

Amazon Web Services PowerPack Release Notes

Version 105

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Overview

Amazon Web Services PowerPack version 105 is an upgrade from version 104. Version 105 addresses multiple issues.

• Minimum Required Platform Version: 8.5.0

• Support Status: GA

This document describes:

- Pre-install or pre-upgrade information
- The upgrade process for systems running version 100 or later of the PowerPack
- The upgrade process for systems running version 8.1.0 or earlier of the PowerPack
- The features included in version 105
- The enhancements and issues addressed in version 105
- The known issues in version 105

Before You Install or Upgrade

Ensure that you are running version 8.5.0 or later of the ScienceLogic platform before installing the Amazon Web Services PowerPack version 105. Additionally, the Data Collectors used to monitor the AWS account must be running the Oracle Linux 7.2 operating system.

If your system is not currently running version 8.5.0 or later, you must upgrade to 8.5.0 as part of the upgrade process for version 105 of the PowerPack.

NOTE: For details on upgrading the ScienceLogic platform, see the appropriate ScienceLogic Release Notes.

Upgrade Process from PowerPack version 100 or Later

This section describes the upgrade process when upgrading from version 100 or later of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack.

TIP: By default, installing a new version of a PowerPack will overwrite 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 local changes for some commonly customized fields from being overwritten.

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NOTE: If you are currently using the Dynamic Applications in the Amazon Web Services PowerPack to monitor devices, collection errors might occur for one or two polling cycles during the installation of a new version. To prevent collection errors during an upgrade, you can optionally disable collection for monitored devices before performing the following steps, and then re-enable collection after the upgrade. To disable collection for AWS devices, go to the Device Components page (Registry > Devices > Device Components) and then select the checkbox for all Amazon Web Services root devices. In the Select Actions drop-down list, select Change Collection State: Disabled (recursive), and then click the [Go] button.

To upgrade from version 100 or later of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

- 1. Familiarize yourself with the Known Issues for this release.
- 2. If you have not done so already, upgrade your system to the 8.5.0 or later release.
- 3. Download version 105 of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack from the Customer Portal to a local computer.
- 4. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks). Click the **[Actions]** menu and choose *Import PowerPack*. When prompted, import version 105 of the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack.
- 5. After importing the PowerPack, you will be prompted to install the PowerPack. Click the **[Install]** button to install the PowerPack.

NOTE: Version 105 of the *Amazon Web Services* PowerPack is delivered in the version 8.4.1 patch of the ScienceLogic platform, and therefore can be installed directly on ScienceLogic systems running version 8.4.1.

Upgrade Process from PowerPack version 8.1.0 and Earlier

This section describes the upgrade process when upgrading from version 8.1.0 or earlier of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack to version 105.

To upgrade from version 8.1.0 or earlier, you must perform the following general steps:

- 1 Disable collection for AWS devices.
- 2. Upgrade to the 8.5.0 or later release.
- 3. If you have made changes to the AWS PowerPack, optionally enable selective PowerPack field protection.
- 4. Install the AWS 105 PowerPack.
- 5. If you enabled selective PowerPack field protection, edit collection objects.
- 6. Clear the cache on all Data Collectors.
- 7. Unalign the AWS Custom Metrics Dynamic Application.
- 8. Enable collection for AWS devices.

9. If you enabled selective PowerPack field protection, optionally disable selective PowerPack field protection after the installation.

Step 1: Disable Collection for AWS Devices

To disable collection for AWS devices:

- 1. Go to the **Device Components** page (Registry > Devices > Device Components).
- 2. Select the checkbox for all Amazon Web Services root devices.
- 3. In the **Select Actions** drop-down list, select Change Collection State: Disabled (recursive).
- 4. Click the [Go] button.

Step 2: Upgrade to the 8.5.0 or Later Release

If you have not previously done so, upgrade your system to an 8.5.0 or later release using the documentation applicable to your current version:

- For systems running an 8.x release, see the 8.5.0 Release Notes.
- For systems running a 7.x release, see the 8.5.0 Migration Steps document.

Step 3 (Optional): Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection

If you have made changes to the Amazon Web Service PowerPack on your system, you can use the **Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection** option to preserve changes to some fields. For a full list of fields that are preserved by this option, click the [Guide] button on the **Behavior Settings** page (System > Settings > Behavior). If you use the **Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection** option, you must perform the steps listed in the **Step 5** (If Applicable): Edit Collection Objects section after installing version 105 of the Amazon Web Services

PowerPack.

