

# BEA WebLogic Integration

**Administering B2B Integration** 

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# **About This Document**

This document describes how to configure and manage BEA WebLogic Integration business-to-business (B2B) integration solutions.

Specifically, it discusses the following topics:

- Chapter 1, "Configuration Requirements," presents sample configurations that summarize the requirements for typical B2B integration solutions.
- Chapter 2, "Basic Configuration Tasks," provides an overview of the tasks and procedures required to configure the B2B engine for trading exchange, supply chain management, and collaborative commerce applications.
- Chapter 3, "Advanced Configuration Tasks," serves as an introduction to the more advanced features related to B2B integration and provides a roadmap to where more detailed information can be found.
- Chapter 4, "Importing and Exporting B2B Integration Components," describes how you can export and import components to facilitate implementation of B2B integration solutions.
- Chapter 5, "Monitoring B2B Integration," provides an overview of how you can use the WebLogic Integration B2B Console to monitor and control trading partner sessions, delivery channels, conversations, and collaboration agreements.
- Chapter 6, "Working with the Repository," describes how B2B integration configuration elements are stored in the WebLogic Integration repository.
- Chapter 7, "Working with the Bulk Loader," provides the information you need to use the Bulk Loader to load data into the repository.
- Chapter 8, "Configuring Persistence and Recovery," describes how persistence and recovery are supported by the B2B engine.
- Chapter A, "Update Considerations," summarizes the constraints and considerations related to modifying B2B integration configuration elements.

# What You Need to Know

This document is intended mainly for developers and system administrators responsible for the creation, setup, and administration of trading exchange, supply chain management, and collaborative commerce applications deployed on BEA WebLogic Integration.

Before reading this document, we recommend that you read the following documents:

- Introducing BEA WebLogic Integration
- Introducing B2B Integration
- Learning to Use BEA WebLogic Integration
- Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration

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boldface text	Indicates terms defined in the glossary.
Ctrl+Tab	Indicates that you must press two or more keys simultaneously.
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Convention	Item
monospace boldface text	Identifies significant words in code.  Example:  void commit ( )
monospace italic text	Identifies variables in code.  Example: String expr
UPPERCASE TEXT	Indicates device names, environment variables, and logical operators.  Examples:  LPT1  SIGNON  OR
{ }	Indicates a set of choices in a syntax line. The braces themselves should never be typed.
[ ]	Indicates optional items in a syntax line. The brackets themselves should never be typed.  Example: buildobjclient [-v] [-o name ] [-f file-list] [-1 file-list]
	Separates mutually exclusive choices in a syntax line. The symbol itself should never be typed.
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	Indicates the omission of items from a code example or from a syntax line. The vertical ellipsis itself should never be typed.

# 1 Configuration Requirements

This section presents selected WebLogic Integration B2B integration configurations and provides examples that summarize the configuration requirements for typical participants. It includes the following topics:

- Configuration Overview
- XOCP Applications
- RosettaNet Applications
- cXML Applications
- Browser Clients
- File-Sharing Clients

The information in this section applies to configurations for collaborative workflows used to manage conversations between trading partners. If you are using the Messaging API or the cXML API to write Java messaging applications, see *Programming Messaging Applications for B2B Integration*. If you are using logic plug-ins to add functionality to a collaboration, see *Programming Logic Plug-Ins for B2B Integration*.

# **Configuration Overview**

The following sections describe how to set up some of the basic B2B integration applications supported by WebLogic Integration. These basic configurations illustrate the concepts required for more complex scenarios. In addition to setting the B2B engine properties (for example, B2B engine name, description, and preferences), properties for the following entities must be configured:

- Trading partners
   Basic identifying information, party identifiers, and delivery channel information must be defined for each participant.
- Conversation definitions
   Each conversation definition must include a name, a version, an assigned business protocol, and two or more roles, each associated with a workflow template.
- Collaboration agreements

  A collaboration agreement specifies a conversation definition and the parties to the agreement. For each party, a trading partner party identifier, delivery channel, and role must be defined.

The following figure provides an overview of the entities that must be configured. It shows how information is organized in the WebLogic Integration B2B Console. For a summary of how information is stored in the repository, see Chapter 6, "Working with the Repository." The detailed information required to set specific properties is provided in the B2B Console online help (see "Getting Help" on page 2-7).

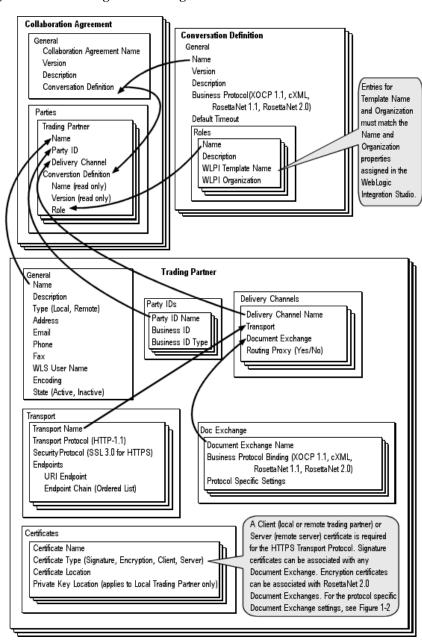
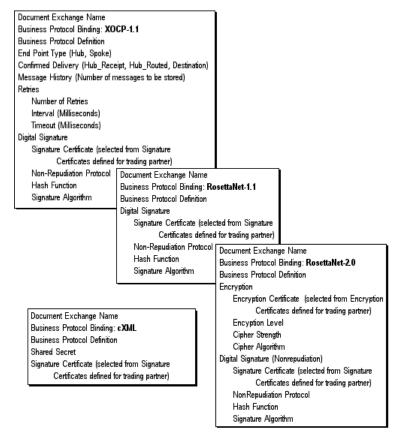


Figure 1-1 B2B Integration Configuration Overview

As shown in the preceding figure, each delivery channel is associated with a document exchange, which defines its business protocol binding. The parameters defined in the document exchange vary, depending on the selected protocol. The following figure summarizes the four protocols supported by WebLogic Integration.

Figure 1-2 Business Protocol Bindings Defined in the Document Exchange



The following sections describe the configuration requirements for participants in several sample applications. Although configuration is typically performed through the B2B Console, these examples do not demonstrate how configuration is done. Keep in mind that the trading partners, conversation definitions, collaboration agreements, and workflows created on one system can be exported and then imported to another system, as described in Chapter 4, "Importing and Exporting B2B Integration Components."

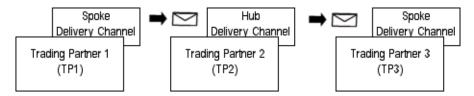
## A Note About Trading Partner Encoding

Like all XML documents, the messages exchanged between trading partners can potentially be encoded using any valid character set. By default, messages are encoded in UTF-8. To support alternate encodings, the configuration for a trading partner includes the property, *encoding*, which determines the how the B2B engine encodes messages sent to that trading partner. (See the trading partner general properties shown in Figure 1-1.)

The specification of encoding only has significance in the XOCP protocol. The B2B engine uses UTF-8 to encode all cXML and RosettaNet messages, regardless of how the encoding property is set.

As you will learn in the following section, "XOCP Applications," messages in the XOCP protocol are always routed though a trading partner delivery channel that is configured as a hub, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 1-3 Message Delivery



Suppose the following encoding settings applied to the trading partners shown in the preceding figure:

- TP1, encoding is not set (the default of UTF-8 is used)
- TP2, encoding=UTF-16
- TP3, encoding=Shift\_JIS

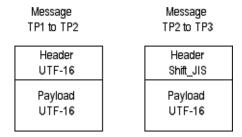
Based on the these settings, encoding of a message from TP1 destined for TP3 would be handled as follows:

- 1. TP1 sends message to TP2. Based on the encoding set for TP2, the message is encoded in UTF-16.
- TP2 receives the message. Because the delivery channel on TP2 is a hub delivery channel, message processing only involves the message header. The payload remains unchanged.

3. TP2 sends the message to TP3. The header is encoded in conformity with the encoding setting for TP3. The payload remains unchanged as noted.

The message encoding for this scenario is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-4 Message Encoding



In order to achieve the desired results when using the encoding property, it is important to keep in mind how the message will be handled when you configure the trading partners and their associated delivery channels.

If the intention is to have the payload information encoded in Shift\_JIS for TP3, then the encoding for TP2 should be set to Shift\_JIS.

The following section provides additional information about how trading partner definitions, conversation definitions, and collaboration agreements are configured to route messages using the XOCP protocol. If required, you can configure dummy trading partners and collaboration agreements as needed to ensure trading partners receive messages encoded appropriately.

For a list of valid encoding names and aliases, visit the following URL:

http://www.iana.org/assignments/character-sets

# **XOCP Applications**

The following sections provide background information about the configuration of XOCP delivery channels and examples that show how to configure the B2B engine to use XOCP in peer-to-peer and mediated messaging applications:

- XOCP Hub and Spoke Delivery Channels
- XOCP Peer-to-Peer Messaging
- XOCP Mediated Messaging

## **XOCP Hub and Spoke Delivery Channels**

A delivery channel in the XOCP protocol must be configured as one of the following:

- A hub (routing proxy) delivery channel
- A spoke delivery channel

A hub delivery channel is unique in that it acts as a proxy for either role in a conversation definition. The role assumed by the hub delivery channel depends on the configuration of the collaboration agreements for the conversation definition. For example, if the hub delivery channel for a trading partner is assigned to the role of supplier in one collaboration agreement, and to the role of buyer in another collaboration agreement for the same conversation definition, messages are handled as follows:

- The hub delivery channel receives a message sent to the supplier role. All collaboration agreements for the conversation definition in which this hub delivery channel is assigned the buyer role are identified. The message is forwarded to the trading partner delivery channel assigned to the supplier role in each of these collaboration agreements.
- The hub delivery channel receives a message sent to the buyer role. All collaboration agreements for the conversation definition in which this hub delivery channel is assigned the supplier role are identified. The message is forwarded to the trading partner delivery channel assigned to the buyer role in each of these collaboration agreements.

In other words, if multiple trading partners associated with the same role in a conversation definition enter into a collaboration agreement with a hub delivery channel, that delivery channel can be used to broadcast messages to those trading partners. If it is necessary to limit the broadcast to a subset of trading partners, XPath filter expressions can be used, as described in "XPath Expressions in Routing and Filtering" on page 3-3.

Although XOCP applications always require a hub-and-spoke configuration for their delivery channels and collaboration agreements, trading partners using the XOCP protocol can participate in either a peer-to-peer or mediated exchange of messages:

## ■ Peer-to-peer message exchange

Each participating trading partner has a role in the collaboration; messages are exchanged between trading partner peers. To accomplish this, one of the trading partner peers must configure two delivery channels: one as a hub delivery channel; the other, as a spoke delivery channel. Please note that we are simulating the peer-to-peer model here; the XOCP point-to-point protocol is not available in the current version of the product.

