



Monitoring BNG Configurations

Broadband Network Gateway (BNG) provides capabilities that help to improve the service provider's ability to manage the subscriber's services, and simplify overall network operations. BNG is a functionality that comprises subscriber management at a logical aggregation point in the network, which manages the subscriber's user experience through identification, address assignment, authentication, authorization, accounting, and various other features such as security, Quality of Service (QoS), and subscriber forwarding.

BNG represents the subscriber as a session, which is a logical point to enable services for a given subscriber. A subscriber is usually identified with the protocol that provides the IP address of the subscriber for address assignment. For example, a subscriber that uses the Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) to connect to the network, receives its IP address through the PPP IP Control Protocol (IPCP) negotiation, and is represented as a PPP session. A subscriber that uses Ethernet to connect to the network receives its IP address through Dynamic Host Control Protocol (DHCP) and is represented as an IP session.

The purpose of deploying BNG at the provider edge is to better manage and enrich the subscriber experience.

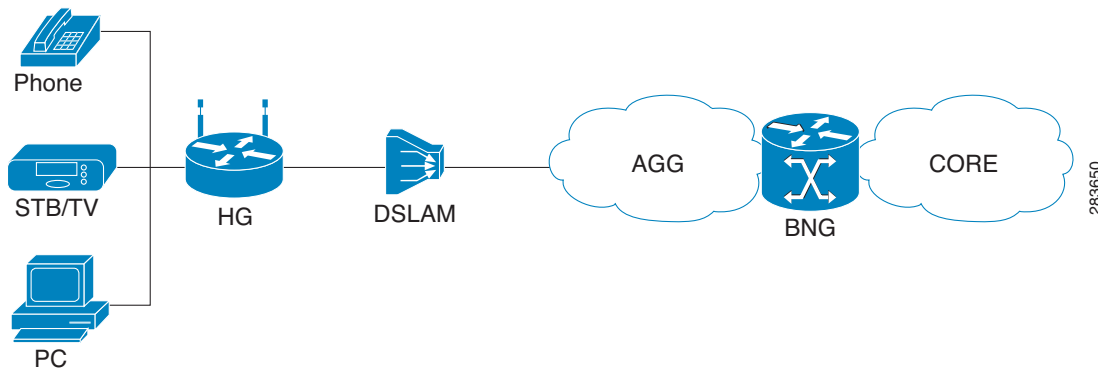
BNG separates subscriber access functions from provider services and yields these benefits:

- Comprehensive session management and billing functions are supported by means of communication with an authentication, authorization, and accounting (AAA) server that is separate from the BNG.
- Subscribers can obtain services based on their subscriber ID or a combination of their subscriber ID and access line.

The network topology for BNG can be explained using the following models:

- **BNG Retail Model**—The subscriber connects to the network over a digital subscriber line (DSL) circuit into a DSL access multiplexor (DSLAM), which aggregates a number of subscribers. The DSLAMs are connected to an aggregation network, which grooms the subscriber traffic and switches it to BNG. A sample of the retail model is shown in [Figure 25-1](#).

Figure 25-1 BNG Retail Model



- **BNG Wholesale Model**—The subscriber’s traffic is handed off by the carrier (who still owns the infrastructure) to one of the several Internet Service Providers (ISP). There are different ways to make this handoff, Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol (L2TP) or Layer 3 virtual private networking (VPN) being two such methods.

The BNG Retail model is used for deployment in Prime Network.

Prime Network provides BNG support for Cisco Aggregation Service Router (ASR) 9000 series network elements.

These topics provide an overview of the Broadband Network Gateway (BNG) technology and describe how to monitor and view BNG configurations using the Vision client. If you cannot perform an operation that is described in these topics, you may not have sufficient permissions; see [Permissions for Managing BNG, page B-21](#).

