MEC Location Management

Feature Summary and Revision History

Summary Data

Applicable Product(s) or Functional Area	MME
Applicable Platform(s)	• ASR 5500 • VPC-DI • VPC-SI
Default Setting	Enabled - Always on
Related Changes in This Release	Not Applicable
Related Documentation	• Command Line Interface Reference • MME Administration Guide • Statistics and Counters Reference

Revision History

| Revision Details	Release
First introduced.	21.12.2

Feature Description

Mobile Edge Computing (MEC) Support is used to bring application with low latency requirements and capabilities to the carrier's network in order to explore a wide range of new use cases and applications. This feature enables selection of proper Edge User Plane nodes for MEC user sessions.

How It Works

Architecture

This section describes the MEC architecture.

Figure 1: MEC Architecture
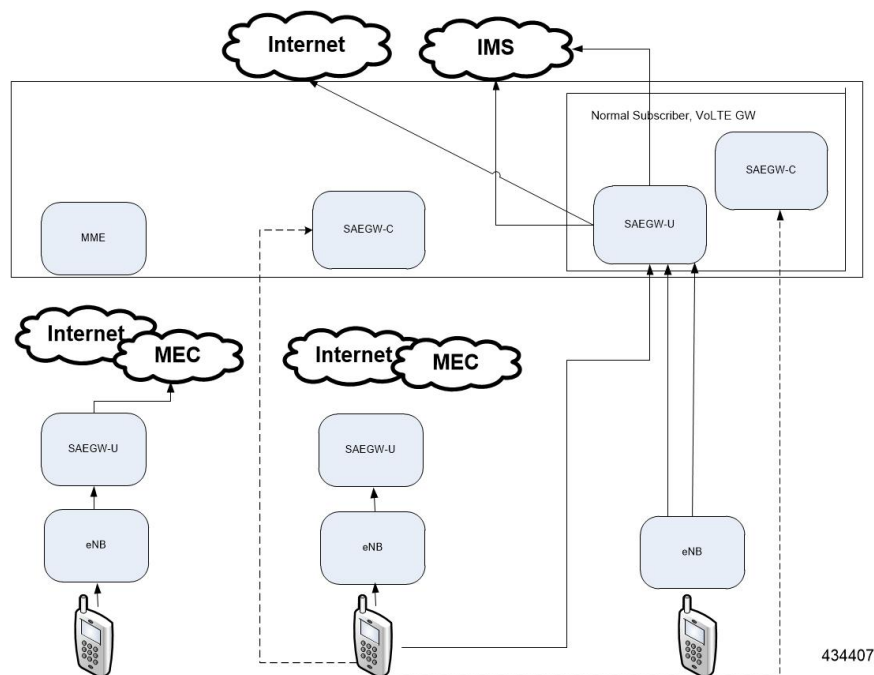
Flows

This section describes the call flow procedures related to MEC support.

Whenever the user moves to idle mode, each PDN's default bearer is checked to see if the GW-U IP address matches the TAI table entries. If a mismatch is found, paging is initiated.

When the user connects back again either by TAU or Service Request based on the new tracking area from where the TAU or Service Request is received, each PDN's default bearer is checked to see if the GW-U IP address matches the TAI table entries. If mismatch is found and if the PDN and UE Usage is marked Re-connect in APN Profile, the PDNs are deleted with Re-Activation cause code.