### ■ *Mediated message exchange*

A trading partner acting as a mediator does not participate directly in any role; instead, it routes messages to the trading partner spokes. The mediator configures a hub delivery channel and each trading partner spoke defines a spoke delivery channel. On the mediator, a collaboration agreement is defined between the trading partner hub delivery channel and each trading partner spoke delivery channel. The collaboration agreement assigns the hub and spoke delivery channels to roles as required for proper routing of messages.

Detailed examples of these two basic XOCP message exchange methods are presented in the following sections. Keep in mind that while these examples themselves show simple scenarios, the principles they illustrate can be used to create more complex hybrid deployments.

# **XOCP Peer-to-Peer Messaging**

Suppose two trading partners, ABC International, a computer manufacturer, and XYZ Systems, a chip supplier, plan to use WebLogic Integration to participate in Query Price and Availability (QPA) transactions. ABC International is the buyer and the initiator of each transaction, and the XOCP protocol is used to exchange messages. Both trading partners have WebLogic Integration installed.

The following sections provide examples of how to:

- Configure the trading partners and their associated delivery channels
- Configure a conversation definition to implement the required roles
- Associate the required trading partner delivery channels with the appropriate roles in the collaboration agreements

It is assumed that the required private and collaborative (public) workflows have been created. The collaborative workflows in this example are named <code>QPA\_Public\_Supplier</code> and <code>QPA\_Public\_Buyer</code>. For information about using the Studio (with the extended functionality provided by the B2B integration plug-in) to create collaborative workflows, see *Creating Workflows for B2B Integration*.

**Caution:** This example demonstrates a *single* trading partner configured with *two* delivery channels: one hub, one spoke. Please note that there is currently a limitation with this configuration. Do not set up one trading partner with two delivery channels. Instead set up two trading partners, each with its own delivery channel. Configure a hub delivery channel for one trading partner, and a spoke delivery channel for the other.

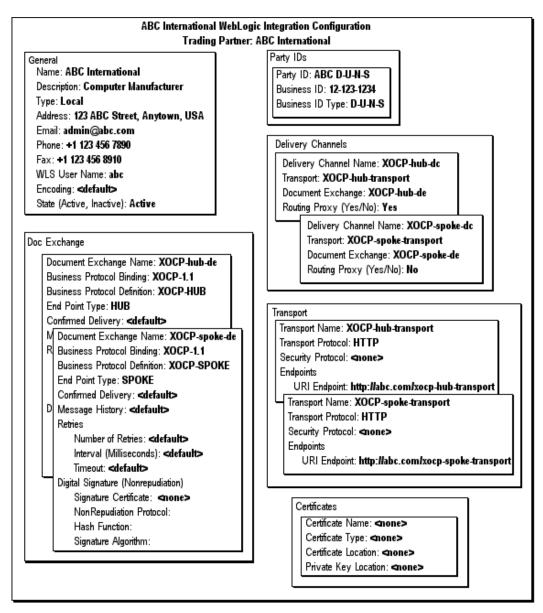
## **Trading Partners**

Trading partner definitions for both ABC International and XYZ Systems must be provided.

**Note:** For simplicity, SSL or signature certificates are not used in the examples presented in this section. For information about security configuration, see *Implementing Security with B2B Integration*.

The information that must be defined for the ABC International trading partner in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-5 ABC International Trading Partner Definition in the ABC Configuration

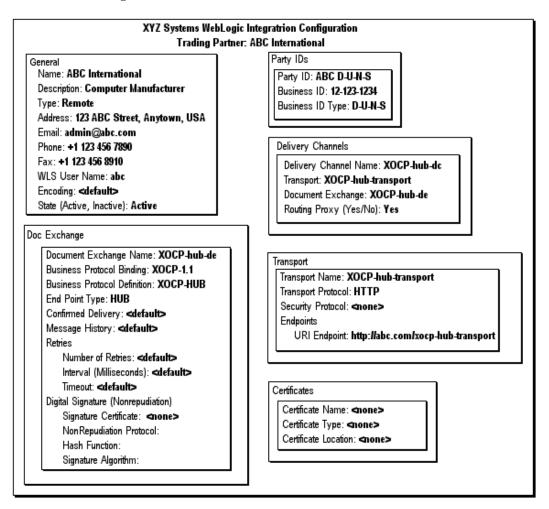


Note that the trading partner type (listed in the General box) is Local and the configuration includes hub and spoke delivery channels (XOCP-hub-dc and XOCP-spoke-dc), document exchanges (XOCP-hub-de and XOCP-spoke-de), and transports (XOCP-hub-transport and XOCP-spoke-transport). Each transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint (http://abc.com/xocp-hub-transport and http://abc.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

Note: As noted in the introduction to this example (see "XOCP Peer-to-Peer Messaging" on page 1-9), WebLogic Integration currently has a limitation that requires you to configure two trading partners. For example, configure one trading partner named ABC International-Spoke and the other named ABC International. The ABC International definition would include the XOCP-hub-dc, XOCP-hub-de, and XOCP-hub-transport definitions, while the ABC International-Spoke definition would include the XOCP-spoke-dc, XOCP-spoke-de, and XOCP-spoke-transport definitions.

The information that must be defined for the ABC International trading partner in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration is summarized in the following figure.

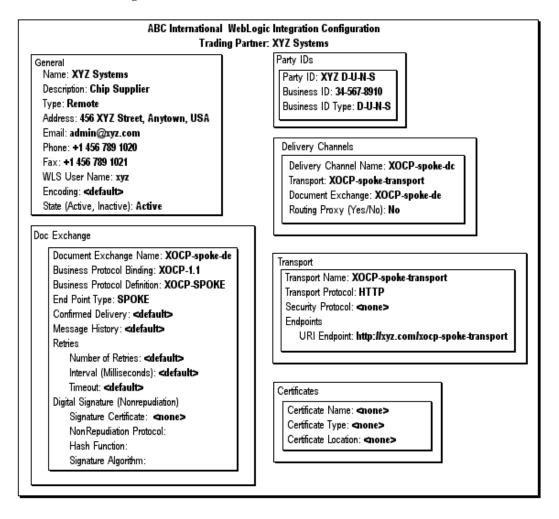
Figure 1-6 ABC International Trading Partner Definition in the XYZ Configuration



In this case the trading partner type (listed in the General box) is Remote and the configuration includes only a hub delivery channel (XOCP-hub-dc), document exchange (XOCP-hub-de), and transport (XOCP-hub-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint (http://abc.com/xocp-hub-transport).

The information that must be defined for the XYZ Systems trading partner in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-7 XYZ Systems Trading Partner Definition in the ABC International Configuration



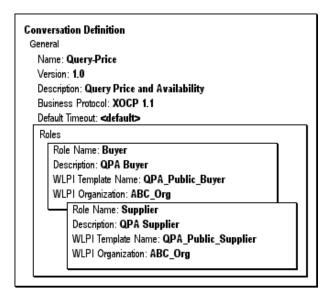
In this case the trading partner type (listed in the General box) is Remote and the configuration includes only a spoke delivery channel (XOCP-spoke-dc), document exchange (XOCP-spoke-de), and transport (XOCP-spoke-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint (http://xyz.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

The information that must be defined for the XYZ Systems trading partner in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration is exactly the same as the information shown in the previous figure, with one exception: the trading partner type (listed in the General box) must be set to Local in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration.

## Conversation Definitions

The required settings for the Query Price and Availability (QPA) conversation definition in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration are shown in the following figure.

Figure 1-8 Conversation Definition for QPA

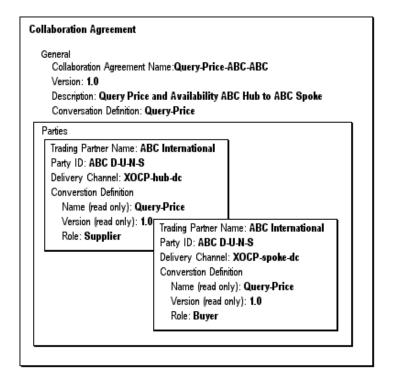


The conversation definition in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration is the same, with one exception: the value of the BPM organization (listed as WLPI organization) must be changed to reflect an organization defined at XYZ systems (for example, XYZ\_Org).

## **Collaboration Agreements**

The collaboration agreement shown in the following figure is required only in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration. The agreement makes it possible for the hub delivery channel to act as a proxy for the buyer role, as described in "XOCP Hub and Spoke Delivery Channels" on page 1-7.

Figure 1-9 Collaboration Agreement ABC-ABC



**Note:** If you have created two trading partners as described in the note following Figure 1-5, the trading partner name for the buyer role in the previous collaboration agreement is changed to ABC International-Spoke.

The collaboration agreement shown in the following figure is required in both the ABC and XYZ WebLogic Integration configurations.

Figure 1-10 Collaboration Agreement ABC-XYZ



## How It Works

The following figure shows how WebLogic Integration supports the exchange of Query Price and Availability (QPA) messages by ABC International and XYZ Systems.

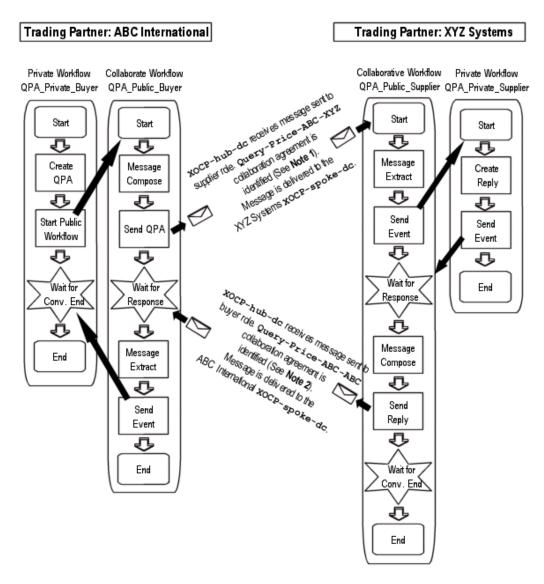


Figure 1-11 QPA Collaboration Overview: XOCP Peer-to-Peer

#### Note 1

The ABC International hub delivery channel (XOCP-hub-dc) receives the message sent to the supplier role. As described in "XOCP Hub and Spoke Delivery Channels" on page 1-7, all collaboration agreements in which XOCP-hub-dc is assigned the buyer role are identified. In the case shown here, one collaboration agreement, Query-Price ABC-XYZ, meets the criteria. Based on that agreement, the message is delivered to the XYZ Systems delivery channel assigned to the role of supplier (XYZ Systems XOCP-spoke-dc at http://xyz.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

#### Note 2

The ABC International hub delivery channel (XOCP-hub-dc) receives the message sent to the buyer role. All collaboration agreements in which XOCP-hub-dc is assigned the role of supplier are identified. In the case shown here, one collaboration agreement, Query-Price ABC-ABC, meets the criteria. Based on that agreement, the message is delivered to the XYZ Systems delivery channel assigned to the role of buyer (ABC International XOCP-spoke-dc at http://abc.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

# **XOCP Mediated Messaging**

In this example, ABC International, a computer manufacturer, plans to contract with IntCo, a company that acts as an intermediary for order management transactions. Two chip suppliers, TUV Corporation and XYZ Systems, are among those contracted with IntCo.