To enable selective PowerPack field protection:

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

Step 4: Install Version 105 of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack

To install the version 105 of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

- 1. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks).
- 2. Click the [Actions] button and select Import PowerPack. The Import PowerPack modal page appears.
- 3. Click the [Browse] button and select the PowerPack file in your file browser.
- 4. Click the [Import] button. A confirmation dialog appears.
- 5. Click the [OK] button. The PowerPack Installer modal page appears.

- 6. Click the [Install] button. A confirmation dialog appears.
- 7. Click the [OK] button.

Step 5 (If Applicable): Edit Collection Objects

If you performed the steps listed in the Step 3 (Optional): Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection section, you must perform the following steps:

- 1. Go to the Dynamic Applications Manager page (System > Manage > Application).
- 2. Click the wrench icon () for the AWS CloudFront Origin Dynamic Application. The **Dynamic**Applications Properties Editor page appears.
- 3. Click the [Collections] tab.
- 4. Click the wrench icon () for the Distinguished Name collection object.
- 5. Select the Hide Object checkbox.
- 6. Click the [Save] button.

Step 6: Clear Data Collector Cache

To perform this step manually, perform the following steps for every Data Collector used to monitor an AWS account:

- 1. Log in to the command-line of the appliance as the em7admin user.
- 2. Execute the following command:

```
watch cat /var/lib/em7/content/aws/version.txt
```

- 3. Within five minutes of the PowerPack installation, the command should return "xxx". If the command does not return "xxx", contact ScienceLogic Support.
- 4. Enter "Ctrl + C" to exit the command.
- 5. Execute the following command to open a MariaDB prompt:

```
silo mysql
```

6. Execute the following command:

```
DELETE FROM cache.dynamic_app WHERE `key` LIKE 'AWS_SELF_MONITOR_%';
```

Step 7: Unalign the AWS Custom Metrics Dynamic Application

A previous release of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack erroneously aligned the AWS Custom Metrics Dynamic Application to certain types of devices. To unalign the AWS Custom Metrics Dynamic Application from these devices:

1. Copy the provided aws_unalign_custom_metrics_app.py file to the home directory of the em7admin user on an appliance in your system:

- If your system includes All-In-One Appliances, use the primary All-In-One Appliance.
- If your system includes Database Servers where the user interface/API has not been disabled on the Database Servers, use the primary Database Server.
- If your system includes Database Servers where the user interface/API has been disabled on the Database Servers, use an Administration Portal.
- 2. Log in to the command-line of the appliance as the em7admin user.
- 3. Execute the following command:

```
sudo python aws_unalign_custom_metrics_app.py --base-url http://[IP address of appliance] --username [username of administrator user] --password [password of administrator user]
```

The output will show information about each device from which the AWS Custom Metrics Dynamic Application was unaligned.

Step 8: Enable Collection for AWS Devices

To enable collection for AWS devices:

- 1. Go to the **Device Components** page (Registry > Devices > Device Components).
- 2. Select the checkbox for all AWS Web Services root devices.
- 3. In the Select Actions drop-down list, select Change Collection State: Enabled (recursive).
- 4. Click the [Go] button.

Step 9 (Optional): Disable Selective PowerPack Field Protection

If you performed the steps listed in the *Step 3 (Optional): Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection* section and want to disable the option for future PowerPack updates, perform the following steps:

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

Features

Amazon Web Services version 105 includes the following features:

- Dynamic Applications (147) that discover, model, and collect data from AWS component devices
- Event Policies (89) and corresponding alerts that are triggered when AWS component devices meet certain status criteria
- Device Classes (110) for each of the AWS component devices monitored
- Reports (3) and dashboards (11) that display information about AWS instances and component devices
- Sample credentials (1) for discovering AWS component devices

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Enhancements and Issues Addressed

The following enhancements and addressed issues are included in version 105 of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack:

- An HTTP proxy can now be used when monitoring all AWS services.
- The tier information for the AWS DDB Service device class is now correct.
- A snippet exception has been addressed.

Known Issues

The following known issues affect version 105 of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack, and will be addressed in a future release:

- If the user whose information is included in the SOAP/XML credential that is being used to monitor
 AWS services does not have permission to discover LightSail, then the ScienceLogic platform will not discover
 EC2 instances, regardless of whether LightSail instances are created. To work around this issue, before
 upgrading to version 105 of the Amazon Web Services PowerPack, add the service "LightSail" to the user
 policy and include the following actions:
 - "lightsail:Get*",
 - o "lightsail:ls*",
 - "lightsail:Download*",

NOTE: You are not required to create LightSail instances for this workaround; the user policy simply needs the correct permissions.

 Version 105 does not create the dynamic component mapping relationships that should appear between AWS Security Groups and the EC2 Instances. © 2003 - 2017, ScienceLogic, Inc.

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