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0.4 Abbreviations/Definitions

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| Abbreviation | Definition |
|-------------------|---|
| ACF | Autoconfig File – one file per outlet counter position. |
| ACP | Access Control Policy |
| EACRR | Enhanced Agent and correspondence server resilience and recovery |
| ADSL | Asynchronous Digital Subscriber Line. A new network method of connecting Post Office Ltd. Branches to the data centres. |
| AP-ADC | Automated Payment – Advanced Data Capture |
| APS | Automated Payments Service |
| Athene | Capacity Management Software |
| Aurora | System that allows remote console access for Unix systems. |
| BCV | Business Continuity Volume; part of an EMC Disk Array |
| Branch | Post Office outlet identified by a unique FAD. Within the HNG model, a Branch is a logical entity that can be composed of several physical locations at which business is transacted. |
| Bureau | Bureau de Change |
| Business Services | Those services in the Horizon system that are directly supporting the Post Office business. For example the application running on the counter. |
| CA | Computer Associates |
| Clerk | Staff working in a Post Office Branch |
| CLI | Service that allows a customer to see the number of the caller before answering the call. |
| C&W | Cable and Wireless. |
| DCS | Debit Card System (also supports Credit Cards) |
| DNS | Domain Name System |
| DRS | Data Reconciliation Service - A service introduced as part of network banking. Its main component is a database running on the host. |
| DVLA | Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency |
| DWH | Data Warehouse |
| EDG | External Data Gateway |
| e-pay | Company that interfaces to the mobile phone companies for ETU. |
| ETU | E-Top-Ups. Ability to credit money to a mobile phone account. |
| EMV | Europay and Master Card Visa - enhanced method of verification of credit/debit cards using "Chip and PIN" |



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| FAD code | Financial Accounting Division (a unique) identifier used to identify a Post Office branch | | |
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| FS | Fujitsu Services | | |
| FTMS | File Transfer Managed Service | | |
| Generic Agent Server | The agent servers used to support the Existing services that transfer data between Riposte and the operational databases. Also known as "Bulk Agent Servers" | | |
| HSCSD | High-Speed Circuit-Switched Data (HSCSD) is circuit-switched wireless data transmission for mobile users at data rates up to 38.4 Kbps, four times faster than the standard data rates of the Global System for Mobile (GSM) communication standard in 1999. | | |
| HR SAP | Post Office Ltd Human Resources system based on SAP. Its function includes remuneration of branch franchisees for the business they have transacted in their Branch. | | |
| ITIL | IT Infrastructure Library. ITIL is an integrated set of best-practice recommendations with common definitions and terminology. ITIL covers areas such as Incident Management, Problem Management, Change Management, Release Management and the Service Desk | | |
| ISDN | ISDN, which stands for Integrated Services Digital Network, is a system of digital phone connections which has been available for over a decade | | |
| KMA | Key Management Application | | |
| LFS | Logistics Feeder Service | | |
| LUC | Look-Up Cluster | | |
| MID | Merchant Identifier issued by Streamline Merchant Services to identify the Branch from which a transaction originated | | |
| MIS | Management Information System | | |
| MOT | Ministry of Transportation (as in MOT Test). | | |
| NBS | Network Banking Service | | |
| NPS | Network Banking Persistence Service | | |
| OBC | Organisation Business Change | | |
| OMDB | Operational Management Database. | | |
| Operational Services | Those services that are needed to run the Horizon system that are not directly supporting the Post Office business. Examples include software distribution, audit, security management etc. | | |
| PAF | Postal Address File. A service to allow post codes and addresses to be looked up. | | |
| POL | Post Office Limited | | |
| POL FS | SAP based system providing financial accounting for the branch based business. This is the production system. There are other SAP systems in the data centre to support development and test. | | |
| PSTN | The public switched telephone network | | |
| RAS | A server that is dedicated to handling users that are not on a LAN but need remote | | |

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| | access to it. The <i>remote access server</i> allows users to gain access to files and print services on the LAN from a remote location |
|-----------------|---|
| RDDS | Reference Data Distribution System |
| RDMC | Reference Data Management Centre |
| RDS | Post Office Reference Data System |
| RMG | Royal Mail Group |
| SAP | Integrated suite of applications providing financial accounting and other business functions. |
| SAP ADS | POL's Advanced Distribution System (based on the SAP package) that interfaces to LFS |
| SAS | Secure Access Server |
| SFS | Security Functional Specification |
| Shared Services | Those services that are used by both the Operational Services and Business Services. These are typically network components. |
| smart post | A service to allow mail rates to be looked up for parcels and letters. |
| SOAP | Simple Object Access Protocol |
| SRDF | Symmetrix Remote Data Facility; EMC technology used to replicate disk array data between two Campuses |
| SSC | Fujitsu's System Support Centre. 3rd Line support |
| Streamline | Merchant Acquirer for DCS. |
| SYSMAN2 | The systems management environment on the Horizon environment. |
| TID | Terminal Identifier issued by Streamline Merchant Services to identify the terminal from which a transaction originated |
| TPS | Transaction Processing System |
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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This document provides an overview of the architecture for the Horizon solution. It assumes an S92 baseline. The document has 3 purposes:

- To provide an introduction to Horizon that is accessible to people with no experience of the system or Post Office.
- Provide sufficient detail to allow "architectural" impact analysis to take place for planned changes to the solution.
- To act as a "root" document to Horizon with cross references to the next level of design documents.

The document is not intended to provide a complete picture of every aspect of the solution, but is intended to cover the main areas to a reasonable degree.

The diagrams in this document have been included as "pictures" to keep the document size manageable. The original source material can be found in TD/ARC/040.

1.2 Business Context and Background

Post Office Ltd is a combination of a retail organisation and a financial services organization and offers a diverse range of services to its customers. Traditionally its main channel to customers is through its extensive branch network (approximately 14,000 sites as of November 2005 attracting some 28M customers per week). In recent years other channels have been developed (i.e. web sites, call centres etc) to support Post Office's entry into financial services products (e.g. insurance, credit cards loans etc). The vast majority of the branches operate on a franchisee basis with Post Office directly managing around 500 sites.

The Horizon solution has two main roles:

- 1. Provide the complete IT solution for the branch estate including applications, infrastructure, support and engineering.
- 2. Provide accounting functionality for the whole of the Post Office by hosting a SAP solution (called POL FS). The application development of this is handled by a third party directly contracted to Post Office.

The types of transaction that are supported in the branch include:

- Selling of fixed price goods and services
- Payment of Bills (utilities, local government etc) including where an online interaction is required (e.g. as in DVLA)



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- Banking Services deposits, withdraws, balance enquiries. There are two types supported – online requiring authorisation and offline which don't (e.g. Girobank). The majority of business is moving to the online model.
- Mobile phone electronic top-ups
- Bureau de Change
- Payment by Debit Card and Credit Card
- Electronic Data Capture (e.g. fishing license application)
- Parcels and Letters
- Charging of Smart Cards for Gas Prepayment (Quantum)
- Electronic Voucher Database Service to support the electronic voucher life cycle (known in Horizon as APOP Authorisation Service).

Within the branch estate, the majority of the products that are sold by Post Office are on behalf of a third party (a "Client" in Post Office language) – for example payment of a British Gas or BT Bill. The fees paid by the Client for this service are typically related to the amount of manual work that needs to be undertaken by branch staff rather than the value of the transaction – resulting in very low margins (Post Office's turnover is approximately 1% of the £110 billion worth of transactions it handles each year and its margin is a low percentage of this).

One consequence of the low margins is that Post Office has to be extremely careful to minimise the impact of any errors or faults in the solution. One example of this is that for online authorisations every individual transaction is reconciled with the third parties view and all errors are investigated (typical retail organisations would just check that the total for the day is accurate to within an agreed error margin with the third party).

The workload handled by the branch estate is large with peak transaction rates of around 800 transactions per second and a peak day of around 25M transactions. The peak is determined by the number of counters (approximately 35,000) and the rate at which customers can be served. The average basket size is very low (an average of 1.7 products).

1.3 IT Context and Users

The diagram below shows the wider context of the Horizon Architecture and the users:

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PO Service Branch OBC Horizon Boundar Online Authorisation + Reconcil tion Data Online Authorisation + Reconciliation Data -MI Data-MSU -Data for ost Master remuneration Transaction Data EDG Data Quantum Rates and Track and Enginee PO Reference Key Siemens Meterino - -Control Flow- -

There are four main areas within the Horizon Architecture:

- 1. POL-FS financial accounting system based on SAP
- 2. Reference Data Proving environment in which changes to reference data are proved before releasing into live (reference data controls things such as which products are sold, their price and where in the menu hierarchy they are displayed).
- 3. Branches the branches themselves
- 4. Core Horizon the central systems that support Horizon

Core Horizon communicates with the following systems:

- Banks (LINK, A&L, CAPO) for online authorisation of banking transactions and transaction data used for reconciliation.
- Online Clients (e-pay, Streamline, DVLA) for online authorisation of transactions and (for e-pay and Streamline) data used for reconciliation.



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- SAP ADS A Post Office system that handles cash and Foreign Currency logistics. Data includes cash on hand statements from each branch, planned orders, replenishment deliveries and delivery/collection data.
- HR SAP A SAP system that handles remuneration to the branch franchisees and "multiples" such as Tesco.
- POL MIS An Oracle based system to provide MI reporting to Post Office.
- First Rate Provides bureau rate information. It is also passed all bureau transactions to allow First Rate to undertake MI.
- Siemens Metering Provides Rates and Customer data for Quantum gas pre-payment card.
- AP Clients Transaction information for Clients where payment information is collected by Post Office.
- Royal Mail and Parcel Force Worldwide track and trace information for parcels and letters taken in a branch.
- RDS Post Office system that provides reference data

Some communication is via the Royal Mail EDG system as shown. Others have direct connections from Horizon.

POL FS communicates with a number of external systems to transfer data. These are either directly or via EDG. These are not shown for clarity.

The users of the solution within Horizon (i.e. Fujitsu controlled staff) include:

- Operations and Support 2nd and 3rd line support and network and data centre operations.
- Engineer installation and swap faulty equipment in the branch. Has specific access to some functions in branch.
- FJ Reference Data validates and releases reference data (with Post Office)
- Litigation Support provides data from audit stream to Post Office. Data provided to Post Office out of band (e.g. email, CD).
- Management Support Unit (MSU) investigates reconciliation errors caused within Horizon.
- FJ Service Management service managers
- Branch OBC Team manages physical changes to branch (open, shut, relocation etc).

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The Post Office users of the solution include:

- Branch Clerk normal user in branch, able to sell products etc
- Branch Supervisor branch user able to the majority of activities of the Branch Manger. Main exceptions are create users and stock units.
- Branch Manager branch super user able to create users, make account adjustments
- Branch Auditor auditor that visits a branch
- Branch Emergency Manager manager that brought into a branch in emergency situations (e.g. normal manager is ill)
- PO Reference Data Validation Team Post Office team that validates reference data changes. Works with FJ Reference data.
- Finance finance functions on POL-FS
- APOP Admin administration of data content of APOP database (electronic vouchers)
- Audit & Fraud investigates audit information. Also has access to online transaction enquiry service (TES) for banking transactions.
- Reconciliation and Settlement handles reconciliation and settlement with Clients.
- PO Service Management Post Office service management. Is provided status of system via a Portal.
- Branch OBC Post Office team responsible for branch physical changes
- Customer Enquiries answers customer enquires for banking using online transaction enquiry service (TES)

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2.0 Logical Architecture

This section describes the logical architecture to provide an introduction to the Horizon solution. It is split into two areas: Business Applications and physical structure

2.1 Business Applications

The diagram below shows a simplified view of the business applications for Horizon.

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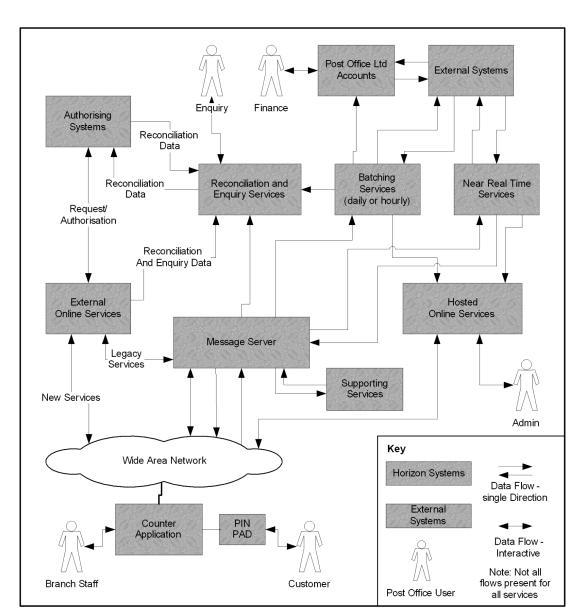


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The key systems are described below:

| # | Name | Description | |
|---|---------------------|---|--|
| 1 | Counter Application | back office functions. Business data held in the counter in a Riposte messaging | |
| | | system – all counters in a branch have a copy of the complete data. | |
| 2 | PIN Pad | Allows customers to input smart card and PIN for banking and DCS transactions. | |

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| 3 | Message Server | Handles messaging to/from Branches for batch data transfers using Riposte (specialist messaging system from Escher Group). Also handles online authorisations for legacy services (Banking, DCS, ETU) – new services connect directly via SOAP. | |
| 4 | External Online Services | Provides online authentication for counter transactions where a third party owns the system that authorises the transactions. Specific services supported are: • DCS for debit card and credit card authorisations • Banking for deposits, withdraws and balance enquiries | |
| | | ETU to allow electronic top-ups for mobile phones DVLA for authorising car tax | |
| 5 | Hosted Online Services | Provides online authentication for counter transactions where the authorisation or information system is hosted by Horizon. Specific services supported are: • APOP databases - e.g. Postal orders • PAF to allow lookup of Postal Addresses | |
| 6 | Reconciliation and Enquiry Services | Provides Reconciliation and enquiry services for online authorisations. The specific systems are: • DRS (data reconciliation service) to reconcile individual transactions for the DCS, ETU and Banking services. • TES (transaction enquiry service) to allow Post Office to query transactions status for banking (only) • DWH (data warehouse) contains banking, ETU and DCS data for SLT calculations. • APS (automated payment system) which reconciles transactions between itself and TPS (transaction processing system). | |
| 7 | Batching Services | Batches up data from branches to send to external systems – either all transactions or in summarised form. Also receives batch data from external systems for distribution to branches. The systems that pass data to external systems are: • TPS (transaction processing system) – provides daily data to other systems including POL-FS, POL-MIS and HR SAP. Also provides a feed to First rate for Bureau transactions. • APS (automated payment system) – provides daily data to AP clients (British Gas, BT etc). • LFS (logistic feeder service) – provides data on pouch collections and receipts at branches to SAP ADS on an hourly basis. Also nightly data on cash held in branches. The systems that receive data from external systems are: • APS – receives customer and tariff data for Quantum and Water Card service once per day. • LFS – receives planned order data (once per day) and pouch contents information (potentially hourly). | |
| 8 | Near Real Time Services | RDMC – receives Rates and Margins data for Bureau service Transfers data in near real time to or from external systems. The systems are: APS – receives emergency customer data from Quantum for immediate distribution to the branches. Track and Trace – provides data on parcels etc received by branches to Royal Mail and Parcel Force Worldwide | |

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| 9 | Support Services | Supports the business systems with reference data, security and SLT monitoring. The systems are: RDMC and RDDS – reference data management and distribution systems. KMA – key management system for branch security keys OMDB – provides SLT monitoring for outbound data distribution. Also monitors branch connectivity. DWH – SLT reporting for data file deliveries (inbound and outbound). | | |
|----|------------------|---|--|--|
| | | • DWH – SLT reporting for data tile deliveries (inbound and outbound). | | |
| 10 | PO Ltd Accounts | An SAP system (called POL FS) that holds the accounts for Post Office Ltd This | | |
| | | has lots of input and output feeds to external systems. | | |

2.2 Physical Structure

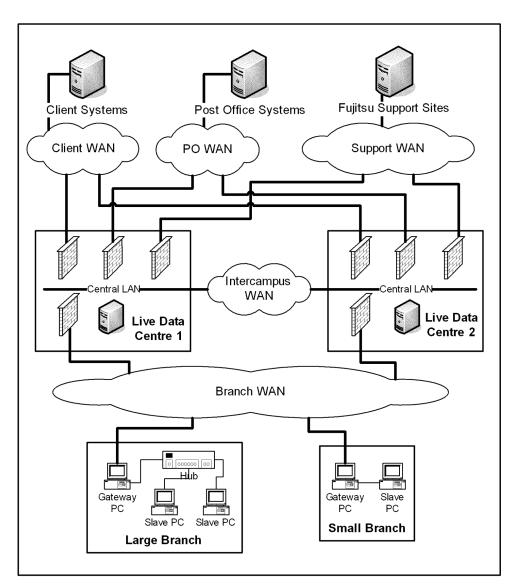
The diagram below shows a view of the physical structure of the branches, network and data centres.