IntCo acts as the intermediary in the Query Price and Availability (QPA) transactions between ABC International and the two chip suppliers. IntCo does not directly participate in any role in the conversation, but acts as a mediator in the transactions between ABC International and the suppliers.

ABC International is the buyer and the initiator of each transaction and the XOCP protocol is used to exchange messages. All participants have WebLogic Integration installed.

The following sections provide examples of how to:

- Configure the trading partners and their associated delivery channels
- Configure a conversation definition to implement the required roles
- Associate the required trading partner delivery channels with the roles defined in the collaboration agreements

It is assumed that the required private and collaborative (public) workflows have been created. The collaborative workflows in this example are named <code>QPA\_Public\_Supplier</code> and <code>QPA\_Public\_Buyer</code>. For information about using the Studio (with the extended functionality provided by the B2B integration plug-in) to create collaborative workflows, see *Creating Workflows for B2B Integration*.

## **Trading Partners**

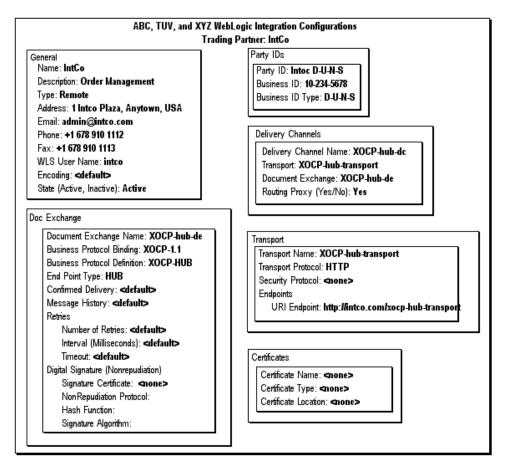
Trading partners must be configured as follows:

- ABC International and IntCo must be defined in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration.
- TUV Corporation and IntCo must be defined in the TUV WebLogic Integration configuration.
- XYZ Systems and IntCo must be defined in the XYZ Systems WebLogic Integration configuration.
- ABC International, TUV Corporation, XYZ Systems, and IntCo must be defined in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration.

**Note:** For simplicity, SSL or signature certificates are not used in the examples in this section. For information about security configuration, see *Implementing Security with B2B Integration*.

The IntCo trading partner definition required in the ABC, TUV, and XYZ WebLogic Integration configurations is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-12 IntCo Trading Partner Definition in the ABC, TUV, and XYZ Configurations



Note that the trading partner type (listed in the General box) is Remote and the configuration includes a hub delivery channel (XOCP-hub-dc), document exchange (XOCP-hub-de), and transport (XOCP-hub-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint

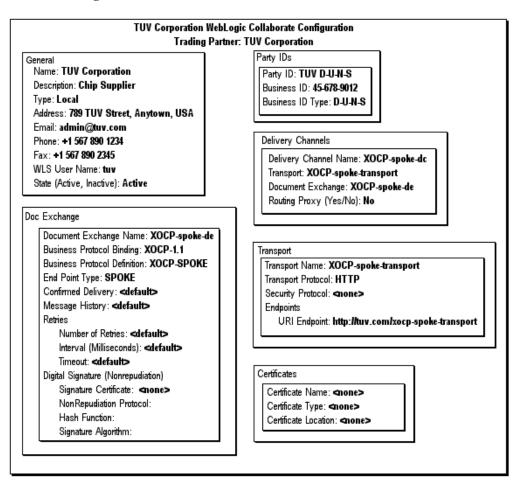
(http://intco.com/xocp-hub-transport).

The IntCo trading partner definition in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration must match the definition shown in the previous figure, with one exception: the trading partner type (listed in the General box) must be set to Local in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration.

Each of the other trading partners must provide a trading partner definition for itself as part of its own WebLogic Integration configuration.

The TUV Corporation trading partner definition required in the TUV Corporation configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-13 TUV Corporation Trading Partner Definition in the TUV Configuration

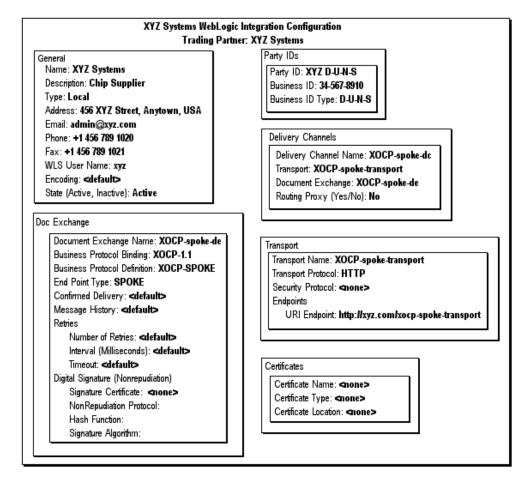


Note that the trading partner type is Local and the configuration includes a spoke delivery channel (XOCP-spoke-dc), document exchange (XOCP-spoke-de), and transport (XOCP-spoke-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint

(http://tuv.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

The XYZ Systems trading partner definition required in the XYZ configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-14 XYZ Systems Trading Partner Definition in the XYZ Configuration

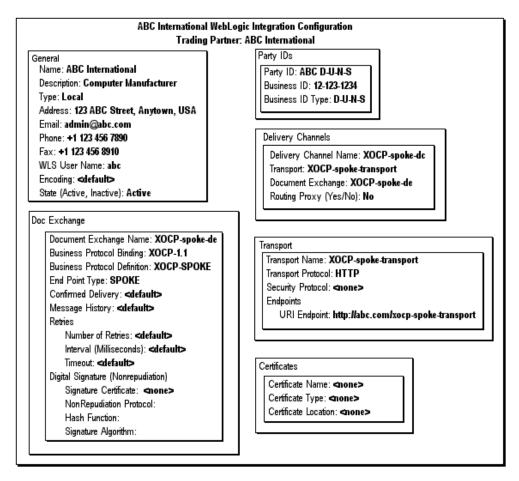


Note that the trading partner type is Local and the configuration includes a spoke delivery channel (XOCP-spoke-dc), document exchange (XOCP-spoke-de), and transport (XOCP-spoke-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint

(http://xyz.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

The ABC International trading partner definition required in the ABC configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-15 ABC International Trading Partner Definition in the ABC Configuration



Note that the trading partner type is Local and the configuration includes a spoke delivery channel (XOCP-spoke-dc), document exchange (XOCP-spoke-de), and transport (XOCP-spoke-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint

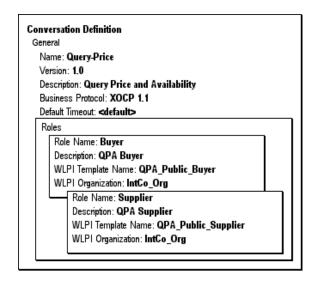
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(http://abc.com/xocp-spoke-transport).
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The requirements for the XYZ, TUV, and ABC trading partner definitions in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration are exactly the same as those listed above, with the exception of trading partner type. Trading partner type is set to Remote for XYZ, TUV, and ABC in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration.

## **Conversation Definitions**

The information that must be defined for the Query Price and Availability (QPA) conversation in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-16 Conversation Definition for QPA

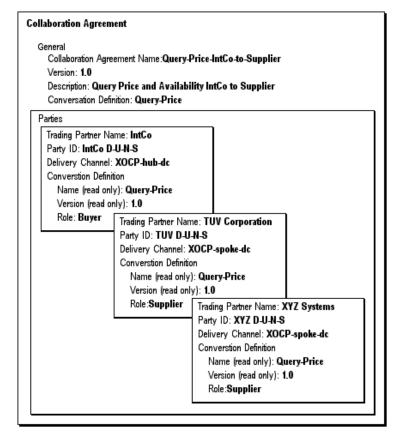


The conversation definition in the ABC, TUV, and XYZ WebLogic Integration configurations is the same, with one exception: the value of the BPM organization (listed as WLPI organization) must be changed to reflect an organization defined at each company.

#### **Collaboration Agreements**

The collaboration agreement shown in the following figure is required in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration. It enables the IntCo hub delivery channel to act as a proxy for the buyer role, as described in "XOCP Hub and Spoke Delivery Channels" on page 1-7.

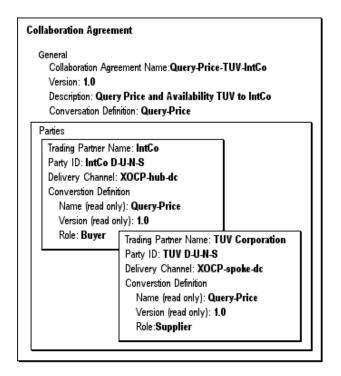
Figure 1-17 Collaboration Agreement IntCo-to-Supplier



**Note:** IntCo has the option of configuring one agreement (as shown in the preceding figure) or two separate agreements (one with each supplier). If separate agreements are configured, each can be exported for use by the appropriate trading partner.

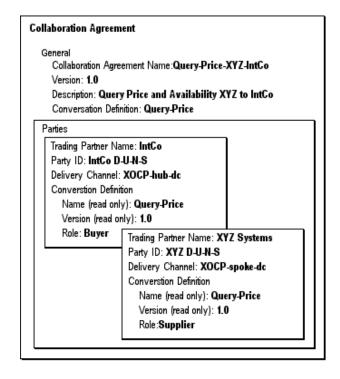
Corresponding agreements are required in the TUV and XYZ configurations. The collaboration agreement for the TUV configuration is shown in the following figure.

Figure 1-18 Collaboration Agreement for TUV-IntCo



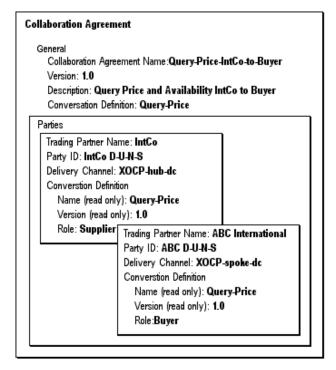
The agreement required in the XYZ configuration is shown in the following figure.

Figure 1-19 Collaboration Agreement XYZ-IntCo



The collaboration agreement shown in the following figure is required in the IntCo WebLogic Integration configuration. It enables the IntCo hub delivery channel to act as a proxy for the supplier role, as described in "XOCP Hub and Spoke Delivery Channels" on page 1-7.

Figure 1-20 Collaboration Agreement IntCo-to-Buyer



The agreement shown in this figure is also required in the ABC configuration.

#### **How It Works**

The following figure shows how IntCo mediates the exchange of Query Price and Availability messages between ABC International and the two suppliers, TUV Corporation and XYZ Systems.