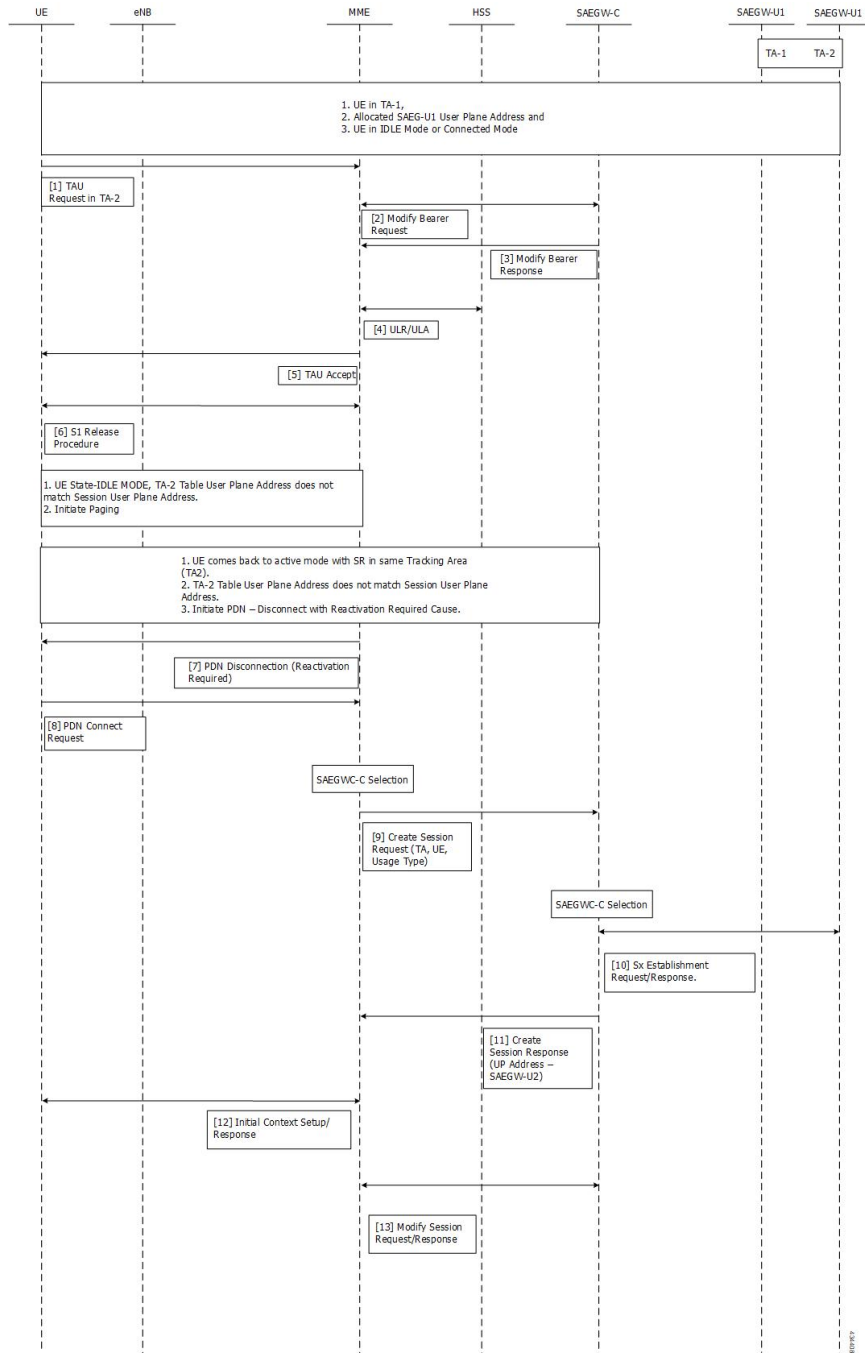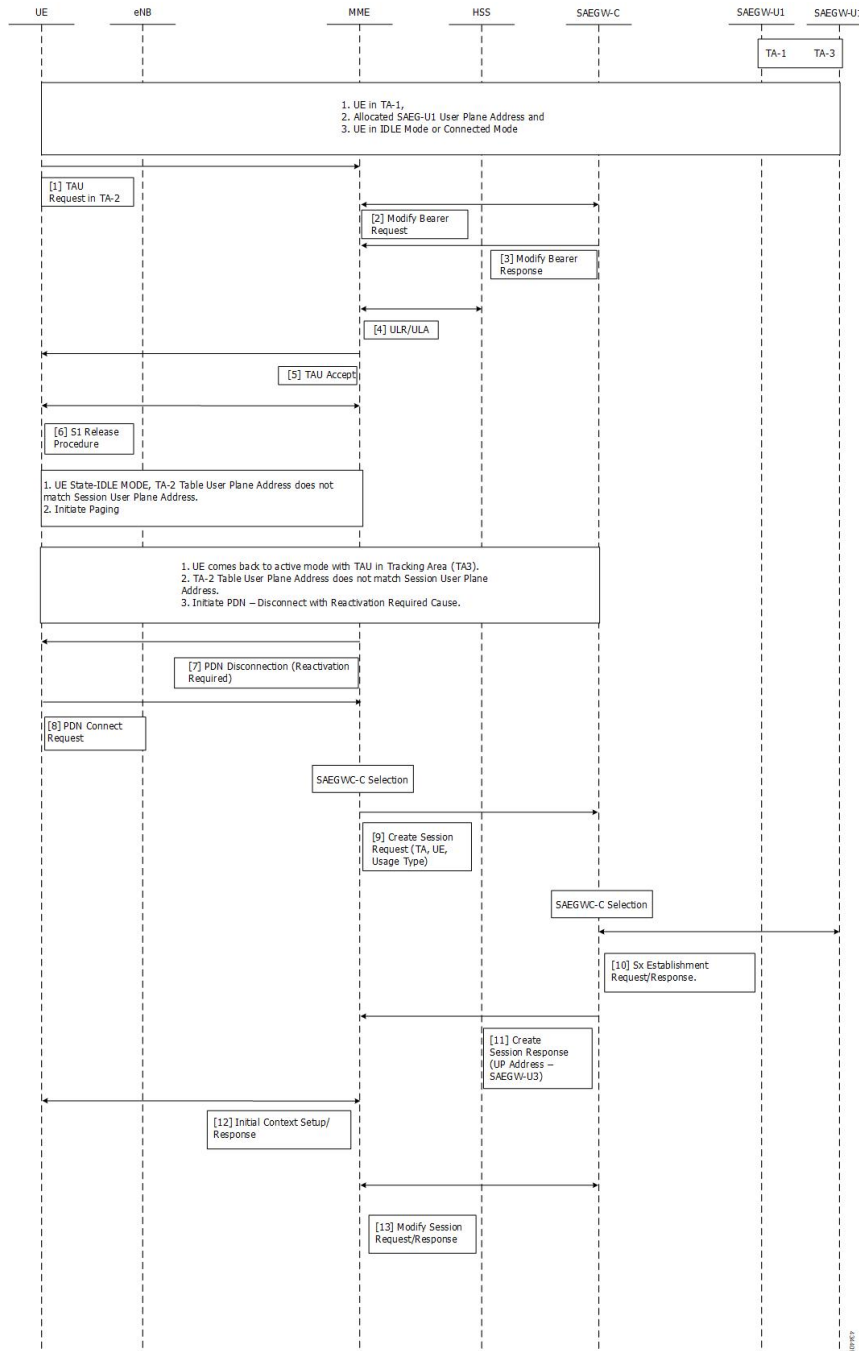*Figure 2: Attach in TA-1, TAU from TA-2, IDLE Mode and SR in TA-2*