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The key areas are described below:

| # | Name | Description |
|---|--------------|---|
| 1 | Small Branch | The network in Small Branches (1 or 2 counters) consist of a gateway PC which connects the branch to the network and a simple cross over cable to the 2 nd PC (if there is one) |
| 2 | Large Branch | In larger branches (3+ counters) one or more hubs are also used to provide the LAN connections. |
| 3 | Branch WAN | The gateway PC uses ADSL or ISDN as primary connections. ISDN and Dialled Mobile (using HSCSD) can be used in ADSL site for a backup connection. For a small number of branches that are out of distance from the nearest exchange, VSAT connections are used. |



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| 4 | Data Centres | There are two data centres – in an active/active configuration with, under normal circumstances, both data centres supporting the branch workload. Within the data centre the LAN is split into a number of DMZ. | |
|---|--------------------|--|--|
| 6 | Intercampus WAN | To link the two data centres a high speed (gigabit) resilient network is used to provide a virtual LAN spanning both data centres and to carry storage data between two EMC arrays. | |
| 7 | Client WAN | The Client WAN provides connections to a number of clients that the system uses. The following connections are provided by Fujitsu: • DVLA for online authentication of car tax. • Streamline for DCS transactions • EPAY for mobile phone top up (ETU) transactions • Alliance & Leicester for banking transactions The following connections are provided by third parties: • LINK for banking transactions • CAPO for banking transactions The connections are typically resilient fixed circuits of between 64kbits/s and 2Mbits/s, although Streamline uses X25 and ISDN. Most clients have a DR site that is also connected. | |
| 8 | PO WAN | This provides connections to Post Office for both batch file transfer to other systems and also allows Post Office users access to the enquiry and POL-FS systems. The connection is a 2Mbit/s resilient circuit. There is also a connection to Post Office's DR site at Sunguard. | |
| 9 | Support WAN | This provides access for the Fujitsu support communities to the data centre including: Operations in Belfast 1st and 2nd line support in Stevenage 3rd line, Service Management, Litigation Support and MSU in Bracknell OBC Team in Crewe | |

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3.0 Application Architecture

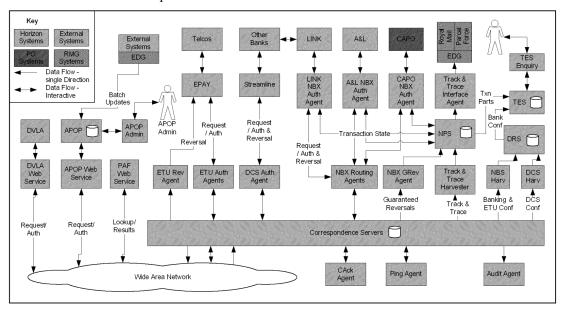
The application architecture has been split into a number of areas to allow the solution to be described as follows:

- Online and Near Real Time systems in the data centre. APOP Admin is included in this section for convenience.
- Batch systems in the data centre that handle the main business data and POL-FS.
- Supporting systems for reference data, SLT measurement Branch Monitoring and Key Management.
- Counter

This approach allows an understanding of all the elements that make up the different service. However some components do appear in multiple areas as a result.

3.1 Online and Near Real Time

The picture below shows the systems and flows within the data centre for online and near real time services. The batch aspects of the APOP service have also been included for convenience.



The components and their role are described in the table:

| ſ | # | Name | Function | Documentation |
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| 1 | Correspondence Servers | Messaging Servers that pass messages to/from the branches. Data is held either as messages with a given expiry period or as "persistent objects" which are retained until updated or deleted. For performance reasons, the branch estate is split into 4 "clusters" each handling round 3,500 branches. | None identified |
|---|---|--|--|
| 2 | Ping Agent Central Acknowledgement Agent (CAck) | The Ping Agent responds to application level pings from the counter via the correspondence servers. The CAck agent is used for recording receipt of messages at the data centre (mainly used for SLT monitoring). It is also used to acknowledges requests from the counter Smart Cache used to police use of Smart card charging (see security). | AD/DES/042 - CSR+ Common Agents High Level Design AD/DES/020 - Automated Payment System Agents for Release 2+ High Level Design |
| 3 | Audit Agent | Writes to text files all messages written or received by the correspondence servers for audit. | AD/DES/042 - CSR+ Common Agents |
| 4 | DVLA Web Service | Allows branches to authorise car tax in an online transaction to DVLA. Interface between the counter and data centre is SOAP. | DV/HLD/002 -DVLA Web Service |
| 5 | APOP Web Service APOP Database | A hosted online service that handles electronic vouchers. | AP/HLD/008 -APOP Web Service |
| | APOP Admin | Requests/Authorisations from the counter are handled using SOAP to a Web Service. | AP/HLD/005 - APOP Voucher Host System High Level Design |
| | | | AP/HLD/009 - APOP Maestro Schedule |
| | | Batch updates to the database arrive via the EDG and are controlled by a Maestro schedule. | AP/HLD/010 - APOP Administration Service Application High Level |
| | | A web based admin service allows Post Office staff to update individual records. | Design |
| 6 | PAF Web Service | Allows branches to look up postcodes and addresses. Interface between the counter and data centre is SOAP. | PF/HLD/002 - PAF Web Service |
| 7 | ETU Auth Agent ETU Rev Agent | Handles requests for authorisations to top up mobile phones. Requests are received from a counter via the correspondence servers and the authorisations written back the same way. | AD/DES/073 - High Level Design Specification for E-Top Ups Agents |
| | | A separate agent handles reversals to e-pay. | |
| 8 | DCS Auth Agent | Handles requests for authorisations for Debit and Credit Cards and also reversals. Requests are received from a counter via the correspondence servers and the authorisations written back the same way. | AD/DES/069 - High Level Design Specification for Debit Card Service Agents |

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| 9 | NBX Routing Agent NBX GRev Agent LINK NBX Auth Agent A&L NBX Auth Agent CAPO NBX Auth Agent | Handles online authorisation requests for banking transactions. Requests are received via the correspondence server in the routing agent which routes the request to the LINK, A&L or CAPO authorisation agent (as required). The authorisation agents hold state and audit data in the NPS database. Reversals are handled both via the routing/auth agents and also via a guaranteed route into the NPS. These | NB/HLD/017 - High Level Design Specification for Agents for NBX, the NBE Replacement NB/HLD/013 - NBX Persistent Store High Level Design |
|----|---|---|---|
| 10 | NPS Database Track & Trace Harvester Track & Trace | reversals are then processed by the relevant auth agents. Track and trace data from the branches are processed in near real time, with data passed to Royal Mail and Parcel Force via EDG. The NPS database is used as a | DE/HLD/015 - High Level Design Specification for Track And Trace Agents |
| | Interface Agent NPS Database | staging post to screen duplicates. | NB/HLD/027 - NPS Track And Trace Changes HLD |
| 11 | NBS Harvester DCS Harvester DRS Database | DRS handles reconciliation for banking, ETU and DCS. The confirmations generated by the counters are harvested in near real time to ensure the reconciliation position is up to date. There are two harvesters – one | AD/DES/065 - High Level Design for Network Banking Agents |
| | TES Database TES Enquiry | for NBS and ETU and one for DCS. The banking confirmations, together with transaction parts from NPS are passed to TES. An enquiry service | NB/HLD/015 - S75 High Level Design for DRS NB/HLD/003 - Data |
| | | is provided to allow Post Office staff to query the status of transactions. DRS and TES are also involved in the batch flows and | Reconciliation Service Host High Level Design NB/HLD/016 - Transaction Enquiry Service High Level |
| | | there is a workstation to support reconciliation updates (see next section). | Design NB/HLD/022 - Transaction Enquiry Service (TES) Query Application HLD |
| | | | NB/HLD/023 - Transaction Enquiry Service (TES) Reporting High Level Design |



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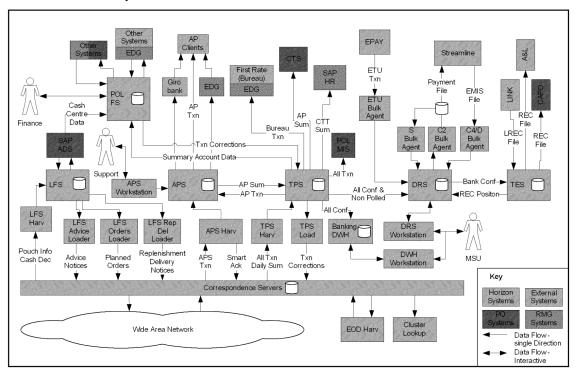
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3.2 Batch and POL FS

The picture below shows the systems and flows within the data centre for the main batch flows. The POL FS system is included for convenience.



The components and their role are described in the table:

| # | Name | Function | Documentation |
|---|---------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Correspondence Servers | Messaging Servers that pass messages to/from the branches. Data is held either as messages with a given expiry period or as "persistent objects" which are retained until updated or deleted. For performance reasons, the branch estate is split into 4 "clusters" each handling round 3,500 branches. | None identified |
| 2 | EOD Harvester | The End of Day Harvester ensures that there is a consistent set of data from the branch for the APS and TPS harvesters to use. | AD/DES/042 - CSR+ Common Agents High Level Design |
| 3 | Cluster Lookup | Cluster lookup is a generic service that tells other agents in which correspondence server cluster a particular branch resides and which branches are within a particular cluster. | AD/DES/036 - CSR+ Cluster Lookup Service Design |



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| 4 | LFS Harvester LFS Advice Notice Loader LFS Planned Orders Loader LFS Replenishment Delivery Notice Loader LFS Database | LFS passes data between the counters and Post Office's SAP ADS system for cash and currency handling. The database is used as a staging post to screen duplicates. Pouch Information (both collections and delivers for all pouches – not just cash and Foreign Currency), and Cash Declarations are passed to SAP ADS. Advice notices, planned orders and replenishment delivery notices are received from SAP ADS. Note that advice notices have never been used. | AD/DES/015 - Logistics Feeder Service - Agents High Level Design for CSR+ LF/DES/003 - Logistics Feeder Service - High Level Design |
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| 5 | APS Harvester APS Database APS Workstation | APS passes Automated Payment transactions to Clients – either directly, via Girobank or via the EDG. The harvester reads all APS transactions from the correspondence server to put into the database which then splits them by client. The database also provides a summary by client which is passed to Post Office Ltd's CTS process via the TPS database as well as checking that all AP transactions were also harvested into TPS. The harvesting agent also acknowledges smart transactions to allow the counter smart cache to operate (see security). The APS workstation is used to allow new clients to be added to the solution. | AD/DES/049 - APS High Level Design Addendum for Flexible Delivery Dates AP/DES/015 - APS Host High Level Physical Design AP/DES/004 - APS Design Specification (CSR+) AP/DES/010 - APS File Rejection Handling High Level Design SD/DES/073 - APS To TPS Reconciliation High Level Design Specification AD/DES/020 - Automated Payment System Agents for Release BI3 High Level Design |

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| 6 | TPS Harvester TPS Loader | TPS takes all transactions from the counters and then passes them directly in either full or summary form to a number of other systems: AP Transactions passed to APS to allow reconciliation between APS and TPS. Bureau Transactions are passed to First rate via the EDG gateway. Horizon is responsible for delivery of files into Huthwaite, but not for putting data onto EDG itself. AP Summaries are sent to CTS to allow Post Office to settle with their clients. Also Transaction Corrections and Error files. Summaries are sent to HR SAP to allow remuneration to the branch franchisee for the transactions they have done. This data is provided monthly, with TPS keeping a running total. Nearly all transactions are sent to POL MIS (some – e.g. balancing transactions) are suppressed. All confirmations (Banking, ETU, DCS) are sent to DRS for reconciliation. All confirmations are sent to the banking data warehouse for SLT calculations. A summary position of the transactions traded that day is sent to POL FS. | AD/DES/041 - TPS Agents for BI3 High Level Design DE/HLD/019 - TPS Host Changes At S90 HLD EA/HLD/003 - TPS Host Changes At S60 High Level Design EA/HLD/007 - Impact Release 3 - TPS Delta High Level Design EA/HLD/009 - TPS Hr SAP Summarisation & Transaction Corrections HLD NB/HLD/006 - TPS Host Changes To Store And Process Network Banking Transactions HLD NB/HLD/011 - TPS Host Changes At S50 TI/DES/002 - TPS Release 2 High Level Design |
|---|--------------------------|---|---|
| | | There are also transactions corrections received from POL-FS that are fed to the counters via TPS. | |
| 7 | Banking DWH | Provides SLT calculations for banking. MSU are also able to query the history (91 days) for ad-hoc reports via a workstation. | DW/HLD/002 – BI3 Data Warehouse High Level Design Specification EF/HLD/007 - High Level Design - Debit Card MIS NB/HLD/001 - Network Banking MIS High Level Design ?? Workstation ?? |

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| 8 | DRS Database ETU Bulk Agent S Bulk Agent C2 Bulk Agent C4/D Bulk Agent DRS Workstation TES Database | DRS reconciles transactions for Banking, ETU and DCS with the clients. For ETU a payment file is received from e-pay and processed via the ETU bulk agent. For DCS a payment file is passed to Streamline via the C2 bulk agent. Once acknowledgement is received from Streamline that this has been received the S bulk agent puts the transactions back into DRS. Once Streamline have processed the payment file, they produce an EMIS file of the status for all transactions (i.e. whether settled or not) and this is loaded into DRS via the C4/D bulk agent. TES produces a banking reconciliation (REC) file for A&L and CAPO and receives one from LINK. All transactions are passed to DRS for reconciliation. For DRS there is also a workstation to allow MSU staff to | NB/HLD/004 - Data Reconciliation Service Workstation High Level Design NB/HLD/026 - DRS Host Application And Workstation High Level Design Delta for Impact Release 3 DE/HLD/012 - TES Reports Data Extract HLD NB/HLD/019 - TES Maestro Schedule Design AD/DES/069 - High |
| | | update the reconciliation states of transactions. | AD/DES/069 - High Level Design Specification for Debit Card Service Agents |
| 9 | POL FS | An SAP system that provides the accounts for the Post Office. As well as the data from the branches it has a number of feeds to/from other systems. | ??? |
| 10 | APS FTMS TIP FTMS | These components are responsible for file transfer to/from remote systems. For clarity they are not shown on the diagram. | NB/HLD/018 - Connectdirect Gateway HLD |
| | GP FTMS NBX Connect:Direct Gateway DCSM | APS FTMS is responsible for file transfers to/from APS Clients. | ??? for other elements |
| | | TIP FTMS is responsible for file transfers to/from Post Office systems | |
| | | EDG FTMS is responsible for file transfers to/from other systems via the EDG. | |
| | | GP FTMS is responsible for file transfers to other Fujitsu sites. | |
| | | NBX: Connect:Direct Gateway is responsible for file transfers to the banks. | |
| | | DCSM is responsible for file transfers to/from e-pay and Streamline. | |

3.3 Supporting Systems

The picture below shows the supporting systems and flows within the data centre that cover reference data, security key management and SLT monitoring.



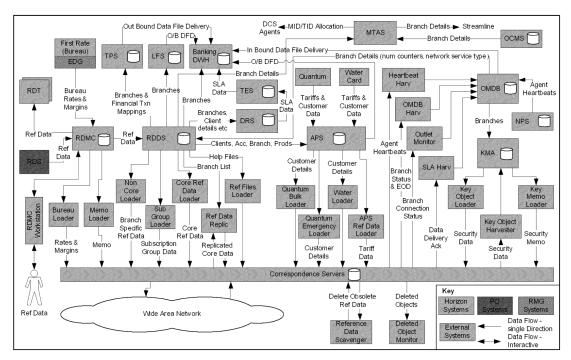
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The components and their role are described in the table:

| # | Name | Function | Documentation |
|---|------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Correspondence Servers | Messaging Servers that pass messages to/from the branches. Data is held either as messages with a given expiry period or as "persistent objects" which are retained until updated or deleted. for performance reasons, the branch estate is split into 4 "clusters" each handling round 3,500 branches. | None identified |
| 2 | RDMC Database | The reference data system is responsible for ensuring that | AD/DES/020 - |
| | RDDS Database | reference data is delivered to counters and is house kept appropriately. The RDMC database receives reference data | Automated Payment System Agents For |
| | Bureau Loader | changes from Post Office's RDS system and then they are | Release 2+ High Level |
| | Subscription Group Loader | normally validated on the RDT rig (see infrastructure) by the Reference data team. | Design (for Memo loader) |
| | Non Core Loader | Once the reference data is validated it is released via the RDMC workstation onto the RDDS database to allow it to be loaded into the correspondence servers. | AD/DES/040 - Reference Data - Agents High Level |
| | Core Ref Data Loader | Loading takes place in several ways depending on its type: | Design for CSR+ |
| | Ref Files Loader | Non Core (branch specific) is loaded directly into the branch. | AD/DES/070 - High Level Design for Agents for Escher |
| | Ref Data Replicator | Core (delivered to all branches) is loaded into a "dummy group" in the correspondence server. This is then copied | Mails |
| | Non DB Ref Loader | to the branches through the reference data replicator agent. • Subscription Group data (which is written once each | AD/DES/072 - High Level Design for Agents for Bureau de |
| | Ref Data | correspondence server cluster but can be read by all | Change |