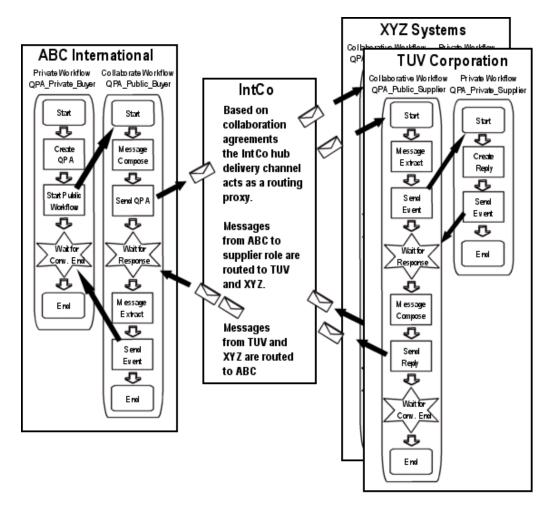


Figure 1-21 QPA Collaboration Mediated by IntCo

The message sent to the supplier role by the Send QPA action of the ABC QPA\_Public\_Buyer workflow is forwarded to the IntCo hub delivery channel as specified by the collaboration agreement in the ABC configuration.

When the IntCo hub delivery channel (XOCP-hub-dc) receives a message sent to the supplier role, collaboration agreements for the Query-Price conversation definition in which XOCP-hub-dc is assigned to the buyer role are identified. In this case, one collaboration agreement, Query-Price IntCo-to-Supplier, meets the criteria. As specified by that agreement, the message is delivered to the TUV Corporation delivery channel (XOCP-spoke-dc at http://tuv.com/xocp-spoke-transport) and the XYZ Systems delivery channel (XOCP-spoke-dc at http://xyz.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

Messages sent to the buyer role by the Send Reply action of the TUV or XYZ QPA\_Public\_Supplier workflow are sent to the IntCo hub delivery as specified by the collaboration agreements defined in the respective configurations.

When the IntCo hub delivery channel (XOCP-hub-dc) receives a message sent to the buyer role, collaboration agreements for the Query-Price conversation definition in which XOCP-hub-dc is assigned to the supplier role are identified. In this case, one collaboration agreement, Query-Price IntCo-to-Buyer, meets the criteria. As specified by that agreement, the message is delivered to the ABC International delivery channel (XOCP-spoke-dc at http://abc.com/xocp-spoke-transport).

# RosettaNet Applications

In this example, the situation is the same as that described in "XOCP Peer-to-Peer Messaging" on page 1-9, where two trading partners, ABC International, a computer manufacturer, and XYZ Systems, a chip supplier, use WebLogic Integration to participate in Query Price and Availability (QPA) transactions. In this case, the trading partners use the RosettaNet protocol and employ PIP 3A2 to carry out the public processes.

Trading partners participating in Partner Interface Processes (PIPs) need to implement the public process defined by their role in the PIP, and they need to connect their internal systems, as well as their private processes and workflows, to the public process.

It is assumed that the PIP 3A2 template provided in the WebLogic Integration distribution is customized and connected to private processes that interact with internal systems as required. The collaborative workflows in this example are named PIP3A2\_Product\_Supplier and PIP3A2\_Customer.

For general information about using the Studio (with the extended functionality provided by the B2B integration plug-in) to create collaborative workflows, see *Creating Workflows for B2B Integration*. For information about customizing the PIP templates provided with WebLogic Integration and configuring RosettaNet security, see *Implementing RosettaNet for B2B Integration*.

The following sections provide examples of how to:

- Configure the trading partners and their associated delivery channels for RosettaNet 2.0
- Configure a conversation definition to implement the required roles
- Associate the required trading partner delivery channels with the roles defined in the collaboration agreements

**Note:** Before you can use RosettaNet in a WebLogic Integration domain, you must modify the setup of the domain, as described in "Setting Up the Environment" in *Implementing RosettaNet for B2B Integration*.

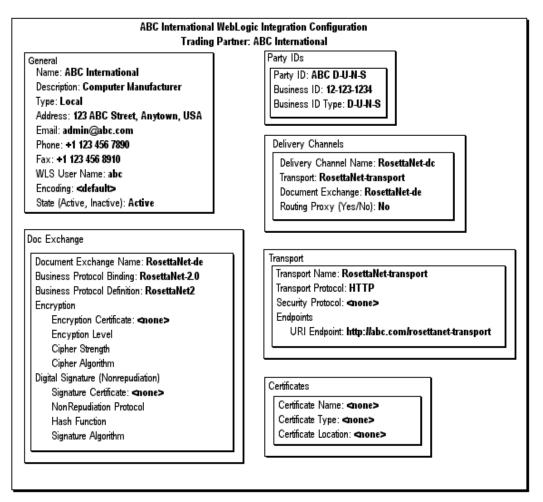
# Trading Partners

Trading partner definitions for both ABC International and XYZ Systems must be provided.

**Note:** For simplicity, SSL or signature certificates are not used in the examples presented in this section. For information about security configuration, see *Implementing Security with B2B Integration*.

The information that must be defined for the ABC International trading partner in the ABC configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-22 ABC International Trading Partner Definition in the ABC Configuration

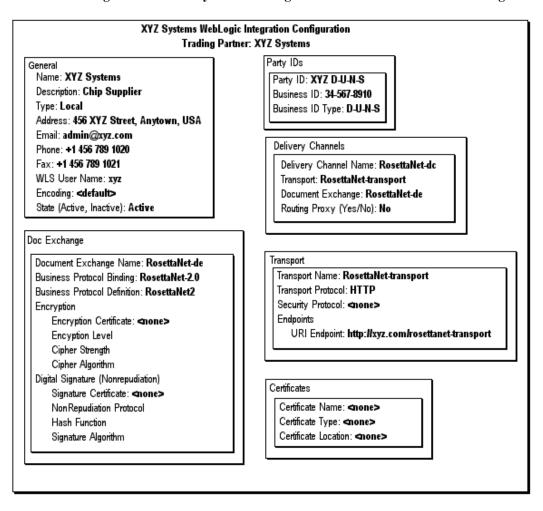


Note that the trading partner type (listed in the General box) is Local and the configuration includes a single RosettaNet delivery channel (RosettaNet-dc), document exchange (RosettaNet-de), and transport (RosettaNet-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint (http://abc.com/rosettanet-transport).

The ABC trading partner definition in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration must match the definition shown in the previous figure, with one exception: the trading partner type must be set to Remote in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration.

The information that must be defined for the XYZ Systems trading partner in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration is summarized in the following figure.

Figure 1-23 XYZ Systems Trading Partner Definition in the XYZ Configuration



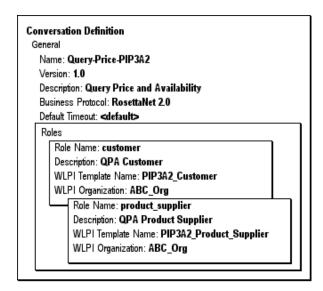
Note that the trading partner type is Local and the configuration includes a single RosettaNet delivery channel (RosettaNet-dc), document exchange (RosettaNet-de), and transport (RosettaNet-transport). The transport is associated with a URI that serves as the delivery channel endpoint (http://xyz.com/rosettanet-transport).

The XYZ trading partner definition in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration must match the definition shown in the previous figure, with one exception: the trading partner type must be set to Remote in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration.

#### **Conversation Definitions**

The required settings for the Query Price and Availability (QPA) conversation definition in the ABC WebLogic Integration configuration are shown in the following figure.

Figure 1-24 Conversation Definition for PIP 3A2

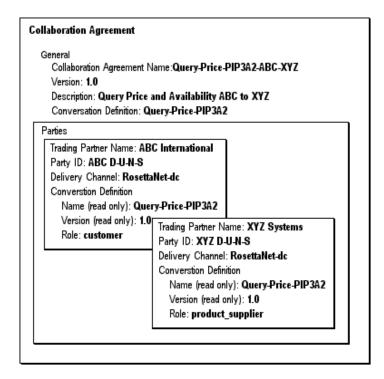


The conversation definition in the XYZ WebLogic Integration configuration is the same, with one exception: the value of the BPM organization (listed as WLPI organization) must be changed to reflect an organization defined at XYZ systems (for example, XYZ\_Org).

# **Collaboration Agreements**

The collaboration agreement shown in the following figure is required in both the ABC and XYZ WebLogic Integration configurations.

Figure 1-25 Collaboration Agreement Query-Price-PIP3A2-ABC-XYZ



#### **How It Works**

The following figure shows how WebLogic Integration supports the exchange of Query Price and Availability messages by ABC International and XYZ Systems using RosettaNet 2.0.

Trading Partner: ABC International Trading Partner: XYZ Systems Collaborative Workflow Private Workflow Private Workflow Collaborate Workflow PIP3A2\_Customer PIP3A2\_Product\_Supplier PIP3A2\_Private\_Product\_Supplier PIP3A2\_Private\_Customer Start Start Start Based on the collaboration Start agreement a etimed, the supplier to the product supplier to the product suresame ⇩ ⇩ ⇩ ⇩ to the Market of the MY Systems Message tole & delivered to the VIT 3 Asternal Create Message Create Extract QPA Compose Reply ⇩ P ⇩ Send Start Public Send Send QPA Event Workflow Event ⇩ ⇩ ⇩ Wait for Wait for Wait for End Response Response Conv. End Based on the collaboration Message sent to the customer ⇩ Tole is delivered to the ABC International Die is denveled to the ADC Milemen.

Rose ttalket-dc delively channel. Message Message End Compose Extract ⇩ ⇩ Send Send Reply Event ⇩ ₽ Wait for End Conv. End ⇩ End

Figure 1-26 QPA Collaboration Overview: RosettaNet

# cXML Applications

This section provides a summary of the cXML-specific requirements for configuring trading partners, conversation definitions, and collaboration agreements. For information about the architecture used to implement cXML on WebLogic Integration, cXML security, and using the cXML API, see *Implementing cXML for B2B Integration*.

The documents exchanged in cXML are divided into three basic types: Request, Response, and Message. Within each basic type are a set of subtypes. For example, a Request might be an OrderRequest, PunchOutSetupRequest, SupplierDataRequest, SupplierListRequest, or GetPendingRequest. Each Request-Response pair constitutes a cXML transaction. For example, PunchOutSetupRequest and PunchOutSetupResponse, together, constitute the PunchOutSetup transaction.

The structure of each document adheres to the cXML DTD for a specific document type and version of cXML.

Examples summarizing the basic structure of the three major document types are shown in the following figure.

