

Monitoring Amazon Web Services

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Chapter

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Introduction

Overview

This manual describes how to monitor Amazon Web Services (AWS) in the ScienceLogic platform using the Amazon Web Services PowerPack. It also describes the reports you can generate and the dashboards you can view after you collect data from AWS, as well as the Run Book Action and Automation policies you can use to automate certain aspects of monitoring AWS.

The following sections provide an overview of Amazon Web Services and the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

NOTE: For more information about setting up a ScienceLogic appliance on an Amazon Web Services EC2 instance, see the *Installation and Initial Configuration* manual.

NOTE: For more information about setting up an AWS Elasticsearch, Logstash, and Kibana (ELK) stack, see the *Monitoring AWS ELK Stacks* manual.

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What is AWS?

Amazon Web Services is Amazon's "Infrastructure As A Service" offering. AWS includes multiple products (called **Services**) including virtual servers, DNS, private cloud, content delivery, storage, and database products.

What is an AWS Region?

An AWS region is an individual data center located in a specific geographic locale. Regions have a canonical naming scheme of:

country/continent-direction-number

For example, the 'us-east-1' region is located in the United States, on the east coast, and it is the #1 data center in that region.

AWS regions are also commonly referred to by the city or state in which the data center is located. For example, us-west-2 is commonly referred to as "Oregon", ap-northeast-1 is commonly referred to as "Tokyo", etc.

The Dynamic Applications in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack create a "region" component device for each discovered region. The component devices for regions include both the region name and city/state description. For example, the Dynamic Applications might discover a component device called "Oregon: us-west-2". Component devices that represent AWS services reside under the appropriate "region" component device and appropriate "zone" component device.

What is an AWS Zone?

All instances of an AWS service reside in one or more Zones. A zone is a physical network and power partition (airgap firewall) within a regional data center. Some AWS instances, like EC2 instances, are in a single zone. Other AWS instances, like an SNS queue, exist in all zones simultaneously.

The AWS naming convention for a zone is:

region[a-z]

For example, zone 'a' for the region 'us-east-1' is named 'us-east-1a'.

When a user deploys a service instance, the user can specify a "zone preference", but the final zone for that service instance is decided by AWS, not the user.

The Dynamic Applications in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack create a "zone" component device for each discovered zone.

AWS services with a specific zone affinity reside under the appropriate zone component device. For example, the Dynamic Applications in the PowerPack might discover the zone "us-west-1b" and create a component device called ""us-west-1b".

AWS services reside under the appropriate "region" component device and appropriate "zone" component device. The Dynamic Applications in the PowerPack create a "multi-zoned" component device for services that are inherently zone agnostic such as the Simple Queue Service (SQS).

Component devices that represent Zones are a named container with no associated performance metrics.

What Does the Amazon Web Services PowerPack Monitor?

To collect data from Amazon Web Services, the ScienceLogic Data Collector or All-In-One Appliance connects via HTTPS to the URLs listed in the following AWS document: http://docs.aws.amazon.com/general/latest/gr/rande.html.

The Amazon Web Services PowerPack includes Dynamic Applications that can monitor performance metrics and collect configuration data for the following AWS Services and components:

- AutoScale
- CloudFront
- CloudTrail
- Direct Connect
- DynamoDB (DDB)
- ElastiCache
- Elastic Beanstalk
- Elastic Block Store (EBS)
- Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2)
- Elastic Load Balancers (ELB)
- Elastic Map Reduce (EMR)
- Glacier
- Lightsail

- OpsWorks
- RedShift
- Relational Data Store (RDS)
- Route53
- Security Groups
- Simple Notification Service (SNS)
- Simple Queue Service (SQS)
- Simple Storage Service (S3)
- Storage Gateways (ASG)
- Storage Gateway Volumes
- Virtual Private Cloud Service (VPC)
- Virtual Private Networks (VPN)

NOTE: The CloudFront service is not monitored for GovCloud accounts.

NOTE: To monitor performance metrics for an AutoScale group, you must activate detailed instance monitoring for that group. For instructions on how to perform this task, see http://docs.aws.amazon.com/AutoScaling/latest/DeveloperGuide/as-instance-monitoring.html.

The Dynamic Applications in the PowerPack also monitor:

- The general health of each AWS service
- Current billing metrics for each service aligned with the account
- Custom, application-specific performance metrics configured on the account
- The state of any AWS Alarms set on metrics in Cloudwatch

In addition to Dynamic Applications, the PowerPack includes the following features:

- Event Policies and corresponding alerts that are triggered when AWS component devices meet certain status criteria
- Device Classes for each of the AWS component devices monitored
- Sample Credentials for discovering AWS component devices
- Reports and dashboards that display information about AWS instances and component devices
- Run Book Action and Automation policies that can automate certain AWS monitoring processes

NOTE: To view Amazon Web Services dashboards, you must first install the Amazon Web Services: Dashboards PowerPack. For more information, see the AWS Dashboards chapter.

Dynamic Applications: Naming Scheme and Roles

The Dynamic Applications in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack are divided in to four types:

- **Discovery**. These Dynamic Applications poll AWS for new instances of services or changes to existing instances of services.
- *Instance*. These Dynamic Applications retrieve configuration information about each service instance and retrieve any changes to that configuration information.
- Performance. These Dynamic Applications poll AWS for performance metrics.
- **Health**. These Dynamic Applications collect the RSS status update messages from the Amazon Health Status page (http://status.aws.amazon.com/).

Service Discovery Dynamic Applications are responsible for searching the AWS cloud for instances of specific service. Typically, a Service Discovery Dynamic Application will then align Discovery Dynamic Applications for each AWS service it discovers, Performance Dynamic Applications for each discovered service, and Configuration Dynamic Applications for each discovered service.

For example, the Dynamic Application "AWS EC2 Service Discovery" will create a component device for the EC2 service and align the Dynamic Applications "EC2 Service Performance", "EC2 Service Health", and "EC2 Instance Discovery" to that component device.

The Dynamic Application "EC2 Instance Discovery" will create component devices for each EC2 instance and align the Dynamic Applications "EC2 Instance" (a Configuration Dynamic Application), "EC2 Instance Performance", and "EBS Discovery" to that component device.

The general Dynamic Application hierarchy is:

- Account Discovery
 - Region Discovery
 - Zone Discovery
 - Service Discovery
 - Service Performance
 - Service Health
 - Instance Discovery
 - Instance Config
 - Instance Performance

AWS Account Discovery

The Dynamic Application "AWS Account Discovery" is the root Dynamic Application that retrieves the user's account permissions. The "Account" component device uses the full user ID as the device name.

The "AWS Account Discovery" Dynamic Application aligns the Dynamic Applications "AWS Region Discovery" and "AWS Region Instance" to the account component device. These Dynamic Applications discover the AWS Regions that contain services for the user.

The "AWS Account Discovery" Dynamic Application retrieves account-specific performance statistics such as total number of API calls and custom (application-specific) performance metrics.

Installing the Amazon Web Services PowerPack

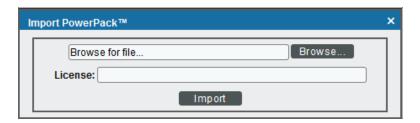
Before completing the steps in this manual, you must import and install the latest version of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack.

NOTE: If you are upgrading from an earlier version of the PowerPack, see the <u>Release Notes</u> for the version you are installing for upgrade instructions.

To download and install a PowerPack:

TIP: By default, installing a new version of a PowerPack overwrites all content in that PowerPack that has already been installed on the target system. You can use the *Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection* setting in the *Behavior Settings* page (System > Settings > Behavior) to prevent new PowerPacks from overwriting local changes for some commonly customized fields. (For more information, see the *System Administration* manual.)

- 1. Download the PowerPack from the ScienceLogic Customer Portal.
- 2. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks).
- 3. In the **PowerPack Manager** page, click the **[Actions]** button, then select *Import PowerPack*.
- 4. The **Import PowerPack** dialog box appears:



- 5. Click the [Browse] button and navigate to the PowerPack file.
- 6. When the PowerPack Installer modal page appears, click the [Install] button to install the PowerPack.

NOTE: If you exit the PowerPack Installer modal page without installing the imported PowerPack, the imported PowerPack will not appear in the PowerPack Manager page. However, the imported PowerPack will appear in the Imported PowerPacks modal page. This page appears when you click the [Actions] menu and select Install PowerPack.

Monitoring Consolidated Billing Accounts

Consolidated billing is an option provided by Amazon that allows multiple AWS accounts to be billed under a single account. For more information about consolidated billing, see http://docs.aws.amazon.com/awsaccountbilling/latest/aboutv2/consolidated-billing.html.

If a consolidated billing account is monitored by the ScienceLogic platform, the billing metrics associated with that account include only the consolidated amounts, per service. If you use consolidated billing and want to collect billing metrics per-account, you must discover each account separately. To monitor only the billing metrics for an AWS account, you can create credentials that include only billing permissions.

ScienceLogic Events and AWS Alarms

In addition to the ScienceLogic platform collecting metrics for AWS instances, you can configure CloudWatch to send alarm information to the platform via email. The platform will generate an event for each alarm.

For instructions on how configure CloudWatch and the platform to generate events based on CloudWatch alarms, see the *Configuring Inbound CloudWatch Alarms* chapter.