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Working with BNG Configurations

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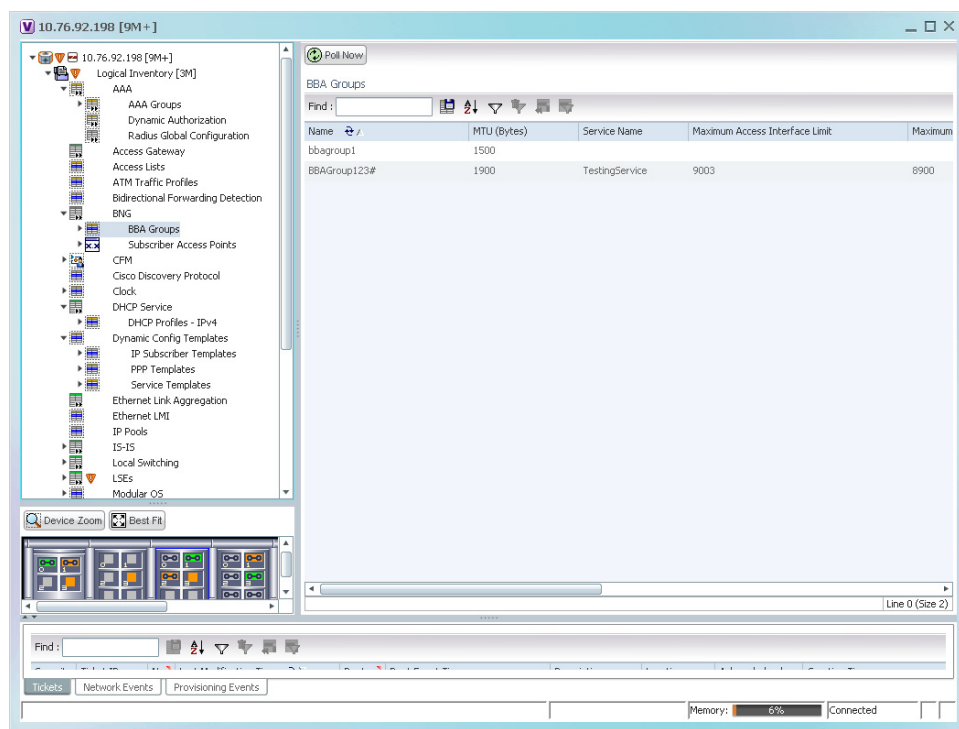
Viewing Broadband Access (BBA) Groups

BBA groups refer to the configuration settings applicable to a subscriber session that are accessing the network through an access interface. The same group can be applied to multiple access interfaces. For example, the maximum session limit for an access interface.

To view the BBA group profile:

- Step 1** Right-click on the device and choose the **Inventory** option.
- Step 2** In the **Inventory** window, choose **Logical Inventory > BNG > BBA Groups**. A list of BBA groups is displayed in the content pane as shown in [Figure 25-2](#).

Figure 25-2 BBA Groups Content Pane



- Step 3** Right-click a group from the list and choose **Properties**. The BBA Group Properties dialog box is displayed.

[Table 25-1](#) describes the fields that are displayed in the BBA Group Properties dialog box.

Table 25-1 BBA Group Properties

Field Name	Description
Name	The name of the BBA Group.
MTU (Bytes)	The default maximum payload, which can be any value between 500 and 2000.
Service Name	The name of the service configured under the specified BBA group.
Maximum Access Interface Limit	The maximum limit of PPP over Ethernet (PPPoE) sessions on the access interface.
Maximum Circuit ID Limit	The maximum limit of PPPoE sessions for the circuit ID.
Maximum Session Limit	The maximum session limit per card. A warning is displayed if the session exceeds the limit specified here.
Maximum MAC Address Access Limit	The maximum limit for MAC address access. A warning is displayed if the access exceeds the limit specified here.
Maximum Payload Limit	The maximum payload limit.
Service Selection	Indicates the status of advertising of unrequested services names. By default, this service is enabled.
Applied Interfaces	
Interface Name	The name of the interface applied to the BBA Group.
Entity Association	The link to the applied interface. Click this hyperlink to view the relevant node under the Subscriber Access Point node.

Viewing Subscriber Access Points

Subscriber access points refer to the access interfaces that are named based on the parent interface. For example, bundle-ether 2.100.pppoe312. The subscribers on bundles (or bundle-VLANs) interfaces allow redundancy and are managed on the route processor (RP). However, the subscribers over physical interfaces are created and managed on the line card (LC) and are not redundant.