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| Scavenger Deleted Object | branches) is loaded through either the Subscription group loader or the Core Ref Data Loader depending on | AD/DES/074 - Design for 'D' Data Agents |
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| Monitor RDT Rig | the data type. Help text (which also uses subscription groups) is loaded via the RDMC workstation into RDMC. Once released | RD/HLD/001 – Design for WebRiposte Data Agents |
| RDMC Workstation | other reference data that doesn't have an automated route is loaded via the RDMC workstation in a similar way to the help text. Bureau rate and margins data are received from First Rate and loaded via RDMC via a subscription group. RDDS is not used to minimise delays in processing the data. | NB/HLD/030 - Issuer Referrals, Counter, High Level Design Specification RD/DES/051 - 'D' |
| | | Data Distribution via RDMC/RDDS High Level Design |
| | There are also two agents that are responsible for housekeeping – Scavenger deletes superseded or obsolete reference data and deleted object monitor checks that this deletion has occurred correctly (since the correspondence servers are distributed then deletions can take place at different times on different nodes, potentially causing | RD/DES/054 - Reference Data High Level Design for S70 (EMV and NBE Replacement) |
| | issues). Messages for counters (memos) are loaded via the RDMC workstation into the RDMC database. These are then loaded into the correspondence servers. | RD/DES/056 - Reference Data End To End High Level Design for S80 |
| | Branch information also flows from RDDS to the other databases to ensure there is a consistent view of which branches are open and shut as well as required reference data. | RD/DES/062 - Reference Data High Level Design for S90 Bureau Debit / Credit Card Payment |
| | | RD/DES/046 - RDMC High Level Design |
| | | RD/DES/049 - Escher Mails for RDMC / RDDS High Level Design |
| | | RD/DES/057 - RDMC / RDDS High Level Design for S80 |
| | | RD/DES/058 - RDMC /RDDS High Level Design for S80 + 1 Sales |
| | | RD/DES/047 - RDDS High Level Design |
| | | AD/DES/072 - High Level Design Specification for Agents for Bureau De |



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| | | | Change |
| | | | RD/DES/050 - RDMC/RDDS Host HLD for Bureau Phase 1 |
| | | | RD/DES/062 - Reference Data High Level Design for S90 Bureau Debit / Credit Card Payment |
| 3 | Banking DWH | Used for measurement of file delivery to clients and data delivery to branches. Also produces some banking reports | DW/HLD/007 - Datafile Delivery Performance Measurement High Level Design |
| 4 | APS Database | For pre-payment Gas (Quantum) and Water Card customer | AP/DES/015 - APS |
| | Quantum Bulk Loader | and tariff information is loaded into the correspondence servers as core reference data. | Host High Level Physical Design |
| | Quantum Emergency Loader | For Quantum, customer information is targeted at a specific branch. This is either done overnight (bulk) or during the day (emergency). | AP/DES/004 – APS Design Specification (CSR+) |
| | Water Card Loader | For Water Card customer information is sent to all branches and is only updated overnight. | AD/DES/020 - Automated Payment System Agents for |
| | APS Ref Data Loader | | Release BI3 High Level Design |
| | APS Ref Data Replicator | | |
| 5 | OMDB Database | The OMDB database collects status information for the | AD/DES/062 - OMDB |
| | Heartbeat Harvester | branches and data centre agents. This is then used to trigger alerts etc (see systems management) | Agents High Level Design for CSR+ |
| | OMDB | The following information is collected about the branches: | |
| | Harvester Outlet Monitor | Branch Status (WAN and LAN connection status generated by the gateway PC). | |
| | SLA Harvester | End of Day Markers (EOD) | |
| | | Connection Status to the correspondence servers (when the branch last connected) | |
| | SMDB Database (not shown) | Acknowledgements of data delivery to the branch (for SLT measurement). | |
| | | OMDB also collects information on agent heartbeats to monitor the agents either directly from NPS (for the banking authorisation agents) or via the correspondence servers for the other agents. | |

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| | | The branch SLT information is sent to the DWH. | |
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| | | Most of the data on the OMDB is replicated to a separate SMDB (Service Management Database) that is sited within a DMZ. This allows support and operations staff access to that data from the Fujitsu Services intranet. | |
| 6 | KMA Database Key Object Loader Key Object Harvester Key Memo Loader | KMA manages the cryptography keys needed in the solution (see security). For asynchronous functions data is transferred to/from the counters (and other servers) via the correspondence servers (loader and harvester). For some operations branch staff need to be involved and they are informed through memos (memo loader) | AD/DES/023 - Key Management Agent Design for CSR+ RS/DES/010 - Key Management High Level Design |
| 7 | MTAS OCMS Database | MTAS (MID/TID Allocation Service) is responsible for allocating MID (Merchant ID) to branches and TID (terminal ID) to counters. It takes feeds from RDDS and OCMS (database that handles opening of new branches) to determine branch status and then feeds data to Streamline on what has been allocated and to the DCS agents so that MID/TID can be added to each transaction sent to Streamline. | TD/HLD/003 - MID/TID Allocation Service High Level Design |

3.4 Counter

The picture below shows the main components for the business application within the counter.

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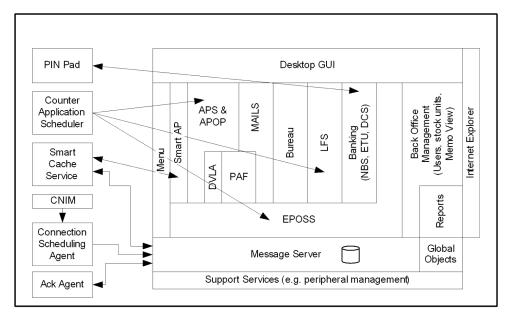
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The components and their role are described in the table below. The framework for the counter application is based on the Riposte product from Escher.

| # | Name | Function | Documentation |
|---|---|--|--|
| 1 | Desktop GUI Internet Explorer Menu | The presentation to the user is provided via a Desktop GUI within the Riposte product. Some reports and help text uses Internet Explorer to display the information. The menu hierarchy displayed by the GUI is defined in reference data. | SD/SPE/016 – Horizon OPS Menu Hierarchy |
| 2 | Message Server Global Objects | Messaging Servers that pass messages to/from the data centre. Data is held either as messages with a given expiry period or as "persistent objects" which are retained until updated or deleted. The message server is used to store reference data and also to record transactions generated from the counter. Global objects is a file on the counter that holds reference data for report definitions. It is not held in the message server due to its size. This approach also makes it easier to co-ordinate code change with report definition change. | ???? |
| 3 | Back Office Management | Back Office management is provided by the Riposte product to provide facilities such as log on, user management, stock management and memo view. | ??? |



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| 4 | EPOSS Reports | EPOSS handles all the basic point of sale products (e.g. stamp sale). It also handles accounting functions such as stock unit declarations, rollovers and accounting summaries. Reports are handled through the reports module. | EP/DES/016 - EPOSS - End Of Day Service High Level Design EP/DES/019 - EPOSS High Level Design |
|---|--|--|--|
| | | Note that some of the documentation is out of date. | EP/DES/020 - EPOSS Reporting Service High Level Design |
| | | | EP/DES/021 - EPOSS Balancing Service High Level Design |
| | | | EP/DES/022 - EPOSS Transaction Service High Level Design |
| | | | EP/DES/025 - EPOSS End Of Day Service High Level Design |
| 5 | APS Smart AP Smart Cache Service DVLA APOP | APS handles all automated payment products. Within this there is a specialist module for Smart AP (with an associated Smart Card Cache Service to allow secure offline working – see security). DVLA also has a specialised service, including an online lookup via a SOAP request. APOP provides a generic online lookup of data via a SOAP | AP/DES/012 - APS Counter High Level Design Specification AP/HLD/006 - APOP Counter High Level Design DV/HLD/001 - DVLA |
| | | request. It is used, for example, to handle allocation, printing and redeeming of Postal Orders. | Counter High Level Design Specification AP/DES/017 - Protecting Smart Card Payment HLD Specification |
| 6 | PAF | PAF provides an address lookup service for use by APS and MAILS. | PF/HLD/001 - High Level Design - Counter PAF Module |
| 7 | MAILS | MAILS (known as "Smart Post" by users) provides postal services facilities such as pricing based on weight, destination, type and insurance needs. Help for MAILS is provided using local web content displayed via Internet Explorer. | DE/HLD/014 - High Level Design Specification for Track and Trace: Counter DE/HLD/020 - S90 Smartpost |



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| 8 | Bureau | Bureau provides Bureau de Change services | DE/HLD/008 - Bureau de Change Counter High Level Design |
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| 9 | LFS | LFS provides facilities for stock and cash management (e.g. pouch collection and delivery, including automated remittances for Cash and Foreign Currency, daily cash on hand details). | LF/DES/003 - Logistics Feeder Service - High Level Design EA/HLD/011 - LFS Counter Foreign Currency Auto Rems - Delta HLD |
| 10 | Banking PIN Pad | The banking module provides services for Banking, ETU (mobile phone top up) and Debit/Credit cards. For Banking and Debit/Credit cards the PIN Pad is used to allow | NB/HLD/002 - Network Banking Counter High Level Design |
| | | customers to enter their PIN. | ET/HLD/001 - Electronic Top-Up, Counter High Level Design Specification |
| | | | NB/HLD/008 - Debit Card System Counter High Level Design Specification |
| | | | NB/HLD/012 - EMV, Counter, High-Level Design Specification |
| | | | NB/HLD/029 - Bureau Plastic, Counter, High Level Design Specification |
| | | | NB/HLD/030 - Issuer Referrals, Counter, High Level Design Specification |



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| 11 | Support Services | The support services provide support for the business applications including peripheral management. | TD/DES/109 - Counter Application Scheduler |
|----|---|---|--|
| | Services Connection Scheduling Agent CNIM Ack Agent Counter Application Scheduler | applications including peripheral management. The connection scheduling agent (aka Counter Call Scheduler) is responsible for scheduling connections between the local message store and the data centre messagestore. It is configured to optimise the need for timely delivery of data to the data centre and the need to minimise phone calls across the ISDN network. CNIM (counter network infrastructure manager), while not strictly a business application, is included for completeness. CNIM has two main roles – to control which phone numbers are used in ISDN sites (see Network) and to inform connection scheduling agent on the status of the network connection to the data centre. This status is then used by the counter applications to inform the user of network failures and prohibit some transaction types if the network isn't available. The Ack agent acknowledges delivery of data from the data centres to allow SLT to be measured. The Counter Application scheduler is responsible for scheduling batch operations within the counter applications | Application Scheduler High Level Design AD/DES/042 - CSR+ Common Agents High Level Design TD/SDS/002 - Counter Network Infrastructure Manager (CNIM) ??? EP/HLD/002 - High Level Design — Branch Network Resilience — Engineer's Counter Application |
| | | (e.g. End of Day processing). | |

Interfaces 3.5

Each external interface to Horizon has an Application Interface Specification (AIS) and a Technical Interface Specification (TIS). The table below details these documents:

[DN: Sure some of these are no longer relevant; also I've probably missed some]

| # | Area | AIS | TIS |
|---|------|--|--|
| 1 | APOP | AP/IFS/063 - POL EDG To Voucher Host System - Application Interface Specification AP/IFS/065 - APOP Host System Reporting To EDG Application Interface Specification | TI/IFS/008 - Horizon to Post Office Technical Interface Specification |
| 2 | APS | AP/IFS/003 - AP:Severn Trent Water Smart Key Interface Specification AP/IFS/004 - AP:Welsh Water Interface Specification AP/IFS/005 - AP:Girobank Interface Specification AP/IFS/006 - AP:Hampshire County Council Interface Specification AP/IFS/008 - AP:Eastern Electricity Smart Key Interface Specification | AP/IFS/030 - Pathway To Client Generic Technical Interface Specification AP/IFS/046 - Pathway To CQO Technical Interface Specification |

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| | AP/IFS/009 - AP:Oxfordshire County Council Interface Specification | |
|---|---|--|
| | AP/IFS/010 - AP:Anglian Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/011 - AP:Mid Kent Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/012 - AP:North West Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/013 - AP:Wessex Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/014 - AP:Yorkshire Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/015 - AP:Cambridge Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/016 - AP:United Kingdom Passport Authority Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/017 - AP:Three Valleys Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/018 - AP:Sun Alliance Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/019 - AP:Legal And Trade Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/020 - AP:South West Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/021 - AP:Yorkshire Electricity Giro Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/022 - AP:Vodafone Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/023 - AP:Yorkshire Electricity Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/024 - AP:Northern Ireland Electricity Host-Pc Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/028 - AP:British Telecom Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/032 - AP: Swalec Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/033 - AP:Scottishpower Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/036 - AP:Northumbrian Water Interface Specification | |
| | AP/IFS/037 - AP:Knowsley Borough Council Interface Specification | |
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| | | AP/IFS/038 - Automated Payments Scottish Southern Energy Pocl Host/Client Interface Specification | |
|---|------------------------|---|--|
| | | AP/IFS/040 - AP: North Surrey Water Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/042 - Pathway To Centeral Quantum Operations Application Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/043 - AP : Northern Ireland Electricity Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/044 - AP : British Gas Northern Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/045 - AP : Manweb Plc Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/047 - AP: Automated Payments Pocl Host/Client Systems Gec Watercard Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/053 - Pathway To Client Standard Watercard AIS | |
| | | AP/IFS/055 - APS DVL Northern Ireland Pocl Host/Client Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/056 - Pathway To Client Type 'G' Standard Magcard/Barcode Application Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/059 - Pathway To Client Type T Application Interface Spec | |
| | | AP/IFS/060 - Pathway To Client Bt Application Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/061 - Horizon To Client Type 'X' Magcard/Barcode Application Interface Specification | |
| | | AP/IFS/062 - Horizon To Client Type 'Xo' Application Interface Specification | |
| | | CR/IFS/002 - Automated Payments Interface Specification - EDG/Des | |
| 4 | Bureau (First Rate) | NB/IFS/012 - Bureau De Change - TPS To FRTS AIS | TI/IFS/008 - Horizon to Post Office Technical Interface Specification |
| | | RD/IFS/033 - Post Office to Fujitsu Services Application Interface Specification for Bureau de Change Rates | |
| 5 | CTS (AP Summaries) | EA/IFS/005 - Horizon To POL Client Transaction Summaries AIS | TI/IFS/008 - Horizon to Post Office Technical Interface Specification |
| 6 | DCS (Streamline) | EF/IFS/002 - Horizon - Streamline Application Interface Specification | EF/IFS/001 - Horizon - Streamline Technical Interface Specification |

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| 7 | DVLA | DV/IFS/001 - Horizon To DVLA - Application Interface Specification | DV/IFS/002 - Horizon To DVLA - Technical Interface Specification | | |
|----|-------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| 8 | ETU (e-pay) | ET/IFS/001 - Application Interface Specification: Horizon To e-pay | ET/IFS/003 - Technical Interface Specification: Horizon To e-pay | | |
| 9 | LFS (SAP ADS) | BP/DES/023 - LFS to SAP ADS and SAP ADS to LFS Application Interface Specification | TI/IFS/008 - Horizon to Post Offic Technical Interface Specification | | |
| | | BP/DES/022 – LFS Barcode Definitions | | | |
| 10 | NBS (Link, A&L, Card | NB/IFS/024 - NBX - Link Application Interface Specification (AIS) | NB/IFS/028 - NBX - Link Technical Interface Specification | | |
| | Account) | NB/IFS/025 - NBX - Capo Application Interface Specification (AIS) | (TIS) NB/IFS/029 - NBX - A&L | | |
| | | NB/IFS/026 - NBX - A&L Application Interface Specification | Technical Interface Specification (TIS) | | |
| | | | NB/IFS/027 – EMV – Banking NBX – POCA TIS | | |
| 11 | POL FS | EA/IFS/001 - Horizon To Post Office Ltd Financial Systems Application Interface Specification | AS/IFS/003 - Horizon To Post Office Limited Finance System Technical Interface Specification | | |
| | | EA/IFS/002 - POL Finance Systems to TMS/Horizon Transaction Corrections Interface Specification | EA/IFS/029 - Impact Programme Management Information System S80 Technical Interface Specifications EA/IFS/030 - Impact Programme - | | |
| | | EA/IFS/028 - Horizon To POL FS Interface Functional Specification | | | |
| | | The following are included for completeness, but are no longer relevant (either migration or Fujitsu is not responsible for the application) | POL Financial System S80 Technical Interface Specifications EA/IFS/032 - POL Finance Systems From Camelot Client Actuals Interface Specification EA/IFS/035 - Impact Programme Reference Data System S80 Technical Interface Specifications | | |
| | | EA/IFS/007 - NRDS Vendor Master Data to POLFS Interface Specification | | | |
| | | EA/IFS/008 - POLFS General Ledger Master Data to NRDS Interface Specification | | | |
| | | EA/IFS/009 - NRDS Customer Master Data To POLFS Interface Specification | reclinear interface specifications | | |
| | | EA/IFS/010 - NRDS Product Master Data To POL FS Interface Specification | | | |
| | | EA/IFS/014 - Error Notice (Tc) From CBDB To POLFS Interface Specification | | | |
| | | EA/IFS/016 - SAP ADS To POL FS Application Interface Specification | | | |
| | | EA/IFS/017 - Impact Programme Horizon To M1 (S70) Application Interface Specification | | | |
| | | EA/IFS/018 - Impact Programme Client Reported Errors Girobank To MI Application | | | |

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| | | Interface Specification | |
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| | | EA/IFS/023 - NRDS Client Master Data To POLFS Vendor Interface Specification | |
| | | EA/IFS/024 - Impact Programme POL FS To SAP ADS Application Interface Specification | |
| | | EA/IFS/025 - Impact Programme: POL FS to A&L - Application Interface Specification | |
| | | EA/IFS/026 - POL FS to NS & I Application Interface Specification | |
| | | BP/DES/030 – SAP ADS to POL FS Application Interface Specification | |
| 12 | POL MIS | EA/IFS/006 - Horizon To POL MIS AIS | TI/IFS/008 - Horizon to Post Office Technical Interface Specification |
| 13 | Reference Data | BP/IFS/008 - Application Interface Specification Reference Data To Pathway Non- Automated Type B Data | TI/IFS/008 - Horizon to Post Office Technical Interface Specification |
| | | BP/IFS/010 - Application Interface Specification Reference Data To Pathway | |
| | | BP/IFS/011 - Application Interface Specification Reference Data To Pathway Type B Data | |
| | | BP/IFS/012 - Application Interface Specification Reference Data To Pathway Type B Data | |
| 14 | HR SAP | EA/IFS/015 - Horizon To HR SAP System SPSO Counter Transaction Interface Specification | TI/IFS/008 - Horizon to Post Office Technical Interface Specification |
| 15 | TES Enquiry Service | | NB/IFS/039 - Technical Interface Specification TES To POL |
| 16 | Track and Trace | AS/IFS/001 - Horizon To EDG AIS For Track And Trace | AS/IFS/002 - Horizon To EDG TIS For Track And Trace |

3.6 Operational Schedule

The operational schedule is geared around the processing of data from the branches and delivery of that to the Post Office and Client systems. In addition there is data destined for the branches that needs to be delivered to the counter.