Chapter

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Configuring AWS Monitoring

Overview

The following sections describe how to configure and discover Amazon Web Services and component devices for monitoring by the ScienceLogic platform using the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack:

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Configuring Amazon Web Services for Monitoring

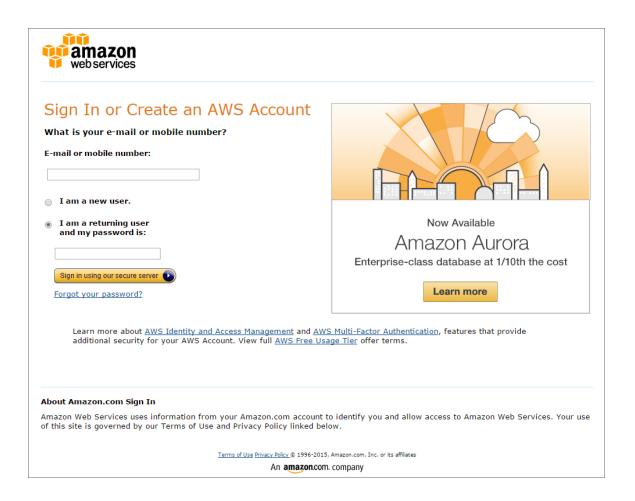
To use the AWS Dynamic Applications, you must configure a credential that allows the ScienceLogic platform to connect to the AWS REST API. The *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack includes three credential templates.

To use the credential templates included in the PowerPack, you must download the security credentials for a user associated with your AWS account. The user must meet the following requirements:

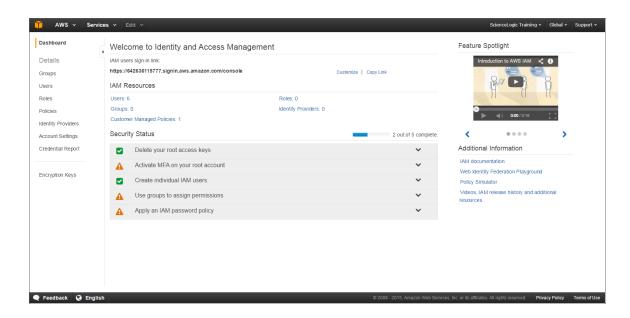
- The Dynamic Applications in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack require, at minimum, the actions that are in the ReadOnlyAccess AWS Managed policy. To set this user policy, see https://console.aws.amazon.com/iam/home?region=us-east-1#/policies/arn:aws:iam::aws:policy/ReadOnlyAccess\$serviceLevelSummary?section=policy_versions.
- To collect billing metrics, the user must have read permission in the us-east-1 zone. For instructions on how
 to configure your AWS account to report billing metrics, see the Configuring AWS to Report Billing Metrics
 section.
- If you are using multiple users to monitor AWS, each instance of a service must be visible to only one of those users. If an instance is visible to multiple users that are used to monitor AWS in the ScienceLogic platform, the device record for that instance will repeatedly switch between the component trees of the accounts that have visibility to that instance.

To create a read-only user account, perform the following steps:

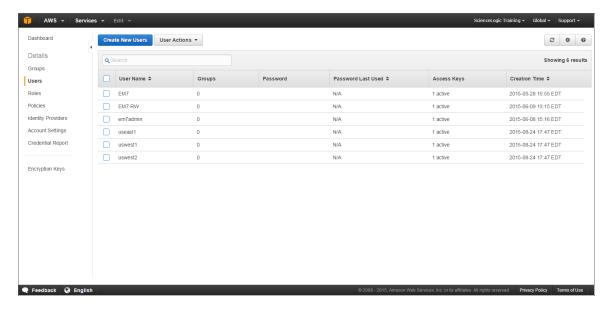
- 1. Open a browser session and go to aws.amazon.com.
- 2. Click [My Account] and then select AWS Management Console. If you are not currently logged in to the AWS site, you will be prompted to log in:



- 3. In the AWS Management Console, under the Security & Identity heading, click [Identity & Access Management].
- 4. After logging in, the **Identity & Access Management Dashboard** page appears:

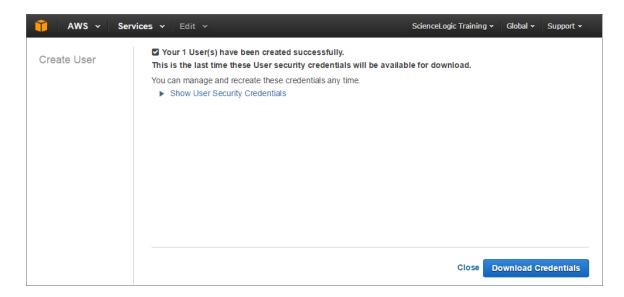


5. To create a user account for the ScienceLogic platform, click **[Users]** on the Dashboard menu.

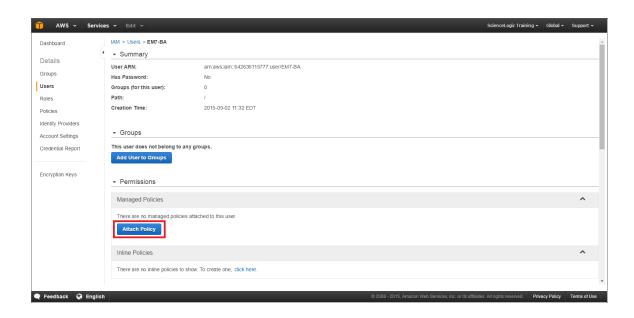


- 6. Click the [Create New Users] button.
- 7. Enter a username for the new user, e.g. "EM7", and make sure the **Generate an access key for each user** checkbox is selected.

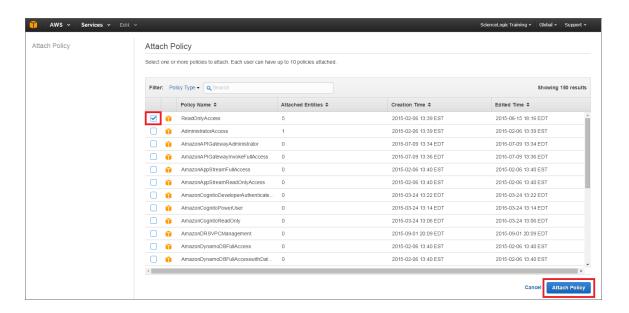
8. Click the [Create] button to generate your user account. The Create User page appears:



- 9. Click the [**Download Credentials**] button to save your Access Key ID and Secret Key as a CSV (commaseparated value) text file, and then click [**Close**].
- 10. After creating a user, you must assign it a set of permissions policies. Click the username of the user account you created. The user's account information appears:



11. Under the **Permissions** heading, click the **[Attach Policy]** button. The **Attach Policy** page appears:



- 12. Select the checkbox for *Read Only Access* or select the policy based on the definition supplied by ScienceLogic.
- 13. Click the [Attach Policy] button.

Creating an AWS Credential

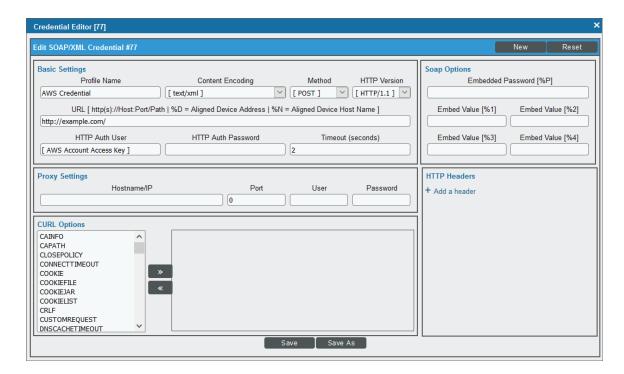
To use the Dynamic Applications in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack, you must first define an AWS credential in the ScienceLogic platform. The PowerPack includes the following sample credentials you can use as templates for creating SOAP/XML credentials for AWS:

- AWS Credential Proxy, for users who connect to AWS through a third-party proxy server
- AWS Credential Specific Region, for users who connect to a specific AWS region
- AWS Credential, for users who do not use a proxy server nor connect to a specific AWS region

To define an AWS credential:

1. Go to the **Credential Management** page (System > Manage > Credentials).

2. Locate the AWS Credential, AWS Credential - Proxy, or AWS Credential - Specific Region credential and click its wrench icon (). The Credential Editor modal page appears:



3. Enter values in the following fields:

Basic Settings

- Profile Name. Type a new name for your AWS credential.
- HTTP Auth User. Type your Access Key ID.
- HTTP Auth Password. Type your Secret Access Key. The characters appear as asterisks to protect your password privacy.

Proxy Settings

NOTE: The *Proxy Settings* fields are required only if you are discovering AWS services through a proxy server. Otherwise, leave these fields blank.

- Hostname/IP. Type the host name or IP address of the proxy server.
- *Port*. Type the port on the proxy server to which you will connect.
- User. Type the username used to access the proxy server.
- Password. Type the password used to access the proxy server.

CAUTION: If you are creating a credential from the AWS Credential - Proxy example and the proxy server does not require a username and password, then the *User* and *Password* fields must both be blank. In that scenario, if you leave the "<Proxy_User>" text in the *User* field, the ScienceLogic platform cannot properly discover your AWS services.