Figure 1-27 cXML Document Types

# Request Document <c XML version="1.1.009" payloadID="1234567.4567.5678@test.ariba.com"

```
timestamp="2001-03-31T18:39:09-08:00">
     <Header>
          <From>
               <Credential domain="AribaNetworkUserId">
                    </ldentity>
               </Credential>
          </From>
          <To>
               <Credential domain="DUNS">
                    <ld><Identity>012345678
                    </ldentity>
               </Credential>
          </To>
          <Sender>
               <Credential domain="AribaNetworkUserId">
                    </ldentity>
                    <SharedSecret>welcome
                    </SharedSecret>
               </Credential>
               <UserAgent>Ariba ORMS 6.0
               </UserAgent>
           </Sender>
     </Header>
     <Request>
          Request elements...
     </Request>
</cXML>
Response Document
<c XML version="1.1.009" payloadID="1237567.4867.5478@test.ariba.com"
timestamp="2001-03-31T18:39:09-08:00">
     <Response>
          Response elements ...
     </Response>
</cXML>
Message Document
<c XML version="1.1.009" payloadID="1234537.4527.5978@test.ariba.com"
timestamp="2001-03-31T18:39:09-08:00">
    <Header>
          Header elements ...
     </Header>
    <Message>
          Message elements...
     </Message>
</cXML>
```

When you define the trading partners and conversation definitions for cXML transactions, the values assigned to certain parameters must match specific element and attribute values that appear in the cXML root and Header elements. In addition, conversation definition names must match the cXML transaction, and the roles assigned must be Buyer and Supplier.

The following table summarizes the requirements.

**Table 1-1 cXML Requirements** 

For a	This parameter	Must match
Trading Partner — Supplier	Business ID Type	The value of the To Credential domain attribute.
		For example if $<$ To $><$ Credential domain="DUNS">,
		then the business ID type must be set to DUNS.
	Business ID	The content of the To Credential Identity element.
		For example, if
		<to><credential domain="DUNS&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;Identity&gt;012345123&lt;/Identity&gt;,&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;then the business ID must be set to 012345678.&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td rowspan=8&gt;Trading Partner — Buyer&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Business ID Type&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;The value of the From Credential domain attribute.&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;For example if &lt;From&gt;&lt;Credential domain=" duns"="">,</credential></to>
		then the business ID type must be set to DUNS.
	Business ID	The content of the To Credential Identity element.
	For example, if	
	<pre><from></from></pre>	

**Table 1-1 cXML Requirements** 

For a	This parameter	Must match
Conversation Definition	Name	The cXML transaction name. The name of the transaction corresponds to the name of the first child of the Request or Response element.
		For example, if
		<pre><request> <orderrequest></orderrequest>,</request></pre>
		then the conversation definition name must be set to Order.
	Version	The value of the cXML version attribute. For example, if
		<cxml version="1.1.009">,</cxml>
		then the conversation definition version must be set to 1.1.009.
	Roles	The roles defined must be Buyer and Supplier.

# **Browser Clients**

In some cases, a trading partner may require little or no integration with backend systems in order to participate in a conversation. In such cases, the trading partner need not have WebLogic Integration installed. A trading partner that has WebLogic Integration can act as a host, allowing these smaller trading partners to subscribe to, and participate in, an authorized set of conversations through either a Web browser or file-sharing client.

When a trading partner has no requirements for integration with backend systems, hosting the components required to allow that partner to participate as a browser client is the appropriate solution. File-sharing clients often have some requirement for backend systems integration, and usually process a higher volume of messages than browser clients.

This section discusses the requirements for supporting browser clients. The following section discusses the requirements for supporting file-sharing clients.

Before conversation messages can be presented to a browser client, processing must occur that transforms the message into a format meaningful to the browser endpoint. This processing must be hosted on behalf of the trading partner.

WebLogic Server ō Web Application Send Inbox To Intro B2B Web JSP JSP Browser Engine Application Tag Client Server Library Messign ConPosi Create RuPty Outbox ō ō Ð End End

The following figure summarizes the elements required on the hosting trading partner.

Figure 1-28 Browser Client Host

A Web application, which includes the required Java Server Pages (JSPs), servlets, style sheets, static HTML pages, JSP tag library, scripts, and applets, provides the interface to the browser client.

Incoming and outgoing mailboxes, which provide reliable, secure storage for browser client messages, are created via the Web application using tags from the JSP tag library. The JSP tag library is included in the WebLogic Integration distribution. It provides the interface to mailboxes, supports the creation and removal of mailboxes, and allows Browser clients to administer stored messages.

CreatemboxTag is used to create mailboxes. The mailboxes must be named as follows:

- For the incoming mailbox use: trading\_partner\_name\_Inbox
- For the outgoing mailbox use: trading\_partner\_name\_Outbox

Workflows provide the interface between the mailboxes and the B2B engine. Although the workflow that interacts with the mailboxes can be the collaborative workflow that implements the trading partner role, for the purposes of this discussion it is assumed to be a private workflow that starts, or is started by, the collaborative workflow.

Appropriately formatted XML messages are exchanged between:

- The Web application and the mailboxes
- The private workflow and the mailboxes

The messages are exchanged as follows:

- Messages from the Web application to the outgoing mailbox
  XML messages from the Web application are sent to the outgoing mailbox for
  the browser client using the JSP tag library SendMsgTag. If this message is a
  response to a message that was sent by the private workflow, the workflow
  instance ID is embedded in the message.
- Messages from the outgoing mailbox to the private workflow Upon the arrival of a message in the outgoing mailbox, the mailbox listen method is invoked automatically and posts an XML event to the internal event JMS topic for the mailbox. The private workflow event subscribed to the topic for that mailbox is triggered, and processes or forwards the message as required.
- Messages from the private workflow to the incoming mailbox
   A private workflow business operation posts the XML messages to the incoming mailbox. The workflow instance ID is embedded in the message.
- Message from the incoming mailbox to the Web application

  The browser client can use the JSP tag library ChecknewmsgTag or

  CheckallmsgTag to retrieve messages from the incoming mailbox.

The WebLogic Integration distribution includes a browser client sample. Core components of the sample Web application and workflows provided can be customized, or reused without change, to implement support for your browser clients. For information about customizing components of the sample Web application, see "Trading Partner Lightweight Client Sample" in *Running the B2B Integration Samples*.

Once you have developed the JSP pages required, and modified the other components as described, the components can be packaged in a Web Application aRchive (WAR) file and deployed as required on WebLogic Server.

The following example summarizes the information that must be defined to support a browser client.

# Hosting a Browser Client

In this example, the situation is the same as that described in "RosettaNet Applications" on page 1-30: two trading partners, ABC International, a computer manufacturer, and XYZ Systems, a chip supplier, participate in Query Price and Availability (QPA) transactions. In this case, ABC International hosts the components required to allow XYZ Systems to participate as a browser client.

The collaborative and private customer workflows, PIP3A2\_Customer and PIP3A2\_Private\_Customer, are the same as the workflows used in the RosettaNet example. The collaborative and private workflows, PIP3A2\_Product\_Supplier and PIP3A2\_Private\_Web\_Product\_Supplier, for the product supplier role are assumed to have been customized to support the XYZ Systems as a browser client.

All workflows are hosted on the ABC International system.

The following elements are configured on the host system, ABC International:

#### Trading Partners

The trading partner definition for ABC International is the same as the definition shown in Figure 1-22.

The trading partner definition for XYZ Systems is the same as the definition shown in Figure 1-23, with the following exceptions:

- The definition resides in the ABC configuration.
- The transport URI endpoint is changed to http://abc.com/rosettanet-client-transport.
- The trading partner name is changed to XYZ\_Systems.
   (The space is replaced by an underscore because spaces are not used in mailbox names, and the trading partner name is part of the mailbox name.)
- Conversation Definition
   The conversation definition is the same as the definition shown in Figure 1-24.
- Collaboration Agreements

The collaboration agreement is the same as the agreement shown in Figure 1-25, except that the trading partner name for XYZ Systems is modified (the space is replaced by an underscore).

The exchange of messages between the PIP3A2\_Customer and PIP3A2\_Product\_Supplier workflows is essentially the same as the exchange shown in Figure 1-26. The only difference is that in this example, the exchange takes place within the same WebLogic Integration instance.

The processing required to support XYZ Systems as a browser client occurs in the Web application and in the PIP3A2\_Private\_Web\_Product\_Supplier workflow. This workflow now:

- Transforms the message received from the Send Event task node of PIP3A2\_Public\_Product\_Supplier into an XML message appropriately formatted for delivery to the Web application
- Posts the XML message to XYZ\_Systems\_Inbox
- Waits for a response to be posted to XYZ\_Systems\_Outbox
- Transforms the response into a message appropriately formatted for receipt by the Wait for Response event node of the PIP3A2\_Public\_Product\_Supplier

The following figure provides a summary of the actions performed between the time at which a message is received on the Start node and the time at which the Send Reply task of the PIP3A2\_Private\_Web\_Product\_Supplier workflow is executed.

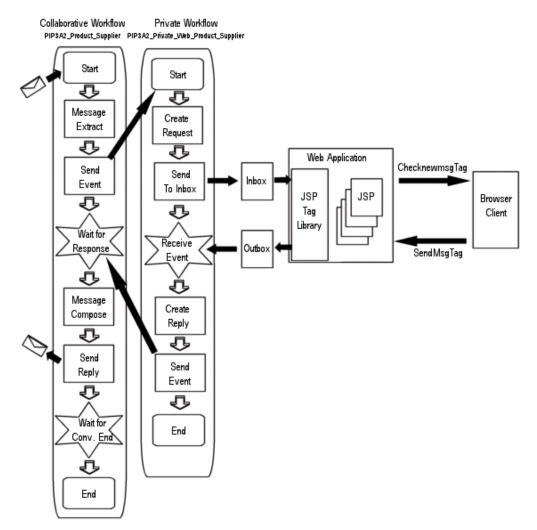


Figure 1-29 QPA Collaboration Overview: Browser Client

# File-Sharing Clients

As described in the preceding section, a trading partner that has WebLogic Integration can act as a host for other trading partners that require little or no integration with backend systems.

When a trading partner has minimal requirements for integration with backend systems, hosting the components required to allow that partner to participate as a file-sharing client is usually the appropriate solution. File-sharing clients often process a higher volume of messages than browser clients.

In the preceding section, the requirements for supporting browser clients were discussed. This section discusses the requirements for supporting file-sharing clients.

Before conversation messages can be presented to a file-sharing client, processing must occur that transforms the message into a format meaningful to the file-sharing endpoint. This processing must be hosted on behalf of the trading partner.

The following figure summarizes the elements required on the hosting trading partner.

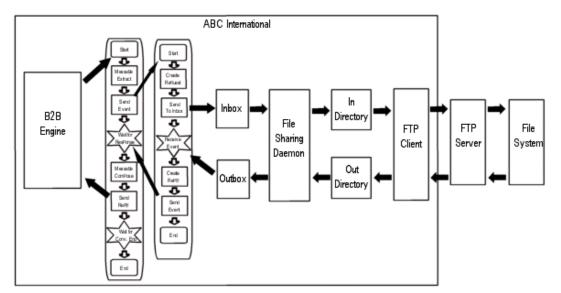


Figure 1-30 File-Sharing Host

Like the browser client case, workflows provide the interface to incoming and outgoing mailboxes which are created using the JSP tag library CreatemboxTag. In the file-sharing client case, the host system administrator usually creates these mailboxes on behalf of the file-sharing client. The mailboxes must be named as follows:

- For the incoming mailbox use: trading\_partner\_name\_Inbox
- For the outgoing mailbox use: trading\_partner\_name\_Outbox

WebLogic Integration provides the file-sharing daemon. The file-sharing daemon synchronizes files between the incoming and outgoing directories on the local file system with the incoming and outgoing mailboxes, as follows:

- The daemon polls the incoming mailbox at specified intervals. Newly arrived files are copied into the corresponding incoming directory.
- The daemon polls the outgoing directory on the file system at specified intervals. Newly arrived files are copied into the corresponding outgoing mailbox.

