fourth Line Offshore Support team in India GDC) it must first be obfuscated. To ensure this happens, the Obfuscation Tool has been integrated into the *Evidence* page.

The following files must be obfuscated before being sent offshore:

- counter PostOfficeCounter log
- counter message log
- BAL message log
- database exports

Files not listed above (e.g. BAL OSR logs) do not require obfuscation and may be attached in full.

Each file type has its own list of patterns that it is checking for, so you **MUST** select the correct type of file (e.g. 'BAL Message Log') after selecting 'File Type=Obfuscated File' and/or ticking 'Obfuscate file'. If the wrong file type is selected, the incorrect pattern file will be applied to the log and sensitive data may not get obfuscated.

If you are uploading evidence that has been logged by anything other than the default debug level (i.e. if you change the Log4j reporting level) the output will have to be checked manually for sensitive data.



The Obfuscation Tool can only deal with individual uncompressed files so the files must be presented to Peak one at a time and uncompressed:

- In the *Evidence* page, type in the 'Source File Name' (which is a mandatory field) or use the **Browse** button to display the standard Microsoft Windows "Choose file" window to locate your file then click **Open**.
- If Peak has detected that that file should be obfuscated, then you should **OK** the message:

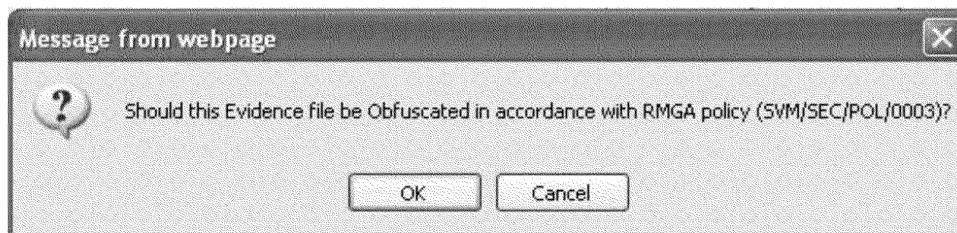


Fig.8.26.1.2: Obfuscation message

Then Peak will automatically fill in other fields for you, e.g. 'File Type=Obfuscated File', 'File Type=Counter Post Office Counter log', 'Compression Type=None' and 'Obfuscate file'.

- If Peak has not detected that the file should be obfuscated, then you will have to manually select 'File Type=Obfuscated File' and/or tick 'Obfuscate file'.
- Type in a 'Description' of the type of file or evidence attached (mandatory).
- Click **Add Evidence** to include the chosen file to the call.
- Then **OK** to "The file has been added to the Obfuscation queue. This incident will be updated with the link when it is available".

The obfuscation job runs every 11 minutes and will obfuscate the file, add an evidence item and update the Progress text with a link to the obfuscated data.

If obfuscation fails for any reason, the file will not be made available to download, the Call Progress will be updated with a short error message and the User who added the evidence will be sent an e-mail.

If the source file takes longer than 10 minutes to process, obfuscation will be aborted. If the source file contains anything other than plain text, the obfuscation will fail with "error 11" because it did not find any tokens to apply the pattern checks to.

More details including a definition of the error codes can be found on the SSC Web Site in WAD019 "Obfuscation Tool for evidence to External Peak Companies".

You could continue to route the call to the relevant team/user whilst waiting for the evidence to complete obfuscation (see §8.20) when you will be asked to confirm that the incident may be passed to the external company with the attached evidence.



### 8.26.2 Opening/Downloading (All) attached evidence

You can view evidence attached to a call, retrieve a copy of a particular file or retrieve all the files attached to a call.

To view a file attached to a call, use the **Open** button within the *Evidence* page or you can click on the link in the Progress text. But this only works for unzipped files since Windows Internet Explorer is called directly to view the file; the file will not be unzipped before it is displayed.

To retrieve one set of evidence, click the relevant **Download** button or the **Download All** button on the top to retrieve all the non-archived evidence for the incident. When you select **Save** for the first time that day, you will have to navigate to the correct directory. After this, the browser should remember the last directory used for the rest of the day. FireFox has configuration parameter for setting the directory of downloaded items.

Note that the **Open** and **Download** buttons may not be enabled depending on your level of privilege.

### 8.26.3 Deleting attached evidence

For security reasons, encrypted files are automatically deleted 28 days after the call is closed. If this has happened, the files on the *Evidence* form will have all the buttons (**Open**, **Download**, **Delete** and **Update**) replaced by the text "ARCHIVED" (as shown in Fig.8.26).

Evidence for other types of calls is not automatically archived but you can manually remove evidence by clicking the **Delete** button next to the relevant file within the *Evidence* page.

### 8.26.4 Updating attached evidence

To update an evidence file which has already been uploaded to Peak, clicking the relevant **Update** button. This will populate the 'Details of file to be added/amended' area in the bottom section of the *Evidence* form with the details of the evidence item. Then you can make any necessary changes: from changing the evidence description to replacing the file then press **Update Evidence** to save your changes.

## 8.27 Close/Reopen Peak-originated calls

The **Close/ReOpen** button will only be enabled if the call originated from Peak and your Peak role allows it; otherwise it will appear greyed out (§4.2.4).

Within the *Call Details* page, this button toggles between **Close** and **ReOpen** depending on whether the Peak call is open or closed.

For details on closing OTI-originated calls, see §9.4. Closed OTI-calls cannot be reopened using Peak.



### 8.27.1 Closing Peak calls

You will only be able to **Close** Peak-originated calls and only if:

- you are a member of the Assigned team
- you are a member of the Call Logger's team
- you have Administrator privileges
- you have set a Final Response Category (via **Add Response**) and a Root Cause – but only if the call has been through the rest of the Peak lifecycle (§4.2.3)

Once the call is closed, many fields and some buttons are disabled out but it is still possible to add a response and the **ReOpen** button will remain activated.

### 8.27.2 Reopening Peak calls

You will only be able to **Reopen** Peak-originated calls and only if:

- you are the Call Logger
- you are someone from within that user's team

Clicking on **Reopen** will immediately reopen the call and assign it to the current user and team. Full functionality will be returned; all the fields and buttons will be enabled again.

Note that instead of reopening a call, you could clone a close call; but only if your Peak role allows you to do so (§4.2.4).

## 8.28 Last Progress

This is a view-only field which displays the date, time and user who last made an update in the Response Text or Progress box for this call.

## 8.29 Target

This field is automatically populated with a date which is generated from the Call Type, Priority and date/time when the call was raised on the Peak system.

For example, the generated targets for incidents of the Call Type 'L' (Live incidents) are:

Priority A = 1 day

Priority B = 3 days

Priority C = 5 days

Priority D = 10 days



## 8.30 Cost in Man Days

The data in this field used to be used by the Release Management process.

Development can add the expected man days cost of the work to implement the change requested. This is added from the *Add Progress* page and may be searched using Query Builder.

## 8.31 Graphs

To see a simple graphical representation of the progress history of a call and how long it spent with different teams, click the **Graphs** button.

It will only show the teams after the call has been routed across to Peak so the time spent at the other end of the OTI will not be shown.

## 8.32 Stream

Stream is a product that the Security Team uses to register security incidents.

To generate an XML extract of a Peak call which is suitable for the Stream database, click the icon

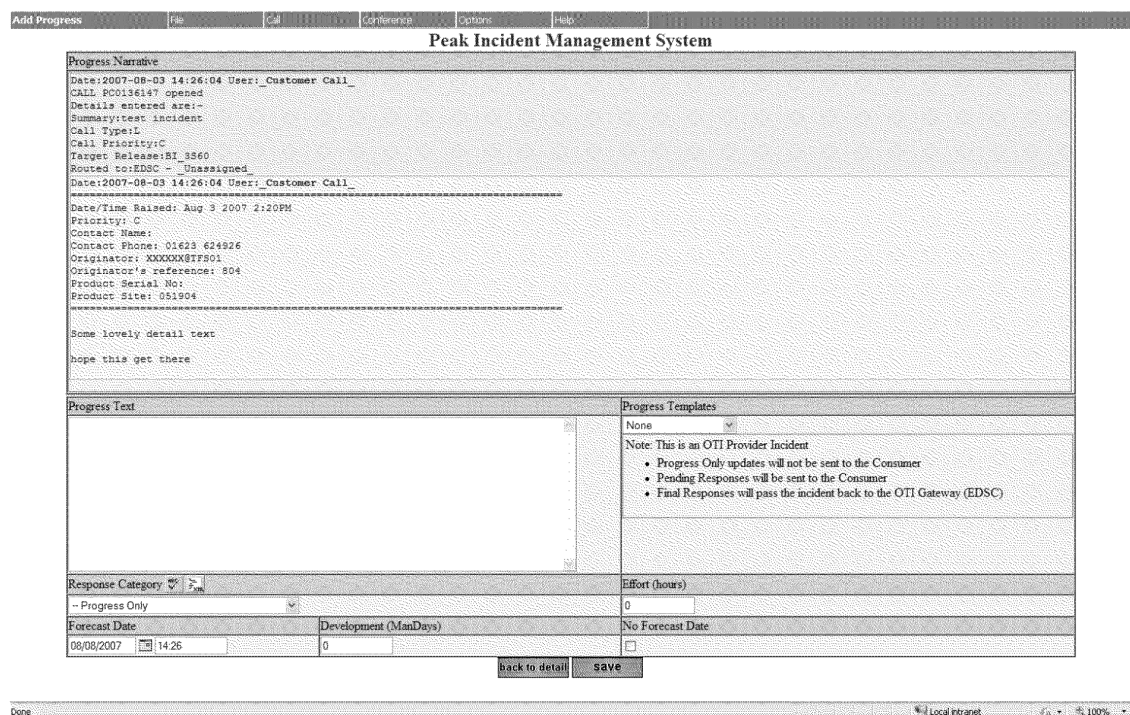


.How the Security Team uses this extract is beyond the scope of this document.



## 9 Responding to a call/Progress Text

To add an update or new information to a call, use the **Add Response** button from *Call Details*.



**Add Progress** | File | Call | Conference | Options | Help

**Peak Incident Management System**

**Progress Narrative**

Date: 2007-08-03 14:26:04 User: Customer Call  
CALL PC0136147 opened  
Details entered are:-  
Summary: test incident  
Call Type: I  
Call Priority: C  
Target Release: SI 3360  
Routed to: EDSC - Unassigned  
Date: 2007-08-03 14:26:04 User: Customer Call  
=====

Date/Time Raised: Aug 3 2007 2:20PM  
Priority: C  
Contact Name:  
Contact Phone: 01623 624926  
Originator: XXXXX@FPO1  
Originator's reference: 804  
Product Serial No:  
Product Site: 051904  
=====

Some lovely detail text  
hope this get there


**Progress Text**

**Progress Templates**

None

Note: This is an OTI Provider Incident

- Progress Only updates will not be sent to the Consumer
- Pending Responses will be sent to the Consumer
- Final Responses will pass the incident back to the OTI Gateway (EDSC)

**Response Category**  **Progress Only**

**Forecast Date** 06/08/2007 14:26 **Development (ManDays)** 0 **Effort (hours)** 0

No Forecast Date

**Back to detail** **Save**

Done Local intranet 100%

Fig.9: Add Progress screen on an OTI call

Then enter your update in the Progress text box and choose an appropriate 'Response Category' from the drop down list then click on **Save** (or **Back to detail** to return to the *Call Details* page without saving).