SOAP Options

- Embed Value [%1]. To monitor a specific region, type the region name. For example, to monitor a GovCloud account, type "us-gov-west-1". To monitor the Beijing region, type "cn-north-1". Otherwise, leave this field blank.
- 4. Click the [Save As] button, and then click [OK].

Testing the AWS Credential

The ScienceLogic platform includes a Credential Test for Amazon Web Services. Credential Tests define a series of steps that the platform can execute on demand to validate whether a credential works as expected.

The AWS Credential Test can be used to test a SOAP/XML credential for monitoring AWS using the Dynamic Applications in the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack. The AWS Credential Test performs the following steps:

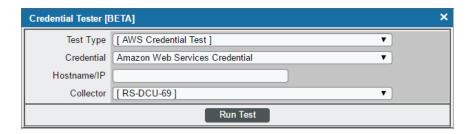
- **Test Reachability**. Performs an ICMP ping request to the URL for the EC2 service in the region specified in the credential. If a region is not specified in the credential, the us-east-1 region is used.
- Test Port Availability. Performs an NMAP request to TCP port 443 on the URL for the EC2 service in the region specified in the credential. If a region is not specified in the credential, the us-east-1 region is used.
- **Test Name Resolution**. Performs an nslookup request on the URL for the EC2 service in the region specified in the credential. If a region is not specified in the credential, the us-east-1 region is used.
- Make connection to AWS account. Attempts to connect to the AWS service using the account specified in the credential.
- Scan AWS services. Verifies that the account specified in the credential has access to the ec2, iam, and s3 services.

NOTE: The AWS Credential Test does not support the testing of credentials that connect to AWS through a proxy server.

To test the AWS credential:

1. Go to the **Credential Test Management** page (System > Customize > Credential Tests).

2. Locate the AWS Credential Test and click its lightning bolt icon (). The Credential Tester modal page appears:



- 3. Supply values in the following fields:
 - Test Type. This field is pre-populated with the credential test you selected.
 - **Credential**. Select the credential to test. This drop-down list includes only credentials that you have access to that can be tested using the selected credential test.
 - Hostname/IP. Leave this field blank.
 - Collector. Select the All-In-One Appliance or Data Collector that will run the test.
- 4. Click the [Run Test] button to run the credential test. The Test Credential window appears:



The **Test Credential** window displays a log entry for each step in the credential test. The steps performed are different for each credential test. The log entry for each step includes the following information:

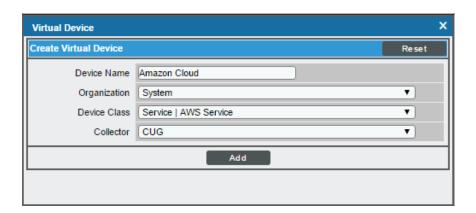
- Step. The name of the step.
- **Description**. A description of the action performed during the step.
- Log Message. The result of the step for this credential test.
- **Status**. Whether the result of this step indicates the credential or the network environment is configured correctly (Passed) or incorrectly (Failed).
- Step Tip. Mouse over the question mark icon (2) to display the tip text. The tip text recommends what to do to change the credential or the network environment if the step has a status of "Failed".

Creating an AWS Virtual Device

Because the Amazon Web Service does not have a specific IP address, you cannot discover an AWS device using discovery. Instead, you must create a *virtual device* that represents the Amazon Web Service. A virtual device is a user-defined container that represents a device or service that cannot be discovered by the ScienceLogic platform. You can use the virtual device to store information gathered by policies or Dynamic Applications.

To create a virtual device that represents your Amazon service:

- 1. Go to the **Device Manager** page (Registry > Devices > Device Manager).
- 2. Click the [Actions] button, then select Create Virtual Device. The Virtual Device modal page appears:



- 3. Enter values in the following fields:
 - **Device Name**. Enter a name for the device. For example, you could enter "Amazon Cloud" in this field.
 - **Organization**. Select the organization for this device. The organization the device is associated with limits the users that will be able to view and edit the device.
 - Device Class. Select Service | AWS Service.
 - Collector Group. Select the collector group that will monitor the device.
- 4. Click the [Add] button to create the virtual device.

Aligning the AWS Dynamic Applications

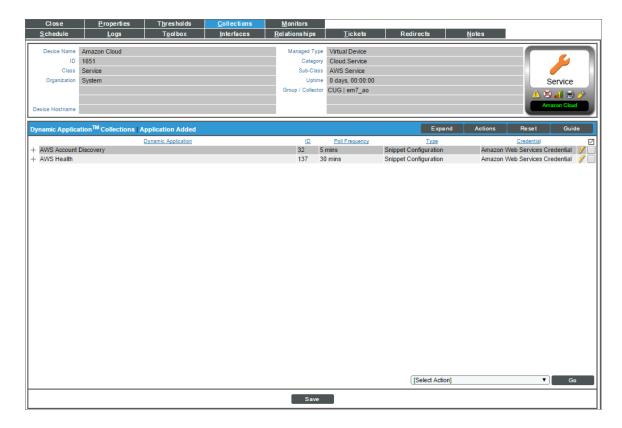
You must manually align the following Dynamic Applications with the AWS Virtual Device:

- · AWS Health
- AWS Account Discovery

You will need to manually align only the "AWS Health" and "AWS Account Discovery" Dynamic Applications. The other AWS applications will be automatically aligned.

To align the Dynamic Applications to your virtual device, perform the following steps:

- 1. Go to the **Device Manager** page (Registry > Devices > Device Manager).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for your virtual device.
- 3. In the **Device Administration** panel, click the **[Collections]** tab. The **Dynamic Application Collections** page appears:



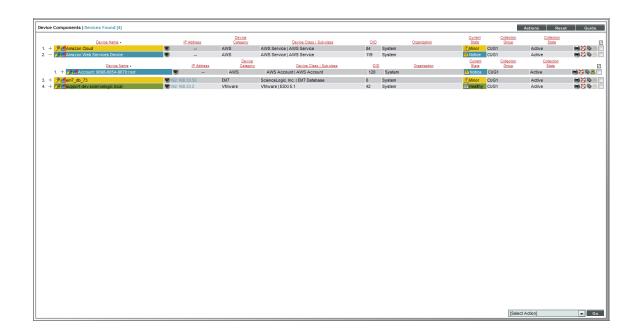
- 4. Click the [Actions] button, and then select Add Dynamic Application from the menu.
- 5. In the **Dynamic Application Alignment** modal page, select AWS Health in the **Dynamic Applications** field.
- 6. In the Credentials field, select the credential you created for your AWS service.
- 7. Click the [Save] button to align the Dynamic Application.
- 8. Repeat steps 4 7 for the "AWS Account Discovery" Dynamic Application.

Viewing AWS Component Devices

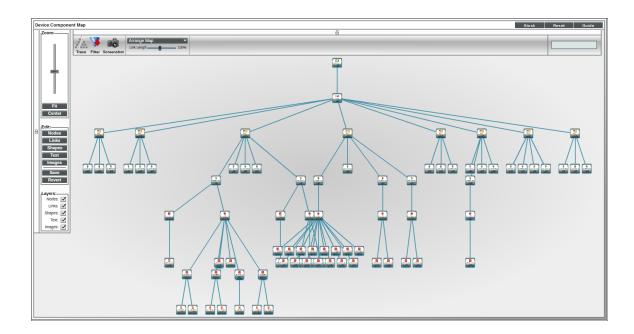
When the ScienceLogic platform performs collection for the AWS virtual device, the platform will create component devices that represent each element in your AWS infrastructure and align other Dynamic Applications to those component devices. Some of the Dynamic Applications aligned to the component devices will also be used to create additional component devices. All component devices appear in the **Device Manager** page just like devices discovered using the ScienceLogic discovery process.

In addition to the **Device Manager** page, you can view the AWS service and all associated component devices in the following places in the user interface:

• The **Device Components** page (Registry > Devices > Device Components) displays a list of all root devices and component devices discovered by the ScienceLogic platform in an indented view, so you can easily view the hierarchy and relationships between child devices, parent devices, and root devices. To view the component devices associated with an AWS service, find the AWS virtual device and click its plus icon (+):



• The Component Map page (Views > Device Maps > Components) allows you to view devices by root node and view the relationships between root nodes, parent components, and child components in a map. This makes it easy to visualize and manage root nodes and their components. The ScienceLogic platform automatically updates the Component Map as new component devices are discovered. The platform also updates each map with the latest status and event information. To view the map for an AWS service, go to Views > Device Maps > Components, and select the map from the list in the left NavBar. To learn more about the Component Map page, see the Views manual.