An FTP client, supplied by either a customer or a third party, serves as the interface to the incoming and outgoing directories on the file system. The mechanism for transferring the message files from the incoming and outgoing directories to the file system at the file-sharing client location, and the processing required to send or reply to the messages, is implemented by the file-sharing client.

The following example summarizes the information that must be defined to support a file-sharing client.

# Hosting a File-Sharing Client

In this example, the situation is the same as that described in "Browser Clients" on page 1-40: two trading partners, ABC International, a computer manufacturer, and XYZ Systems, a chip supplier, plan to participate in Query Price and Availability (QPA) transactions. In this case, ABC International has agreed to host the components required to allow XYZ Systems to participate as a file-sharing client.

The collaborative and private customer workflows, PIP3A2\_\_Customer and PIP3A2\_\_Private\_Customer, are the same as the workflows used in the browser client example. The collaborative and private workflows,

PIP3A2\_Product\_Supplier and PIP3A2\_Private\_FTP\_Product\_Supplier, for the product supplier role are assumed to have been customized to support XYZ Systems as a file-sharing client.

All workflows are hosted on the ABC International system.

ABC International must modify the config.xml file for the domain and edit the configuration file for the file-sharing daemon. For the required modifications, see "Configuring a Lightweight Client" in "Trading Partner Lightweight Client Sample" in Running the B2B Integration Samples.

The following elements are configured on the host system, ABC International:

#### ■ Trading Partners

The trading partner definition for ABC International is the same as the definition shown in Figure 1-22.

The trading partner definition for XYZ Systems is the same as the definition shown in Figure 1-23, with the following exceptions:

- The definition resides in the ABC configuration.
- The transport URI endpoint is changed to http://abc.com/rosettanet-client-transport.
- The trading partner name is changed to XYZ\_Systems.
   (The space is replaced by an underscore because spaces are not used in mailbox names, and the trading partner name is part of the mailbox name.)
- *Conversation Definition*The conversation definition is the same as the definition shown in Figure 1-24.

#### ■ Collaboration Agreements

The collaboration agreement is the same as the agreement shown in Figure 1-25, except that the trading partner name for XYZ Systems is modified (a space is replaced by an underscore).

The exchange of messages between the PIP3A2\_\_Customer and PIP3A2\_\_Product Supplier workflows is essentially the same as the exchange shown in Figure 1-26. The only difference is that now, this exchange takes place within the same WebLogic Integration instance.

The processing required to support XYZ Systems as a file-sharing client occurs at the file-sharing location and in the PIP3A2\_Private\_FTP\_Product\_Supplier workflow. This workflow now:

- Transforms the message received from the Send Event task node of PIP3A2\_Public\_Product\_Supplier into a message appropriately formatted for delivery to the file-sharing client
- Posts the message to XYZ\_Systems\_Inbox
- Waits for a response to be posted to XYZ\_Systems\_Outbox
- Transforms the response into a message appropriately formatted for receipt by the Wait for Response event node of the PIP3A2\_Public\_Product\_Supplier

# 2 Basic Configuration Tasks

This section provides an overview of the tasks and procedures required to configure BEA WebLogic Integration for trading exchange, supply chain management, and collaborative commerce applications. It includes the following topics:

- Overview of WebLogic Integration B2B Console
- Getting Help
- Configuring the B2B Engine
- Configuring Trading Partners
- Configuring Conversation Definitions
- Configuring Collaboration Agreements

The detailed information required to perform the tasks outlined in this section is provided in the B2B Console online help. For information about accessing the help, see "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

For example configuration scenarios, see Chapter 1, "Configuration Requirements."

Advanced features, such as configuring extended properties for a trading partner, configuring logic plug-ins, and using XPath expressions to control the flow of XOCP business messages, are discussed in Chapter 3, "Advanced Configuration Tasks."

# Overview of WebLogic Integration B2B Console

The WebLogic Integration B2B Console is used to:

- Configure B2B engine preferences, security, and proxy settings
- Configure trading partners, conversation definitions, collaboration agreements, business protocol definitions, and logic plug-ins
- Export and import the entire repository or a selected subset of its elements
- Monitor the B2B engine, trading partner sessions, conversations, and collaboration agreements

Once you have started WebLogic Integration as described in "Getting Started" in *Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration*, you can access the B2B Console by navigating to the following URL:

http://host:7001/b2bconsole

Here *host* is the computer name or IP address of the system that is running WebLogic Integration, and 7001 is the WebLogic Server listen port configured for the domain. Specify localhost or 127.0.0.1 if the server is running on the local computer.

The B2B Console home page is displayed as shown in the following figure.

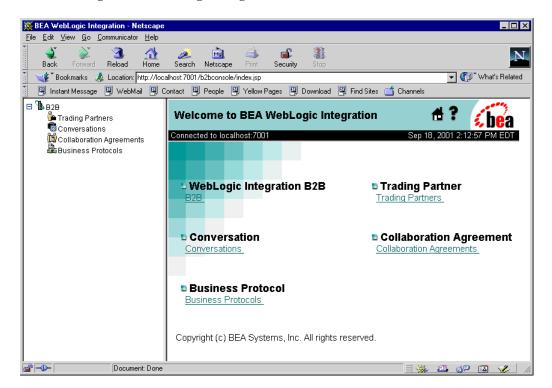


Figure 2-1 WebLogic Integration B2B Console

Like the navigation tree in the WebLogic Server Administration Console, the navigation tree in the left pane of the B2B Console contains a list of B2B Console pages with links that let you open those pages in the right pane.

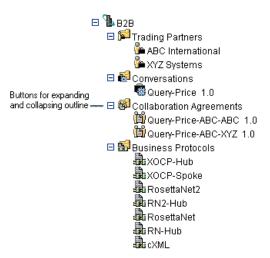
The items displayed in the navigation tree and the tabs available on specific B2B Console pages are controlled by the following options on the Preferences tab:

- Hide advanced configuration controls

  By default, the Hide advanced configuration controls option is selected on the B2B Preferences tab. When this option is selected, logic plug-ins are not displayed in the navigation tree, and the Advanced tab is not displayed when a trading partner is selected. Advanced features are discussed in Chapter 3, "Advanced Configuration Tasks."
- Display entities on the navigation tree
  By default, the Display entities on the navigation tree option is not selected on the B2B Preferences tab. When this option is selected, the entities defined for your application (including trading partners, conversation definitions, collaboration agreements, business protocols, and logic plug-ins) are available for selection from the navigation tree, as shown in the following figure.

For information about these options, see "Setting Preferences" in the *Online Help for the WebLogic Integration B2B Console*.

Figure 2-2 Navigation Tree



The B2B Console navigation tree and the pages available from it are summarized in the following figures.

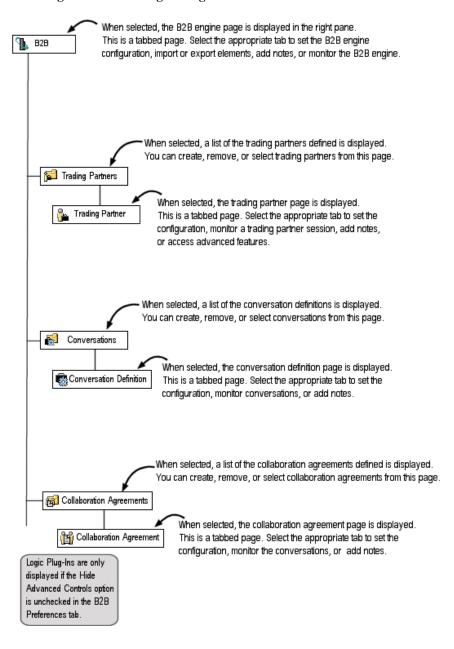


Figure 2-3 WebLogic Integration B2B Console

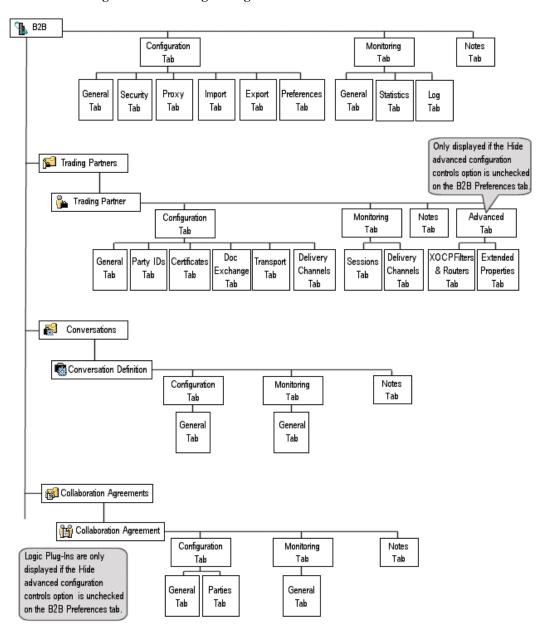
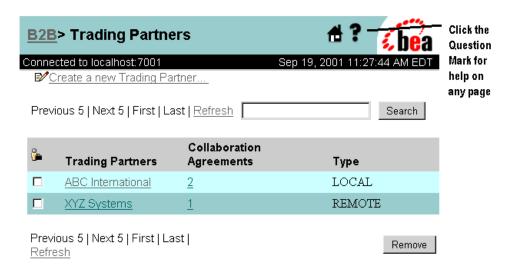


Figure 2-4 WebLogic Integration B2B Console

# **Getting Help**

You can get context-sensitive help at any time by clicking the question mark in the upper right corner of any B2B Console page, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 2-5 Getting Help



The *Online Help for the WebLogic Integration B2B Console* document is also included in the WebLogic Integration 2.1 product documentation.