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The actual schedule is quite complex due to the many different processes. The rough outline for the critical tasks is given below:

- 08:00 Start of Branch Core Day (Monday to Saturday)
- 08:00 to 18:00 Regular harvesting of LFS pouch delivery and collections for delivery to SAP ADS.
- 13:00 End of Branch Core Day (Saturday)
- 18:00 End of Branch Core Day (Monday to Friday)
- 19:00 Branches declare "End of Day". Data is transferred from branches to the data centre over the next 30 minutes (randomised connections across the estate to avoid overloading the network).
- 19:00 to 20:30 TPS and APS harvest data from the correspondence servers into their databases.
- 20:30 to 23:00 TPS and APS host processing to produce files
- 22:00 to 23:00 TES produces REC file for A&L and CAPO. REC Files delivered.
- 23:00 to 23:59 Delivery of TPS and APS files to relevant systems
- 23:00 to 04:00 TES Processing of LREC file from LINK. DWH and DRS processing.
- 23:00 to 08:00 Backup of main databases once their overnight processing complete
- 20:30 to 21:30 Backup of Correspondence Servers
- 20:30 to 02:00 Processing and loading of reference data, APS tariff data and APS customer data into the correspondence servers (loading starts once correspondence server backup complete).
- 02:00 to 03:00 Branches connect to the data centre to download any reference data required (randomised connections across the estate to avoid overloading the system).
- 03:00 to 03:15 Branches reload the counter application through a process called "Clear Desk". This picks up any new reference data that is not dynamic.
- 06:00 Processing of LFS Planned orders received from SAP ADS and loaded into correspondence server.
- 07:00 Branches connect to the data centre to check for any LFS data or late reference data.

Full details of the operational schedule can be found in:

- AP/HLD/009 APOP Maestro Schedule
- CS/HLD/003 RDT Maestro Schedule High Level Design

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- DW/LLD/027 Data Warehouse Maestro Schedule Solaris Systems
- LF/LLD/068 LFS Host Maestro Schedule
- TD/DES/080 Audit Server & Maestro Interface
- NB/HLD/019 TES Maestro Schedule Design
- TD/DES/109 Counter Application Scheduler High Level Design
- TD/HLD/001 Pathway Maestro Schedule
- TD/HLD/002 Horizon Maestro Schedule
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4.0 Physical Architecture

This section describes the physical architecture of the solution excluding the network (which is covered under network services). It is split into data centres, other sites and branch infrastructure.

4.1 Data Centre

There are two data centres (Wigan and Bootle) to provide disaster tolerance with both sites handling business traffic. For some systems (typically those with databases) one site is used for normal operation with the 2nd site providing both resilience and DR.

This section splits the data centre into a number of areas: business systems, POL-FS, SYSMAN, Storage and Audit and Support Systems. For each a brief description of the hardware, software and number of servers is provided.

All servers have the following software installed:

 Tivoli is included on all platforms for management. This is made up of the following products: IBM Tivoli Monitoring, IBM Tivoli Enterprise Console, IBM Tivoli Config Manager and IBM Remote Control [DN: Need to confirm this with Glenn].

4.1.1 Business Systems

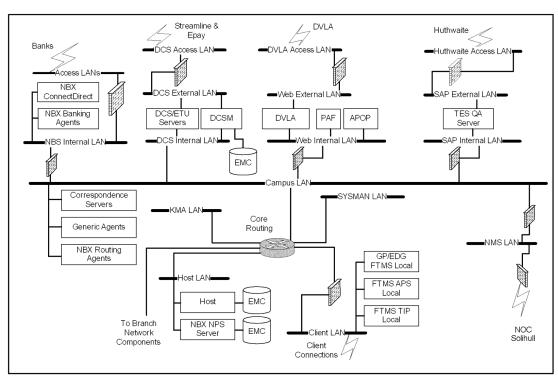
The diagram shows the platforms for the business systems at one data centre (for location of VPN servers see LAN network diagram). The table gives details of these and the quantity at both sites (B=Bootle, W=Wigan).



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| # | Name | Function | Qty | Specification & S/W |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|------------|---|
| 1 | APOP Application Web Server | Branch online APOP service | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX200 S2, 2 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Interstage App Server Tivoli Client APOP Web Service SD/DES/269 - APOP Web Service Platform Physical Design |
| 2 | Correspondence Servers | Messaging Server to pass messages to/from counters. | 8 B 8 W | Compaq DL360 (4 per site) and DL380 (4 per site), 2 cpu, 2G memory, Fibre channel connection on DL380 to EMC array NT 4 Riposte Message Server Tivoli Client Maestro Client Brightstor Client (Windows) Audit Agent Deleted Object Monitor Cluster Lookup Agent SD/DES/145 - Physical Design For Correspondence Server CSR+ (very out of date) |



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| 3 | DCS Management Server | Runs DCS batch file jobs for payment files to/from Streamline and ETU and MTAS Disk is encrypted using Team crypto to protect payment files and EMIS | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens F200, 2 cpu, 1G memory, Fibre Channel connection to EMC array NT 4 Team Crypto Tivoli Client Maestro Client ETU Bulk Agent S Bulk Agent C2 Bulk Agent C4 Bulk Agent MTAS SD/DES/218 - Platform Physical Design for the DCS Management Server |
|---|-------------------------------|--|------------|--|
| 4 | DCS/ETU Servers | ETU and DCS Online Services | 4 B 4 W | Fujitsu Siemens F200, 2 cpu, 512M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client DCS Auth Agent ETU Auth Agent ETU Rev Agent SD/DES/217 - Platform Physical Design for the DCS Agent Server |
| 5 | DVLA Application Server | Branch online service for DVLA | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens, RX200, 2 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Interstage App Server Tivoli Client DVLA Web Service SD/DES/239 - DVLA Web Service Platform Physical Design |
| 6 | FTMS APS Local | File transfer to AP Clients | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 5000, 4 cpu, ??? memory NT 4 Tivoli Client FTMS SD/DES/163 - Physical Design for Pocl Aps Gateway Server - Local CSR+ |
| 7 | FTMS GP/EDG Local | General purpose File Transfer and EDG connection for track and trace | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens, RX200, 1 cpu, 1G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client FTMS Track and Trace Interface Agent SD/DES/262 - Edg (Gp) Ftms Local Gateway Physical Platform Design |

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| 8 | FTMS TIP Local | File transfer to Post Office systems and BPOCL/WPOCL domain controller | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 5000 NT 4 cpu 512M memory NT4 Tivoli Client FTMS SD/DES/165 - Physical Design for Pocl Tip Gateway Server - Local CSR+ |
|---|-------------------|--|------------|--|
| 9 | Generic Agents | Runs agents that move data between databases and correspondence servers. Also some stand alone online services that use the correspondence servers. | 4 B 4 W | Compaq DL360 G2, 2 cpu, 2G memory NT 4 Tivoli Client Maestro Schedule S/W Riposte Ping Agent CAck Agent (including Smart Ping) NBS Harvester DCS Harvester LFS Harvester LFS Harvester LFS Orders Loader LFS Replenishment Delivery Notices Loader APS Harvester TPS Loader EOD Harvester Cluster Lookup Agent Bureau Loader Sub Group Loader Non Core Loader Memo Loader Ref Data Replicator Ref Files Loader Reference Data Scavenger Quantum Bulk Loader Quantum Emergency Loader Water Loader APS Ref Data Loader (same as Non Core Loader – configured to load from APS rather than RDDS) Heartbeat Harvester OMDB Harvester Outlet Monitor SLA Harvester Key Object Loader Key Object Harvester Key Memo Loader Key Memo Loader |

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| 10 | Host database server | Server that runs the Oracle databases for the business applications | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens Prime Power 650, 8 cpu, 8G memory, Fibre channel connection to EMC array Solaris Oracle 8 and Oracle 9 BMC Patrol (Oracle + Solaris KM) Maestro Schedule S/W (Master) Tivoli Client Veritas Foundation Suite Brightstor Client (UNIX) APOP DB DRS DB TES DB LFS DB APS DB TPS DB RDMC DB RDMC DB RDDS DB RDDS DB Banking DWH DB SD/DES/234 - Solaris Host Infrastructure Design |
|----|---------------------------------|---|------------|---|
| 11 | NBX Banking Agents | Authorisation Agents for Banking | 4 B 4 W | Fujitsu Siemens R450, 2 cpu, 1G memory, Atalla Crypto Card Windows 2000 Atalla Load Balancing S/W Riposte Tivoli Client Maestro Client NBX Authorisation Agents (LINK, A&L, CAPO) NB/DES/007 - Platform Physical Design for the NBX Agent Server |
| 12 | NBX ConnectDirect Gateway | File transfer to/from banks | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 1G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client SQL*Server Connect:Direct SD/DES/256 - Connect Direct Gateway Physical Platform Design Specification |

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| 13 | NBX NPS RAC DB Server | Database server for NBX online application. | 2 B 2 W | Fujitsu Siemens Prime Power 650, 2 cpu 4G memory, Fibre channel connection to EMC array Solaris Oracle 9 RAC BMC Patrol (Oracle + Solaris KM) Maestro Schedule client) Tivoli Client Veritas Foundation Suite Veritas Cluster S/W Maestro Schedule S/W NB/DES/009 - Platform Physical Design Specification for Network Banking Oracle Real Application Cluster |
|----|---|--|------------|--|
| 14 | NBX Routing Agents | Routes online traffic from correspondence servers to NBX authorisation agents | 2 B 2 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX200, 2 cpu, 1G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client NBX Routing Agent NBX GREV Agent Track and Trace Harvester ??? NB/DES/008 - Platform Physical Design for the Nbx Routing Agent Server |
| 15 | PAF Application Server | Branch online PAF service | 2 B 2 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX200, 2 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client Interstage App Server PAF Web Service QAS Address Database SD/DES/238 - Paf Web Service Platform Physical Design |
| 16 | TES Query Application (QA) Server | Application layer for Post office to access TES and APOP databases | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens Prime Power 250, 2 cpu, 2G memory Solaris Oracle App Server Tivoli Client TES Query Application APOP Admin Application SD/DES/257 - Transaction Enquiry Service Query Application Platform Physical Design |

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| 17 | VPN Loopback, Exception, Policy Management | Provides VPN management for VPN layer to branches | 3 B 3 W | Compaq Deskpro 6600, 1 cpu, 128 memory NT 4 Tivoli Client Utimaco VPN |
|----|---|--|--------------|--|
| | | | | SD/DES/125 - Physical Design for VPN Exception Server; SD/DES/126 - Physical Design for VPN Diagnostic Workstation CSR+; SD/DES/127 - Physical Design for VPN Policy File Manager Server CSR+ |
| 18 | VPN Servers | Handles VPN connections from Branches | 12 B 12 W | Compaq DL360 NT 2 cpu, memory ???, NT4 Tivoli Client Utimarco VPN Server SD/DES/124 - Physical Design for VPN Server CSR+ (note this is not up to date) |

4.1.2 POL FS

The table below shows the platforms for POL-FS – the SAP system for the Post Office accounts. They are hosted in the Post Office DMZ except for the Centera array which is on the main LAN. The systems at Wigan are used for Testing. They also provide a half sized DR system in case of disaster at Bootle.

| # | Name | Function | Qty | Specification |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|------------|--|
| 1 | SAP Application Server | User access to SAP system | 5 B 3 W | Fujitsu Siemens Prime Power 450, 4 cpu, 8G memory Solaris SD/DES/260 – Platform Physical Design Specification for POL FS Sap App Server |
| 2 | SAP Archive Centera Array | Archive of historical data | 1 B 1 W | EMC Centera EMC |
| 3 | SAP Archive Server | Archive of historical data | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens Prime Power 450, 2 cpu, 8G memory Solaris SD/DES/261 – Platform Physical Design Specification for POL FS Sap Archive Server |
| 4 | SAP Development Host Server | Host SAP database for development | 1 B | Fujitsu Siemens Prime Power 450, 2 cpu, 4G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array Solaris Oracle SD/DES/254 – Platform Physical Design Specification for POL FS Sap Host |



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| 5 | SAP Middleware Development | Development Support loading of batch data into SAP | 2 B | Fujitsu Siemens FSC Prime Power 450, 2 cpu, 16G memory Solaris SD/DES/264 – Platform Physical Design Specification for the POL FS Sap Middleware Server |
|----|---------------------------------------|---|------------|--|
| 6 | SAP Middleware Server | Support loading of batch data into SAP | 2 B 2 W | Fujitsu Siemens FSC Prime Power 450, 4 cpu 16G memory Solaris SD/DES/264 – Platform Physical Design Specification for the POL FS Sap Middleware Server |
| 7 | SAP Production DR/QATest Server | Database server at DR site – used for QATest | 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens FSC Prime Power 1500, 8 cpu, 16G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array Solaris Oracle SD/DES/254 – Platform Physical Design Specification for POL FS Sap Host |
| 8 | SAP Production Server | Database Server for main site | 1 B | Fujitsu Siemens FSC Prime Power 1500,16 cpu, 40G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array Solaris Oracle SD/DES/254 – Platform Physical Design Specification for POL FS Sap Host |
| 9 | SAP Production Support Server | ??? | 1 B | Fujitsu Siemens FSC Prime Power 450, 4 cpu, 8G memory Solaris SD/DES/254 – Platform Physical Design Specification for POL FS Sap Host |
| 10 | SAP SMC Console for PW1500 | Support server for PW1500 | 2 B | Sun UltraAX-e2, 1 cpu, memory ??? Solaris ??? Documentation ??? |

Notes:

- 1. Need to check on #1 at DR site EA/DPR/005 has 2 at DR site
- 2. What is #9 can't find in EA/DPR/005
- 3. Need to add other s/w onto list

4.1.3 Storage and Audit

The diagram shows the SAN for storage and backup. In addition there are a number of platforms used for archiving which are attached to the central network which are not shown.

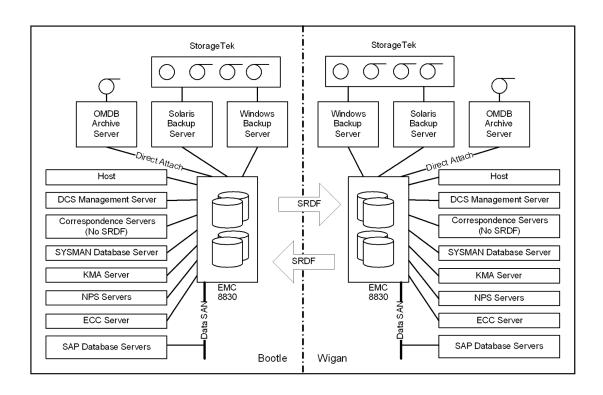


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| # | Name | Function | Qty | Specification |
|---|---|---|------------|---|
| 1 | Audit Centera Array – Live (not in diagram) | 7 year archive of data produced by Horizon | 1 B 1 W | EMC Centera array |
| 2 | Audit Server (not in diagram) | Server that archives the data into the Centera and supports retrieval. | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 7000, 4 cpu, 256M memory, local disk storage NT 4 Tivoli Client SQL*server SD/DES/139 - Physical Design for Audit Server CSR+ |
| 3 | Backup server - Solaris | Backs up Solaris platforms via EMC BCV for main systems and over the network for smaller systems. | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens Prime Power 200, 2 cpu, 2G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array Solaris Tivoli Client Brightstor backup software SD/DES/259 - Platform Physical Design for Solaris Backup Server |

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| 4 | Backup sever - Windows (aka Correspondence Server Backup) | Backs up Windows platforms via EMC BCV for main systems and over the network for smaller systems. | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX300, 2 cpu, 2G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array Windows 2000 Solaris Tivoli Client Brightstor backup software SD/DES/251 - Windows Backup Server Physical Platform Design |
|---|--|---|------------|---|
| 5 | Backup StorageTek ACSLS Server | Controller for the tape library to allow multiple platforms to share | 1 B 1 W | Sun Sunfire v100, 1 cpu, memory ???Solaris |
| 6 | Backup Tape Library | Library shared by the backup servers | 1 B 1 W | StorageTek Tape Library |
| 7 | EMC Array | Main storage array | 1 B 1 W | • EMC 8830 EMC |
| 8 | EMC ECC Server | Control software for the EMC array | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX300 2 cpu 4G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array Windows 2000 SD/DES/271 - Ecc Server Platform Physical Design Specification |