Relationships Between Component Devices

In addition to the parent/child relationships between component devices, relationships are automatically created by the Dynamic Applications in the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack between the following component devices:

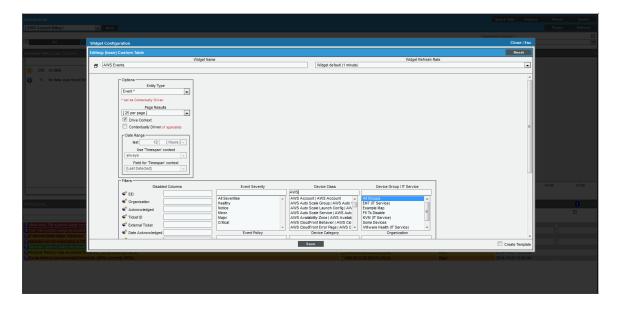
- AWS Application ELBs and AWS Availability Zones
- AWS Application ELBs and AWS Security Groups
- AWS Application ELBs and AWS VPC Instances
- AWS Auto Scale Groups and AWS Auto Scale Launch Configurations
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS Auto Scale Groups
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS EBS Volumes
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS Elastic Beanstalk Applications
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS ELB Instances
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS EMR Instances
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS OpsWorks Instances
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS Security Groups
- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS VPC Instances

- AWS EC2 Instances and AWS VPC Subnets
- AWS EC2 Instances and the Cisco Cloud Center application
- AWS VPC Instances and other intra-account AWS VPC Instances
- AWS Route Tables and AWS Subnets
- AWS Route Tables and AWS Virtual Private Gateways
- AWS S3 Instances and AWS CloudTrail Instances
- AWS Security Groups and AWS VPC Instances
- AWS SNS Instances and AWS CloudTrail Instances
- AWS SNS Instances and AWS Glacier Instances

Configuring the AWS Dashboards

The AWS Account Billing and AWS Health Status dashboards must have their (base) Custom Table widgets manually configured to filter only AWS service-specific events. To do this:

- 1. Go to Dashboards > AWS Account Billing.
- 2. Click the down-arrow in the upper-right of the AWS Events widget, and then select Configure from the **Options** menu. The **Widget Configuration** modal page appears.
- 3. In the **Device Class** filter, enter "AWS" to show only AWS device classes:



- 4. Control-click on the following items in the **Device Class** field:
 - AWS DDB Service
 - AWS EC2 Service
 - AWS ELB Service

- AWS EMR Service
- AWS RDS Service
- AWS SNS Service
- AWS SQS Service
- AWS Storage Gateway Service
- 5. Click the [Save] button.
- 6. Repeat steps 1 5 for the AWS Health Status dashboard.

Amazon API Throttling Events

By default, the ScienceLogic platform will use the Collector Group aligned with the root AWS virtual device to retrieve data from AWS devices and services.

If the platform must collect data from a large set of AWS devices and services, the platform might generate Notify events with a message ending in the text "Retry #1 - 6". The platform generates these events when the Amazon API throttles collection in response to a large number of requests to the API. Even though the platform is generating Notify "Retry" events, the platform is still collecting data from AWS. This issue commonly occurs when a specific Amazon data center edge is close to capacity.

If the ScienceLogic platform generates the Minor event "Collection missed on <device> on 5 minute poll", this indicates that the platform was unable to retrieve that specific datum from the Amazon cloud during the most recent five-minute polling cycle. If you frequently see the "Collection missed" event across your cloud, you must contact Amazon support to whitelist the IP address of your Data Collector. This will prevent further throttling from occurring.

Configuring AWS to Report Billing Metrics

To use the "AWS Billing Performance Percent" Dynamic Application, your AWS account must meet the following requirements:

- The user account you supplied in the AWS credential must have permission to view the us-east-1 zone.
- Your AWS account must be configured to export billing metrics to the CloudWatch service.

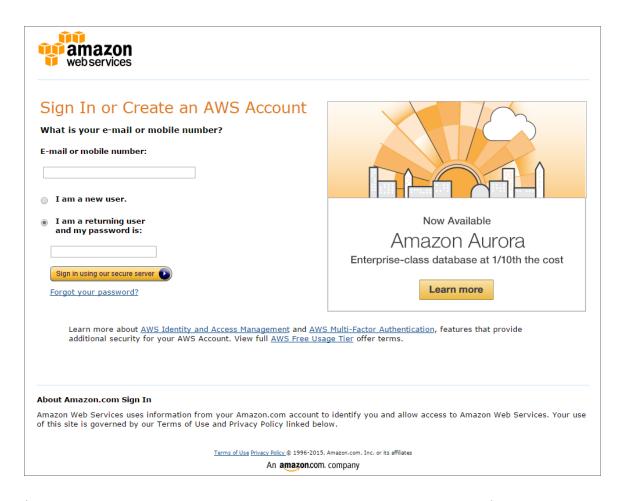
If your AWS account is not configured to export billing metrics to the CloudWatch service, the "AWS Billing Performance Percent" Dynamic Application will generate the following event:

No billing metrics can be retrieved. Your AWS account is not configured to export billing metrics into CloudWatch.

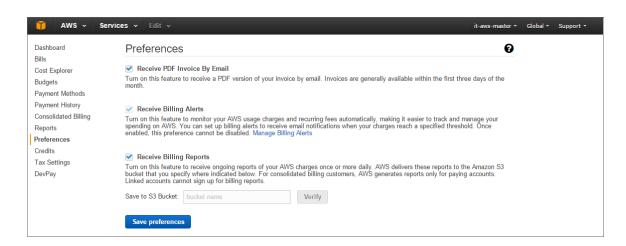
To configure your AWS account to export billing metrics to the CloudWatch service, perform the following steps:

1. Open a browser session and go to <u>aws.amazon.com</u>.

2. Click [My Account] and then select Billing & Cost Management. If you are not currently logged in to the AWS site, you will be prompted to log in:



3. After logging in, the **Billing & Cost Management Dashboard** page appears. In the left navigation bar, click [**Preferences**]. The **Preferences** page appears:



4. Select the Receive Billing Alerts checkbox.

CAUTION: If you enable this option, this option cannot be disabled.

5. Click the [Save Preferences] button.

Enabling Custom Metrics Collection

AWS enables users to publish their own custom metrics to CloudWatch using the AWS command-line interface (CLI) or an application programming interface (API). The *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack includes Dynamic Applications that collect data for custom AWS metrics (which are not in the "AWS" cloud namespace). However, these Dynamic Applications are disabled by default and must be enabled for use.

NOTE: For more information about publishing custom metrics in AWS, see http://docs.aws.amazon.com/AWSEC2/latest/UserGuide/mon-scripts.html.

To enable these Dynamic Applications:

- 1. Go to the **Dynamic Applications Manager** page (System > Manage > Applications).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the "AWS Custom Metrics" Dynamic Application. The **Dynamic Applications Properties Editor** page appears.
- 3. In the **Operational State** field, select *Enabled*.
- 4. Click the [Save] button.
- 5. Repeat steps 1 4 for the "AWS Custom Metrics Cache" Dynamic Application.

Chapter

3

Configuring Inbound CloudWatch Alarms

Overview

The following sections describe the CloudWatch alarm event policies that are included in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack and information about configuring CloudWatch and the platform to generate events based on CloudWatch alarms:

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CloudWatch Alarm Event Policies

In addition to the ScienceLogic platform collecting metrics for AWS instances, you can configure CloudWatch to send alarm information to the platform via email. The platform will generate an event for each alarm.

The Amazon Web Services PowerPack includes three pre-defined event policies for CloudWatch alarms:

- Emails indicating an alarm state will generate a Major-severity event using the "AWS: EmailAlarmAlarm" event policy.
- Emails indicating an insufficient data state will generate a Notice-severity event using the AWS: "EmailAlarmNoInfo" event policy.
- Emails indicating an OK state will generate a Healthy-severity event using the "AWS: EmailAlarmOK" event policy.

These events are aligned to devices in the following way:

- If the CloudWatch alarm is generated for a specific AWS instance, the event in the ScienceLogic platform will be aligned to the component device for that instance.
- If an alarm is not aligned to a specific instance, the event in the ScienceLogic platform will be aligned to the
 component device for the AWS account. You can optionally specify a different device with which these events
 will be aligned.

NOTE: Because the AWS services make new data points available at varying time intervals, there might be a difference in the data points collected by the ScienceLogic platform when compared to data presented in CloudWatch at a given time. The difference between the ScienceLogic platform and CloudWatch is typically less than 1%.

Prerequisites

Before performing the configuration steps in this chapter, you must:

- Configure the platform to receive inbound email. For instructions on how to configure inbound email, see
 Chapter 2 in the *Inbound Email* manual.
- Configure an email alias to which AWS will send email. The recipients for this alias must include:
 - The Events-from-Email address for the ScienceLogic platform. This email address is in the following format:

```
notify@domain-name-of-ScieceLogic-platform
```

Where "domain-name-of-ScienceLogic-platform" is one of the fully qualified domain names of the Database Server or All-In-One Appliance, i.e., one of the domain names you entered in the **Authorized Email Domains** field in the **Email Settings** page.

 An email account to which you have access. This account will be used during the configuration steps to confirm with Amazon that you want to receive emails. This email address can be removed from the alias after the configuration is complete.