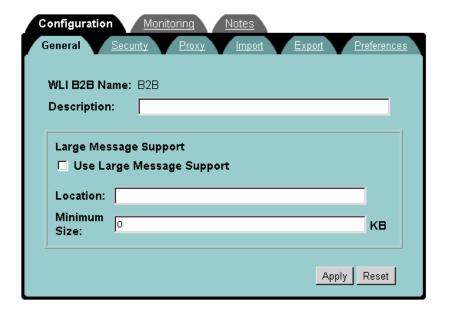
# Configuring the B2B Engine

When you select B2B from the navigation tree, the B2B engine page is displayed. This page, in turn, displays a set of three tabs (Configuration, Monitoring, and Notes), each of which offers a set of nested tabs. These tabs enable you to do the following tasks:

- Configuration tab—View or modify the B2B engine configuration in various ways, including by importing or exporting configured trading partners, conversation definitions, collaboration agreements, logic plug-ins, business protocols, and repository data
- Monitoring tab—Track the progress of the B2B engine, and shut down or restart it
- Notes—Add information specific to your B2B engine

When you first access the B2B engine page, the Configuration tab is displayed with the nested General tab selected, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 2-6 Configuration Tab in the B2B Engine Page



Using the nested tabs accessed from the Configuration tab, you can set parameters for the following items:

- General attributes—This tab allows you add a description to the B2B engine, and to set parameters related to large message support.
- Security—This tab allows you to define basic security for the B2B engine.
- Proxy—This tab allows you to define a proxy server.
- Import—This tab allows you to import B2B configuration data from an XML file.
- Export—This tab allows you to specify the parameters of an export.
- Preferences—This tab allows you to specify the default character set for data entered through the B2B Console. For additional information about using alternate character sets, see "Using an Alternate Character Set" in "Customizing WebLogic Integration" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration.

The detailed information required for these configuration tasks is provided in the B2B Console online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

**Note:** Certain constraints apply to the modification of some B2B engine parameters. See Appendix A, "Update Considerations," before making changes to your configuration.

# **Configuring Trading Partners**

If the individual trading partner that you want to configure is listed in the navigation tree, you can invoke the configuration page for it by selecting its name in the tree. If a list of available trading partners is not displayed in the navigation tree, select the Trading Partners node.

When you select the Trading Partners node from the navigation tree, the Trading Partners page is displayed in the right pane. This page shows a list of the currently defined trading partners, along with options for selecting, searching for, or removing an existing trading partner, and creating a new one.

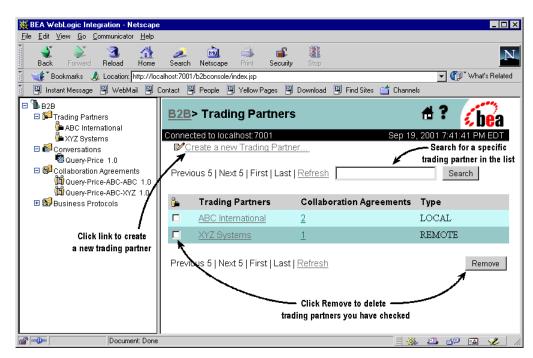


Figure 2-7 Trading Partners Page

When you select either Create a new Trading Partner or an existing trading partner, a configuration page for the specified trading partner is displayed. The first time you access this page for the specified trading partner, the Configuration tab is displayed with the nested General tab selected.

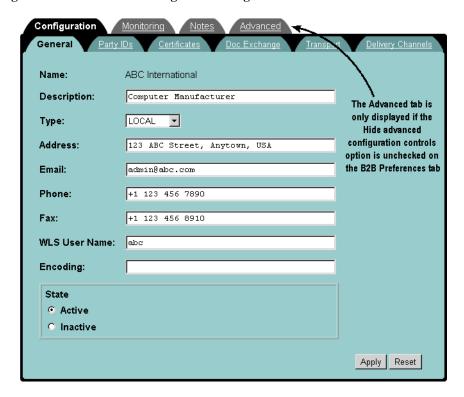


Figure 2-8 Individual Trading Partner Page

The tabs on this page allow you to:

- View or modify the trading partner configuration
- Monitor the trading partner sessions and delivery channels
- Add notes to the trading partner configuration

- Perform advanced configuration tasks:
  - Associate XPath expressions with the trading partner to control the flow of business messages
  - Define extended properties required by your application or used in XPath expressions

**Note:** As noted in Figure 2-4, the Advanced tab is displayed only if the Hide advanced configuration controls option is unselected on the B2B Preferences tab. For a discussion of these advanced features, see Chapter 3, "Advanced Configuration Tasks."

Configuring a trading partner involves setting parameters for the following items:

- Basic identifying information
- Trading partner party IDs
- Trading partner security certificates
- Trading partner document exchanges
- Trading partner transports
- Trading partner delivery channels

The detailed information required for these configuration tasks is provided in the B2B Console online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

**Note:** Certain constraints apply to the modification of some trading partner parameters. See Appendix A, "Update Considerations," before making changes to your configuration.

# **Configuring Conversation Definitions**

If the individual conversation definition that you want to configure is listed in the navigation tree, you can invoke the configuration page for it by selecting its name in the tree. If a list of available conversation definitions is not displayed in the navigation tree, select the Conversation node.

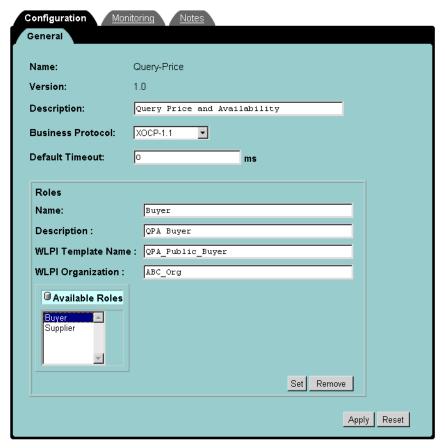
When you select the Conversation node from the navigation tree, the Conversations page is displayed in the right pane. This page shows a list of the currently defined conversations, along with options for selecting, searching for, or removing an existing conversation, and creating a new one.

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Figure 2-9 Conversations Page

When you select either Create a new Conversation Definition or an existing conversation definition, a configuration page for the specified conversation definition is displayed. The first time you access this page for a specified conversation definition, the Configuration tab is displayed with the nested General tab selected.





The tabs on this page allow you to:

- View or modify the conversation definition configuration
- Monitor conversations
- Add notes to the conversation definition configuration

Configuring a conversation definition involves the following tasks:

- Configuring basic identifying information
- Defining the conversation roles, and assigning a business process management (BPM) workflow template and organization to the role

The detailed information required for these configuration tasks is provided in the B2B Console online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

**Note:** Certain constraints apply to the modification of some conversation definition parameters. See Appendix A, "Update Considerations," before making changes to your configuration.

# **Configuring Collaboration Agreements**

If the individual collaboration agreement that you want to configure is listed in the navigation tree, you can invoke the configuration page for it by selecting its name in the tree. If a list of available collaboration agreements is not displayed in the navigation tree, select the Collaboration Agreements node.

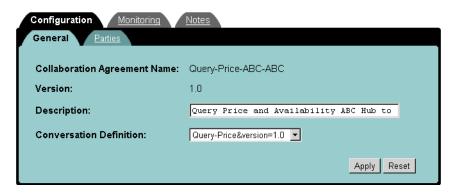
When you select the Collaboration Agreements node from the navigation tree, the Collaboration Agreement page is displayed in the right pane. This page shows a list of the currently defined configuration agreements, along with options for selecting, searching for, or removing an existing collaboration agreement, and creating a new one.

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Figure 2-11 Collaboration Agreements Page

When you select either Create a new Collaboration Agreement or an existing collaboration agreement, a configuration page for the specified configuration agreement is displayed. The first time you access this page for the specified trading partner, the Configuration tab is displayed with the nested General tab selected.

Figure 2-12 Individual Collaboration Agreement Page



The tabs on this page allow you to:

- View or modify the collaboration agreement configuration
- Add notes to the collaboration agreement configuration

Configuring a collaboration agreement involves defining the following:

- Basic identifying information
- Collaboration agreement parties

The detailed information required for these configuration tasks is provided in the B2B Console online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

**Note:** Certain constraints apply to the modification of some collaboration agreement parameters. See Appendix A, "Update Considerations," before making changes to your configuration.

# 3 Advanced Configuration Tasks

This section introduces the advanced features of the B2B integration functionality provided by WebLogic Integration. A roadmap to detailed information about these features is also provided. The section includes the following topics:

- Overview of Advanced Features
- XPath Expressions in Routing and Filtering
- Configuring Router and Filter Expressions
- Custom Logic Plug-Ins
- Trading Partner Extended Properties

## **Overview of Advanced Features**

Logic plug-ins are Java classes that are invoked when WebLogic Integration is started. At run time, they intercept, process, and output business messages. The advanced features associated with logic plug-ins include:

- Routing and filtering of business messages
  The built-in XOCP router and XOCP filter logic plug-ins support
  customer-defined XPath router and filter expressions. Based on the XPath router
  and filter expressions defined, you can control the flow of XOCP business
  messages exchanged among trading partners as follows:
  - The XPath router logic plug-in can modify the list of recipients for an XOCP business message.
  - The XPath filter logic plug-in can determine whether an XOCP business message is sent to a trading partner.

**Note:** The use of XPath router and filter expressions for routing messages to trading partners is a special feature of the XOCP business protocol.

Custom logic plug-ins
By default, a chain of built-in, business protocol-specific logic plug-ins is
associated with each business protocol routing and filtering function. Custom
logic plug-ins can be defined and inserted, where required, in either the routing
or filtering chain. These custom plug-ins can perform a wide range of services
besides routing and filtering.

In addition, the B2B integration functionality provided by WebLogic Integration supports the specification of extended properties for trading partners. These extended properties can be used by:

- XPath routing and filtering expressions
- Custom logic plug-ins
- External applications

# XPath Expressions in Routing and Filtering

The XPath expressions used by the XOCP router and XOCP filter logic plug-ins to control the flow of business messages fall into three categories:

- When an XOCP message is assembled, the field for the trading partner recipient can be left blank, or populated with a name or an XPath expression. For example, with the extended functionality provided by the B2B integration plug-in, the WebLogic Integration Studio allows you to specify either a trading partner name or an XPath expression when you configure the routing expression for a send business message action. (For details, see "Sending and Receiving Business Messages" in Creating Workflows for B2B Integration.)
- XPath expressions associated with a trading partner

  Trading partner XPath router expressions and trading partner XPath filter
  expressions can be associated with a trading partner through the B2B Console.
- XPath expressions associated with a business protocol definition Business protocol XPath router expressions and business protocol XPath filter expressions can be associated with the XOCP business protocol definition through the B2B Console.

**Note:** The use of XPath expressions for routing messages to trading partners is a special feature of the XOCP business protocol. When an application sends a message using RosettaNet or cXML, the target recipient is explicitly encoded.

As described in "XOCP Hub and Spoke Delivery Channels" on page 1-7, XOCP delivery channels are configured as hub delivery channels or spoke delivery channels. When a business message is transmitted to a hub delivery channel, the XOCP router logic plug-in generates an XML message-context document. The message-context document captures properties associated with the trading partner sender and recipients, as identified by any conversation definition and collaboration protocol agreements. Any defined XPath router expressions use the XPath syntax to select a subset of trading partners from the set of trading partners and associated properties captured in the message-context document. The selected trading partners are the intended recipients of the XOCP business message.

The following figure provides a high-level overview of message processing and routing on an XOCP hub delivery channel.