If more than one user tries to update the same call at the same time then they will be shown *Update Conflict* screen and they will be given the opportunity to save or discard their update.

You can also send the contents of an e-mail as an update to an incident. To do this, send an e-mail with:

To, CC or BCC field = **PCnnnnnn** **GRO**

where PCnnnnnn should be replaced by the relevant Peak call reference. The process to add e-mails to incidents runs every 10 minutes and will reply to you via e-mail if successful or unsuccessful. Only the ASCII version of the e-mail is added as progress and any attachments are captured as evidence.

Note that the maximum size of response that TfS can cope with is 4Kb so be aware that the TfS update may be truncated when sending responses back across the OTI.



## 9.1 Progress Narrative

Information that has already been added to the call is displayed in this field and is not editable. The content might have been transferred to Peak via the OTI or it could be text input into Progress box of the *New Call* page when the incident was first created.

Text highlighted in blue in the 'Progress Narrative' window indicates a link to files such as evidence, MSCs and SSKELs that are attached to the call.

## 9.2 Progress Text/Response Text/Final Text

The title of this window will change dynamically depending on the 'Response Category' selected:

- Progress Text if 'Response Category: Progress Only'  
Updates of this type will not be sent to the external Helpdesk; they will just appear on the Peak.
- Response Text if 'Response Category: Pending'  
Final Text if 'Response Category: Final'  
These types of updates will be sent to the external Helpdesk (TfS or QC).

Each progress update has a unique 'name': #Progress1, #Progress2, #Progress3, etc. The name can be determined by manually counting the number of preceding updates or in the tool-tip name; by hovering within the relevant update. This enables you to create links which point directly to a specific update. So if you wanted a link to the 12th update of incident PC020804 in another call, add a **Call Reference** with the value 'PC020804#Progress12'. Alternatively, you could send someone the complete link:

**IRRELEVANT**

You can embed HTML into a progress update by including the text "[HTML]"; which will apply to all the text in that update. For example,

```
[HTML]
<TABLE border="1" cellpadding="1" cellspacing="0">
<TR>
<TD BGCOLOR="#CCCCCC"><B>Client</B></TD>
<TD BGCOLOR="#CCCCCC"><B>No_of_Txns</B></TD>
<TD BGCOLOR="#CCCCCC"><B>Time_in_APS workstation</B></TD>
</TR>
<TR><TD>2968</TD><TD>5</TD><TD>seconds</TD></TR>
<TR><TD>2777</TD><TD>6</TD><TD>seconds</TD></TR>
<TR><TD>2772</TD><TD>3749</TD><TD>33 mins</TD></TR>
</TABLE>
```

The table above <b>only</b> shows the differences.

which is displayed as:

Date:21-Feb-2011 14:49:03 User:Test User

Client	No_of_Txns	Time_in_APS workstation
2968	5	seconds
2777	6	seconds
2772	3749	33 mins


The table above only shows the differences.

Fig.9.2: Rendered HTML in the Progress Narrative




If there was a problem rendering the HTML then there will be a problem displaying the Peak call. To resolve this, contact the Peak Support.

#### Spell Checking

Clicking the icon  enables you to spell check the text in this window. The *Spell Checker* pop-up will be displayed and allow you to step through potential spelling mistakes and select from a list of alternatives. To replace a word with an alternative, click on it in the drop-down list or move on to the next mistake by pressing **Skip Word**. When complete, to copy the new text back into the Progress window press **Done**; which can be used at any time to skip the rest of the spell check.

This feature is also available when creating new calls (§12.3).

#### Format XML

Highlight the relevant text in the Progress window then click the icon  to check the format of the XML and make it more readable.

## 9.3 Progress Templates

Templates may be used to provide forms for the user to complete or guidelines for information required for a type of incident. The 'Progress Templates' drop-down list, on the *Add Progress* page, gives a list of possible pre-defined text templates that may be applied to the response box. When a template is selected the corresponding text is appended to the Progress area; which can then be edited before selecting a Response Category and pressing **Save**.

To create, edit or delete a Template see §26.

## 9.4 Response Category

Some guidance on Response categories is available via the *Main Menu*: **Procedures** button (currently only available to OTI Administrator roles).

Several Final response categories shown in the 'Response Category' drop-down list have an orange background (e.g. '62 – Final – No fault in product') this indicates that they are black mark closure categories for the filtering teams and they count against that team's filtration targets. These categories should only be used in those cases where the filtering team should have been able to resolve the call themselves or they did not provide the appropriate evidence as requested in a KEL.

Depending on the call type, the process below may also be described briefly in the helpful text underneath the 'Progress Templates' drop-down.





### 9.4.1 Responding to Non-OTI Originated Calls

If you type in a Progress update but do not select a Response Category, the default is 'Progress Only'. This response type will just save the update to the Peak call; so, for QC incidents, the update will not be sent to QC.

Pending responses will also only appear on Peak call except for QC incidents when the update is also copied back to QC.

Selecting a Final response will route the call back to the Call Logger who should check if they are happy with the response and either close the call or return it for more information (e.g. '52 - Pending - Response Rejected').

But for QC incidents, a Final response will route the call to the QC Interface team and a resolved message will be sent to the QC interface. If the QC user is happy with the response they will send a 'Closure Agreed' which will close the Peak or a 'Fix Rejected' which will route the Peak back to the last team. For more details, see §4.3.3.

### 9.4.2 Responding to OTI Originated Calls

Whilst the OTI call is in the Pending state, all updates or responses will be sent back over the OTI to update the originating Helpdesk; except for 'Progress Only' updates (which only update the Peak call). It should take 2 minutes for Peak updates to appear on their TfS call and similarly for TfS updates to appear on their Peak call. Note that any OTI updates over 4Kb sent to the TfS Helpdesk will be truncated.

Once the OTI call has a Final response, the incident will be routed back to the OTI Administrator team (currently the SSC) to check the integrity of the closure response before closing the call on Peak; which sends the Final response back across the OTI and passes ownership back to the originating Helpdesk. The Helpdesk can then continue working on the call (checking back with the Branch, route the call onto another Helpdesk, etc.) before closing the call on their system.

## 9.5 Effort (hours)

This field was used by Release Management process to identify the expected man effort the fix to a call will require.

However with the introduction of Release Planning, this field is now no longer used.

## 9.6 Forecast Date and Development (ManDays)

On the *Add Progress* page, these are fields that may be populated as part of the Release Management process.

When a Fix Impact is added by Development to a Peak, the expected date of the fix will be completed and it is entered as a 'Forecast Date'. The amount of time that the fix will take to complete is entered as 'Development (ManDays)'.

Both these fields are available to be displayed on the *Call List* and to be searched for using Query Builder.

However with the introduction of Release Planning, these fields are now no longer used.





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## 9.7 No Forecast Date

By ticking 'No Forecast Date' (and also entering a Response), the 'Forecast Date' field will become disabled and is set to a date far into the future ("31/12/9999 00:00").

This means that the 'Time to Target (days)' column which, if you have configured it to be displayed in the *Call Details* page, will start counting down – ignoring core hours, weekends or Bank Holidays - from a very large number and be shown in green until it becomes overdue and will be shown in red.

## 10 Searching for Calls

There are 3 ways to search for a particular call or a set of calls:

- Quick Search for simple searches if you have a reference (e.g. Peak, TfS, etc.)
- Freetext searching to search for text within a call
- Query Builder for more complex searches – see (§11)

A very quick way to view a call is to enter the *Call Details* page of another call and then modify the Peak reference bit of the URL address so it looks like: "...?Call Reference=<other Peak reference>".

### 10.1 Quick Search – find call [f]

*Quick Search* provides a facility for searching for a call based on the references that can be added to Peaks (call reference numbers, Release Notes, KELs or TfS call references).

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<input checked="" type="radio"/> Call Reference	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Other Reference
<input type="radio"/> Equal To	<input type="radio"/> Like
<input type="radio"/> Search All Calls	<input type="radio"/> Search Open Calls Only
Reference: 3137479	Search

Fig.10.1: Quick Search for TfS 3137479

Enter a 'Reference' to search. This can be a Peak Call reference or a reference which has been added to a Peak such as Release Notes, KELs or TfS call reference (§8.5). No wildcards are allowed in this field and it is optional to include the "PC" Peak call reference prefix.

Then choose the relevant radio buttons depending on the kind of search you wish to do, then select **Search**:

- Decide whether the Reference given was a Peak Call Reference or Other Reference.



- Decide whether you want the search to find calls 'Equal To' or 'Like' the Reference entered.
- Define the range of the search – 'Search All Calls' or just 'Search Open Calls Only'.

If only one result from the search is found then the call it is displayed directly in the *Call Details* page but if more than one result is found then the calls will be displayed in a *Call List* grid.

## 10.2 FreeText searching

SQL server offers a facility for string comparisons similar to Internet search engines returning results and a matching score or rank. The index used for this searching is held outside of SQL Server, which means that these queries do not have the same impact upon Peak as searching the Progress Text via Query Builder.

First, you will need to configure the type of search that is to be performed and then start the search by



pressing the icon “ ”:

- Wildcards - Partial word matching is possible using the “\*” character. (e.g. “Config\*” would look for all words starting with “Config”)
- Match ALL words - Search for progress updates that include all the search words (i.e. AND function). This is the default.
- Match ANY words - Search for progress updates that include any of the search words (i.e OR function). Note: This will take longer than the match ALL option and may timeout.
- Limiting matches - Restrict the returned matches to 50, 100 or Unlimited (9999).
- Ordering - The returned matches are listed in order of relevance then latest date. But if you select the 'Order By Date' it will default to Unlimited matches.

SQL server ignores some keywords which are removed before the query is executed. If your search consists entirely of ignored words a warning will be displayed.



Each progress update is searched individually (rather than the entire incident) so some Peaks may appear more than once in the results list.

Since the index is only (incrementally) rebuilt every Sunday morning at 06:30, any progress that was added during the week will not be available for searching instantly.

If the keywords appear in the progress text more than once its ranking score will increase (out of 1000) and the match will be listed higher in the results list.