Configuring CloudWatch to Send Alarms for a Metric

To configure CloudWatch to send alarms to the ScienceLogic platform for a metric, perform the following steps:

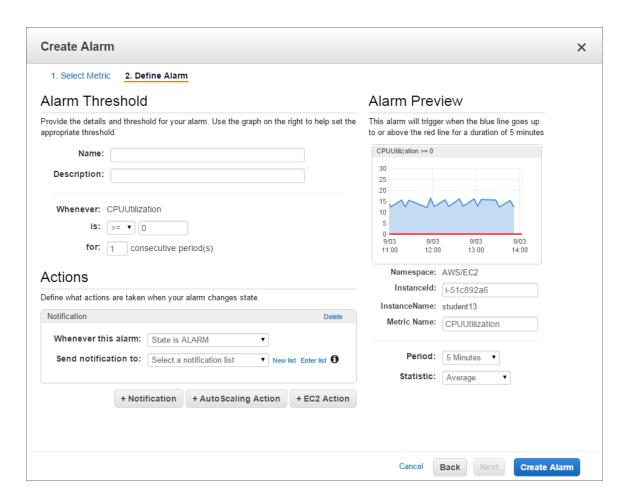
1. Open a browser session and go to <u>aws.amazon.com</u>.

2. Click [My Account] and then select AWS Management Console. If you are not currently logged in to the AWS site, you will be prompted to log in:



- 3. In the AWS Management Console, under the Management Tools heading, click [CloudWatch].
- 4. Click the [Browse Metrics] button.
- 5. Select the metric for which you want CloudWatch to send alarms.
- 6. Select the instances for which you want CloudWatch to send alarms for this metric.

7. Click the [Create Alarm] button. The Create Alarm page is displayed:



- 8. Specify a Name and Description for the alarm.
- 9. If you have previously configured an alarm for the ScienceLogic platform, select the notification list for the platform in the **Send notification to** field. Otherwise, select the **[New list]** link to the right of the **Send notification to** field and supply values in the following fields:
 - **Send notification to**. Enter a name for the new notification list. If you add additional alarms, you can select the name you enter in this field instead of re-entering the email address.
 - Email list. Enter the email alias you configured for the ScienceLogic platform email address.
- 10. Supply values in the other fields in this page as desired.
- 11. Click the [Create Alarm] button.
- 12. Log in to the email account you configured to receive email from the email alias.
- 13. Open the confirmation email from Amazon and click the [Confirm subscription] link.

Configuring the platform to Receive CloudWatch Alarms

For each AWS account for which you want the platform to receive CloudWatch alarms, perform the following steps:

- 1. Go to the **Emailer Redirection** page (Registry > Events > Inbound Email).
- 2. Click the [Create] button. The Add Policy page is displayed:



- 3. Supply values in the following fields:
 - Originator Address. Enter "no-reply@sns.amazonaws.com".
 - Alignment Type. Select If device not found, align unmatched email with default element.
 - Regex Pattern. Enter "Instanceld =".
 - Regex Type. Select Body.
- 4. Click the binoculars icon () in the **Default Element** field. The **Element Alignment** page is displayed.
- 5. In the **Element Alignment** page, search for the component device for the AWS account.

NOTE: Events for CloudWatch alarms that are not associated with a specific instance will be associated with this device. If you want those events to be associated with a different device, search for and select that device.

- 6. Click the name field for the component device for the AWS account. The **Element Alignment** page will close and the component device will be displayed in the **Default Element** field.
- 7. Click the [Save] button.

Chapter

4

AWS Reports

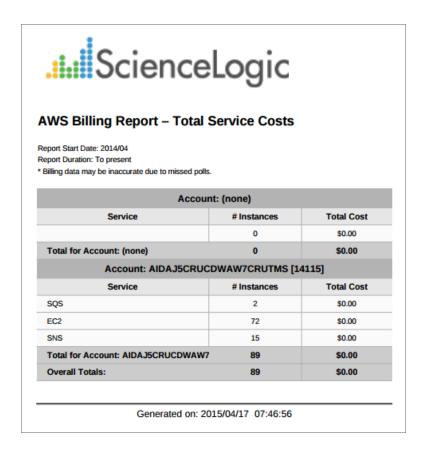
Overview

The following sections describe the reports that are included in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

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AWS Billing Report

This report displays service costs for Amazon Web Services. The report includes Total, Monthly, Quarterly, and Annual costs.



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Science													
ws Billing Report - Monti	ily Costs					Account: (none)							
Region	Service	Apr 2014	May 2014	Jun 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2014	Sep 2014	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015
		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	80.00	\$0.00	90.00	\$0.00	80.00	90.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total for Account: (none)		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Region	Service	Apr 2014	May 2014	Jun 2014	Jul 2014	Aug 2014	Sep 2014	Oct 2014	Nov 2014	Dec 2014	Jan 2015	Feb 2015	Mar 2015
Frankfurt: eu-central-1 [14444]	sqs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	90.00	\$0.00	90.00	\$0.00	90.00	\$0.00	50.00	\$0.00
Frankfurt: eu-central-1 [14444]	EC2	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	90.00	\$0.00	90.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	SNS	\$0.00	\$0.00	80.00	\$0.00	80.00	\$0.00	90.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	CRUTMS [14115]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total for Account: AIDAJ5CRUCDWAW		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



AWS Billing Report - Quarterly Costs

		Account: (none)			
Region	Service	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015
		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total for Account: (none)		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Region	Service	Q2 2014	Q3 2014	Q4 2014	Q1 2015
Frankfurt: eu-central-1 [14444]	sqs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Frankfurt: eu-central-1 [14444]	EC2	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	SNS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total for Account: AIDAJ5CRUCDWAW70	CRUTMS [14115]	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Overall Totals:		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

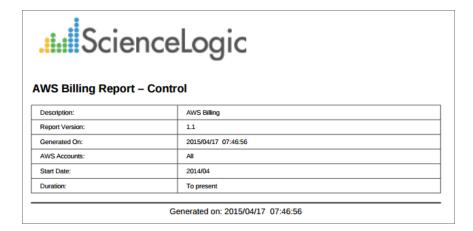
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AWS Billing Report - Annual Costs

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Region	Service	2014	2015	
		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total for Account: (none)		\$0.00	\$0.00	
Account: A	IDAJ5CRUCDWAW7CR	UTMS [14115]		
Region	Service	2014	2015	
Frankfurt: eu-central-1 [14444]	sqs	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Frankfurt: eu-central-1 [14444]	EC2	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	SNS	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total for Account: AIDAJ5CRUCDWAW70	CRUTMS [14115]	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Overall Totals:		\$0.00	\$0.00	

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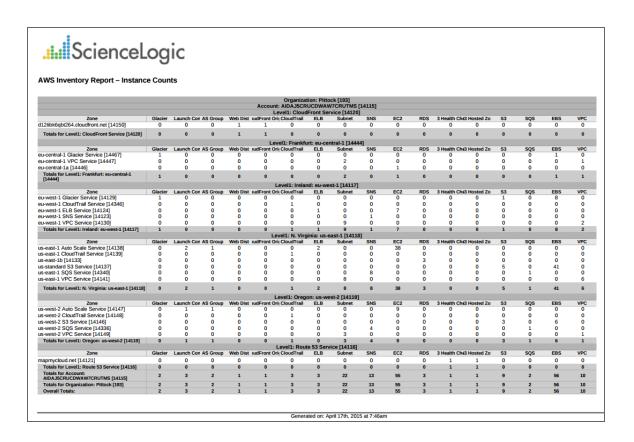
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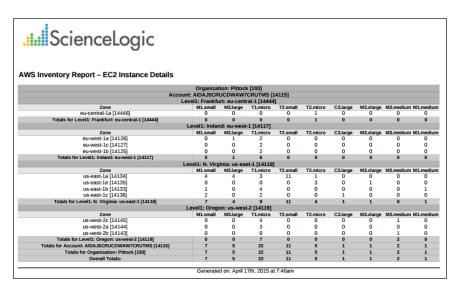
- AWS Accounts. Select the AWS Account(s) for which you want to generate the report. The All Accounts checkbox is selected by default. De-selecting this checkbox allows you to select one or more specific accounts for which to generate a report.
- **Report Span**. Select a span from one to 36 months for the report, or specify a specific starting date for the report.

This description covers the latest version of this report as shipped by ScienceLogic. This report might have been modified on your ScienceLogic system.

AWS Inventory Report

This report displays an inventory of AWS instance counts. The report includes the number of each kind of instance in every zone associated with the chosen accounts. It also includes a count of each EC2 instance size in each zone.





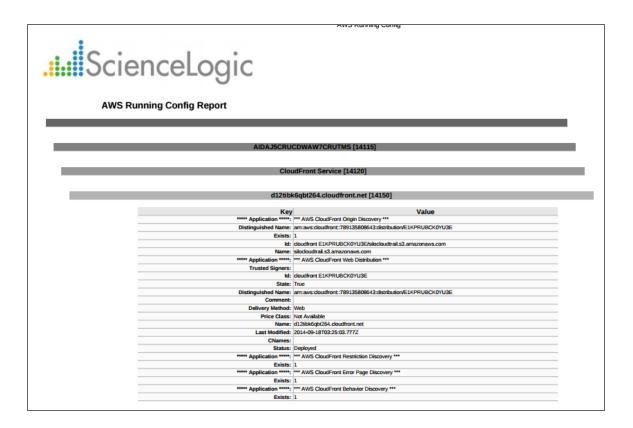
The following input options are available when generating the report:

- Organizations. Select the organization for which you want to generate the report. The All Organizations checkbox is selected by default. De-selecting this checkbox allows you to select one or more specific organizations for which to generate a report.
- AWS Accounts. Select the AWS Account(s) for which you want to generate the report. The All Accounts checkbox is selected by default. De-selecting this checkbox allows you to select one or more specific accounts for which to generate a report.
- Filter on EC2 Instance Config Data. Select the EC2 instances that will be included in the report based on the configuration data reported for each EC2 instance:
 - Choose up to four configuration parameters for EC2 instances.
 - For each selected configuration parameter, enter a value to match against and select how that value should be matched.
 - In the **Comparison Operator** field, select whether an EC2 instance must match all configuration parameters (and) or only one configuration parameter (or) to be included on the report.
- Report Options. Select the Include Terminated Instances checkbox to include all terminated instances.