To view the subscriber access points profile:

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- Step 1** Right-click on the device and choose the **Inventory** option.
 - Step 2** In the **Inventory** window, choose **Logical Inventory > BNG > Subscriber Access Points**. A list of access points is displayed in the content pane.
 - Step 3** Right-click the access point from the list and choose **Properties**. The Subscriber Access Point Properties dialog box is displayed.

[Table 25-2](#) describes the fields that are displayed in the Subscriber Access Point Properties dialog box.

Table 25-2 *Subscriber Access Point Properties*

Field Name	Description
Access Point	The name of the access point.
Associated Entity	The link to the associated entity. Click this hyperlink to view the associated Data Link Aggregation record under the Ethernet Link Aggregation node.
Access Type	The access type for the subscriber access point, which can be any one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPPOE_AND_IP • PPPOE • IP
Ingress Service Policy	The service policy for the access point, which when clicked will display the relevant policy under the Policy Container node.
Ingress QoS Policy	The Quality of Service policy for the inbound traffic, which when clicked will display the relevant policy under the Policy Container node.
Egress QoS Policy	The Quality of Service policy for the outbound traffic of the access point, which when clicked will display the relevant policy under the Policy Container node.
BBA Group	The BBA group to which the access point is associated. Click this hyperlink to view the relevant group under the BBA group node.
DHCP Profile	The DHCP profile to which the access point is associated. Click this hyperlink to view the relevant profile under the DHCP node.
IP Address	The destination address for User Datagram Protocol (UDP) broadcasts.
VRF	The Virtual Routing and Forwarding (VRF) in which the access points operates.

Diagnosing Subscriber Access Points

The following commands can be launched from the inventory by right-clicking the **BNG > Subscriber Access Points** node and selecting the **Commands > Diagnose** option. Before executing any commands, you can preview them and view the results. If desired, you can also schedule the commands. To find out if a device supports these commands, see the [Cisco Prime Network 5.1 Supported Cisco VNEs](#).

Table 25-3 *Diagnose Subscriber Access Points*

Diagnose Command	Input parameters
Show DHCP Binding	Binding Type
Show IP Subscriber Management Trace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trace Event Type • Trace Count

Table 25-3 Diagnose Subscriber Access Points (continued)

Diagnose Command	Input parameters
Show PPOE Trace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trace Filter Type Trace Count
Show Subscriber Dynamic Template Trace All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trace Filter Type Trace Event Type Trace Count
Show Subscriber Manager Disconnect History	Disconnect History Filter Type
Show Subscriber Manager Session History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Session Type ID Value
Show Subscriber Manager Trace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trace Filter Type Trace Event Type Trace Count
Show Subscriber Session Details by Filter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Session Filter Type Filter Value Filter State

Viewing Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) Service Profile

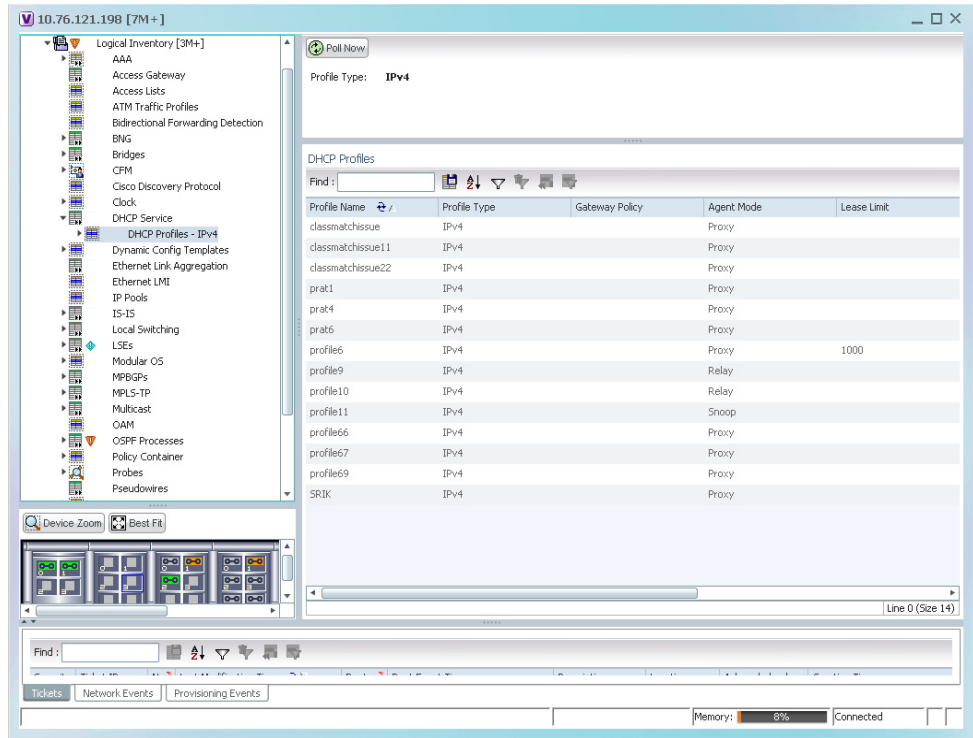
DHCP is used to automate host configuration by assigning IP addresses, delegating prefixes (in IPv6), and providing extensive configuration information to network computers.