Try to make your search as specific as possible, a single word search may match several hundred updates. If they all have the same rank then only the first 50/100 matches will be displayed and may not include the incident you were really interested in.

If you want to see all the calls in the result list in a *Call List* grid, press the **Create Call List** button at the bottom of the page. This will call up the *Multi-Query* form and automatically generate a CSV list with just the matched call references (§11.3).

Some of the information above can also be found on the *FreeText* page (“ **FreeText searching help**”), click on the icon “” to see the help on FreeText searching.

## 11 Queries

Queries are pre-defined search criteria which can be used to find calls quickly.

If you have not defined a default query (usually if you are a new user), Peak will create one for you which will be used to load up the *Call List* on first logon – this usually displays open calls in all of the user's teams. This query can be edited by the user via Query Builder and new queries can be added and saved in the *Query List* for future use.

### 11.1 Query Builder - build query [b]

The *Build Query* page has several parts and functionalities. Searches can be simple or complex; depending on how many conditions need to be satisfied.

Query builder acts as a Graphical User Interface (GUI) where users can use drop-down lists to select fields, operators and values to generate 'Peak Query Code' (which will automatically generate the underlying 'SQL Query Code').

Fig.11.1: Query Builder screen with 'SQL Query Code' window

The 'SQL Query Code' window in Fig.11.1 is only visible to the SQL role (§4.2.4). It enables those roles to define queries by directly entering the SQL or by editing the produced SQL script in this window.





### 11.1.1 Search Title

If you are going to store this query for retrieval in the future, it is recommended that you type some descriptive text in this field to help distinguish this query from others.

If no title is entered, then the first 50 characters of the 'Peak Query Code' will be used.

### 11.1.2 Field to be compared, Operator and Value

These three components are combined to produce a search condition. More complex queries can be generated by defining more than one condition. Results are displayed only if the resulting query is true.

The 'Field to be compared' drop-down list contains columns in the Peak call that are most frequently searched. If the column you wish to search on is not listed then e-mail the Peak Administrator to request that it is added to the list.

Example of a simple search To retrieve a list of all (open and closed) calls progressed by me in the last week:

- Select the following from the drop-down lists:

Field to be compared = Progressed By Me

Operator = Greater Than

Value = [LAST WEEK]

- Click either the **Add (and)** or **Add (or)** button to populate this condition into the 'Peak Query Code' as:

Progressed By Me – Greater Than – '[LAST WEEK]'

and automatically generates the underlying 'SQL Query Code'.

- At this point, this simple query can be saved or just run using the **Save Query** and/or **Run Query** buttons.

### 11.1.3 Add (AND) and Add (OR)

The **Add (and)** button is equivalent to the logical AND operator where all conditions have to be true for the query to be fulfilled.

The **Add (or)** button is equivalent to the logical OR operator where only one of the conditions has to be true for the query to be fulfilled.

The 'Progressed by' query option allows you to search for progress added by another user. Due to the possible number of matches it is recommended that at least another condition is also added.



Example of a more complex search To retrieve a list of all (open and closed) calls progressed by the user Tom Banks yesterday.

- Create the first simple search condition:

Progressed by – Equal To – 'Tom Banks'

- Click either the **Add (and)** or **Add (or)** buttons to populate the Peak and SQL Query Code fields.
- Create the second condition:

Date Last Updated – Equal To – '[YESTERDAY]'

- Since both conditions must be true for this query to produce the desired results then **Add (and)** must be used to combine both conditions with the "AND" operator in the Peak and SQL Query Code windows:

Progressed by – Equal To – 'Tom Banks' AND Date Last Updated – Equal To – '[YESTERDAY]'

Note that if **Add (or)** was used, instead of **Add (and)**, then you would get a list of all the calls ever progressed by the user Tom Banks as well as a list of all calls last updated yesterday (by anyone).

#### 11.1.4 Parse Query and Clear Query

If you have the SQL role then after you have made some manual changes in the 'Peak Query Code' window, use **Parse Query** to check the validity of the 'Peak Query Code' before populating the 'SQL Query Code' window with the equivalent update.

If you do not have the SQL role then **Parse Query** will be done automatically whenever a query is saved or run.

**Clear Query** will reset all the fields in the *Build Query* form.

#### 11.1.5 Add Events

Peak events, such as when an incident is routed to a particular team, can be added to a end of a completed query

A pop-up window similar to *Build Query* is displayed. Simply select the fields, operators and values for a simple or complex event search then click **Add To Query** and the event will be added to the end of the 'SQL Query Code' or **Exit**.

##### 11.1.5.1 Set as Default Query

Selecting this option will make the current query your default query which will be loaded automatically upon logon and will be shown as your default query in the *Query List* (§11.2).

##### 11.1.5.2 Share Query

Selecting this option will make the current query a shared query which can then be listed and executed from the *Query List* page by any user (§11.2).



### 11.1.6 Peak Query Code

When you click on **Add (and)** and **Add (or)**, the selected SQL statement is displayed in this window.

The content of the 'Peak Query Code' field can be edited. But you should only type in your own queries if you have extensive knowledge of the underlying views and tables in the Peak database. If you type in a column name that is not in the views used in Peak, your query will not return results that you expect.

### 11.1.7 SQL Query Code

This window is only visible if your role allows and it will display the underlying views and tables that will be used based on your search criteria.

If your role allows, you may type in your own SQL statements into the 'SQL Query Code' field. But you should only type in your own queries if you have extensive knowledge of the underlying views and tables in the Peak database. If you type in a column name that is not in the views used in Peak, your query will not return results that you expect.

### 11.1.8 Sort Fields

The set of fields: 'Available Sort Fields', 'Order Direction' and 'Ordered Fields' allow you to choose the order the results from the query will be displayed in the *Call List* page.

- Select the columns you wish to sort on by highlighting them in the 'Available Sort Fields' window.
- Choose the 'Order Direction' (ascending or descending order).
- Click the **>Add Ordering>** button to migrate your selected columns into the 'Ordered Fields' window. This box shows the fields that will be sorted and the field at the top will have the highest priority. You can change the priority of the fields by highlighting the field in 'Ordered Fields' and clicking on the up and down arrows "▲" and "▼" to increase or decrease its priority order.

If you want to remove one or more sort fields, highlight the field(s) in 'Ordered Fields' then click the **<Remove Ordering<** button.

### 11.1.9 Displayed Fields

The set of fields: 'Available Display Fields', 'All Fields' and 'Displayed Fields' allow you to define the columns to be displayed when the results of the query are returned in *Call List*.

To speed up display, deselect 'All Fields' and customise the 'Displayed Fields' list so just those columns that you are interested in are displayed.

The functionality here is similar to that explained for Sort Fields (in §11.1.8).

The default set of columns listed in the 'Displayed Fields' window can be configured via:

- 'Set as Default' (§11.1.9.2) or
- 'Default Query Fields' in *Preferences* page (§13.11)

The 'Call Reference' column is a mandatory field which is always shown in 'Displayed Fields' and cannot be removed.

Note that the order of the displayed columns is not configured in *Build Query* but in *Call List* (§7.3).



### 11.1.9.1 All Fields

This is just a quick way to display all the columns and overrides the columns listed in the 'Display Fields' window. By default, this box is unchecked which activates the **>Add Field>** and **<Remove Field<** buttons.

### 11.1.9.2 Set as Default

This allows you to configure the default columns for all new future queries:

- Edit an existing query so it has the fields you wish to be default in its 'Displayed Fields' window.
- Tick the box named 'Set as Default' then **Save Query**. Note that the query must be saved for the default fields to take effect.
- This will add the new default 'Custom' option to 'Default Query Fields' in *Preferences*. Although the default option, you will still be able to change it to one of the other predefined options (§13.11).

### 11.1.10 Retrieve Query

Click to display a list of all your saved queries in the *Query List* page (§11.2).

### 11.1.11 Save Query

Click to store the current query in the *Build Query* page for future use. The query will then appear in the *Query List* page (§11.2).

### 11.1.12 Run Query

Click to cause the selected criteria to be run against the Peak database – without saving.

If the query is successful, the system will automatically open the *Call List* page displaying all the calls that matched your criteria.





## 11.2 Display list of queries - query list [q]

The *Query List* page displays a list of saved queries that currently exist for your user. It will show you which query has been defined as your default query (to be run at logon) and whether any are shared queries. You can choose to **Edit**, **Run** or **Delete** your queries.

Query List				File	Cal	Conferences	Options	Help	
Peak Incident Management System									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Shared Searches <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Query Text									
Query Title				Peak Query Text				Ordering	Default/Shared
Edit	Run	Del	Fixed calls	Collection - Equal To - FTMS Fixed					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Edit	Run	Del	Users Teams Open Calls	Generated Default Query				[Call Reference] ASC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Shared Searches <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Show Query Text									
Query Title				Peak Query Text				SQL Query Text	Owner
Run			All RNBs	Status - Not Equal To - 'C' AND Summary - Like - 'RNB'				SELECT [Call Reference],[Actioned Team],[Actioned],[Assignee],[Call Logger],[Assigned Team],[Date Opened],[Date Last Updated],[Priority],[Product],[Status],[Summary],[Target Release],[Target Date] FROM dbo.fnCompanyCallDetails(-1458) WHERE [Status] != 'C' AND [Summary] like '%RNB%' ORDER BY [Summary] DESC	Steve Harding
Run			Fixed calls	Collection - Equal To - FTMS Fixed				SELECT [Call Reference],[Summary],[Priority],[Assignee] FROM fnCompanyCallDetails(-1706) WHERE ([Call Reference] IN (SELECT DISTINCT CollectionCalls meadid from Collections, CollectionCalls where CollectionCalls CollectionId= Collections.CollectionId and Collections name = 'FTMS Fixed'))	Test User2
Run			Garretts calls	Assignee - Equal To - 'Garrett Simpson' AND Status - Not Equal To - 'C'				SELECT [Call Reference],[Assignee],[Summary],[Date Last Closed],[Date Last Updated],[Priority],[Product],[Status],[Top Reference] FROM dbo.fnCompanyCallDetails(-217) WHERE [Assignee] = 'Garrett Simpson' AND [Status] != 'C' ORDER BY [Priority] ASC, [Call Reference] ASC	Garrett Simpson
Run	john			Assigned Team - Equal To - 'MSU-Indt Mgt' AND Assignee - Equal To - 'Angela Shaw' AND Status - Not Equal To - 'C'				SELECT * FROM dbo.fnCompanyCallDetails(-948) WHERE [Assigned Team] = 'MSU-Indt Mgt' AND [Assignee] = 'Angela Shaw' AND [Status] != 'C' ORDER BY [Call Reference] ASC	Angela Shaw
Run	Me			Status - Equal To - 'O' AND Assignee - Equal To - 'Pat Carroll'				SELECT * FROM dbo.fnCompanyCallDetails(-325) WHERE [Status] = 'O' OR [Assignee] = 'Pat Carroll'	Patrick Carroll
Run			Open Series 5000	Summary - Like - 'RNB%' AND Status - Not Equal To - 'C'				SELECT [Call Reference],[Summary],[Top Reference],[Assignee] FROM dbo.fnCompanyCallDetails(-989) WHERE [Summary] like '%RNB%' AND [Status] = 'O' AND [Status] != 'C' ORDER BY [Summary] DESC	Keith Saunders
Run			SSC	Assigned Team - Equal To - 'EDSC' AND Status - Not Equal To - 'C'				SELECT [Call Reference],[Assignee],[New/Changed Flag],[Priority],[Date Opened],[Summary],[Top Reference] FROM dbo.fnCompanyCallDetails(-121) WHERE [Assigned Team] = 'EDSC' AND [Status] != 'C' ORDER BY [Assignee] ASC, [Target Date] ASC	Anne Chambers
Run			via call logger	Call Logger - Equal To - 'Marshall Cumming' AND Status - Not Equal To - 'C'				SELECT * FROM dbo.fnCompanyCallDetails(-702) WHERE [Call Logger] = 'Marshall Cumming' AND [Status] != 'C'	Marshall Cumming
<div>build query</div> <div>main window</div>									

Done

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Fig.11.2: Query List showing Shared searches and Query Texts

If you are a new user, initially this list will just contain the default query set up by the Peak Administrator. You can change the default by creating a new query and ticking its 'Set as Default Query' box (§11.1.5.1). You will not be allowed to delete your last (default) query; otherwise Peak will not have a query to load at logon.