This description covers the latest version of this report as shipped by ScienceLogic. This report might have been modified on your ScienceLogic system.

AWS Running Config Report

This report displays the running config of all AWS instances for one to all organizations across a number of AWS billing accounts.



The following input options are available when generating the report:

- Organizations. Select one, multiple, or all organizations to include in the report.
 - All Organizations. This checkbox is selected by default. De-selecting this checkbox allows you to select one or more specific organizations for the report.
 - Organizations. If you unchecked the All Organizations checkbox, select one or more organizations to include in the report.
- AWS Accounts. Select one, multiple, or all AWS Accounts to include in the report.
 - All Accounts. This checkbox is selected by default. De-selecting this checkbox allows you to select one or more specific AWS accounts for the report.
 - Accounts. If you unchecked the All Accounts checkbox, select one or more AWS Accounts to include
 in the report.

- Filter on EC2 Instance Config Data. Select the EC2 instances that will be included on the report based on the configuration data reported for each EC2 instance:
 - Choose up to four configuration parameters for EC2 instances.
 - For each selected configuration parameter, enter a value to match against and select how that value should be matched.
 - In the **Comparison Operator** field, select whether an EC2 instance must match all configuration parameters (and) or only one configuration parameter (or) to be included in the report.
- Report Options. Select the Include Terminated Instances checkbox to include all terminated instances.

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Chapter

5

AWS Dashboards

Overview

The following sections describe how to install the Amazon Web Services: Dashboards PowerPack and a description of each dashboard that is included in the PowerPack:

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Installing the Amazon Web Services: Dashboards PowerPack

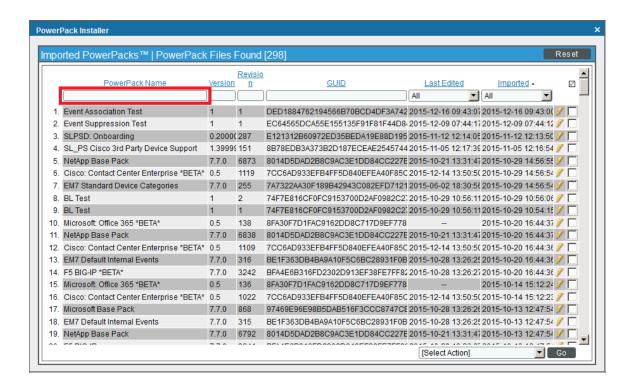
To view the Amazon Web Services dashboards in the ScienceLogic platform, you must first install the Amazon Web Services: Dashboards PowerPack.

NOTE: The AWS dashboards have a default **Access Control** setting of "Private", which means they can be viewed only by an administrator. For more information about dashboard access settings, see the **Dashboards** manual.

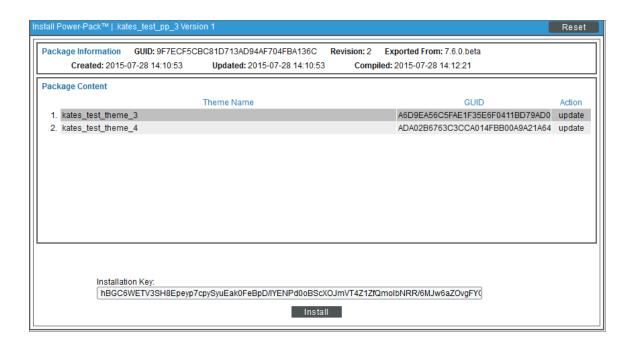
To install the PowerPack:

- 1. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks).
- 2. Click the [Actions] button, then select Install PowerPack. The Imported PowerPacks modal page appears.

3. Use the search filter in the *PowerPack Name* column heading to locate the PowerPack you want to install. To do so, enter text to match, including special characters, and the *Imported PowerPacks* modal page displays only PowerPacks that have a matching name.



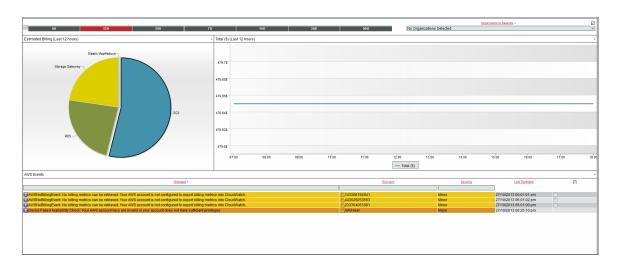
- 4. Click the lightning-bolt icon (\checkmark) for the PowerPack that you want to install.
- 5. The Install PowerPack modal page appears. To install the PowerPack, click [Install].



6. The PowerPack now appears in the **PowerPack Manager** page. The contents of the PowerPack are automatically installed in your ScienceLogic system.

AWS Account Billing Dashboard

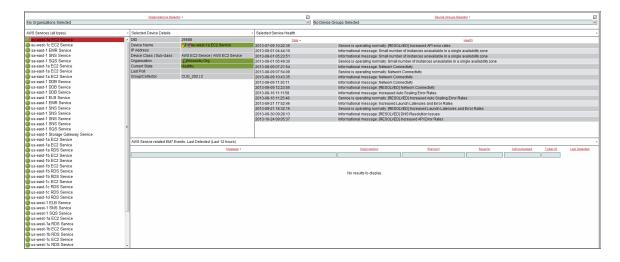
The AWS Account Billing Dashboard displays:



- A pie chart that shows the estimated billing amount for each service over the selected time period.
- A performance graph that shows the estimated billing amount for the selected service, over time. To select a service, click on the pie-chart segment for that service.
- A table that shows the currently active AWS events.
- A time span selector that controls the amount of data shown in the pie chart and the performance graph.
- An organization selector that limits the data in the pie chart and performance graph to include only instances associated with the selected organizations.

AWS Health Status Dashboard

The AWS Health Status Dashboard displays:



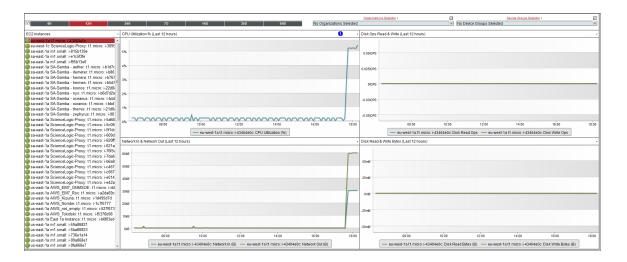
- A traffic light widget that displays a list of AWS services. To populate the other widgets in this dashboard, select a service.
- A tear-sheet widget that displays information and links for the selected service.
- A service health widget, that displays log messages about the health of the service.
- A table that displays currently active events for the service.
- An organization selector and a device group selector that control which services are shown in the traffic light widget.

AWS Service Instance Performance Dashboards

The Amazon Web Services: Dashboards PowerPack includes a dashboard for each service type. Each dashboard displays performance metrics for instances of an AWS service. The following dashboards are included:

- AWS DDB Performance
- AWS EBS Performance
- AWS EC2 Performance
- AWS ELB Performance
- AWS EMR Performance
- AWS RDS Performance
- AWS SQS Performance
- AWS Storage Gateway Performance

Each performance dashboard includes:



- A traffic light widget that shows the status of all instances for the service.
- Four performance graphs that show applicable metrics when you select an instance from the traffic light widget.
- A time span selector that controls the amount of data shown in the performance graphs.
- An organization selector and device group selector that control which instances are shown in the traffic light widget.

Chapter

6

AWS Run Book Actions and Automations

Overview

The following sections describe the Run Book Action and Automation policies that are included in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack and how to use them:

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About the Run Book Actions and Automations

The Amazon Web Services PowerPack includes Run Book Action and Automation policies that can be used to:

- Automatically disable EC2 and EBS devices based on EC2 tags collected from AWS
- Automatically create and start a discovery session for the public or private IP address of an EC2 instance after a component and physical device are merged
- Automatically move an EC2 instance to a vanished state if the EC2 instance is in a terminating or terminated state

The following table describes the automation policies and what they do:

Policy Name	Result
AWS: Disable EBS Instances by EC2 Tag	If a component device belongs to the AWS EBS Volumes device group and has an EC2 tag, the ScienceLogic platform disables the device.
AWS: Disable EC2 and EBS Instances by EC2 Tag	If a component device belongs to either the AWS EBS Volumes or AWS EC2 Instances device group and has an EC2 tag, the platform disables the device.
AWS: Disable or Discover EC2 Instances	The platform automatically discovers EC2 instances by public or private IP address. Additionally, if a component device belongs to the AWS EC2 Instances device group and has an EC2 tag, the platform disables the device.
AWS: Discover EC2 Instances	The platform automatically discovers EC2 instances by public or private IP address.
AWS: Merge with EC2	If the platform determines that the IP address of a physical device matches a custom attribute added to an EC2 Instance component device, the platform merges the devices.
AWS: Vanish Terminated EC2 Instances	If a device belongs to the AWS EC2 Instances device group and is in a terminated or terminating state, the platform un-merges the EC2 Instance and physical device (if applicable), clears the device's associated events, and then moves the device to a vanished state.