4.1.4 SYSMAN Platforms

The following platforms are used to support Systems management

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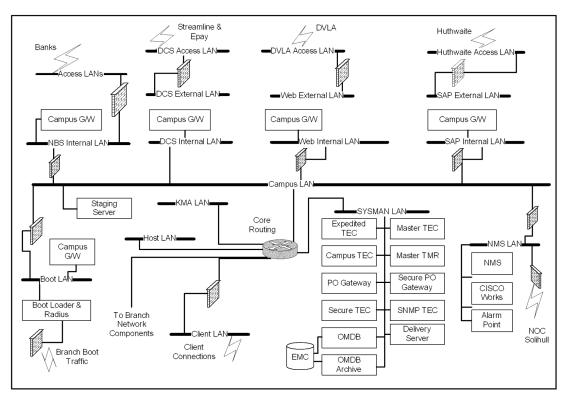


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| # | Name | Function | Qty | Specification |
|---|---|---|------------|---|
| 1 | Core Services Insignt Manager Server | Provides hardware monitoring for servers | 1 B 1 W | • ??? Specification ??? Documentation |
| 2 | Network Alarm Point Server | Raises Alerts on network failures | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, memory ?? Windows 2000 ??? Documentation |
| 3 | Network CISCO Works Server | Network configuration | 1 B 1 W | Sun Sunfire 280R, 1 cpu, memory ??? CISCO Works ??? Documentation |
| 4 | Network Management Server (NMS) | Staging platform for configurations to ISDN routers and Radius servers (Is this correct??) | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens Scenic E600, 1 cpu, 1G memory Windows 2000??? ??? Documentation |

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| 5 | Network Management System (HP Openview) | Network Monitoring | 1 B 1 W | Sun Sunfire V890, 4 cpu, 16G memory Solaris HP Openview ??? Documentation |
|----|---|---|------------|--|
| 6 | SYSMAN Delivery Server | Acts as gateway between PVCS and live system for code delivery. Also used for immediate fixes before counter is taken on by Tivoli framework | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 1600R, 1 cpu, 256M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client SY/DES/022 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN Delivery Server |
| 7 | SYSMAN Campus Gateway | Tivoli Gateways within DMZ Banking DMZ - 2 per site DCS DMZ - 2 per site PAF DMZ - 2 per site EDG DMZ - 2 per site Boot Loader DMZ - 1 per site | 9 B 9 W | Sun Sunfire v100, 1 cpu, 1G memory Solaris ??? Documentation |
| 8 | SYSMAN Campus TEC | Tivoli TEC for campus events | 3 B 3 W | Sun Sunfire v100, 1 cpu, 512M memory Solaris ??? Documentation |
| 9 | SYSMAN Expedited TEC | Tivoli TEC for expedited events | 2 B 2 W | Sun Sunfire v100, 1 cpu, 512M memory Solaris SY/DES/023 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN Expedited TEC |
| 10 | SYSMAN Master TEC | Master TEC | 1 B 1 W | Sun SunFire 250, 1 cpu, 500M memory Solaris SY/DES/026 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN Master TEC |
| 11 | SYSMAN Master TMR | Master TMR | 1 B 1 W | Sun SunFire 280R, 1 cpu, 1.5G memory Solaris SY/DES/031 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN Master TMR |



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| 12 | SYSMAN Operational Management Data Base (OMDB) | Main Database for Tivoli. Contains event archive, inventory and other data. | 1 B 1 W | Compaq DL580, 4 cpu, 2G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array NT 4 Oracle SY/DES/027 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the Operational Management Data Base |
|----|---|--|--------------|--|
| 13 | SYSMAN Operational Management Database Archive Server | Backs up OMDB via EMC BCV (see storage) | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 5000, 4 cpu 1G memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array NT 4 SY/DES/028 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN Operational Management Database Archive Server |
| 14 | SYSMAN Post Office Gateway | Gateway for counters on installation before they are fully taken on | 1 B 1 W | Sun Netra, 1 cpu, 256M memory Solaris SY/DES/029 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN Post Office Gateway |
| 15 | SYSMAN Secure Post Office Gateway | Gateway for counters once they have been taken on. Estate split over 10 servers. 11 th acts as a hot standby | 11 B 11 W | Sun Netra, 1 cpu, 256M memory Solaris SY/DES/030 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN Secure Post Office Gateway |
| 16 | SYSMAN Secure TEC | Secure TEC | 2 B 2 W | Sun Sunfire v100, 1 cpu, 512M memory Solaris SY/DES/025 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN TEC |
| 17 | SYSMAN SNMP TEC | SNMP gateway | 1 B 1 W | Sun Sunfire v100, 1 cpu, 512M memory Solaris SY/DES/033 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the SYSMAN SNMP TEC |
| 18 | Core Services Staging Server | Staging of software for manual s/w distribution | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 1600 NT 1 cpu 128M memory SD/DES/185 - Physical Design for Staging Server CSR+ |

[DN: Not sure that the NMS (where radius configs/ISDN router configs) are delivered to is the platform above or whether a different one]

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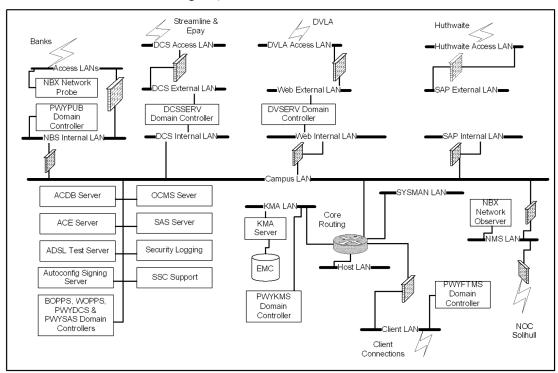
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4.1.5 Supporting Systems

The diagram below how other supporting platforms fit into the solution (boot loader and boot server not shown – see LAN diagram).



| # | Name | Function | Qty | Specification |
|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|--|
| 1 | ACDB Server | Autoconfiguration database server | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX200, 2 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client SQL*Server |
| | | | | SD/DES/142 - Physical Design for Auto Configuration Database Server CSR+ |



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|---|---|---|---------------|--|
| 2 | ACE Server | Provides SecureId access | 1 B 1 W | Sun Ultra5_10, 1 cpu, 128M memory Solaris Tivoli Client ACE Software |
| | | | | SD/DES/203 - Physical Design for SecureId Ace Server CSR+ |
| 3 | ADSL Test Server | Allows a test to be conducted (movement of large file) on activation of ADSL in the branch to confirm working okay | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client SD/DES/255 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the ADSL Test Server |
| 4 | Aurora Console Tower (Solaris Console Server) | Console access to Solaris servers | 1 B 1 W | • Sun ???, 1 cpu, memory ??? ??? Documentation |
| 5 | Autoconfig Signing Server | Digitally signs autoconfig files to allow tamper check to be made on counter. | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX200, 2 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client SD/DES/180 - Physical Design for Auto Configuration Signing Server CSR+ |
| 6 | Boot Loader | Provides Boot access for gateway PC for ISDN and ADSL network types. | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 1G memory Windows 2000 Radius S/W Tivoli Client SD/DES/232 - Bootloader Physical Platform Design |
| 7 | Boot Server | Provides boot access for VSAT network types. Also BBOOT/WBOOT domain controller | 1 B 1 W | Compaq ???, 1 cpu ??? memory ??? Windows NT Tivoli Client SD/DES/027 - Physical Design for Boot Server (note: out of date) |
| 8 | BTI Print Server | Raises paging alerts on Host errors | 1 B 1 W | Sun Ultra5, Solaris, 1 cpu memory ??? Solaris ??? Documentation |

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| 9 | Checkpoint Firewall- 1 Firewall | Firewall (see network section for where used) | 2 B 2 W | Sun Ultra5_10, 1 cpu, memory ??? Solaris Checkpoint ??? Documentation |
|----|-------------------------------------|---|---------------|--|
| 10 | Domain Controllers - BOPSS/WOPSS | Domain controllers for main campus severs (e.g. correspondence servers). Separate domains for Wigan and Bootle | 2 B 2 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |
| 11 | Domain Controllers - BVPN/WVPN | Domain Controllers for VPN domain. Separate domains for Wigan and Bootle | 2 B 2 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |
| 12 | Domain Controllers – DCSSERV | Domain Controllers for DCS DMZ. Single domain across Wigan and Bootle | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client ??? Is the platform correct ??? SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |
| 13 | Domain Controllers – DVSERV | Domain Controllers for DVLA DMZ (including APOP and PAF). Single domain across Wigan and Bootle | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 512M memory ??? NT 4 Tivoli Client ??? Documentation |
| 14 | Domain Controllers – PWYDCS | Domain controllers for Master/Account domain (contains all users) | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |
| 15 | Domain Controllers – PWYFTMS | Domain controllers for APS and EDG/GP FTMS Servers | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |

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| 16 | Domain Controllers – PWYKMS | Domain controllers for KMA | 2 B 2 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |
|----|--------------------------------|--|---------------|---|
| 17 | Domain Controllers – PWYPUB | Domain controllers for Banking DMZ. Single domain across Wigan and Bootle. | 2 B 2 W | Fujitsu Siemens FSC RX100 NT 1 cpu 512M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client ??? Is the platform correct ??? |
| 18 | Domain Controllers – PWYRAD | Domain Controllers for Radius Servers. Single domain across Wigan and Bootle. | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client ??? Is the platform correct ??? SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |
| 19 | Domain Controllers – PWYSAS | Domain controllers for SAS servers. Single Domain across Wigan and Bootle. | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Deskpro 6000, 1 cpu, 32M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client ??? Is the platform correct ??? SD/DES/148 - Physical Design for Domain Controller CSR+ |
| 20 | KMA Server | Database Server for KMA key management | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 5500, 2 cpu, 256M memory, fibre channel connection to EMC array. NT 4 SQL*Server Tivoli Client SD/DES/133 - Physical Design for KMA Server CSR+ |
| 21 | NBX Network Observer Server | Pulls network traces from Network Probe server to present to support user (in Network Management LAN) | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 1G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client SD/DES/267 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the Network Observer |

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| 22 | NBX Network Probe Server | Allows network traces to be taken between Horizon and banks | 3 B 3 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client SD/DES/266 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the Network Probes |
|----|---|---|---------------|---|
| 23 | OCMS Server | Operation Change Management System database server | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 1850R, 1 cpu, 256M memory NT 4 Tivoli Client SQL*Server SD/DES/197 - Physical Design for OCMS Server CSR+ |
| 24 | Radius Servers (Accounting, Management) | Accounting and Management records for radius connections | 2 B 2 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 1G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client Radius S/W SD/DES/240 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the S60 Accounting Radius Server |
| 25 | Radius Servers (Dialledx3, ADSL) | Radius Servers to authenticate network access | 4 B 4 W | Compaq DL360 G2, 1 cpu, 256M memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client Radius S/W SD/DES/252 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the \$60 Radius Dial (Authentication) Server; SD/DES/253 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the \$60 Radius ADSL (Authentication) Server |
| 26 | SAS Server | Support access service. Terminal server to allow access to the data centre platforms for support. | 3 B 3 W | Fujitsu Siemens FSC R250 Windows 2000 1 cpu 2G memory SD/DES/224 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the Secure Access Server |

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| 27 | Security Logging Analysis Server | Pulls security logs together for analysis | 1 B 1 W | Fujitsu Siemens FSC RX100 Windows 2000 1 cpu 2G memory SD/DES/272 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the Security Logging Server |
|----|-------------------------------------|--|---------------|---|
| 28 | Softek Servers | Provides analysis of network Radius records | 2 B 2 W | Fujitsu Siemens RX100, 1 cpu, 2G memory Windows 2000 Tivoli Client Softek software SD/DES/250 - Platform Physical Design Specification for the Softek Reporter Software |
| 29 | SSC Support Server | Data storage and work area used by 3 rd line support. | 1 B 1 W | Compaq Proliant 1850R, 1 cpu, 256M memory, local disk storage NT 4 Tivoli Client SD/DES/194 - Physical Design for SSC Support Server for CSR+ |

4.2 Other sites

There are a number of other sites that have servers and workstations. These are summarised by the table below:

| # | Name | Function / Site | Specification |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--|
| 1 | SSC Workstation | 3 rd Line Support Workstation. BRA01 | SD/DES/172 - Physical Design For SSC Support Workstation Csr+ |
| 2 | MIS Workstation | MSU Workstation BRA01 | SD/DES/222 - Platform Physical Design Specification For The MIS Client Workstation |
| | | | SD/DES/223 - Platform Physical Design Specification For The MIS Support Workstation |
| 3 | RDT Rig RDMC Workstation | Validation of Reference Data changes before release into live BRA01 | A number of systems including Solaris Host, Correspondence Servers, Agents and counters. |
| | | | SD/DES/167 - Physical Design For RDMC Administrator Workstation Csr+ |



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| 4 | Systems Management Workstations | 2 nd Line support (STE04) and Release Management (BRA01) | SD/DES/196 - Physical Design For Systems Management Access Workstation SY/DES/035 - Platform Physical Design Specification For Smc Workstation |
|----|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| 5 | PIN Pad generation Workstation | Management of PIN Pads Keys BRA01 secure room | SD/DES/211 - Platform Physical Design Specification For The Pin Pad Key Generation Workstation SD/DES/213 - Platform Physical Design |
| | | | Specification For The Pinpad Proving Workstation |
| 6 | Audit Workstations | Audit and litigation support access. BRA01 | SD/DES/077 - Physical Design For Audit Workstation SD/DES/140 - Physical Design For Audit Workstation Csr+ |
| 7 | KMA Workstation | Management of Keys BRA01 secure room | SD/DES/134 - Physical Design For KMA Workstation Csr+ SD/DES/135 - Physical Design For KMA Administration Workstation Csr+ |
| 8 | Certificate Root Server | Production of root certificates. BRA01 secure room | SD/DES/136 - Physical Design For Ca Workstation Csr+ |
| 9 | Atalla Card Loading Workstation | Loading of secure keys into Atalla cards. BRA01 secure room | SD/DES/214 - Platform Physical Design Specification For The Atalla Key Loading Workstation |
| 10 | Remote FTMS Servers | Remote server for handling file transfers. Huthwaite AP Clients | SD/DES/164 - Physical Design For POCL APS Gateway Server - Remote CSR+ SD/DES/166 - Physical Design For POCL Tip Gateway Server - Remote CSR+ SD/DES/263 - EDG (GP) FTMS Remote Gateway Physical Platform Design |
| 11 | One shot Password | Generation of one shot passwords for the branch by the help desk. STE04 | SD/DES/162 - Physical Design For One Time Password Workstation Csr+ |
| 12 | SecureID Workstation | Management of Secure ID for the data centres. BRA01 | SD/DES/171 - Platform Physical Design Specification For Securid Workstation |
| 13 | Anti Virus Workstation | Management of Anti Virus. BRA01 | SD/DES/212 - Platform Physical Design Specification For The Antivirus Workstation |
| 14 | KMS Help Desk Workstation | Access to key management system for some help desk functions. STE04 | SD/DES/230 - Platform Physical Design Specification For KMS Help Desk Workstation |
| 15 | Network Management Workstation | Network Management. Wigan | SD/DES/274 - Platform Physical Design For Network Management Workstations |



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| 1 | Security workstation | Analysis of security issues. | SD/DES/273 - Platform Physical Design |
|---|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| | | BRA01 | Specification For The Security Workstation |

4.3 Branch Infrastructure

A Post Office branch consists of 1 or more PCs with each PC having a number of peripheral devices attached. In branches with more than 2 positions un-managed 10Mbit/s hubs are used to connect the PC together.

The normal configuration for a Counter position is:

- PC Base Unit (400MHz Pentium II with 256Mbytes of memory and a PCI card providing multiple serial connections)
- Touch Screen (touch element connected via a serial connection to PC)
- LIFT Keyboard incorporating a Magnetic Swipe and Smart Card reader (serial connection for card reader)
- BAR Code Scanner (Serial Connection)
- Slip and Tally Roll Printer (Serial Connection)
- Weigh Scales (serial connection normally shared between two counters with both counters having a separate serial connection).
- PIN Pad (Serial Connection)
- Optionally a Bureau de Change Rates Board (serial connection)

One PC in each branch acts as the "gateway PC" which provides network connectivity to the data centre and also acts as a server for a parallel port connected back office printer. There are two types of gateway PC:

- RAS which supports ISDN, ADSL and serial connected modems. This ISDN and ADSL connectivity is provided through internal PCI cards.
- VSAT which uses a LAN connection to plug into a PES (Personal Earth Station).

In single counter branches, the gateway PC has a second (removable) hard disk to protect data against hard disk failure. This is achieved through the use of a second Riposte instance which replicates data from the instance that is using the internal hard disk.

In addition, there is a mobile variant (nicknamed the "luggable") that is used in multiple locations.

These combinations lead to the following hardware types:

- 1. RAS Gateway Single Counter
- 2. RAS Gateway Multi Counter

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- 3. VSAT Gateway Single Counter
- 4. VSAT Gateway Multi Counter
- 5. Mobile RAS
- 6. Mobile VSAT
- 7. Slave

Details of the Horizon configurations can be found in [BP/DES/003] and [CE/SPE/025].