Shared searches are just queries that can be shared with everyone else on Peak (§11.1.5.2). The 'Show Shared Searches' field is a toggle which will hide/display the list of queries that have been shared and allows you to **Run**, but not update, them.

The 'Show Query Text' field is a toggle which will hide/display the Peak Query Text and underlying SQL Query Text for your specific and shared queries.



## 11.3 Build query using CSV list

The *Multi-Query* form offers a quick way to enter a list of calls (as a comma separated list) which will be displayed in a *Call List* grid.

It can be instigated via the menu: Call/Build New Query/Use CSV List or via **Create Call List** which will pre-fill in the Peak references using the results from a FreeText search (§10.2).

To generate a *Call List* just containing the calls specified:

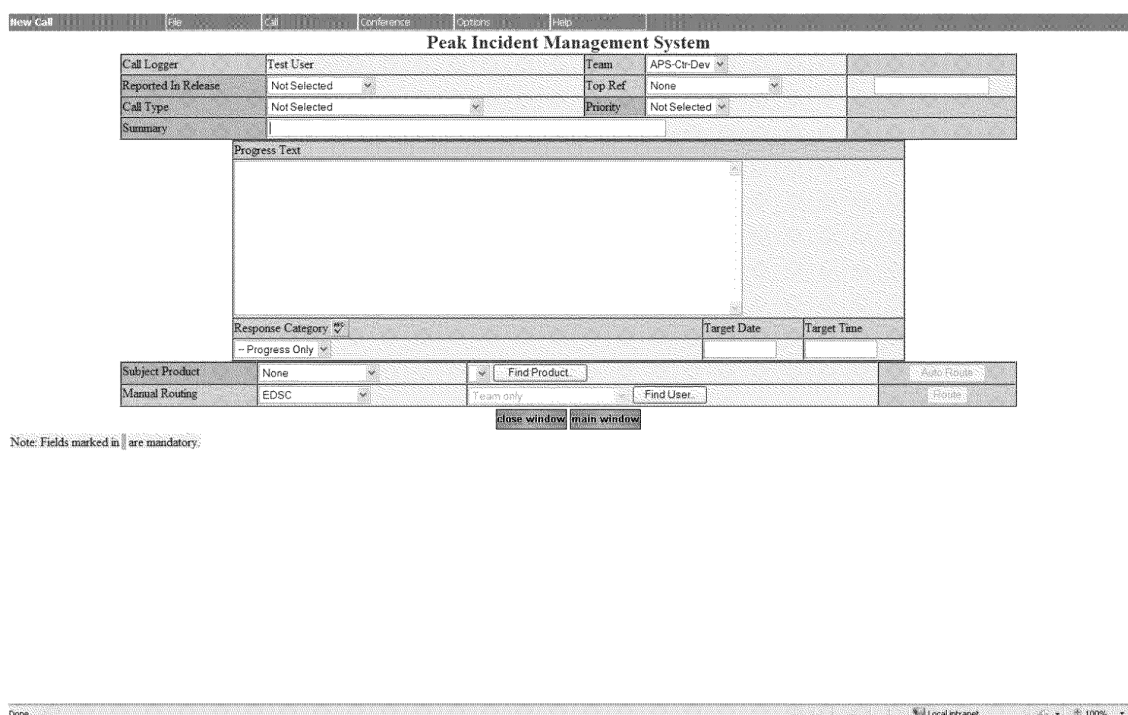
- Select the type of references that are going to be entered (which can be Peak, QC or TfS References or Release Notes)
- Type in a comma-separated list of references
- Press **Create Call List**

## 12 Creating new Calls – new calls [n]

When a new incident is reported, there must be a formal way of tracking and fixing the problem, an incident or call must be raised and this can be done from an external helpdesk (TfS/QC) or from within Peak depending on who the incident is being reported by e.g. Post Master via HSD, Events via SMC or Testing via Testers.

This section explains how to create new Peak incidents. These calls are known as non-OTI originated or OTI Consumer incidents which can be sent across the OTI to generate Helpdesk calls.

If you cannot create a new Peak call it could be because you are a member of the 'Read Only' role. Contact the Peak Administrator if you wish to change this.



**Peak Incident Management System**

Call Logger	Test User	Team	APS-Cv-Dev
Reported In Release	Not Selected	Top Ref	None
Call Type	Not Selected	Priority	Not Selected
Summary			

Progress Text

Response Category: - Progress Only

Target Date: Target Time:

Subject Product: None Find Product: Auto Route

Manual Routing: EDSC Team only Find User: Route

close window main window

Note: Fields marked in [orange] are mandatory.

Fig.12: Create new Peak call page

Peak will automatically populate the 'Call Logger' and 'Team' fields with the information based on your user account details but you can change the 'Team'.

The mandatory fields are initially shown in orange and are: 'Reported In Release', 'Call Type', 'Priority', 'Summary' and 'Subject Product'. As each mandatory field is populated, its colour will change from orange to grey (normal). When the last mandatory field has been completed, the **Route** button will be activated and when selected, a new Peak call reference will be generated then the call will be assigned to the specified team or individual.

The current process does not allow Development to raise new calls or clone calls. They have to contact someone in the OTI Administrator team (currently the SSC) to do this task on their behalf.

Generally the fields on this page are as described in sections: §8: Displaying Call Details and §9: Responding to a Call. If there is a difference in functionality or more explanation is required then they are listed below.

## 12.1 Reported In Release

Each team has their own list of possible releases when raising a new call. The list changes if you choose a different call logging team. If you are a member of multiple teams you may do this at the time of raising a new call by changing the 'Team' in the top selection box.

If the release you require is not available in any of your teams, contact the Peak Administrator to make the release available to the appropriate team.

For more information, see §8.4.

## 12.2 Top Ref

If you wish to define a top reference when creating a new call, the procedure is very similar to that explained in §8.5, when adding references to existing *Call Details*.

To add a reference to a new incident:

- Select the reference type from the 'Top Ref' drop-down list (e.g. 'MSC').
- This will display two boxes to the right of 'Top Ref' which are equivalent to the 'Reference Value' and 'Expected Format' fields in the *References* page (§8.5).

The screenshot shows the 'Peak Incident Management System' 'New Call' form. The form is divided into several sections. At the top, there are tabs for 'File', 'Call', 'Conference', 'Options', and 'Help'. Below these, there are fields for 'Call Logger' (Test User), 'Reported In Release' (Not Selected), 'Call Type' (Not Selected), and 'Summary'. To the right of these fields are 'Team' (APS-Ctr-Dev), 'Top Ref' (MSC), 'Priority' (Not Selected), and 'Expected Format' (043Jnnnnnnn). Below these fields are two large text boxes for 'Progress Text' and 'Response Category' (Progress Only). At the bottom, there are fields for 'Subject Product' (None), 'Manual Routing' (EDSC), and buttons for 'Find Product', 'Find User', and 'Route'. A note at the bottom states: 'Note: Fields marked in || are mandatory.'

Fig.12.2: Defining an MSC top reference for a new call


- If necessary, change the template for the reference type by using the Expected Format drop-down list (e.g. '043Jnnnnnnn' and '043Jnnnnnnn-nn').
- Type in the Reference Value – which must be of the expected format.





## 12.3 Response Text/Progress Text

The title of this window (Response Text or Progress Text).will change dynamically depending on the 'Call Type' selected.

Any information deemed relevant can be added as text to the call. Within this window, you can embed HTML into a progress text and run spell checker .

For more details about this field see §9.2.

## 12.4 Response Category

The contents of the 'Response Category' drop-down list will vary depending on the 'Call Type' that was selected.

Use this drop-down list to define the response category of the text that you entered in the 'Response Text/Progress Text' field (Progress Only or Pending).

See §9.4 for more information.

## 12.5 Target Date and Time

'Target Date' is the timescale within which a fault Peak call should be resolved. It is dependent on the Call Type and Priority so once both of these fields have been selected, the 'Target Date' and 'Target Time' fields will both be automatically be generated from the current date and time.

'Target Time' is displayed in local time.

See §8.29 for more information.

## 12.6 Auto Route/Route

All new calls must be initially routed to a Peak team. If required, that Peak team can then route the call onwards to an external helpdesk like TfS.

Calls can be routed to teams/users within Peak or to external systems like TfS; but only if your Peak role allows you to do so (§4.2.4).

Once the mandatory fields have been completed, the **Route** button will become enabled. By default, new calls will be routed to the 'Call Logger' but you can specify another team or user (via the 'Manual Routing' drop-down lists and **Find User**) then click **Route**. This will commit the details of the call to the Peak database, allocate a unique Peak reference and route the call to the relevant stack.

If the **Route** button does not become activated when all the other fields in the *New Call* has been completed, this could be because you are running an older version of IE which does not correctly handle the javascript commands that enables this button. You can either upgrade to (at least) IE6 Service Pack 1 or set the 'Priority' of the call last, which will cause a page refresh.

Note that the **Auto Route** button has been permanently disabled and will be removed in the future.

## 13 Setting User Preferences [p]

The *Preferences* screen allows individual users to customise Peak. Any changes made in this screen are automatically saved and activated otherwise use the Back button on the Browser to cancel.

Fig.13: User Preferences page

Note that any configuration changes made via *Preferences* will not affect any existing windows that were open before the update was made.