DHCP has the capability to allocate IP addresses only for a specified period of time, which is known as the lease period. If a client device wants to retain the IP addresses for a period longer than the lease period, then the client must renew the lease before it expires. A client can renew the lease depending on the configuration time sent from the server. A REQUEST message is unicast by the client using the server's IP address. On receiving the REQUEST message, the server responds with an acknowledgment, and the client's lease is extended by the lease time configured in the acknowledgment message.

To view the DHCP service profile:

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- Step 1** Right-click on the required device and choose the **Inventory** option.
 - Step 2** In the **Inventory** window, choose **Logical Inventory > DHCP Service > DHCP Profiles - IPv4**. A list of DHCP profiles are displayed in the content pane as shown in [Figure 25-3](#).

Figure 25-3 DHCP Profiles



Step 3 Right-click a service from the list and choose **Properties**. The DHCP Profile Properties dialog box is displayed.

Table 25-4 describes the fields that are displayed in the DHCP Profile Properties dialog box.

Table 25-4 DHCP Profile Properties

Field Name	Description
Profile Name	The name of the DHCP profile.
Profile Type	The network protocol that the profile belongs to. The profile type can be IPV4 or IPV6.
Agent Mode	The DHCP agent mode, which can be Relay, Snoop or Proxy.
Lease Limit	The lease limit for the profile.
Lease Limit Type	The lease limit type.
Relay Information Check	Indicates whether the relay information check is enabled or disabled.
Relay Information Policy	The relay information policy.
DHCP Agent Information Options	
Option	The relay agent information options key parameter.
Value	The value of the relay agent information options.
Applied Interfaces	
Interface Name	The name of the interface applied to the DHCP Group.
Entity Association	The link to the applied interface. Click this hyperlink to view the relevant node under the Subscriber Access Point node.
DHCP Servers	
Profile Class	The profile class.
Server Address	The IP address of the profile, which is used to relay packets.
VRF	The VRF of the DHCP profile. Click this hyperlink to view the relevant node under the VRFs node.
Gateway Address	The IP address of the gateway.
Match Option	The match option of the DHCP profile.
Match Option Value	The value of the match option.
Match Option Mask	The match option mask.

Viewing Dynamic Config Templates

A dynamic template is used to group configuration items, which are later applied to a group of subscribers. This template is globally configured through the command line interface (CLI). However, the template does not get applied to a subscriber interface as soon as it is configured. It must be activated using a control policy. Similarly, you must deactivate the template using a control policy to remove its association with the subscriber interface.

Ideally, you can activate more than one dynamic template on the same subscriber interface, for the same event or different events. The same dynamic-template can be activated on multiple subscriber interfaces through the same control policy.

Prime Network supports the following types of dynamic templates:

- IP subscriber templates
- PPP templates
- Service templates

To view the configuration templates:

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- Step 1** Right-click on the device and choose the **Inventory** option.
- Step 2** In the **Inventory** window, choose **Logical Inventory > Dynamic Config Templates > IP Subscriber Templates** or **PPP template** or **Service template**. A list of templates is displayed in the content pane.
- Step 3** Select a template from the list, right-click and choose **Properties** to view its details.