5.0 Information Management

The table below summarises the data stored in each of the key systems in the solution:

| # | Database/System | Function/Data | Storage Period |
|----|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1 | TPS | Full transaction details sent nightly to other systems. Summary of some data once per month. | Up to 1 month for summary, full details 2 days |
| 2 | APS | APS Transactions sent nightly to AP Clients. Some data sent 5 days per week or once per week. | Up to 7 days, most 2 days |
| 3 | LFS | Transmission of data to/from SAP ADS | 2 days |
| 4 | DRS | NBS, DCS and ETU reconciliation | 3 months |
| 5 | TES | NBS Queries | 6 months |
| 6 | DWH | NBS, DCS and ETU MIS Queries | 3 months |
| 7 | RDMC & RDDS | Reference data | Permanent |
| 8 | Correspondence Servers and Counters | All transactions undertaken at counters. | 42 days |
| 9 | OCMS & ACDB | Estate Management Data | Permanent |
| 10 | MTAS | MID/TID Allocation for branches | Permanent |
| 11 | KMS | Key management for branches | Permanent |
| 12 | OMDB & SMDB | Systems management for system | Permanent |
| 13 | NPS | Banking Persistent Data required to support online transactions | 5 days |
| 14 | Audit (Centera) | Audit trail of solution | 7 years |

6.0 Network Services

This section covers the Network Services required for Horizon. It is split into Data Centre LAN, Main WAN circuits, Branch network and other circuits.

6.1 Data Centre LAN

The diagram below shows a logical view of the LAN within a single data centre.

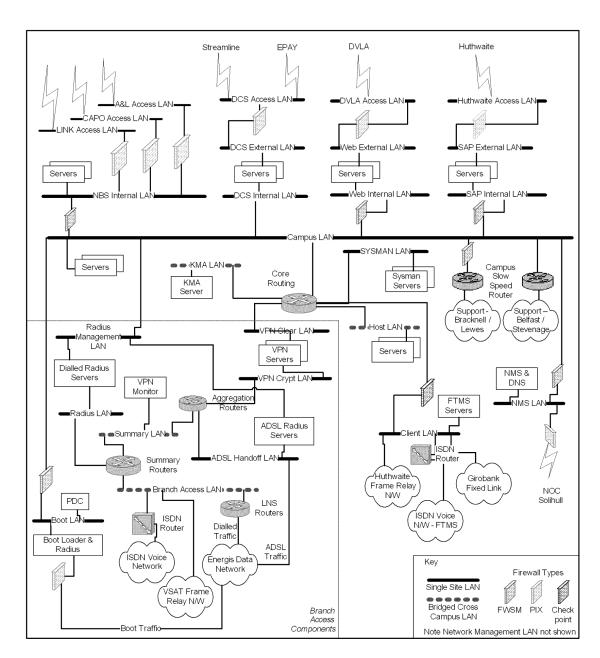
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[DN: Need to add the context switches to the picture]. The Context switches are to provide load balancing across the multiple servers for the applications (see Resilience section for more detail).

[DN: Need to add Boot Server to the picture – where does it go?]



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6.2 WAN Circuits

The data centres need to be connected to other sites to either carry business traffic or support traffic. The list below shows the connections and how they are provided. For most remote sites, Fujitsu has networking equipment required to provide the service (e.g. routers).

| Type | Item | Data Centre Site | Other Site |
|------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Support Access | There are fixed circuits from the data centres to the following sites: 1. Bracknell 2. Stevenage 3. Belfast | Supplier C&W - 1, 2, 4 BT - 3 | Supplier C&W - 1, 2 BT - 3, 4 |
| | In addition there is an ISDN connection into Crewe for OBC team 4. Crewe | | |
| Streamline for debit card | Online Payment over X25 Batch Files, Bonded ISDN | 1. TNS 2. C&W | 1. TNS 2. Third Party |
| E-Pay for ETU | Twin 2 Mbits/s circuits with diverse routing into each site: 1. E-Pay Site 1 2. E-Pay Site 2 The E-Pay circuits are provided by C&W using IP Select. | C&W | C&W |
| DVLA for Car Tax | Twin 256 Kbit/s circuits with diverse routing into each site: 1. DVLA Site 1 2. DVLA Site 2 The DVLA circuits are provided by C&W using IP Select. | C&W | C&W |
| A&L for Banking | Twin 128 Kbit/s with diverse routing into each site: 1. A&L Main Site 2. A&L DR Site | C&W | C&W |
| EDS Card Account for Banking | Connections to the main and DR sites. These circuits are not part of the Fujitsu Service. | Third party | N/A |
| LINK for Banking | Connections to the main and DR sites. These circuits are not part of the Fujitsu Service | Third party | N/A |
| Post Office Ltd | Access from Huthwaite for Back Office access is via twin 2 Mbits/s with diverse routing. There are also connections into the DR site at Sunguard. These circuits are provided by C&W using IP Select. Also Frame relay connections for legacy connections. These are expected to be discontinued shortly. | C&W | C&W |



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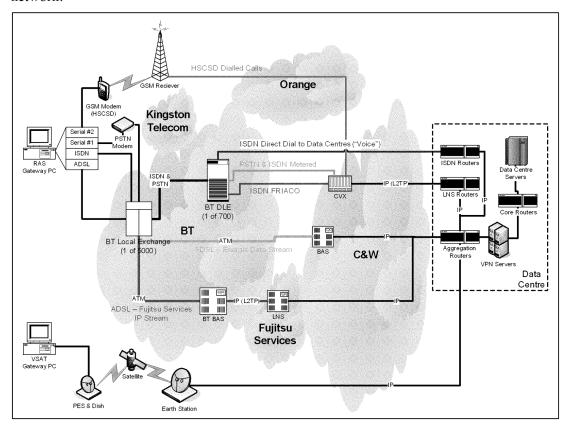
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| Branch Main Access | All data from the branches for the main network is carried into the data centres through IP Select connections from the branch network provider. There will be twin (diversely routed) 155Mbit/s connections into each data centre to provide resilience. | C&W | C&W |
|------------------------------|---|-----|-----|
| Branch Direct Dial Access | To direct dial the branches from the data centres ISDN PRI are required. | C&W | N/A |
| Intercampus | The network between the data centres is use twin 1Gbit/s connections (diversely routed) to provide resilience. | C&W | C&W |
| VSAT Access | Frame Relay links from Hughes | C&W | C&W |

6.3 Branch network

The diagram below shows a simplified version of the networks that make up the branch network:





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There are two types of branches – the majority use a RAS Gateway PC, with a very small number (around 150) using a VSAT connection. VSAT is used where distance limits from the exchange prohibit the use of ADSL or ISDN.

RAS branches operate in one of two primary configurations: ISDN or ADSL. ADSL is the favoured configuration as it is lower costs and easier to manage, although there are some exchanges that BT has yet to enable.

Branches in Hull have a network service from Kingston telecom (rather than BT) and this uses ISDN connections. Investigations are underway by Core Services into how to provide ADSL for these sites.

All branches have VPN between the gateway PC and the data centre (see RS/DES/046 - VPN High Level Design]

6.3.1 ISDN Branches

For ISDN Branches, there are three possible routes to the data centre:

- Direct Dial (so called "Voice") in which one of the data centres is dialled directly by
 the branch. Resilience is achieved through having different numbers for each data
 centre. This route is bi-directional with the data centre also able to dial the branch. Call
 charges are billed by time.
- ISDN Metered in which a call is placed to the C&W CVX. The CVX answers the call
 and delivers IP (tunnelled as L2TP) to one of the data centres. Resilience is achieved
 through the tunnel connecting to an alternate data centre on failure. Call charges are
 billed by time.
- ISDN FRIACO which logically behaves the same way as ISDN metered, except for billing where a fixed cost per port is made irrespective of usage. Within C&W and BT the routing is also different with a fixed circuit between each DLE and C&W to handle these types of calls (for ISDN metered, normal call routing is applied between BT and C&W). Note that FRIACO is not available for Kingston Telecom branches. The FRIACO service purchased from C&W is only available during the day (01:00 to 17:30 Monday to Friday, 01:00 to 13:00 Saturday and 01:00 to 08:00 Sunday)

These routes are combined to provide different services as follows:

- Voice Dial On Demand Branches always dial the data centre directly.
- Bronze Dial On Demand Branches use a Metered connection if working with direct dial to the data centre as a second choice. This used to be much cheaper than the Voice Dial on Demand solution, but recent tariff changes mean that both services have similar running costs.

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- Silver Daytime FRIACO Branches hold open a FRIACO connection during the day, using a metered connection if this is not available. Out of hours they behave as bronze sites. This is used for larger sites.
- Silver Daytime Metered Branches hold open a metered connection during the day. Out of hours they behave as bronze sites. This is very expensive and is therefore only used for a handful of large sites that cannot get FRIACO.

Details of how these behave can be found in TD/SDS/002 - Counter Network Infrastrucutre Manager (CNIM).

In addition, a "data recovery (Day J)" connection is possible using either PSTN or Mobile (HSCSD) that uses a metered connection. This is used when a phone line is broken for many days and data needs to be retrieved from the PC in the branch.

6.3.2 **ADSL Branches**

There are two types of ADSL in the solution - C&W Data Stream and Fujitsu Services IP Stream. Initially it was expected that all branches would use the Data Stream version, but this has proved to be expensive to rollout to the whole estate – particularly where only a few branches are connected to a BT local exchange. Therefore Fujitsu Services IPStream will be used for all low density exchanges (typically rural ones - estimated at 7.000 branches) with C&W data stream being used for the urban ones. [DN: rollout expected summer 06]

Two variants of IPStream are used depending on the size of the branch (larger branches need more guaranteed bandwidth to ensure good response times for online transactions):

- IP Stream Home for 1 to 3 counters notionally a 50:1 connection ratio
- IP Stream Office for 4+ counters notionally a 20:1 connection ratio.

ADSL branches can also use other connection types:

- Initial configuration is downloaded via PSTN (see estate management) via a metered called.
- Approximately 2000 branches are able to use ISDN as a backup (when in backup mode ISDN is held open permanently on a metered connection).
- Where an Orange signal is available an "on demand" backup service is available to allow the branch to operate using HSCSD via a modem carried by the engineer.

Further details can be found in:

- TD/SDS/004 ADSL High Level Design
- AS/DPR/025 IPStream Design Proposal
- EP/HLD/002 High Level Design Branch Network Resilience

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6.3.3 VSAT Branches

Where distance limits from the local exchange prohibit the use of ADSL or ISDN, then a VSAT connection is used.

For these a PES (personal earth station) is plugged into a VSAT gateway PC (which has a WAN network card as well as the LAN network card.

The use of VSAT is problematic in terms of reliability and planning permission for the dish. Once all branches than can be are moved to ADSL, it is planned to migrate the remaining VSAT branches to fixed circuits.

6.4 IP Addressing

This can be split into two areas, consisting of a Private Internet space termed the Horizon Private Internet Address space (PAS) and the Horizon Boundary Address space (BAS).

All PAS members are allocated from the IPv4 Address Space according to RFC 1918. PAS is a strict subset of RFC 1918 with well defined boundaries.

For each 3rd party with which Horizon exchanges IP data grams a Peering IP address island is defined. The collection of all such Peering IP address islands is orthogonal from each other and their union is the BAS

It is intended that all members of the BAS are RFC1918 addresses however exceptions to fit in with 3rd party requirements will be considered.

The table below shows how IP addressing is managed within the PAS:

| Address Space | Assignment | Scope | Constant Next time is the same | Outgoing Connections to endpoint? | Routing |
|---|--|-------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------|
| RAS Gateway PC WAN – ADSL, Dialled RAS | Dynamic by PPP from Horizon Radius Server | Unique within PAS | Yes | Yes | ??? |
| RAS Gateway PC WAN – ISDN | Static – allocated via autoconfig process | Unique within PAS | Yes since static | Yes | ??? |
| VSAT Gateway PC WAN | Static – allocated via autoconfig process | Unique within PAS | Yes since static | Yes | ??? |

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| Branch LAN workstations | Static – allocated via autoconfig process | Unique within PAS since Subnet is unique per Branch. | Yes since static | Yes | ??? |
|--|--|--|--|-----|-----|
| Devices on Data Centre LANS | Static | Unique within PAS | Yes since static | Yes | |
| Loop back devices (i.e. addresses not associated with real interfaces bit associated with a device) | Static | Unique within PAS | Yes follows trivially since static | Yes | |
| Virtual Devices I.E. Load balancer and NAT projections | Static | Unique within PAS | Yes follows trivially since static | Yes | |

6.5 Branch Network Monitoring

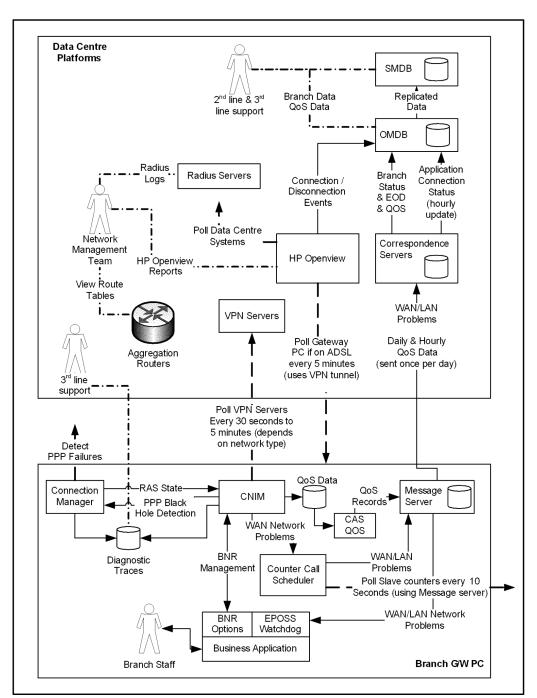
Monitoring of the branch network is complex due to the size and type of networks used. As a result there are a number of ways that the network is monitored as shown by the diagram below.



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The key characteristics are:

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| 1 | Connection Manager | Connection Manager is responsible for management of any RAS based connections (ADSL, BNR ISDN and BNR Mobile) including PPP failures. It writes diagnostics traces available for 3 rd line support. | RS/DES/091 - Branch Connection Manager Detailed Design |
|---|---|---|--|
| 2 | CNIM CASQOS | CNIM Monitors the network at the IP level polling the data centres every 30 seconds to 5 minutes depending on the network type. If it detects a PPP black hole it tells Connection Manager so that the connection can be reset. CNIM writes Quality of Service (QoS) and diagnostic data on a regular basis to the local disk. Once per day CASQOS reads the QoS Data and writes it to the message server for transmission to the data centre. CNIM is also responsible for BNR management. | TD/SDS/002 - Counter Network Infrastructure Manager (CNIM) SY/SOD/007 - Network Banking - Outlet Network Quality Of Service Reporting System Outline Design |
| 3 | Counter Call Scheduler | The Counter Call Scheduler takes information from CNIM and the message server to detect WAN and LAN issues respectively. This information is written to the message server for transmission to the data centre and also for the counter business application. | See Application Section |
| 4 | Business Application BNR Options EPOSS Watchdog | The business application provides feedback to the Branch staff and also allows BNR options to be invoked. | See Application Section |
| 5 | HP Openview Radius Servers Aggregation Routers | HP Openview is used to Poll the branches that aren't dial on demand (i.e. ADSL and VSAT) to detect connection issues from the data centre. It is also used to poll the data centre platforms and network devices. Connection/Disconnection events are fed to the OMDB. The Network Management team have access to HP Openview reports together with Radius logs and the Aggregation routers to allow them to understand the status of the network. | ??? |
| 6 | Correspondence Servers OMDB SMDB | QoS and EOD data is Data is harvested from the Correspondence servers into the OMDB (and replicated to the SMDB) to provide information to 2 nd and 3 rd line support on the Branch status and QoS data. In addition, the connection status (checking when each gateway PC message server last connected to the correspondence servers) is checked once per hour. | See Application Section |

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Systems Management 7.0

The size and topology of the POL branch estate requires proactive and comprehensive system management such that every branch and individual counter position is under management and is being supported in successfully performing business transactions.

Similar considerations apply to the applications running in the data centres. Any anomaly can potentially have effects over large parts of the branch estate.

The system management solution can be decomposed into a group of component services which focus on individual functional areas. The component services inter work to deliver the required functionality and to achieve re-use of individual capabilities.

The following sections look at each of these individual components in turn.

7.1 **Software Distribution and Management**

Software distribution works in two modes of operation:

- 1. A software payload is pushed to the end system from the central management system.
- 2. A software payload is pulled by management agent software on the end system from a nominated depot. The depot may be co-located with the end system (such as another Counter in the Branch) or remote (i.e. within the data centre).

The software is installed and a permanent record is kept of its installation against the end system in the central system management inventory (the OMDB). All end systems in the data centre and the Branch estate can be updated through this service, however only some data centre platforms use this method due to cost of packaging – others are upgraded manually.

Peripheral devices that provide an API to update their firmware from the end system to which they are attached are also supported on this solution. Pin Pad's are example of this class of device

Both methods of distribution have an associated scheduling and targeting criteria. The targeting criteria is the statement of what end systems need to be updated and will allow such groups as single end systems, nominated sets of Branches (for pilot roll out of new facilities); and generic rules (such as all end systems who do not have the software already installed).

The scheduling criterion is the time at which the installation on the end system is actioned. Most software installations are invasive to the business and hence their schedules are chosen to be out of business hours. In the push mode the scheduling criteria is implemented by the central management systems. This scheduling takes account of the branch WAN network characteristics (e.g. maximum concurrency, maximum dial rate for ISDN etc).

The pull operation is driven by a local schedule on the end system which is only used for end system swap out. This is the automatic upgrade of a new end system from the software baseline present on that end system (i.e. at cold build) to the baseline of the live end system it replaces.

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There are updates that require Branch wide installations (that is changes that need to be made to all Counters in a physical Branch at the same time) – for example updates to the Riposte desktop. The distribution facility includes the ability to co-ordinate updates across the whole branch with all counters having the software installed or (if there is an issue on one or more counters) for all counters to regress to the starting position.