### 13.1 Current Default Logging Team

When a new account is created, the Peak Administrator will set up this value.

Some users belong to more than one team. This option allows these users to select a different default team so that any new calls created by them are now logged as being raised by this new team (§12).

If you only belong to one team then there will be only be one option in the drop-down list.

### 13.2 Current Background

This option changes the background image that appears as wallpaper when you log into Peak client.

There are a selection of backgrounds but if you would like to make your image available to everyone then e-mail Peak Support.



## 13.3 Size Call List for Fullscreen

This option only applies to the HTML and Java grids.

By default, the HTML *Call List* grid comes with a set of scroll bars which can be removed by selecting the 'Size Call List for Fullscreen' option. This also means that if you print the page in landscape you will get a nicer printout of the call list; without the scroll bars (§14.1).

In IE, to toggle between full-screen mode (which removes the IE menus and tabs and fills the whole screen with just the Peak window) and the regular view, select View/Full Screen from the IE Menu bar or press F11. Selecting this option with a Java Call List grid will resize the display for IE full-screen mode.

## 13.4 Automatically Fullscreen Call Details

To ensure that whenever you display the *Call Details* page it will always open in a wider and bigger view select the 'Automatically Fullscreen Call Details' option.

## 13.5 Automatically Refresh Call List

This option only applies to the HTML, DHTML and Java grid (not AJAX).

Set the frequency that Peak should refresh or update the incidents in the *Call List* (default is 10 minute intervals). If you do not select this option, you can use the **Refresh** button in *Call List* to force a refresh whenever you wish.

## 13.6 Display Horizontal lines in the Call List

Horizontal lines are drawn between each call in the HTML and Java *Call List* grids.

## 13.7 Display Queries in HTML Grid

If you select this option, you can then choose which one of three HTML grids (HTML, DHTML or AJAX) the results from queries (via the *Call List* page) is to be displayed (default is HTML). If you deselect this option, the HTML, DHTML and AJAX options will be disabled and Peak will use the Java grid.

The HTML version is robust in that it will work with most browsers but it has the limitation in that any more than 100 rows will cause the query to slow down so this grid should only be used if the call list has less than 200 rows.

The DHTML version has the benefit of being a dynamic grid with improved functionality (i.e. client-side sorting, dynamic column sizing and column ordering) but it may be slower.

The AJAX version is a simple, lightweight grid but with very fast XML data refresh (once every minute). This fast refresh rate is achieved by just getting back the changed text; not the whole page. But the disadvantages of this grid is that it cannot be customised, sorted or columns re-sized and there is no bulk update.

With the Java grid you can resize the columns, drag and drop columns and narrow columns and you can load as many as 15,000 rows without losing speed. But, unlike with HTML/DHTML when no preparatory work is needed before Peak can be used, Java must be installed and the ODBC configured before use. Also be aware that this option is due to be phased out soon.

For a pictorial representation of the grids, see §7.



## 13.8 Open Call List in a new page

If this option is ticked, whenever a user opens a *Call List*, it will be opened in a separate window preserving the page the user on.

## 13.9 Open Add Response/Progress in a new page

If this option is ticked, whenever a user selects **Add Response**, the new *Add Progress* page will be displayed in a separate window.

## 13.10 Initial Audit View ON

If this option is selected then audit information is displayed in the *Call Details* page (and the **Hide Audit** button will be shown).

If this option is deselected then no audit information will be displayed in *Call Details* (and the **Show Audit** button will be shown).

Note that toggling the **Show/Hide Audit** buttons in the *Call Details* page will affect this option (§8.18) and vice versa.

## 13.11 Default Query Fields

This option relates to the type or level of fields that will be displayed in the 'Displayed Fields' list when building a new query via Query Builder. It can be set to one of the following pre-defined levels:

- Release Details
- Minimal (default)
- Medium
- Long
- Custom (optional)

The 'Custom' option will only appear if you have previously defined a customised set of default query fields within Query Builder (§11.1.9.2).

## 13.12 Peak Button Style

Select the style of Peak buttons from a selection (default is Metal).

## 13.13 Call Progress Narrative Colour One/Two

Define two background colours which are used to highlight alternating progress updates in a call.

## 13.14 Data Field Colour

Define the background colour which is used to highlight data items on pages.





## 13.15 Printing uses the default printed (Deprecated)

## 13.16 Open Default Call List when Logon

If this option is not selected then, after you have logged into Peak, you will be left at the *Main Menu*.

If this option is selected then you will be left at the *Call List* page after the default query has been run (as configured in Query Builder, §11.1.5.1).

However, even if this option is selected, to ensure that everyone sees any new broadcast messages (§29), or if you have any undeleted messages, you will be taken straight to the *Main Menu* to read your messages before being allowed to continue.

## 13.17 Main menu Call List button always opens Default list

If selected, when the **Call List** button on the *Main Menu* is pressed, the default query (as configured in Query Builder, §11.1.5.1) will be opened otherwise the last query loaded will be opened.

## 13.18 Main menu graphic banners

These are graphical backgrounds displayed on the *Main Menu*, relating to the style of buttons available (i.e. Glass or Metal).

## 13.19 Hide logon page installation message (Deprecated)

## 13.20 Use my background picture on the logon page (uses cookies)

If selected, the same background picture that was set up in the 'Current Background' field (§13.2) will be displayed on the *Logon* page otherwise it will display the default Peak mountain background.

## 13.21 Stretch background images (IE only)

If the background picture is smaller than the screen resolution, the picture will be tiled in the background. If selected, the picture will be stretched to completely fill the background and only works on IE browsers.

## 13.22 Fix (Java) Call List size

This allows you to customize your Java *Call List* to a specific size rather than the default full screen and **Save** it.

## 13.23 Default Logging Call Type

You can use this option to set the 'Call Type' field to default to a certain call type when a new call is raised (§8.6).



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## 13.24 Automatically logon to TfS via links

This option relates to any links that when clicked take you directly into TfS (§8.5 and 8.8); without you having to provide your login credentials each time. To enable this to happen, you must set up your TfS Username and Password login details within *Preferences* and then **Save**.

Once setup, you will be able to view a particular call in TfS that has been set up via *References* (§8.5), or view a list of calls raised on TfS by a particular Branch via 'HNG-X Site' in *Call Details* (§8.8)

For this facility to work, the password in this field needs to be kept in sync with your actual your TfS password.

## 13.25 Java Call List Font

This option defines the font, font style and size to be used by the Java *Call List*.



## 14 Printing calls

Several options exist within Peak for printing incidents depending on what type of print output you want.

### 14.1 Print a call list

If you want a printout which is effectively a screen capture then, at the appropriate screen, select from the IE menu: File/Print which will display the standard Microsoft Printer options window. This method can be used to print a HTML/DHTML/AJAX call list. Note that in HTML, if you set the 'Size Call list for Fullscreen' option in *Preferences* then the scroll bars will not appear in the printout (§13.3).

To print a Java call list, just press the **Print** button at the bottom of the *Call List* page. Note that the Java grid is sized to fit all the fields on the page so if the printout is tiny then remove some of the displayed fields in the query (see §11.1.9).

Another method that can be used to print the call list is to use **Copy** from the *Call List* to copy the grid into an Excel Spreadsheet and then print its contents. For more details see §7.5.

### 14.2 Print individual call details

To print the call details for a single call, first view the incident via *Call Details* or *Expanded Call Details* then use the **Print** button provided by Peak.

### 14.3 Print multiple call details – multiprint [m]

Call details from several incidents can be printed in one go by using this option which can be invoked using one of the following:

1. *Main Menu*: click the **Multi print** button
2. drop-down menus at the top of each page: select Options/Multi-Print
3. shortcut key: press "m" key on the *Main Menu* page ("[m]")

An empty *Multi-Print* screen will be displayed when called via the above 3 methods. In the 'Calls to be printed' field, type in a comma separated list of the call references to be printed (e.g. "PC0083330, PC0089261, PC0093131") then press the **Print Calls** button else **Cancel Printing**.

4. (HTML/DHTML/Java) **Multi Print** button in *Call List*. This button will become activated as soon as you select at least one call.

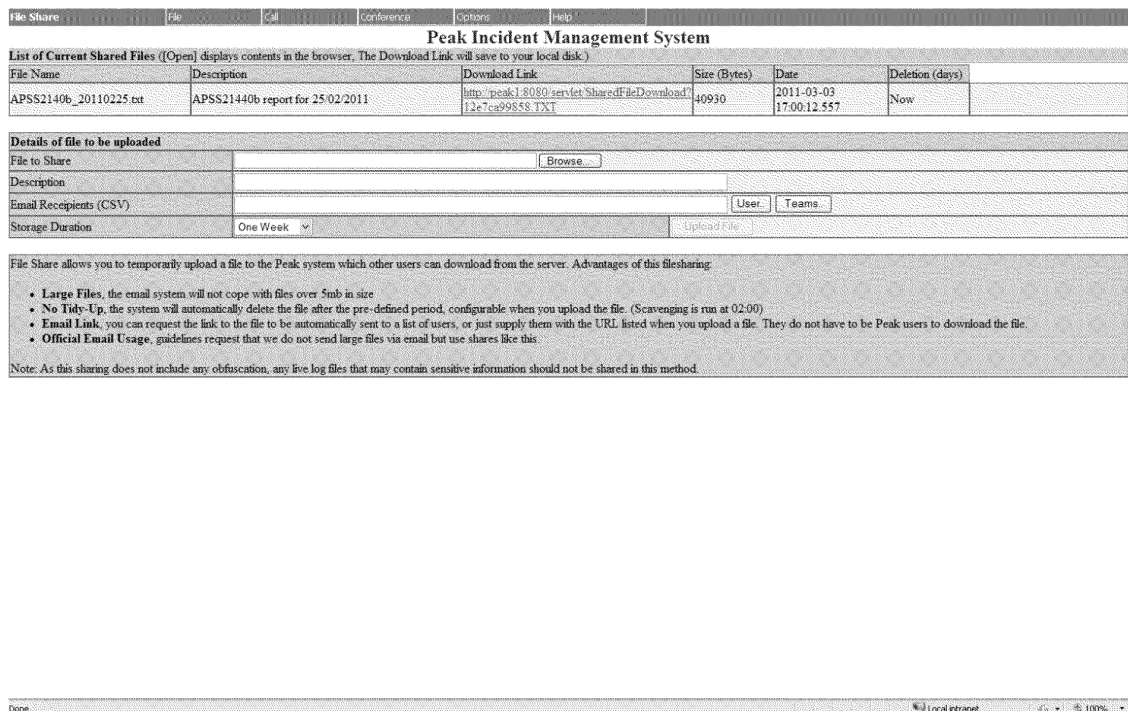
To select the calls, in HTML use the tick boxes on the left-hand side of each call and in DHTML/Java CTRL+click individual calls. As soon as you press **Multi Print** Peak will start printing the first call.