NOTE: The automation policies in the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack are disabled by default. To use these automations, you must enable the automation policies and optionally modify the parameters in the automation actions.

NOTE: To use the automation policies in the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack, the AWS EBS Volumes and AWS EC2 Instances device groups must already be created and populated.

Disabling EC2 and EBS Instances by EC2 Tag

The automation for disabling EC2 and EBS instances includes two automation actions that are executed in the following order:

- AWS: Get EC2 Instance Configuration. This action requests information from the AWS API about the EC2 instance that triggered the automation action or the EC2 instance associated with the EBS instance that triggered the automation action. Information about the EC2 instance associated with an EBS instance is returned only if one EC2 instance is associated with the EBS instance.
- AWS: Disable Instance By Tag. This action compares the information collected by the AWS: Get EC2
 Instance Configuration automation action with a pre-defined list of key/value pairs. If an AWS tag matches a key/value pair, the triggering device is disabled.

The Amazon Web Services PowerPack includes three automation policies that trigger these actions:

- AWS: Disable EC2 and EBS Instances by EC2 Tag. If enabled, this automation policy can trigger for any
 device with which the "AWS EC2 Instance" or the "AWS EBS Instance" Dynamic Applications are aligned (the
 members of the AWS EC2 Instances and AWS EBS Volumes device groups). The automation policy triggers
 when the "Component Device Record Created" event is active on the matching devices, immediately after
 the devices are discovered in the system. Enable this automation policy if you want to disable EC2 and EBS
 instances by EC2 tag, but do not want to enable automated discovery of EC2 instances by public or private
 IP address.
- AWS: Disable or Discover EC2 Instances. If enabled, this automation policy can trigger for any device with which the "AWS EC2 Instance" Dynamic Application is aligned (the members of the AWS EC2 Instances). The automation policy triggers when the "Component Device Record Created" event is active on the matching devices, immediately after the devices are discovered in the system. Enable this automation policy if you want to disable EC2 instances by EC2 tag and want to enable automated discovery of EC2 instances by public or private IP address. This automation policy is configured to run both processes in the correct order for EC2 instances. If you enable this automation policy and want to automatically disable associated EBS instances, you must also enable the AWS: Disable EBS Instances by EC2 Tag automation policy.
- AWS: Disable EBS Instances by EC2 Tag. If enabled, this automation policy can trigger for any device with which the "AWS EC2 Instance" Dynamic Application is aligned (the members of the AWS EC2 Instances). The automation policy triggers when the "Component Device Record Created" event is active on the matching devices, immediately after the devices are discovered in the system. Enable this automation policy if you want to disable EC2 instances by EC2 tag, want to enable automated discovery of EC2 instances by public or private IP address, and want to disable EBS instances by EC2 tag.

To use this automation, you must:

- Modify the parameters of the automation actions (optional)
- Enable the Component Device Record Created event policy
- Enable the automation policies
- Configure your system to preserve these changes

Modifying the Parameters of the Automation Actions

The snippet for the AWS: Disable EBS Instances by EC2 Tag automation action includes the pre-defined list of key/value pairs with which the tags collected from the AWS API are compared. You must modify this list to include the key/value pairs that you want to use to disable EC2 instances.

To modify the parameters for the AWS: Disable EBS Instances by EC2 Tag automation action:

- 1. Go to the **Action Policy Manager** page (Registry > Run Book > Actions).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the AWS: Disable Instance By Tag automation action.
- 3. In the **Snippet Code** field, locate and edit the following line:

```
DISABLE_TAGS = [('ExampleKey','ExampleValue')]
```

The line must be in the following format, with each key and each value inside single-quotes and each key/value pair comma-separated inside parentheses, with commas separating each key/value pair.

```
DISABLE_TAGS [('Key','Value'),('Key','Value'),...,('Key','Value')]
```

For example, suppose you want to disable an EC2 instance where the "Environment" key is either "dev" or "test" or the "Owner" key is "Sales". You would update the line so it looks like this:

```
DISABLE_TAGS [('Environment','dev'),('Environment','test'),('Owner','Sales')]
```

4. Click the [Save] button.

Enabling the Component Device Record Created Event Policy

To enable the "Component Device Record Created" event policy:

- 1. Go to the **Event Policy Manager** page (Registry > Events > Event Manager).
- 2. Click the wrench icon (🎤) for the "Component Device Record Created" event policy.
- 3. In the **Operational State** field, select *Enabled*.
- 4. Click [Save].

To prevent this change from being overwritten when the PowerPacks installed on the system are updated, you can enable the **Selective PowerPack Field Protection** option. To enable this option:

- 1. Go to the **Behavior Settings** page (System > Settings > Behavior).
- 2. Check the Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection checkbox.
- Click [Save].

Enabling the Automation Policies

To enable one or more automation policies in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

1. Go to the **Automation Policy Manager** page (Registry > Run Book > Automation).

- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the automation policy you want to enable.
- 3. In the **Policy State** field, select Enabled.
- 4. Click [Save].

Preserving Automation Changes

If you have modified automation actions and policies that are included in the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack, those changes will be overwritten when the PowerPack is updated in your system. If you have modified automation actions and policies that are included in the PowerPack, you can:

- Re-implement those changes after each update of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack.
- Remove the content from the PowerPack on your system. When the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack is updated in your system, updated versions of this content will not be installed on your system and your local changes will be preserved.

To remove automation actions or automation policies content from the Amazon Web Services PowerPack on your system:

- 1. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the Amazon Web Services PowerPack. The **Editing PowerPack** page appears.
- 3. In the left NavBar of the **Editing PowerPack** page, select the type of content you want to remove:
 - To remove an automation action, click Run Book Actions. The Embedded Run Book Actions and Available Run Book Actions panes appear.
 - To remove an automation policy, click **Run Book Policies**. The **Embedded Run Book Policies** and **Available Run Book Policies** panes appear.
- 4. In the upper pane, click the bomb icon () for each automation action or automation policy that you want to remove from the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack on your system.

Discovering EC2 Instances by Public or Private IP Address

The automation for discovering EC2 instances by public or private IP addresses includes three automation actions that are executed in the following order:

- AWS: Get EC2 Instance Configuration. This action requests information from the AWS API about the EC2 instance that triggered the automation action.
- AWS: Discover from EC2 IP. This action uses the IP address and port information in the response from the AWS API to create and run a discovery session. This action also adds a custom attribute to the EC2 component device record that can be used to match a newly discovered device to the EC2 instance.
- AWS: Merge Physical with Component. This action matches the IP address of a physical device with the
 custom attribute added to EC2 component devices by the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action. If
 a match is found, the matching EC2 component device is merged with the physical device.

The Amazon Web Services PowerPack includes three automation policies that trigger these actions:

- AWS: Discover EC2 Instances. If enabled, this automation policy can trigger for any device with which the
 "AWS EC2 Instance" Dynamic Application is aligned (the members of the AWS EC2 Instances). The
 automation policy triggers when the "Component Device Record Created" event is active on the matching
 devices, immediately after the devices are discovered in the system. Enable this automation policy if you want
 to enable automated discovery of EC2 instances by public or private IP address but do not want disable EC2
 and EBS instances by EC2 tag.
- AWS: Disable or Discover EC2 Instances. If enabled, this automation policy can trigger for any device with which the "AWS EC2 Instance" Dynamic Application is aligned (the members of the AWS EC2 Instances). The automation policy triggers when the "Component Device Record Created" event is active on the matching devices, immediately after the devices are discovered in the system. Enable this automation policy if you want to disable EC2 instances by EC2 tag and want to enable automated discovery of EC2 instances by public or private IP address. This automation policy is configured to run both in the correct order for EC2 instances.
- AWS: Merge with EC2. If enabled, this automation policy can trigger for any device. The automation policy
 triggers when the "Device Record Created" event is active on the matching devices, immediately after the
 devices are discovered in the system. Enable this automation policy if you want to enable automated
 discovery of EC2 instances by public or private IP address.

To use this automation, you must:

- Modify the parameters of the automation actions (optional)
- Enable the Component Device Record Created event policy
- Enable the Device Record Created event policy
- Enable the automation policies
- Configure your system to preserve these changes

Modifying the Parameters of the Automation Actions

The snippet for the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action includes parameters that define how the automation action creates discovery sessions. You can edit the following lines in the Snippet Code field of the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action to change these parameters:

• EC2 IP ATTRIBUTE = 'PrivateIpAddress'

The attribute returned by the AWS API for EC2 instances that contains the IP address to use in the discovery session. By default, the private IP address is used. To use the public IP address of the EC2 instance, change this line to:

```
EC2_IP_ATTRIBUTE = 'PublicIpAddress'
```

• EXTRA SCAN PORTS = ["21","22","23","25","80","443","5985","5986"]

The list of TCP ports used in the discovery session includes any TCP ports that are specified explicitly in the security group associated with the EC2 instance, plus any TCP ports included in the EXTRA_SCAN_PORTS parameter. You can add or remove ports from this default list. For example, if you wanted to remove TCP port 21 from this list and add TCP port 53, you would change this line to:

```
EXTRA_SCAN_PORTS = ["22","23","25","53","80","443","5985","5986"]
```

NOTE: The EXTRA_SCAN_PORTS parameter must be populated if there are no rules for specific ports in the security group associated with the EC2 instance.