To minimise the disruption to branch staff if a counter reboot is required during software a facility called "unattended reboot" is used. This allows the counter to be recovered to its post POLO (see security section) state in a secure way.

Further details can be found in:

- SY/SOD/005 System Management Software Distribution For FRIACO Networks
- SY/SOD/006 Network Banking Tivoli Based Supportability Tasks
- SY/SOD/007 Network Banking Outlet Network Quality of Service Reporting System Outline Design
- TD/SOD/002 Unattended Reboot System Outline Design
- TD/SOD/007 Outline Design For Remote Updating of PIN Pads

7.2 Distributed Monitoring

The Horizon solution relies on a number of platforms and applications working together to provide a business service. It is important that the operators can understand the state of the system from a service perspective so that issues can be prioritised and dealt with appropriately.

The central management system receives feeds (including application heartbeats) from the various platforms and applications and uses these to provide a summarised view of the following information:

- 1. Whether each business service is working fully, partially or not at all.
- 2. The state of resilience features that make up that service for example resilience may be currently reduced due to an earlier failure.
- 3. Indicators that the service may have problems for example higher business error rates than expected or volumes being processed are lower.
- 4. Indicators that the components that make up the service may have an issue for example processor usage is much higher than expected.

Further details can be found in:

- SY/DAT/003 SYSMAN Service Monitor Configuration
- SY/DES/018 Online Transaction Monitoring System Outline Design

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7.3 **Event Management**

Applications and operating systems within the solution can generate information that has operational significance and therefore needs to be dealt with either automatically or through operator intervention. The source of the events may be in the counter estate, data centre or network management component domains and these domains are linked to give an enterprise wide view for the operational support community. Individual domains may be solely managed through this enterprise view while other domains may have local management views. Any domain will always have a gateway though to the enterprise management domain.

Facilities exist to configure rules for the forwarding of events both at the originating end system, at a domain gateway or at reception in the central event management system. Certain domains will also provide tailoring at the user interface.

Details can be found in:

- SY/ION/006 System Management Counter Event Forwarding and Software Distribution
- SY/ION/007 System Management Advanced Event Archives Search Function
- SY/MAN/005 Event Management Support Guide

7.4 **Remote Operations and Secure Access**

To support Horizon a number of support roles need access to the data centre systems.

For 2nd line support is via tasks that have predetermined functionality and whose access is role based.

For 3rd line support a support framework is provided that includes:-

- Access to data centre resident Secure Access servers from Fujitsu Services locations during business hours or from support staff home locations out of business hours using secure workstation or lap top builds and encrypted communications
- 2. Two factor authentication at the Secure Access servers
- Onward access from the Secure Access Servers to data centre platforms and counters using 3rd party COTS product management interfaces and audited client access to all Windows, Unix and Network platforms direct via IP or proxies.
- Role based privileges for support access on platforms operating systems, hosted applications and database schemas.

Further details can be found in:

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- SY/SOD/009 Secure Support For Network Banking
- SY/DPR/001 Out Of Hours Remote Support

7.5 Estate Management and Auto-Configuration

The policy for estate management is to de-skill as much as possible any engineering activities in the branch estate and to minimise the time taken for rollout of new branches and spares replacement. To this end, installation of new branches or replacement of failed equipment in existing branches is almost completely automatic – the engineers just have to plug in the equipment, scan a bar code and then wait for the system to be fully configured. This configuration includes the personalisation of network endpoints, branch router, counter positions, distribution of any sensitive key material (in a secure way) and any software fixes not included in the spare.

The diagram below shows the a simplified view of the systems and data flows involved in creating a new branch:

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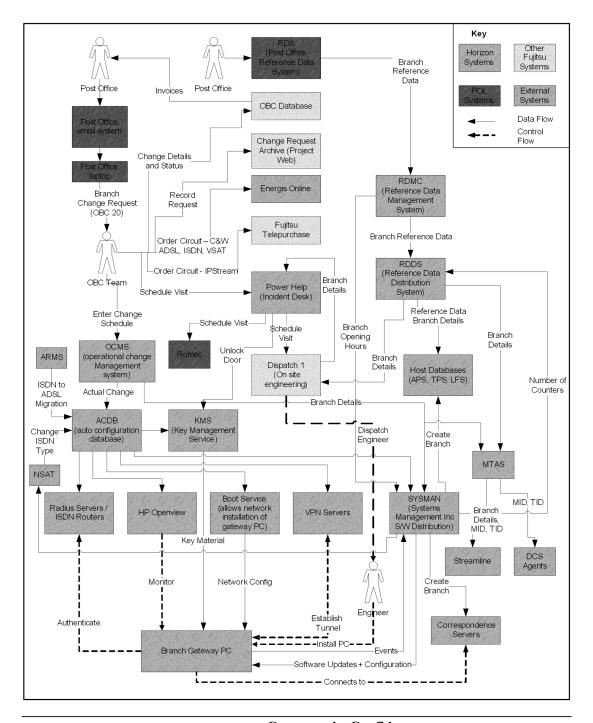
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Data Flows In Horizon For Branch Physical Changes (OBC) (Simplified – Ignores Systems that Transport Data)





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The key characteristics are:

| # | Name | Function | Documentation |
|---|---------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 1 | Post Office RDS | Post Office make a request via email to open a new branch. The reference data for that branch is also entered into Post Office's RDS system. | n/a |
| 2 | OBC Team | The Fujitsu OBC team have a Post Office laptop with | TD/DES/106 - OCMS |
| | OBC Database | access to the Post Office email system. They use this to retrieve the branch change request (OBC 20). | High Level Design |
| | Change Request Archive | This change is entered in the OBC database and the change request archive. | |
| | Energis Online | The branch network service is ordered via either Energis | |
| | Telepurchase | online (for C&W services) or Fujitsu Telepurchase (for | |
| | OCMS | Fujitsu supplied services) | |
| | | The details are entered into OCMS (operational change management system) to schedule the changes in the solution. | |
| 3 | RDMC | The reference data changes are received from RDS and | See Application Section |
| | RDDS | passed to RDMC to process them. RDMS provides this to Sysman and RDDS. | |
| | MTAS | RDDS distributes the reference data to the host databases | |
| | DCS Agents | and MTAS (MID/TID Allocation Systsem). | |
| | Host Databases | MTAS also receives a feed from OCMS. Between the two feeds there is sufficient data to allocate a MID and TID and send that information to Streamline. | |



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|---|---------------------------------|--|--|
| 4 | ACDB KMS | ACDB receives the change from OCMS and allocates network configuration to the branch and counter configuration for each counter position. The configuration | TD/SOD/006 – BI3 Estate Management System Outline Design |
| | Radius Servers /ISDN Routers | data is feed to a number of systems including: • Radius Servers and ISDN Routers to allow | TD/SOD/010 - ADSL - Estate Management |
| | Boot Service | network access | System Outline Design |
| | VPN Servers | KMS to allocate key material for the branch | DE/DES/015 - Pathway |
| | SYSMAN | HP Openview to monitor the branch | Autoconfig Bootserver Implementation CSR+ |
| | Correspondence Servers | Boot Service to allow network config to be distributed on installation | See also application section |
| | | VPN Servers to enable a new VPN config | |
| | | Sysman to allocate software baselines and configurations | |
| | | Correspondence server and host databases (via SYSMAN) to open the branch. | |
| | | RDDS (via SYSMAN) for the number of counter positions in the branch. | |
| 5 | Power Help | The OBC Team also schedule engineer visits to install the branch via Power Help (the Incident desk). | n/a |
| | Dispatch 1 | 1 | |
| | Romec | Romec (a Royal Mail group company) are requested to physically installed the new branch (wiring, physical | |
| | Engineer | machines etc). | |
| | Gateway PC | Dispatch 1 is requested to schedule a Fujitsu engineer visit to complete the installation (connection to the network, ensure it works etc). To enable this the door on KMS needs to be "unlocked" to allow the installation and this is triggered by Power Help. | |
| 6 | NSAT | NSAT (Network Service type Allocation Tool) is used if the ISDN network type needs to be changed between Dial | TD/DES/159 - Network Service Allocation Tool |
| | ARMS | On Demand, Bronze Dial On Demand, Silver Daytime | Design |
| | | FRIACO and Silver Daytime Metered (see Network Section) | |
| | | ARMS (ADSL Rollout Management System) is used if the Branch needs to be migrated from ISDN to ADSL. | Interface System Outline Design |

7.6 Capacity Monitoring

In order to the system there is a comprehensive capacity monitoring system based on the Athene product from Metron. This consists of three elements:

• Immediate alerting on performance issues that could jeopardise the live service. These events are carried through the event framework to the monitoring system.



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- On a daily basis performance data is collected from critical platforms an loaded into a "short term performance database" to allow problems to be investigated.
- On a monthly basis performance data is loaded into a "long term performance database" to support medium and long term trending.

More details can be found in

TD/STR/002 - Athene Deployment Strategy

7.7 Scheduling

There are a number of scheduling methods used in Horizon. For the business applications in the data centre, Maestro is used. The master is run on the host systems, with clients running on each platform that requires scheduling services.

For the OMDB, the scheduling capabilities of the Oracle management suite are used [DN: need to check this].

For the counter business applications, a bespoke product called the "Counter Application Scheduler" is used (see the application scheduler). Other scheduling required is managed through the NT4 scheduler.

Details can be found in:

• TD/HLD/002 - Horizon Maestro Schedule

7.8 Time Synchronisation

Time synchronisation is achieved through the following components:

- GPS based Time synchronisation server(s) within the data centre as the master source. This avoids the need for an internet connection from the data centres.
- The data centre platforms (including the correspondence servers) use Network Time Protocol (NTP) to synchronise with the GPS receivers.
- The gateway PC in each branch synchronises with the correspondence servers. This is a feature of the Riposte messaging software.
- The slave PC in each branch synchronise with the gateway PC using Riposte.
- All platforms generate events that are collected by the event management system. This
 is a requirement of litigation support so that it can be demonstrated that the clocks
 have been kept in synch.

Further details can be found in:

• TD/ARC/005 - Time Service



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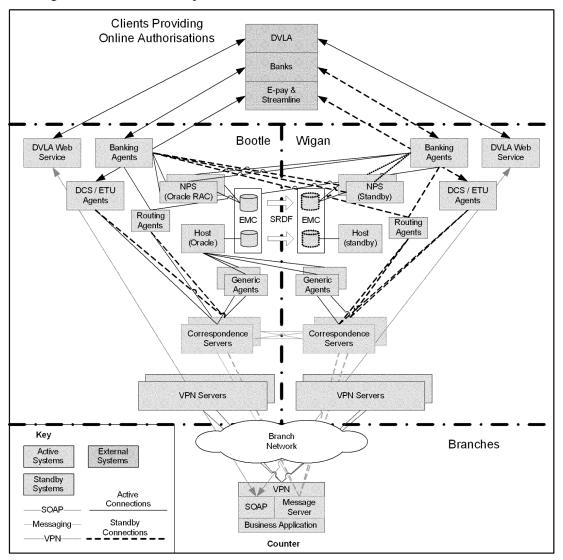
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8.0 Availability & DR

For the majority of the Horizon solution, resilience and DR are provided by the same mechanism, with a single data centre in its own right having very little resilience. This approach minimises the capital hardware costs in the solution. For a few components where rapid recovery is required, local resilience is provided (e.g. NPS database).

The diagram below shows a simplified view of the resilience and DR of the solution.



The main characteristics are that:



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- The Branches have network connections that can use either data centre. The exact method used depends on the network type. Either both data centres are connected (as with ADSL or VSAT) or one data centre is connected normally with the branch able to use the other data centre if there is an issue (as with ISDN).
- The VPN software in the counter connects to multiple VPN servers at both sites to provide resilient encrypted tunnels.
- The Riposte message server at the counter is able to connect to 4 correspondence servers (2 at each site). At any one time only one connection will be used for normal traffic.
- Online Transactions Banking, ETU and Debit/Credit Card are picked up from the correspondence servers by the Routing Agents, ETU Agents and DCS Agents respectively. These are able to connect to both correspondence servers on the same site (one connection normally used). In the event of an issue at the main site, standby service will run at the other site.
- The Banking Authorisation agents receive transactions from the Routing Agents. These need the NPS database to hold state information for the online transactions. The NPS uses Oracle RAC to provide local resilience. In the event of site disaster, the NPS service is brought up at the other data centre. Data is replicated between the two sites using EMC SRDF technology.
- The DVLA service uses an active/active configuration where the service is live in both data centres.
- The Host service (used for batch processing) is live at one data centre. There is a standby server at the other data centre that is used for both DR and resilience. Data is replicated between the two sites using EMC SRDF technology.
- Data is transferred between the host at the data centre through generic agents. These run at both data centres.

The diagrams below show in more detail the two methods used between the branch and data centre to achieve resilience and DR for online services.

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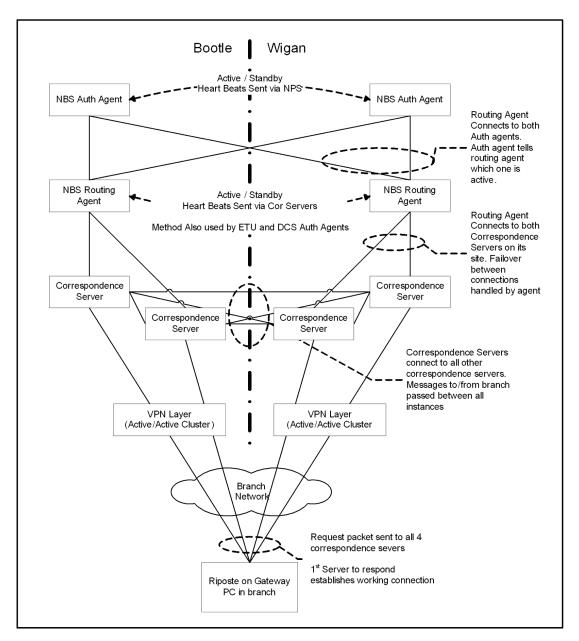


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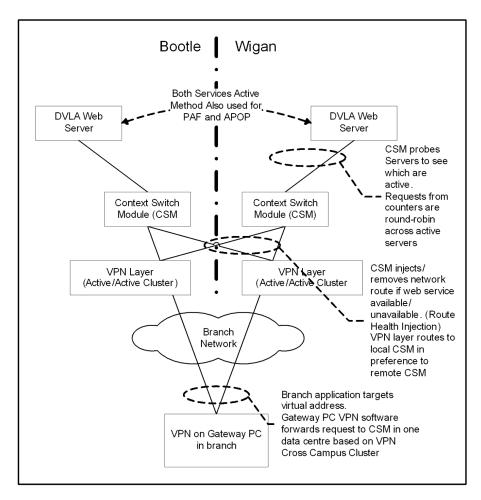
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Resilience for online transactions using Web Services

Other areas of resilience are shown in the table below. In general there are resilient LAN in the data centre and the table highlights how this is used.

| # | Area | Resilience Model | How Selection Made by User of Service |
|---|---|--|--|
| 1 | TES Application APOP Admin | Service: Active/Active Platform: Both Live LAN: Single IP Address – active/standby connections | User has different IP addresses for the different servers LAN failover automatic |
| 2 | Banking File Transfer APS File Transfer PO File Transfer | Service: Active/Standby Platform: Both live LAN:??? | Manual failover |
| 3 | Correspondence Servers | Service: Active/Active Platform: All Live | As described above |



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| | | LAN: Single LAN used in each server for Branch traffic; other traffic spread over both LAN | |
|----|--|--|---|
| 4 | DVLA Sever PAF Server APOP Web Server | Service: Active/Active Platform: Both Live LAN: Single IP Address – active/standby connections | As described above |
| 5 | Host Server KMA Server OCMS Server DCSM Server | Service: Active/Standby Platform: Active/Standby Database: SRDF Replication LAN: Single IP Address – active/standby connections | Manual Failover for Service & Platform. LAN failover automatic |
| 6 | ACDB Server OCMS Server | Service: Active/Standby Platform: Active/Standby Database: Log shipping LAN: ??? | Manual Failover |
| 7 | VPN Servers | Service: Active/Active Platform: All live LAN: ??? | Counters automatically select working servers |
| 8 | Generic Agents | Service: Either Active/Active or Active/Standby (depends on agent type) Platform: All Live LAN: Single LAN used for connection to correspondence servers. | Automatic failover via Maestro schedules (for batch agents) and SYSMAN (for continuously running agents). |
| 9 | ETU/DCS Agents NBS Routing Agents NBS Authorisation Agents | Service: Active/Standby Platform: Both Live LAN: Single IP Address – active/standby connections | Automatic through agent code (see above) |
| 10 | NPS | Service: Active/Active within Data centre; Active/Standby across data centres Platform: All Live within data centre. LAN: Single IP Address – active/standby connections | Automatic failover for local resilience. Manual failover if other data centre used |

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9.0 Performance and Scalability

This section outlines the volumes that the solution needs to be support

9.1 **Volumes**

The table below summarises the product volumes that need to be supported by the solution

| Volume | EPOSS | APS | NBS | DC | ETU | DVLA Online | PAF | Settlement | Total |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Peak Month | 105,205,37 6 | 40,641,69 4 | 41,847,56 0 | 4,210,00 0 | 1,422,41 7 | 3,603,876 | 11,969,80 6 | 119,631,43 6 | 328,532,16 5 |
| Peak Week | 35,319,442 | 11,511,88 8 | 10,960,03 | 1,264,76 8 | 462,075 | 2,080,110 | 4,002,430 | 36,112,618 | 101,713,36 3 |
| Peak 2 Days | 15,620,323 | 5,626,222 | 5,656,759 | 565,949 | 213,783 | 1,026,146 | 1,883,664 | 17,188,486 | 47,781,332 |
| Peak Day | 8,602,518 | 3,031,573 | 3,264,181 | 288,425 | 121,200 | 670,704 | 1,100,788 | 9,565,842 | 26,645,231 |
| Peak Hour | 1,230,160 | 560,841 | 694,976 | 79,368 | 17,254 | 92,724 | 162,246 | 1,730,259 | 4,567,828 |
| Peak Sec By Service | 344 | 179 | 222 | 22 | 5 | 27 | 46 | 532 | 1,377 |
| Peak Sec Actual | 42 | 179 | 222 | 22 | 5 | 27 | 0 | 293 | 790 |

The peak second numbers are the average rate over the peak 5 minutes. Two Peak second numbers are provided – one to give the peak for each service (although the peaks do not coinside) and the actual number which is the highest workload possible given the throughput that can be achieved by the counters.