Each call reference starts off in the 'Calls to be printed' window then it is removed as the Microsoft Print window appears for you to select the printer and click Print. Then depending on whether the print was successful, the call reference will appear in 'Calls printed' or in 'Calls in Error'.

Note that the Microsoft Print window will be displayed before an attempt is made to print the incident (as well as for each retry). This is because *Multi-Print* opens a new hidden page for each call and automatically prints it before moving on to the next call. IE does not allow for web pages to print themselves without prompting the user.

## 15 File Share [s]

The *File Share* screen enables you to temporarily upload a file to the Peak server which later can be downloaded by other users; which do not have to be Peak users.



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List of Current Shared Files (Open displays contents in the browser. The Download Link will save to your local disk.)

File Name	Description	Download Link	Size (Bytes)	Date	Deletion (days)
APSS2140b_20110225.txt	APSS21440b report for 25/02/2011	http://peak180801/servlet/SharedFileDownload?12e7ca99558.TXT	40930	2011-03-03 17:00:12.557	Now

**Details of file to be uploaded**

File to Share:

Description:

Email Recipients (CSV):

Storage Duration:

File Share allows you to temporarily upload a file to the Peak system which other users can download from the server. Advantages of this file sharing:

- **Large Files**, the email system will not cope with files over 5mb in size
- **No Tidy-Up**, the system will automatically delete the file after the pre-defined period, configurable when you upload the file. (Scavenging is run at 02:00)
- **Email Link**, you can request the link to the file to be automatically sent to a list of users, or just supply them with the URL listed when you upload a file. They do not have to be Peak users to download the file.
- **Official Email Usage**, guidelines request that we do not send large files via email but use shares like this

Note: As this sharing does not include any obfuscation, any live log files that may contain sensitive information should not be shared in this method.

Fig.15: File Share page with an existing uploaded file.

Company guidelines request that we do not send large files via e-mail but instead use shares like this. The Company e-mail will not cope with files over 5Mb in size whereas files up to 90Mb can be shared in this way:

1. Type in or **Browse** to the file you wish to share.
2. Type in a brief description of the file
3. Type in a list of the e-mail recipients separated by commas (e.g. "alan.brown@GRO,barbara.long@GRO"). If you do not know the e-mail address you can search for it by **User** name or Peak **Team**.  
An e-mail will automatically be sent to the recipients (as well as yourself as the instigator) with the subject "File Share Notification" containing a link to the file (or you could upload the file and copy the 'Download Link' URL into an e-mail yourself).
4. Select how long the file should be kept for on the Peak server (from one week to one year).  
Peak will automatically delete the file after the configured period. Scavenging runs at 2am daily.
5. Press **Upload File**.





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Once the file has been uploaded, you can select **Open** to display the contents in the browser or **Delete**. To retrieve a copy of the file, click on the 'Download Link' and then Save to your local disk.

File Share has no facility to perform any obfuscation. If it is required then you will have to do this yourself by calling the stand-alone version of the Obfuscation Tool (see document reference DEV/GEN/SPG/0023) before uploading the file onto Peak.

Note that files bigger than 90Mb can still use the Peak share by the file must be uploaded manually by the Peak Support, e-mail Peak with your request and details.



## 16 Collections [c]

Collections allow a user to group a set of related calls under a defined name. These calls can then be retrieved by building a query using the collection name (e.g. Collection – Contains - <Collection\_name>, see §11.1 for details).

To define or create a new Collection:

- Decide who you want to be able to update this Collection.
  - Private/Any Team      restricted to the creator (default)
  - Private/<Team>      restricted to any user in the selected <Team>  
In this case, Peak will automatically add the text “(Team)” to the end of the Collection description in the ‘Add Incident to Collection’ drop-down list.
  - Public      unrestricted; anyone may update this Collection – tick ‘Public’.  
In this case, Peak will automatically add the text “(Public)” to the end of the Collection description in the ‘Add Incident to Collection’ drop-down list.

Note that anyone who adds a Peak to a Collection may also remove them. But the owner may remove any Peaks from a Collection.

- Select ‘New Collection’
- Type in a name and description for the Collection
- Press **Create Collection**.

The screenshot shows the 'Peak Incident Management System' interface. At the top, there's a menu bar with 'Collections', 'File', 'Call', 'Conference', 'Options', and 'Help'. Below the menu, the title 'Peak Incident Management System' is centered. A 'Select Collection' dropdown is set to 'HNGX DCA'. Below this, there's a form with fields for 'Collection Number' (13), 'Name' (HNGX DCA), 'Public' (checked), and 'Description' (Debit Card incidents). A status bar indicates 'There are 3 Calls in this collection'. Below the form are buttons: 'Save Changes', 'Restore to saved', 'Delete Collection', 'Create Collection', and 'Remove All Incidents'. A text box explains 'What are Collections?'. Below that is a table of associated calls.

PEAK	Adding User	Adding Date	Summary	
PC0097454	Test User	18-May-2011 11:03:28.480	DCFM_C2_BULK_PIDBCSM_C2_BULK_PAPA1 error	Remove
PC0099247	Test User	04-Mar-2011 14:21:39.697	BAD Alert For DCA0_1' Monitor On FATAL Services Monitor View	Remove
PC0100516	Test User	04-Mar-2011 14:21:54.713	DCA0 2HB Active No contact from monitor last 20 seconds	Remove

Fig. 16: Collection showing the 3 associated calls.




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To update an existing Collection, use the 'Select Collection' drop-down list to choose the relevant Collection name. Note that the drop-down list will only display collections that you have permissions to change i.e. your own public and privately created collections.

Once a Collection has been created, the **Create Collection** button is disabled but the **Save Changes**, **Restore to saved**, **Delete Collection** and **Remove All Incidents** buttons are available. The Collection can now be populated with calls via the **Collections** button in *Call Details* (§8.17).

After having updated any of the fields in this *Collections* page, for the change to take effect use the **Save Changes** button otherwise **Restore to saved** to ignore any updates and restore the *Collections* page to the last saved version.

If there is at least one call associated with a collection, you can press the icon , next to the legend "There are N Calls in this collection", to display an embedded list of these calls. From here, you can click on the Peak reference link to view the call details or **Remove** a particular call from the Collection. Note that the **Remove All Incidents** button will remove all the calls associated with a Collection.

**Delete Collection** will remove the selected Collection and any associations that this Collection had with any calls will also be severed.

Here follows some examples of the ways Collections can be used.

Example 1 Release Management review a number of Peak incidents each week. Usually they e-mail out a list of these calls to all those involved in the review and they print and read the list before attending.

Release Management could create a new Collection named 'RMF to be reviewed', then they can add those calls to be reviewed at the next meeting to the collection.

Release Management could then create a new Query that lists all the calls in this Collection

(Collection – Equal To – 'RMF to be reviewed')

and mark it as shared.

The review members could run this shared query to create a call list of those calls to be reviewed, they could highlight all the calls and use multi print to print all the calls.

The Collection could be kept up-to-date with and new additions to the review, if they want other people to be able to add calls to this collection they would make it public.

Example 2 Peter is in the Support Unit. Sometimes he may diagnose a call which he then passes on to Development, however he would be interested in the progress of this call and would not like to lose sight of it. He can create a private collection, add any calls of interest to it and create a query to display all calls in the collection.



## 17 Alerts [a]

Alerts are activated when a specified action or trigger takes place. You can configure what types of alerts are generated and what action will trigger those alerts from the *User Alerts* screen.

To create a new Alert:

- Type in a name and summary description for the Alert
- Decide which single action will activate the alert from the 'Activates when' drop-down list:
  - Call arrived on a team
  - Call assigned to a team member
  - Call closed
  - Target Release changed
  - Call arrived on system
  - etc.
- Select the type of alert you want delivered using the 'Delivered by' drop-down list:
  - Email  
sent to your e-mail address registered on Peak (or in the Company database) and it will include a HTTP link to the Peak call
  - Mobile Phone SMS (Short Message Service)  
delivered to your mobile phone. Once 'Mobile Phone SMS' has been selected, a field will appear for you to type in a mobile phone number. If you have registered an Alert phone number with Peak (e.g. when your Peak user was created, §4.2.1) then this number will be retrieved and displayed but you can change it.

If you wish to register or change your registered Alert phone number on Peak, get in touch with the Peak Administrator.

  - PEAK user message  
shown in the *Main Menu* page immediately after you have logged in (§29).
- Adjust the following set of fields to further specify your alert or leave them unchanged; so everything is matched:
  - Assigned Team/User equals
  - Priority equals
  - Logger Team/User equals
  - Call Type equals
  - Actioned Team/User equals
  - Release equals
  - Collection equals

For example, to create an alert when a call arrives on any team then just set the trigger as 'Call arrived on team'. But to generate an alert when a call arrives on a specific team, you must also select the team name from the 'Assigned Team equals' list.





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- Tick 'Alert is enabled' otherwise the alert will be created but not activated.
- If required, tick 'Complete Call Text sent in email'.
- Press **Create Alert** to generate the alert.

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Your current alerts are listed below, click on any alert to edit it.

Title	Delivery	Header	Enabled	Event	Assigned Team	Assigned User	Actioned Team	Actioned User	Logger Team	Logger User	Priority	Release	Call Type	Collection	Complete
test_user2 -A Priority Incidents	email	A Priority PEAK assigned to me	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Call assigned to team member		Test User2					A				

**Update alert 1078**

Named: test\_user2 - All Incidents      Activates when: Call assigned to team member

Delivered by: email

Summary Description: All Priority PEAK assigned to me

Assigned Team equals: Any Team      Assigned User equals: Test User2      Priority equals: Any

Logger Team equals: Any Team      Logger User equals: Any User      Call Type equals: Any Type

Actioned Team equals: Any Team      Actioned User equals: Any User      Release equals: Any Release

Collection equals: Any Collection

Alert is enabled: ☒      Complete Call Text sent in email: ☐

Create Alert   Save Changes   Restore to saved   Delete Alert   Clone Alert

main window

Fig.17: Updating an existing Alert

All new Peak users are automatically set up with an enabled alert which will send them an e-mail when they are assigned an 'A' priority call but you can change this alert so that the e-mail triggers on calls of any priority. To update an existing alert:

- Click on the alert that you wish to change at the top half of the *User Alerts* screen, which will highlight the alert in orange and then update the bottom half of the form with its details.
- Change 'Priority equals' to 'Any'
- Update the 'Named' and 'Summary Description' fields to reflect this change in functionality
- To create a new Alert and keep the existing 'A' priority alert, press **Clone Alert**. To save these changes to the existing alert, press **Save Changes** or **Restore to saved** to cancel the changes and **Delete Alert** will remove this Alert altogether.