[Table 25-5](#) describes the fields that are displayed in the corresponding dialog box.

Table 25-5 *Template Properties*

Field Name	Description
Name	The name of the subscriber template.
Template Type	The template type, which can be IP Subscriber , PPP or Service based on the selected template.
Ingress Policy	The name of the ingress service policy associated with the subscriber template. This field is applicable only for IP Subscriber and Service templates.
Associated Ingress Policy	The associated ingress policy. Click this hyperlink to view the relevant node under the Policy Container node. This field is applicable only for IP subscriber templates.
Egress Policy	The name of the egress service policy associated with the subscriber template. This field is applicable only for IP Subscriber and Service templates.
Associated Egress Policy	The associated egress policy. Click this hyperlink to view the relevant node under the Policy Container node. This field is applicable only for IP Subscriber and Service templates.
Ingress Access-List	The name of the ingress access-list associated with the subscriber template. This field is applicable only for IP subscriber templates.
Associated Ingress-ACL Entity	The associated ingress access list. Click this hyperlink to view the related list in the Access List node. This field is applicable only for IP subscriber templates.
Egress Access-List	The name of the egress access-list associated with the subscriber template. This field is applicable only for IP subscriber templates.
Associated Egress-ACL Entity	The associated egress access list. Click this hyperlink to view the related list in the Access List node. This field is applicable only for IP subscriber templates.
Mtu	The maximum transmission unit for IPv4.
Idle Timeout	The idle timeout for the subscriber template in seconds. This field is applicable only for IP Subscriber and Service templates.

Table 25-5 *Template Properties (continued)*

Field Name	Description
Keep Alive Enabled	Indicates whether the Keep alive feature is enabled. This field is applicable only for PPP templates.
Keep Alive Interval	The keep alive interval time in terms of seconds. This field is applicable only for PPP templates.
Maximum Bad Authentication Request	The maximum number of authentication failures, which can be any value between 0 and 10. This field is applicable only for PPP templates.
Maximum Unacknowledged Request	The maximum number of unacknowledged configured requests, which can be any value between 4 and 20. This field is applicable only for PPP templates.
Maximum Negative Acknowledgement	The maximum number of consecutive configuration negative acknowledgements, which can be any value between 2 and 10. This field is applicable only for PPP templates.

Viewing the Settings for a PPP Template

In addition to the above details, you can also view the following settings for a PPP template:

- IPCP Settings
- LCP Settings
- Authentication Settings
- PPP Timeout Settings

To view the settings:

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- Step 1** Right-click on the device and choose the **Inventory** option.
- Step 2** In the **Inventory** window, choose **Logical Inventory > Dynamic Config Templates > PPP template**. A list of templates is displayed in the content pane.
- Step 3** Select a template from the list, right-click and choose **Properties** to view its details. You can click on the tab to view more details. The IPCP tab is displayed by default.

[Table 25-6](#) describes the fields that are displayed in the corresponding dialog box.

Table 25-6 *PPP Template Settings*

Field Name	Description
DNS Server	The IPCP negotiation primary and secondary DNS IP address.
WINS Server	The IPCP negotiation primary and secondary WINS IP address.
IPAddress PoolName	The IPCP negotiation name of the peer-address pool.
Associated IP Pool Entity	The associated IP pool entity for the template.
ReNegotiation Enabled	Indicates whether the attempts by the peer to renegotiate IPCP is enabled.

Table 25-6 PPP Template Settings (continued)

Field Name	Description
LCP Settings tab	
Delay	The time period (in seconds or milliseconds) to delay before starting active LCP negotiations.
ReNegotiation Enabled	Indicates whether the attempts by the peer to renegotiate LCP is enabled.
Authentication Settings tab	
Authentication Type	The PPP link authentication method, which can be any one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • chap • ms-chap • pap
Chap Host Name	The Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol (CHAP) host name.
MS Chap Host Name	The mobile station CHAP host name.
PPP Timeout Settings	
Absolute Session Timeout	The absolute timeout for a PPP session.
Maximum Authentication Response WaitTime	The maximum time (in seconds) to wait for an authentication response during a PPP negotiation.
Maximum Authentication Retry	The maximum time (in seconds) to wait for a response during a PPP negotiation.