UE	eNB	MME	HSS	SAEGW-C	SAEGW-U1	SAEGW-U1

TA-1   TA-2

1. UE in TA-1,
2. Allocated SAEG-U1 User Plane Address and
3. UE in IDLE Mode or Connected Mode

[1] TAU Request in TA-2

[2] Modify Bearer Request

[3] Modify Bearer Response

[4] ULR/ULA

[5] TAU Accept

[6] S1 Release Procedure

1. UE State-IDLE MODE, TA-2 Table User Plane Address does not match Session User Plane Address.
2. Initiate Paging

1. UE comes back to active mode with SR in same Tracking Area (TA2).
2. TA-2 Table User Plane Address does not match Session User Plane Address.
3. Initiate PDN – Disconnect with Reactivation Required Cause.

[7] PDN Disconnection (Reactivation Required)

[8] PDN Connect Request

SAEGWC-C Selection

[9] Create Session Request (TA, UE, Usage Type)

SAEGWC-C Selection

[10] Sx Establishment Request/Response.

[11] Create Session Response (UP Address – SAEGW-U2)

[12] Initial Context Setup/ Response

[13] Modify Session Request/Response

Figure 3: Attach in TA-1, TAU from TA-2, IDLE Mode and TAU in TA-3

Configuring MEC Support

This section provides information on the CLI commands to configure MEC Support in the MME.

up-address

Use the following configuration to configure the addresses of User Plane Nodes Serving all TAIs in this object.

```
configure
  lte-policy
    tai-mgmt-db tai_mgmt_db_name
      tai-mgmt-obj tai_mgmt_obj_name
        [ no ] up-address ( IP-ADDRESS | IP-ADDRESS/MASK }
        end
```

NOTES:

- **no**: Removes the addresses of User Plane Nodes Serving all TAIs in this object.

- **[no] up-address (IP-ADDRESS | IP-ADDRESS/MASK }** Configures the addresses of User Plane Nodes Serving all TAIs in this Object. **IP-ADDRESS** must be an IPV4 ##.##.##.## or IPV6 ####:####:####:####:####:####:####:####. Also supports :: notation **IP-ADDRESS/MASK** must be an IPV4 ##.##.##.##/x or IPV6 ####:####:####:####:####:####:####:####/x.

up-service-area-change

Use the following configuration to configure action for User-Plane Service Area Change for MME.

```
configure
  context context_name
    apn-profile apn_profile_name
      up-service-area-change disconnect-pdn [ ue-usage-type ]
ue_usage_type_values
      end
```

NOTES:

- **up-service-area-change**: Configures action for User-Plane Service Area Change for MME.

- **disconnect-pdn**: Enables reselection of User Plane Node by PDN disconnection.

- **ue-usage-type** *ue_usage_type_values*: Configures UE usage type for disconnecting PDN for UP service area. *ue_usage_type_values* must be an integer 1 through 255.

Monitoring and Troubleshooting

This section provides information regarding show commands available to monitor this feature.

Show Commands and Outputs

show mme-service statistics

The output of this command includes the following fields:

Paging Initiation for SIGNALING PDN RECONN Events:

- Attempted

- Success

- Failures

  - Success at Last n eNB

  - Success at TAI List

  - Success at Last TAI

Bulk Statistics

The following statistics are added in support of the MEC Location Management feature:

Table 1: MME Schema

Bulk Statistics	Description
signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-init-events-attempted	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE, to reconnect PDN, that were attempted.
signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-init-events-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE, to reconnect PDN, that were successful.
signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-init-events-failures	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE, to reconnect PDN, that failed.
signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-last-enb-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE to reconnect PDN that succeeded at the last known eNodeB.
signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-last-tai-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE to reconnect PDN that succeeded at the last known Tracking Area Identifier.
signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-tai-list-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE to reconnect PDN that succeeded at an eNodeB in all TAIs present in the TAI list assigned to the UE.

Table 2: TAI Schema

Bulk Statistics	Description
tai-signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-init-events-attempted	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE, to reconnect PDN, that were attempted.
tai-signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-init-events-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE, to reconnect PDN, that were successful.

Bulk Statistics	Description
tai-signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-init-events-failures	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE, to reconnect PDN, that failed.
tai-signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-last-enb-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE to reconnect PDN that succeeded at the last known eNodeB.
tai-signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-last-tai-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE to reconnect PDN that succeeded at the last known Tracking Area Identifier.
tai-signalling-pdn-reconn-paging-tai-list-success	The total number of ECM Statistics-related Paging requests to UE to reconnect PDN that succeeded at an eNodeB in all TAIs present in the TAI list assigned to the UE.