You will not be alerted to changes that you yourself have initiated. Therefore if you assign a call to yourself and you have an alert which triggers when you are assigned a call, you will not receive the alert.

## 18 Conferences

This feature allows any Peak user to create a forum or conference for discussing a topic. Each root conference may be further broken down into 3 levels of sub-topics or sub-conferences.

A Conference may have a status of open/closed and public/private. Only invited users can read, update or create sub-conferences for Private conferences; invited by the conference convenor/creator. Whereas any user can read, update or create sub-conferences for Public conferences.

There are two ways to navigate between the Conference functions:

1. Using menu driven command under the main headings: Conference/Summary, View Conference, Search and Maintain.
2. Using the Conference menu bar which appears in all of the Conference screens:

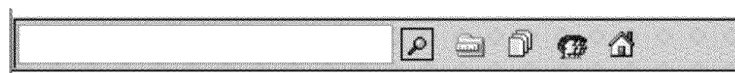


Fig.18: Conference menu bar

Clicking on these icons will take you to the same screens as via the Conference menu.

- You can search conferences for specific text. Type the text into the field, then click this icon (Conference/Search)
- Create and maintain a conference (Conference/Maintain)
- See a summary of all the conferences (Conference/Summary)
- View and add a comment to a particular conference (Conference/View Conference)
- Refresh or reload the current page/screen
- Return to the *Main Menu*

Note that as with many of the pages within Peak, if you hover over the buttons you can get tool-tips with more help. Also it is not possible to delete a Conference.

### 18.1 View Summary of all Conferences

On the top of this screen is the Conference menu bar (§18) and a count of how many Open, New and Closed Conferences there are on the System.

There is also a summary of any New Conferences which were opened in the last week followed by a list of Hot Conferences which is the top 10 conferences with the most updates.

Some Conference names will be hyperlinked which will take you to view a specific conference. But you will only be allowed to view details of conferences that are public or private conferences that you have been invited to join.



## 18.2 View a Conference

By default, the 'Conference Narrative' will display all the sub-conferences for the open root Conference that appears first alphabetically (unless a link to a specific Conference was selected).

The Conference displayed can be configured via the first 'Conference' drop-down list. If the conference has 2 or even 3 levels of sub-conferences associated with it then 1 or 2 further 'Conference' drop-down lists will be shown; allowing finer configuration. Ticking 'Display Closed Conferences' will include closed conferences in the list of Conferences. If you select a private conference the text "You do not have the required permissions to view this conference" will appear in the narrative window.

You can submit comments to the Conference via 'the Add Progress to Conference' field then clicking **Add Progress**. Your text will then appear in the 'Conference Narrative' and the order of the narratives can be changed using "▲" or "▼" (date descending/ascending order). Submissions may not be edited once they have been posted.

You may also add Peak references to the Conference by selecting the 'Reference Type', filling in the 'Reference Value' then clicking **Add Reference**. Your linked reference will then appear in the list of 'References' on the right-hand side of the page.

At the bottom of this screen is a variation of the Conference menu bar (§18).

New updates that a user has not viewed before are highlighted by the icon "NEW".

## 18.3 Search Conferences

The Conference menu bar is used to perform searches within all open Conferences for specific text (§18).

Type in some text into the field, then click "🔍" or press ENTER. The search results will be displayed in the middle of the page: Conference (and sub-topic) details along with each of the matches found in the 'Conference Narratives'.

You can click on the Conference name to take you to view a specific conference screen.

## 18.4 Maintain a Conference

A variation of the Conference menu bar is shown on the top of this screen (as explained in §18).

Within this page, you can create new conferences and add sub-conferences (or sub-topics) to an existing conference:

- To create a new root conference:
  - Type in the new (root) conference name.
  - Select 'Create new Root Conference'.
- To create new level 2 and 3 sub-topics:
  - Make sure the levels above already exist. For example, if you wish to create a level 3 sub-topic, ensure that the root Conference and the level 2 sub-topic have been created beforehand.
  - Type in the new sub-topic name.
  - Select 'Create new Sub-Conference in' and the root conference name. If applicable, also select the level 2 sub-topic name (and level 3 sub-topic name) from the drop-down lists.



- Select either 'Public' or 'Private' status. Private conferences may only be viewed by users invited by the conference convenor/creator (configured as described in §18.4.1).

- Then click **Create New Conference**

The bottom of the screen will display all the Conferences owned by you (click 'Display Closed Conferences' to also display your closed conferences). You are allowed to **View** (§18.2) or **Edit** (§18.4.1) these conferences.

### 18.4.1 Edit a Conference

On the top of this screen is the Conference menu bar (§18).

Once you have chosen a Conference to update, you can change the Conference name, status from Open (updateable) to Closed (read only).

If a Conference is defined as Private, from within this screen, you can grant users permission to view it by using the **>>Add User>>** and **<<Remove User<<** buttons. By default the owner is automatically included in the Private Conference.

Then **Save Changes** or **Restore to Saved**.





## 19 Help [h] and FAQ

This document is available from within Peak via drop-down menu: Help/On-line Help or via *Main Menu: Help*. There is also a link from the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page and in the Java Call List there is a **Help** button.

The *FAQ* page is available from within Peak via drop-down menu Help/FAQ. This is a quick aid to help solve the most common questions faced by Peak users. They are listed in no particular order and the Browser Find facility (CTRL+F) can be used to search within the *FAQ* page.

## 20 New Password

Normally after 50 days your Peak password will expire but you can change it before that via *Main Menu: New Password* and then pressing the **Change** button.

The Peak password rules are explained in §4.2.2.

## 21 OTI (OTI Admin role only)

The *Set OTI* screen allows you to set the OTI interface status and the default 'Release: Reported In' for any calls that originated from across the OTI.

The OTI status can be configured to be up or down. If the status is down, a warning message will be shown in OTI-originated calls on the top right-hand corner of the *Call Details* screen (§8.3):

Peak Incident Management System (1 unread)

Call Reference	PC0136347	Call Logger	Customer Call -- EDSC	OTI Down
Release	Reported In -- HNG-X INT1	Top Ref	113167	References
Call Type	L -- Live use error	Priority	B -- Business restricted	Sic: 253518
Contact	EDSC	Status	Pending -- Incident Under Investigation	
Impact		Business Impact		
Summary	Missing lines on receipt from counter printer			Save Summary

Date: 03-Mar-2009 13:58:20 User: Customer Call  
CALL PC0136347 opened  
Details entered are:-  
Summary: TEST  
Call Type: L  
Call Priority: B  
Target Release: HNG-X INT1  
Routed to: EDSC -- Unassigned  
Date: 03-Mar-2009 13:58:20 User: Customer Call

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT  
Date/Time Raised: Jul 22 2008 5:17PM  
Priority: B  
Contact Name: PM  
Contact Phone: 01935 423696  
Originator: XXXXXX@TFS01  
Originator's reference: 113167  
Product Serial No: 253518  
Product Site: 253518

TEST

Incident History:  
---  
2008-07-22 17:17:05 [Richardson, Mark]  
INIT : create a new request/incident/problem/change/issue  
---  
2008-07-22 17:18:59 [Richardson, Mark]  
sneun en rmd : Open Notification

Root Cause	None	Collections	Hide Audit	Add Response
Routing	EDSC	Team Only	Route	Action
Subject Product	General Other Misc -- Counter procedures	Products	Expand	
Assignee	Unassigned -- EDSC	Clone	Evidence	Close
Last Progress	16-Mar-2011 15:44 -- Test User	Target: 06/03/2009	Cost: 0 Man Days	Graphs

Close window main window find call print

Fig.21: "OTI Down" warning and default 'Release:Reported In'



## 22 Procedures (OTI Admin role only)

Clicking the **Procedures** button will display a document which describes how SSC team members should perform internal procedure known as "Prescan".

## 23 Stats

This option will take you to the Peak Statistics page.

You can see an overview of the Peak incident metrics or drill-down to information based on Team, Product, Tickets, Call Type or Releases.

## 24 Monitors

Clicking on the **Monitors** button will give a real-time view of the Network banking service fatal monitors and online transactions on the live estate. You can also use this page to determine the status of Branch communications.

The view is fed by data from the SMDB (Systems Management Database) Fatal Monitors every minute but due to replication issues on the SMDB it may be a couple of minutes behind. You can drill down to get a lower-level view of the banking transactions.

Note that the **MM** (Management Monitor) button at the top of the "SMDB – Fatal Monitors" page has now been disabled.

## 25 Reports

This option will take you into the *Reports* page which is an alphabetic list of reports requested by various groups:

Name	Description
HNGx Build Progress Prevented Prevented'	Incidents in the collection 'HNGx Build Progress
Level 4 Reports	Level 4 incident and defect reports
Live Incident by Team	count of live incidents by Team
Obfuscation Report	Obfuscation attempts with Peak reference, user, return codes
Release Status	count of incidents by Release Status
SLT Summary	list of all open incidents with active SLTs

Clicking on the 'Report Name' will either allow you to generate or open and save the report.



## 26 Templates

If you find that you or your team are typing in the same or similar text over and over again in call responses, you should use templates. You will be able to call up the template from the *Add Progress* page (via the 'Progress Templates' drop-down list), edit it before saving it as your response (§9.3).

Templates can be used by anyone but they may be owned by a particular team to restrict editing.

To manage templates, use the **Templates** button on the *Main Menu*.

To create a new template, set 'Select Template=New Template', type in a 'Template Name' and specify the 'Owning Team' (from any of the teams you are a member of); this restricts further changes to the template to members of that team only. Type in the template text and when finished press **Add Template**.



To edit an existing template, select the template name from the 'Select Template' drop-down list. You will be allowed to change 'Template Name', 'Owning Team' or template text then press **Save Changes** or **Restore**. Otherwise use **Delete Template** to remove the template from the System.

## 27 Branch Note (OTI Admin role only)

The *Main Menu*: **Branch Note** button is only available to OTI Administrator roles.

The *Branch Notes* screen can be used to add information about a particular branch (e.g. that it is a VIP site or AEI-enabled branch). This note will then be visible in all calls raised by that Branch; in the *Call Details*.

There are two ways to enter the *Branch Notes* form to create, add or view notes:

- To create the first branch note for a branch, you must use the **Branch Note** button in *Main Menu*.  
You will be asked to type in the FAD/Branch Code then click on the icon “” before the *Branch Notes* screen is displayed. This method can also be used to view and add more branch notes.
- If the Site has a call with a branch note associated with it, then you can go into the *Call Details* for that call and click on the icon “” to view and add more branch notes (§8.8.1).