• AUTO INCLUDE CREDS = True

If the AUTO_INCLUDE_CREDS parameter is "True", the automation will automatically add credentials to the discovery session. A credential will be added automatically if it meets one of the following requirements:

- The credential is an SNMP credential, the Security Group associated with the EC2 instance includes a
 rule that allows access to UDP port 161, and the credential is explicitly aligned within the organization
 of the EC2 instance.
- The credential is an SNMP credential, the Security Group associated with the EC2 instance includes a
 rule that allows access to UDP port 161, the credential is associated with all organizations in the
 system, and the INCLUDE_ALL_ORG_CREDS parameter is "True".
- The credential is not an SNMP credential or an LDAP/AD credential, the TCP port used by the
 credential is included in the list of TCP ports for the discovery session (the credential is specified
 explicitly in the security group associated with the EC2 instance or is included in the EXTRA_SCAN_
 PORTS parameter), and the credential is explicitly aligned with in the organization of the EC2
 instance.
- The credential is not an SNMP credential or an LDAP/AD credential, the TCP port used by the
 credential is included in the list of TCP ports for the discovery session (the credential is specified
 explicitly in the security group associated with the EC2 instance or is included in the EXTRA_SCAN_
 PORTS parameter), and the INCLUDE ALL ORG CREDS parameter is "True".

To disable the automatic alignment of credentials to the discovery session, change this line to:

```
AUTO INCLUDE CREDS = False
```

• INCLUDE ALL ORG CREDS = True

If INCLUDE_ALL_ORG_CREDS is "True" and the AUTO_INCLUDE_CREDS parameter is "True", credentials that are aligned with all organizations (credentials that do not have an explicit organization alignment) are automatically included in the discovery session when that credential meets the other requirements for being automatically included in the discovery session.

• EXTRA CREDS = ""

In addition to the credentials that are automatically included in the discovery sessions based on open ports, you can optionally specify a string of comma-separated credential IDs for credentials that will be included in every discovery session created by this automation. For example, if you wanted to include credentials with IDs 10 and 13 in every discovery session created by this automation, you would change this line to:

```
EXTRA_CREDS = "10,13"
```

• DISCOVER NON SNMP = "1"

If DISCOVER_NON_SNMP is set to "1", discovery sessions created by this automation will be configured to discover non-SNMP devices. If you want the discovery sessions created by this automation to discover only SNMP devices, change this line to:

```
DISCOVER_NON_SNMP = "0"
```

• TEMPLATE NAME = ""

If you specify a device template name in the TEMPLATE_NAME parameter, that device template will be automatically aligned with all discovery sessions created by this automation. For example, if you wanted to align a device template called "Standard Device Template" to every discovery session created by this automation, you would change this line to:

```
TEMPLATE_NAME = "Standard Device Template"
```

To modify the parameters for the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action, perform the following steps:

- 1. Go to the **Action Policy Manager** page (Registry > Run Book > Actions).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action.
- 3. In the **Snippet Code** field, locate and edit the line(s) for the parameter(s) you want to change:
- 4. Click the [Save] button.

If you modified the EC2_IP_ATTRIBUTE parameter in the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action, you must perform the following steps to update the AWS: Merge Physical with Component automation action:

To modify the parameters for the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action, perform the following steps:

- 1. Go to the **Action Policy Manager** page (Registry > Run Book > Actions).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the AWS: Discover from EC2 IP automation action.

3. In the **Snippet Code** field, locate and edit the following line:

```
IP ATTRIBUTE = 'c-EC2 PrivateIpAddress'
```

If you changed the EC2_IP_ATTRIBUTE parameter in the **AWS:** Discover from EC2 IP automation action to 'PublicIpAddress', change this line to:

```
IP_ATTRIBUTE = 'c-EC2_PublicIpAddress'
```

4. Click the [Save] button.

Enabling the Component Device Record Created Event Policy

To enable the "Component Device Record Created" event policy:

- 1. Go to the **Event Policy Manager** page (Registry > Events > Event Manager).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the "Component Device Record Created" event policy.
- 3. In the **Operational State** field, select *Enabled*.
- 4. Click [Save].

To prevent this change from being overwritten when the PowerPacks installed on the system are updated, you can enable the **Selective PowerPack Field Protection** option. To enable this option:

- 1. Go to the **Behavior Settings** page (System > Settings > Behavior).
- 2. Check the Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection checkbox.
- 3. Click [Save].

Enabling the Device Record Created Event Policy

To enable the "Device Record Created" event policy:

- 1. Go to the **Event Policy Manager** page (Registry > Events > Event Manager).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the "Device Record Created" event policy.
- 3. In the **Operational State** field, select Enabled.
- 4. Click [Save].

To prevent this change from being overwritten when the PowerPacks installed on the system are updated, you can enable the **Selective PowerPack Field Protection** option. To enable this option:

- 1. Go to the **Behavior Settings** page (System > Settings > Behavior).
- 2. Check the Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection checkbox.
- 3. Click [Save].

Enabling the Automation Policies

To enable one or more automation policies in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

- 1. Go to the **Automation Policy Manager** page (Registry > Run Book > Automation).
- 2. Click the wrench icon ($\stackrel{f}{\longrightarrow}$) for the automation policy you want to enable.
- 3. In the **Policy State** field, select Enabled.
- 4. Click [Save].

Preserving Automation Changes

If you have modified automation actions and policies that are included in the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack, those changes will be overwritten when the PowerPack is updated in your system. If you have modified automation actions and policies that are included in the PowerPack, you can:

- Re-implement those changes after each update of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack.
- Remove the content from the PowerPack on your system. When the Amazon Web Services PowerPack is updated in your system, updated versions of this content will not be installed on your system and your local changes will be preserved.

To remove automation actions or automation policies content from the Amazon Web Services PowerPack on your system:

- 1. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the Amazon Web Services PowerPack. The **Editing PowerPack** page appears.
- 3. In the left NavBar of the **Editing PowerPack** page, select the type of content you want to remove:
 - To remove an automation action, click Run Book Actions. The Embedded Run Book Actions and Available Run Book Actions panes appear.
 - To remove an automation policy, click **Run Book Policies**. The **Embedded Run Book Policies** and **Available Run Book Policies** panes appear.
- 4. In the upper pane, click the bomb icon () for each automation action or automation policy that you want to remove from the Amazon Web Services PowerPack on your system.

Vanishing Terminated or Terminating EC2 Instances

The automation for vanishing terminated EC2 instances includes one automation action:

- AWS: Vanish Terminated EC2 Instances. This action requests information from the AWS API about the
 EC2 instance that triggered the automation action. If the response from the AWS API indicates that the EC2
 instance that triggered the automation action is in a terminated or terminating state, the action performs the
 following steps:
 - If the automation triggers for a physical device that is merged with an EC2 instance, the devices are un-merged.
 - If the automation triggers for a physical device that is merged with an EC2 instance, after being unmerged the physical device is moved to a virtual collector group.
 - If the automation triggers for a physical device that is merged with an EC2 instance, after being unmerged, all events associated with the physical device are cleared.
 - All events associated with the component device are cleared.
 - The component device is vanished.

The Amazon Web Services PowerPack includes an automation policy that triggers this action:

• AWS: Vanish Terminated EC2 Instances. If enabled, this automation policy can trigger for any device with which the "AWS EC2 Instance" Dynamic Application is aligned (the members of the AWS EC2 Instances). The automation policy triggers when the Availability Check Failed event is active on the matching devices.

To use this automation, you must:

- Enable the AWS: Vanish Terminated EC2 Instances automation policy
- Configure your system to preserve this change

Enabling the Automation Policies

To enable one or more automation policies in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

- 1. Go to the **Automation Policy Manager** page (Registry > Run Book > Automation).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the automation policy you want to enable.
- 3. In the **Policy State** field, select Enabled.
- 4. Click [Save].

Preserving Automation Changes

If you have modified automation actions and policies that are included in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack, those changes will be overwritten when the PowerPack is updated in your system. If you have modified automation actions and policies that are included in the PowerPack, you can:

- Re-implement those changes after each update of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack.
- Remove the content from the PowerPack on your system. When the Amazon Web Services PowerPack is updated in your system, updated versions of this content will not be installed on your system and your local changes will be preserved.

To remove automation actions or automation policies content from the Amazon Web Services PowerPack on your system:

- 1. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the Amazon Web Services PowerPack. The **Editing PowerPack** page appears.
- 3. In the left NavBar of the Editing PowerPack page, select the type of content you want to remove:
 - To remove an automation action, click **Run Book Actions**. The **Embedded Run Book Actions** and **Available Run Book Actions** panes appear.
 - To remove an automation policy, click **Run Book Policies**. The **Embedded Run Book Policies** and **Available Run Book Policies** panes appear.
- 4. In the upper pane, click the bomb icon () for each automation action or automation policy that you want to remove from the Amazon Web Services PowerPack on your system.

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