Full volumes can be found in PA/PER/033 - Horizon Capacity Management and Business Volumes.

9.2 **Scalability**

There are two broad approaches to scalability:

- Scale Wide Where multiple instances of a particular component and be run in parallel and therefore additional resource can be added by increasing the number. An example would be adding more servers to the SM Application layer.
- Scale High Where multiple instances cannot be run in parallel and therefore the capability of the component needs to be improved. An example would be a banking agent where the platform is upgraded to provide more processing agent.

There are two types of Scale Wide – those that require application or other change and those that can be achieved with no change.

The table below describes the possible scaling strategies for the key, performance critial components of the system:

| # | Area | Scaling Approach |
|---|----------------|---|
| 1 | Banking Agents | Primary approach is to Scale High providing more processing power for the agent |

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| | DCS Agents ETU Agents DVLA Agents | platforms or where a number of agents share a platform to split this across multiple platforms. It would be possible to Scale Wide if the number of instances is increased although this is likely to require other changes in the system (e.g. to increase number of PRI for banking). | |
|---|---|---|--|
| 2 | PAF Agents APOP Agents Generic Agents Routing Agents | There are two options for this: 1) Make platform more powerful 2) Add additional platforms and instances It is likely to be most cost effective to make the platform more powerful. | |
| 4 | Host | The host capacity is dominated by the need to support the overnight batch process. There are two ways to provide additional capacity: 1. Provide a more powerful host system (either faster processors or more processors) 2. Split the workload across multiple platforms (e.g. TPS database on one platform and DRS on a different platform. It is likely to be most cost effective to replace the host by a more powerful system with the same number of faster processors due to the way Oracle licensing works, | |
| 5 | NPS | The NPS database is spread over two systems in normal operation. If one of these fails then the other takes over the whole workload. There are two ways to scale this platform: 1. Provide a more powerful host system (either faster processors or more processors). 2. Add an additional platform to provide resilience to the two other platforms – hence ensuring no one platform has to take the full workload. Given the type of hardware deployed (2 processors used in an 8 processor capable platform) the most cost effective approach is likely to be adding additional processors. | |
| 6 | Correspondence Server | Given the structure of the correspondence sever clusters (i.e. a branch is a member of one of the 4 clusters) the only practical way to scale is to have faster processors. Given the way that Riposte works it is better to have a fast 2 processor system rather than a slower 4 processor system. | |
| 7 | Data Centre LAN | The data centre LAN is composed of high speed switches (with 32Gbit/s backplanes) connected to servers via 100Mbit/s LAN. If this proves to the insufficient then there are three options for scaling: 1. Split the workload over more servers (each with 100Mbit/s LAN) 2. Upgrade the LAN to 1Gbit/s for selected servers 3. Reduce the bandwidth needed through application change (e.g. compression). Given the nature of the system, the most cost effective approach is likely to be reducing the bandwidth unless a small number of servers need to be changed. | |
| 8 | Branch WAN | The Branch WAN has two bottlenecks – the individual bandwidth into each branch and the aggregate bandwidth across all branches. For individual branches it would be possible to add additional bandwidth through changing network technology (e.g. a high speed fixed circuit). However this is likely to be prohibitively expensive unless used in a very small number of branches. In | |

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| | | practice it is preferable to keep the bandwidth usage to that that can be supported by the network technology. |
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| | | For the aggregate bandwidth, it is possible to purchase additional bandwidth from the network supplier. However this is likely to be relatively expensive. In practise therefore it is better to keep the bandwidth usage within the current design capability through application change. |
| 9 | Other WAN | Other WAN connections (e.g. Banks, e-pay, Post Office etc) can be scaled through |
| | Connections | buying more capacity from the network supplier. |

10.0 Security

This section covers the key security features, key management and audit.

Other aspects of security can be found in:

- RS/POL/002 Horizon Security Policy
- RS/POL/003 Access Control Process
- RS/POL/004 Computer Virus Policy
- RS/DES/080 NT Domain Structure Design For Post Office Account
- RS/FSP/001 Security Functional Specification

10.1 Security Features

The diagram below shows the main security features of the solution:

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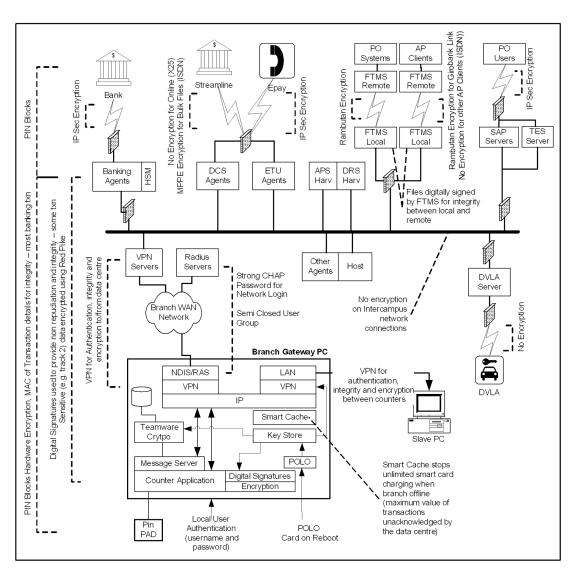


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Branch access to the data centre is controlled as follows:

- Closed user group in the network ensures only registered end points can get access to the data centre for ADSL and VSAT connections. For ISDN the closed user group is implemented on Voice access only.
- The gateway PC has to log into the network using CHAP authentication to the radius servers.
- VPN is used between the branches and the data centres and also between the branches.
 The key material for this on the branch PC is "unlocked" using a PMMC (Post Master Memory Card) and the POLO process. The PMMC is kept securely in the branch (e.g. kept in the safe).



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Where specific data needs to be protected from being read (confidentiality) or tampered with (integrity) then this is done by the application.

The POLO process is also used to unlock key material used to encrypt the hard drive and provide the keys used for digital signatures.

The closed user group in the network will be handled through:

- 1. ADSL– Implemented by network supplier
- 2. ISDN Implemented by the network supplier for voice access. Not implemented on data access.
- 3. VSAT Implemented by network suppler

The Radius Servers are split into two logical groups:

- 1. Dialled ISDN/PSTN
- 2. ADSL

Network links to third parties are encrypted where possible and this is shown in the diagram.

For banking, PIN Blocks are used to transport PINs from the PIN Pad to the Bank. The HSM (Hardware Security Modules) used by the banking agents decrypt the PIN Blocks from the PIN Pads and then encrypt them using a key shared with the bank. This is done as a single atomic operation to ensure that the PIN itself is never exposed.

To protect against re-play attacks on banking, all banking requests (with the exception of deposits) are protected by a MAC generated by the PIN Pad, using a key unique to the transaction.

Many transactions are digitally signed to check that they have not been tampered with during transmission as shown in the table below:

| # | Data Type with Signature | Generated by | Checked By |
|---|---|--------------|---|
| 1 | AP Transactions | Counter | APS Harvester |
| 2 | Banking and ETU confirmation transactions | Counter | DRS Harvester |
| 3 | DCS Confirmation transactions | Counter | C2 Bulk Agent (produces payment file for Streamline) |
| 4 | Banking Requests and Reversals | Counter | NBS Authorisation Agent (except for Card Account withdrawal requests) |

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| 5 | Banking Authorisations | NBS Authorisation Agent | Counter |
|----|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 6 | ETU Requests and Reversals | | ETU Authorisation Agent |
| 7 | ETU Authorisations | ETU Authorisation Agent | Counter |
| 8 | DCS Requests and Reversals | Counter | DCS Authorisation Agent |
| 9 | DCS Authorisations | DCS Authorisation Agent | Counter |
| 10 | APS Smart Transaction acknowledgements | APS Harvester | Counter |

The APS Smart Transaction Acknowledgements are used by the Smart Cache to limit the maximum amount that can be charged by the counter without acknowledgement from the data centre. This is to limit the exposure if a PC is stolen.

The tables below list these and the other security controls in the solution. They are split into network, infrastructure and applications.

Network Security Controls 10.1.1

| # | Control Name | Risk(s) Addressed |
|-----|--|---|
| N1 | DMZ Firewalls | Hacking attempts from client connections (banks, DVLA, streamline, e-pay) |
| N2 | No direct internet access to/from data centres | Limit risk of hacking |
| N3 | No wireless LAN access (Wi-Fi) allowed in solution | Limit risk of hacking |
| N4 | Post Office DMZ Firewalls | Hacking attempts from Royal Mail intranet network. |
| N5 | Closed user Group on most of branch network | Exposure to non-counter staff/kit. Limits number of end points that can attack the solution. |
| N6 | Strong CHAP Password for branch network authentication | Exposure to non-counter staff/kit. Network end point requires valid username and password to attach to network |
| N7 | VPN from branch to data centre | Confidentiality and integrity from branch to data centre. Also stops alien devices connecting to the data centre. |
| N8 | VPN between counters in branch | Confidentiality and integrity from between counter positions. Also stops alien devices connecting to counter PC. |
| N9 | Support DMZ Firewalls | Hacking attempts from Fujitsu support community |
| N10 | Network encryption to banks and e-pay | Confidentiality and integrity of data while in transit. |
| N11 | Network encryption to support sites | Confidentiality and integrity of data while in transit. |



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| N12 | Network encryption to Royal Mail sites | Confidentiality and integrity of data while in transit. |
|-----|---|---|
| N13 | MPPE (Microsoft Point to Point Encryption) protection of files to/from streamline | Confidentiality and integrity of bulk data while in transit to/from streamline. |
| N14 | Radius servers segregated by logical network type | Security breach of one network type does not compromise other network types. |
| N15 | Uses Private IP addresses which are not exposed across the system boundary | Limit risk of hacking |

10.1.2 **Infrastructure Security Controls**

| # | Control Name | Risk(s) Addressed |
|-----|--|---|
| I1 | No plug and play, floppy disk, CD etc in counter | Prevent alien code being loaded. |
| I2 | Physical Controls on data centre access | Intrusion by non-authorised staff |
| 13 | Access controls for support/operational staff – SAS, secure logon etc. | Exposure of system to non-authorised users |
| I4 | Counter locked down (no access by branch staff to underlying OS) | Prevent staff hacking data centre |
| 15 | Degauss disks /tapes before leave data centre | Stop sensitive data being exposed |
| I6 | Anti Virus for at risk data centre platforms | Virus infection |
| I7 | Secure Builds for servers | Reduce implications of hacking attacks – turn off unused features, make sure access controls correct etc. |
| I8 | Physical Controls on access to key mgt functions and key handling | Access to keys by non-authorised staff |
| I9 | Two-person controls on access to key material | Access to full keys by Fujitsu staff |
| I10 | Patching of data centre platform operating systems | Address vulnerabilities in OS to stop hacking and viruses |
| I11 | BIOS is locked down and only bootable from primary storage on counter | Prevent system being booted into a uncontrolled operating system |
| I12 | Auditing of all support staff actions related to change of business data | Fraud by Fujitsu staff |
| I13 | Pagefile & critical files (e.g. messagestore) encrypted on counters | Stop any data that is retained on the hard disk from being readable. |
| I14 | Code signing | Prevent unauthorised code from being installed |
| I15 | Signing of configuration files for counters | Prevent unauthorised configuration data from being installed. |
| I16 | Patching of counter OS | Address vulnerabilities in OS to stop hacking and viruses |

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| I17 | Physical Controls on access to support workstations | Access by non-authorised staff to support functions |
|-----|--|--|
| I18 | Counter Application runs in non-privileged user | If application is bypassed in someway, user hasn't got sufficient privilege to hack machine. |
| I19 | Counters have to be configured before can be used by the application | Stop unauthorised counters being added |
| I20 | Counters are configured to only allow login to a given branch. | Stop users spoofing a branch to access its accounts from remote location. |
| I21 | Counter Key material protected by PMMC and POLO Process – system will not work following reboot unless unlocked. | Stop system working unless have rebooted using the PMMC. |

10.1.3 **Application Security Controls**

| # | Control Name | Risk(s) Addressed |
|-----|---|---|
| A1 | PAN not printed in full on receipts | Prevent exposure of PAN |
| A2 | Auditing of branch staff transactions and events | Fraud – used for litigation support, FSA requirement. |
| A3 | Hardware encryption of PIN at counter and data centre, using Pinpads and Atalla HSMs | Exposure of customer's PINs – PINs are always held encrypted except when within tamper-resistant physical devices |
| A4 | Logon/Logoff of branch staff to application | Exposure of system to non-authorised users |
| A5 | Authentication of transactions to/from counter | Authentication of transactions to/from counter |
| A6 | High Risk Transactions digitally signed | Transactions tampered with during transmission. |
| A7 | Smart Cache in Counter stops unlimited charging of Smart cards without a connection to the data centre. | Stops unlimited charging of Smart Cards if a PC and the PMMC are stolen together. |
| A8 | No email access for branch staff | Minimise risk of malware. |
| A9 | No internet browsing capability for branch staff | Minimise risk of malware. |
| A10 | CA for certifying counter/app server keys | Exposure of system to non-authorised users |
| A11 | MAC of banking transactions | Replay of banking transactions |
| A12 | Auditing of data passed across interfaces to external systems (e.g. banks) | Proof of data in case of dispute or fraud investigations. |
| A13 | Users of Branch application are allocated role(s) to determine the functions to which they have access. | Higher privilege functions not provided to low privilege users. |
| A14 | Branch Application provides facility to "lock screen" | Allows staff to lock screen while away from the counter to stop unauthorised users from using the application. |

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| A15 | Branch Application provides facility for user to quickly and simply logout in a clean manner. | Allows staff to logout quickly if threatened |
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| A16 | Track 2 data encrypted when stored | Exposure of Track 2 data to unauthorised individuals. |

10.2 Key Management

There are a large number of keys used by Horizon to protect the system with each branch having their own set of keys. The keys managed in Horizon are:

- Audit Server (AUDS)
- Software Issue (SI)
- Client services Automated Payment service (AP)
- Post Office Filestore Encryption Key (FEK)
- Post Office Counters Ltd (POCL) Transaction Information Processing (TIP)
- POCL Reference Data (RD)
- Automated Payment service bulk Client transaction records (AP Client)
- Landis & Gyr 3rd party code and data protection (L&G Code)
- Landis & Gyr transaction-enabling functions (L&G Enabling)
- Smarts Acknowledgments (SA)
- Utimaco Virtual Private Network (VPN)
- Network banking PIN encryption by counter PCs(NBPO)
- Encryption of sensitive network banking transaction data within Horizon (NBTDO)
- Digital signing of network banking transaction data in the PO outlets (NBOC)
- Digital signing of network banking transaction data by Horizon agent servers (NBCO)
- Network banking PIN encryption by Horizon agent servers (NBPC)
- Encryption on the data links connecting the Horizon NBX systems to the FIs
- Rambutan encryption of data links (Rambutan)
- Network CHAP Secrets

All high volume keys (including all Branch keys) are automated through the KMA Server. There are a small number of keys that require manual management.



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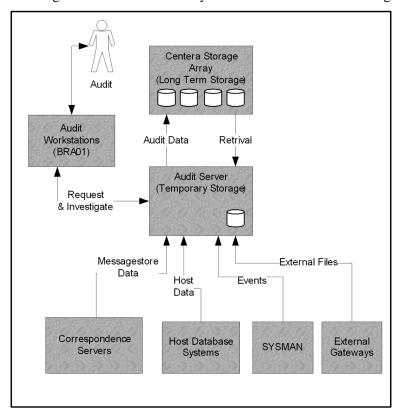
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Details can be found in:

- RS/DES/010 Key Management High Level Design
- SD/DES/093 High Level Design for CHAP Password Handling.

10.3 Audit & Litigation Support

The diagram below shows the key elements of the Audit and Litigation support system.



The Audit server is responsible for gathering Audit Tracks generated from a wide range of components of the Horizon system. The majority of data comes from the correspondence servers which includes all business data associated with the Branches.

As well as gathering and storing audit data on EMC Centera all of the Audit Tracks, the Audit Server provides facilities to retrieve data from the Audit Archive.

Tools to extract and prepare data for analysis are provided together with basic facilities to support internal Fujitsu Services data retrieval activities. Access, by Fujitsu Services staff, to the retrieval and extraction facilities is via the user interface provided on the Audit Workstation.



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Details can be found in:

- SD/HLD/001 Audit Data Collection & Storage High Level Design
- SD/HLD/002 Audit Data Retrieval High Level Design