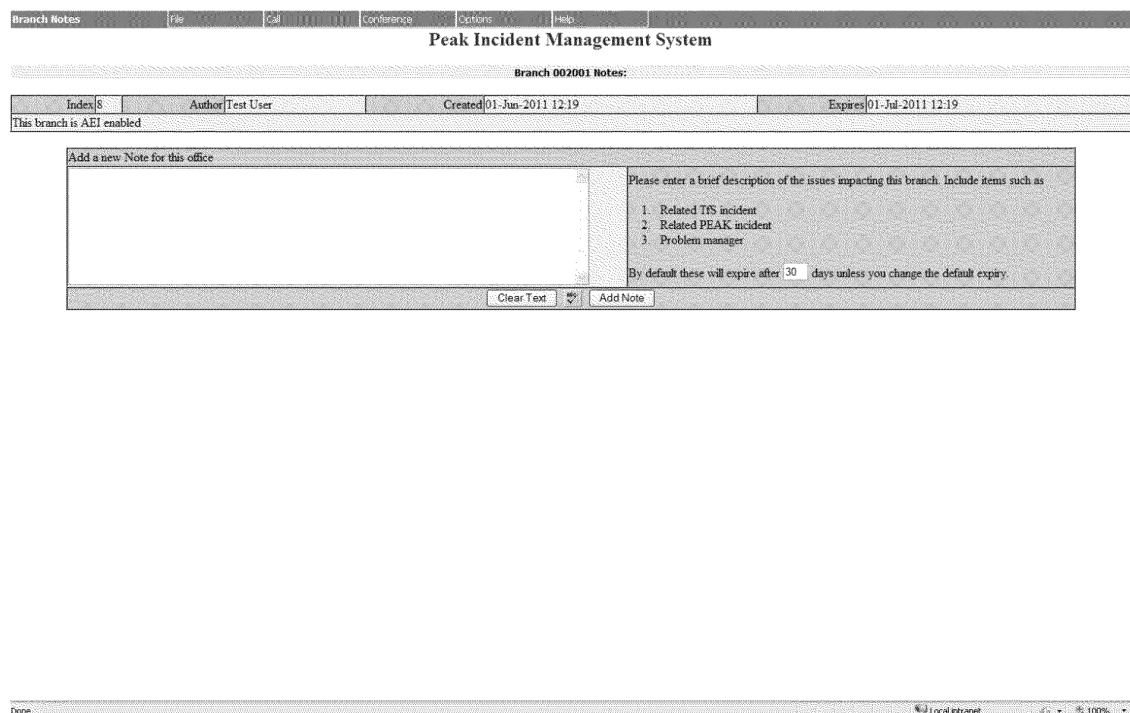



Fig.27: Adding another Branch Note for FAD 002001

After typing in the text for the branch note, you can change the default expiry of 30 days then select

**Clear Text** (to remove the text you just typed in), Spell Check “” (to spell check the text, §9.2) or **Add Note** (which will actually create the branch note).

Note that the only way to delete a Branch Note is to wait for its expiry date to end.





## 28 Links to external systems

### 28.1 Known Error Log (KEL)

The Known Error Log (KEL) exists on the SSC website and is a collection of known defects, incidents and problems that can be searched using a combination of keywords.

The KEL system can be accessed directly from the **Search KEL** or **Raise KEL** buttons on the *Main Menu* but only if you have a UK or SSC domain login. If you are a non-UK or non-SSC domain user then you will be presented with the NT domain login window.

KELs are primarily used by First and Second Line Support to determine if the problem being reported has been seen before and therefore can be resolved without routing the call on to Peak. If a KEL exists then it should contain useful information such as the extent of the problem, who the call should be routed to, any work-around information, if a fix is due to be released, etc. If a KEL does not exist then the call can be routed to the Peak System along with evidence for further investigation.

Hints on searching the KEL can be found by clicking on 'KEL searching' on the *KEL Search* web page.

Usually KELs are created when a software error has been identified; this can be by First or Second Line Support, the SSC or even Testers (QC). If the KEL is raised with Peak call reference, then the KEL reference will be automatically added to the Peak as a 'Reference' (§8.5). KELs may also be created for non-software problems which could cause many Branches to phone the Helpdesk with the same issue.

If you are unable to create KELs but you can log onto the SSC Website, contact the SSC to enable this facility.

Any calls returned from Development should have an associated KEL which may need to be updated by the SSC before the closure response is sent back to the Originator. This ensures that KELs contain current information so that the Helpdesk are always referring to the latest and relevant information.

Helpful guidelines on how to create KELs can be found by clicking on 'KEL create notes' and 'KEL formatting notes' on the *Create HNGX KEL* web page.

### 28.2 Documents

The SSC website holds lots of support documentation generated by Development (e.g. High and Low Level Designs, Support Guides, etc.) and Post Office Limited (e.g. Branch Focus issues, Operations Manuals, etc.).

The Document Searches page can be accessed directly from the **Documents** button on the *Main Menu* but only if you have a UK or SSC domain account.

### 28.3 TRIOLE for Services (TfS)

TfS incidents may be viewed by connecting to the TfS website which requires a TfS account.

Any Peak incidents which were transferred over the OTI from TfS will have an automatically generated 'Top Ref' of 'TRIOLE for Service' containing the TfS reference. Clicking on this reference will take you directly to the incident in TfS; provided you have set up your TfS logon credentials (§13.24).







## 29 User Information

Peak Support can broadcast messages to all Peak users, a particular company, specific team or user. Usually these messages are used to advise users of new developments in Peak and any planned outages.

New users automatically receive all messages broadcast since Peak first went live.

If a new message is delivered whilst you are logged in, you will not see the message until the page is refreshed. When you have read a message, you may be removed from your list by pressing **Delete**.

User information is sorted in date order with newest messages at the top but this order can be changed by clicking on the arrow  or  next to the **User Information** button.

You can also find out about the status of your messages within the *Call Details* page. At the top of this page, next to the title "Peak Incident Management System" it may say e.g. "3 unread  " which means that you have 3 messages which have not been deleted. Clicking on the icon  will take you back to the *Main Menu* to view user information.

Note that you cannot avoid seeing new messages in the *Main Menu* screen. Even if you tick the *Preferences* option 'Open Default Call List when Logon' (§13.16), you will not be able to by-pass the *Main Menu* if you have any undeleted or new messages. With this in mind, you could create an alert to send you a Peak User Message when it is triggered (§17).



## A APPENDIX: Java

To use Peak you do not need to install Java; as all the facilities are available on HTML pages. But some users prefer to use the enhanced features offered by Java; even though this option is due to be phased out.

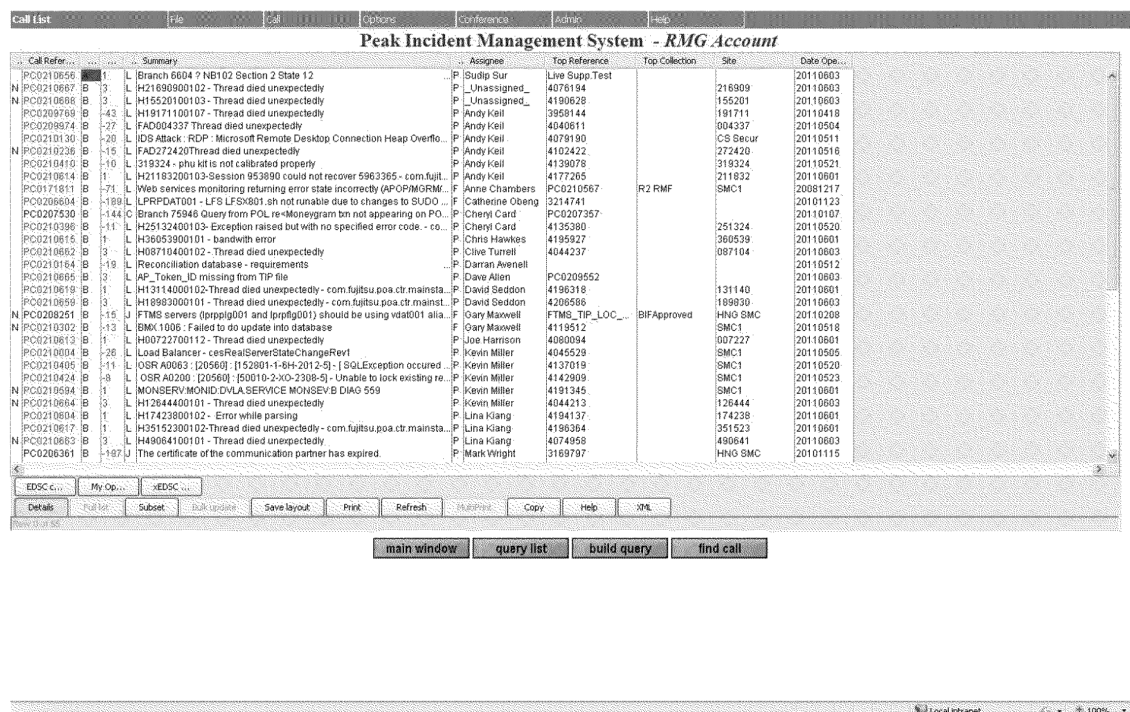


Fig.A – Call List – Java version

To use the Java grid, you firstly need to install Java, configure the Peak ODBC connection then import the Peak Certificate. A detailed description of these steps can be found online on Peak in Help/FAQ.

The relevant Java options within the *Preferences* screen are:

- 'Display Queries in HTML Grid' deselect to activate the Java grid (§13.7).
- 'Fix (Java) Call List size to' (§13.22).
- 'Java Call List Font' (§13.25).

There is also a Java Pop-up alerter available, for more details see APPENDIX A.1.



## A.1 Installing the Peak Alerter

The Peak Alerter is a client-side program that will monitor a selection of your queries for any changes. It effectively connects to your profile, reads all your queries, converts them to counts and runs them every minute.

If the count changes, a balloon help will display the Query Name and the change count. This provides a much quicker alerting system than e-mail but may be missed if the user is away from their desk.

The latest version also allows for messages to be sent to other users of the Peak Alerter software directly.

To install Peak Alerter, make sure that you have Java installed, open the share [\\peak2\share](#) and copy the folder PeakAlerter to your local disk. Double-click peakalerter.jar to run the program.

The first time it runs it will request your Peak username (which will be remembered from that point on). You may copy a shortcut to your StartUp folder for the alerter to run automatically when you log on.

To identify which queries you wish to monitor, add a “#” (hash) symbol to the start of the query name.





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## B APPENDIX: Peak Encryption

With the introduction of encryption to sensitive Peak pages (*Logon* and change *Password* screens), your browser may try to warn you whenever you access an encrypted page from an unencrypted one that the Peak Certificate has not been signed by one of the trusted Certification Authorities.

You will get different alerts depending on the browser being used. To make the Peak Certificate trusted so that the alert will no longer appear follow the steps described on Peak in Help/FAQ.