Receive-Side Send-side Router Business Protocol Trading Partner XPath Filter XPath Router Expression Expression XOCP XOCP Router Filter Logic Plug-In Logic Plug-In Trading Partner Business Protocol Conversation Coordinator XPath Router XPath Filter Expression Expression Scheduler XOCP XOCP MsgDecoder MsgEncoder **Transport** Message Router XPath Expression Incoming Msg Outgoing Msg

Figure 3-1 Message Processing in XOCP Hub Delivery Channel

As noted, when an incoming message is received by a hub delivery channel, the conversation definition and any associated collaboration agreements that have been configured are used to identify the recipient trading partners to be included in the message-context document.

For example, suppose you have a Query Price and Availability conversation definition (QPA) that defines two roles: buyer and supplier. For trading partner 1 (TP1), a hub delivery channel, tp1-hub-dc, is defined. For each of the other four trading partners

(TP2, TP3, TP4, and TP5) a spoke delivery channel is defined: tp2-spoke-dc, tp3-spoke-dc, tp4-spoke-dc, and tp5-spoke-dc. The following collaboration agreements are defined on TP1:

- TP1 (tp1-hub-dc) is assigned to the QPA role of supplier. TP2 (tp2-spoke-dc) is assigned to the QPA role of buyer.
- TP1 (tp1-hub-dc) is assigned to the QPA role of buyer.

  TP3 (tp3-spoke-dc) is assigned to the QPA role of supplier.

  TP4 (tp4-spoke-dc) is assigned to the QPA role of supplier.

  TP5 (tp5-spoke-dc) is assigned to the QPA role of supplier.

When a business message from TP2 is sent to the supplier role, and it is received on tp1-hub-dc, the collaboration agreement in which tp1-hub-dc is assigned the buyer role is identified. That collaboration agreement is then used to identify the trading partner recipients for the business message.

In this case, the XML message-context document generated by the XOCP router logic plug-in contains identifying information and properties for both the sender (TP1) and the recipients (TP3, TP4, and TP5).

Any XPath router expressions that are defined are used by the XOCP router logic plug-in to select trading partners from this list. The trading partners selected by the XPath expression(s) are then included in the message routing header. Each XPath expression is configured to replace or to be appended to the results of the previous expression. For additional information about how XPath router expressions are processed, see "XPath Router Expression Processing" on page 3-6.

Note: Although the context attribute of the wlc element in the message-context document is updated, in the course of processing, by the XPath router logic plug-in (from message-router to trading-partner-router, then to hub-router), no other element of the document is changed. In other words, all XPath router expressions are used to select from the set of trading partners that was originally included.

Once the XOCP router logic plug-in finishes processing and messages are routed to the specified trading partners, the XPath filter logic plug-in generates an XML message-context document for each outgoing business message.

If XPath filter expressions are defined, they are evaluated against the message-context document generated by the XOCP filter to determine whether the business message should be sent to a trading partner or not. XPath filter expressions must evaluate to a boolean true or false.

- If *any expression* evaluates to *false*, then the message is not sent and no other expressions are evaluated.
- If *all expressions* evaluate to *true*, the message is processed normally.

The order in which these XPath filter expressions are evaluated is described in "XPath Filter Expression Processing" on page 3-7.

As noted in "Overview of Advanced Features" on page 3-2, XPath router and filter expressions can reference user-defined extended properties. (For a discussion of extended properties for trading partners, see "Trading Partner Extended Properties" on page 3-13.)

#### **XPath Router Expression Processing**

XPath router expressions fall into three categories. Each expression is configured to replace or to be appended to the results of the previous XPath expression. The expressions are processed in the following order:

- Message XPath router expressions
   Message XPath router expressions are included in the business message. They
   always apply to the routing of that business message.
- 2. Trading Partner XPath router expressions

  Trading partner XPath router expressions are associated with the sending trading partner. They apply to all messages sent by that trading partner.
- 3. Business Protocol XPath router expressions
  Business protocol XPath router expressions apply to all incoming business messages using a particular protocol.

If you define more than one trading partner XPath router expression or business protocol XPath router expression, all the trading partner XPath router expressions are evaluated before the business protocol XPath router expressions. Expressions of the same type are processed in the order listed in the B2B Console.

#### XPath Filter Expression Processing

WebLogic Integration supports XPath filter expressions for two entities: trading partners and business protocols. Expressions are evaluated in the following order:

- 1. *Trading Partner XPath filter expressions*These expressions are associated with the recipient trading partner. They apply to all messages sent to that trading partner.
- 2. Business Protocol XPath filter expressions

  These expressions apply to all outgoing business messages using the specified protocol.

If you define more than one XPath filter expression for a trading partner or a business protocol, all the XPath filter expressions for trading partners are evaluated before those for business protocols. Processing continues until an expression evaluates to false, or until all expressions are processed. Expressions of the same type are processed in the order listed in the B2B Console.

# Configuring Router and Filter Expressions

You can configure XPath router and filter expressions for both trading partners and business protocols from the B2B Console. To configure XPath router and filter expressions for a trading partner, complete the following steps:

- In the B2B Console, open the Trading Partner page and select the Advanced tab.
   Two nested tabs, XOCP Filters & Routers and Extended Properties, are displayed.
- 2. Select the nested XOCP Filters & Routers tab. It is displayed as shown in the following figure.

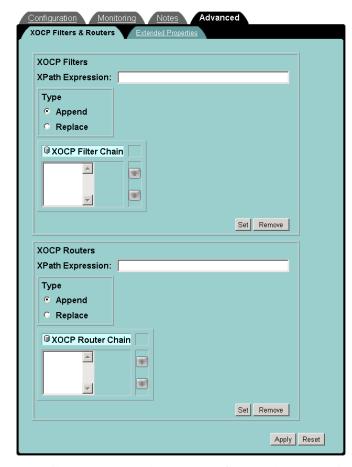


Figure 3-2 XOCP Filters & Routers Tab

From the XOCP Filters & Routers tab you can configure and order required XPath expressions. The detailed information required to perform these tasks is provided by online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

A Filters & Routers tab that is identical to the preceding tab is available when you select the Configuration tab on the XOCP business protocol definition page. Only the context differs for the two pages (the tab available from the XOCP business protocol definition page is used to define filters and routers that apply to all messages, not just those that apply to a particular trading partner).

#### Additional Information

For more information about routing and filtering business messages, the structure of message-context documents, and creating XPath expressions, see "Routing and Filtering Business Messages" in *Programming Logic Plug-Ins for B2B Integration*.

# **Custom Logic Plug-Ins**

Logic plug-ins are Java classes that can intercept and process business messages at run time. Each business protocol is associated with three standard logic plug-ins:

- Router logic plug-in
  - This logic plug-in processes incoming business messages and generates the message-context document that is used in the processing. By default, this logic plug-in is the first in the router chain. The XOCP router logic plug-in for a hub delivery channel can modify the list of trading partner recipients based on XPath router expressions, as described in "XPath Expressions in Routing and Filtering" on page 3-3.
- Router enqueue logic plug-in
  This logic plug-in adds business messages to the router message queue. By default, this logic plug-in is the last in the router chain.
- Filter logic plug-in

This logic plug-in processes outgoing business messages and generates the message-context document that is used in processing outgoing messages. By default, this logic plug-in is the only one in the filter chain. The XOCP filter logic plug-in for a hub delivery channel can use any defined XPath filter expressions to determine whether to send a message, as described in "XPath Expressions in Routing and Filtering" on page 3-3.

The following table describes built-in logic plug-ins.

Table 3-1 Business Protocol Logic Plug-Ins

Protocol	<b>Processing Chain</b>	Logic Plug-In
XOCP	Router	XOCP router
		XOCP router enqueue
	Filter	XOCP filter
RosettaNet	Router	RosettaNet router
		RosettaNet router enqueue
	Filter	RosettaNet filter
cXML	Router	cXML router
		cXML router enqueue
	Filter	cXML filter

Custom logic plug-ins can be developed and added to either a router or a filter processing chain for a business protocol. Inclusion in such a processing chain, however, does not necessarily limit the functionality of a logic plug-in. Although custom logic plug-ins are associated with one of these two types of processing chain, they are not required to perform routing or filtering services. Thus, for example, a custom logic plug-in might be developed to examine message content and capture information for billing purposes.

## **Configuring Logic Plug-Ins**

After you develop a custom logic plug-in, you must add a definition for it to a business protocol definition router or filter chain. To do so, open the WebLogic Integration B2B Console and complete the following procedure:

- 1. Create a definition for the logic plug-in, specifying the following properties:
  - Name of the logic plug-in
  - Plug-in type (router chain or filter chain)
  - Java class that implements the logic plug-in interface
  - Parameter name/value pairs to be used for initializing the Java class

To create a logic plug-in definition:

- a. Select Logic Plug-Ins from the navigation tree. The Logic Plug-Ins page is displayed in the right pane.
- b. Select Create a New Logic Plug-In. The logic plug-in page is displayed. It includes fields in which you can specify the required properties.
- 2. Add the logic plug-in definition to the business protocol definition and specify the position of the logic plug-in in the router or filter chain.
  - Step 2 is performed from the business protocol page, as described in the following section.

#### Adding a Custom Logic Plug-In to a Business Protocol Router or Filter Chain

To add a logic plug-in to a business protocol router or filter processing chain:

- 1. Select a business protocol from the navigation tree. Two high-level tabs, Configuration and Notes, are displayed in the right pane.
- 2. From the Configuration tab, select the nested Filters & Routers tab. It is displayed as shown in the following figure.

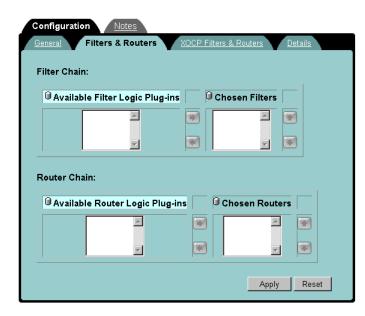


Figure 3-3 Filters & Routers Tab for Business Protocols

From the Filters & Routers tab you can select and order any required logic plug-ins that are available. The detailed information required to perform these tasks is provided by online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

#### **Additional Information**

For more information about the logic plug-in API, and for guidelines for developing and deploying custom logic plug-ins, see *Programming Logic Plug-Ins for B2B Integration*.

# **Trading Partner Extended Properties**

The default properties associated with a trading partner can be augmented to support application-specific requirements through the use of trading partner extended properties. You can add extended properties from the B2B Console. Once added, these properties are included in any message-context documents generated by the business protocol router and filter logic plug-ins as uniquely named extended property sets.

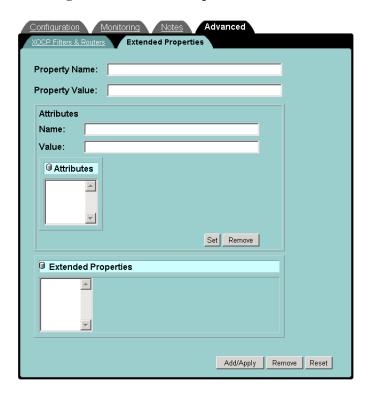
Extended property sets are modeled in the repository so they can be retrieved as subtrees within an XML document. These XML subtrees appear in the message-context XML document generated by the built-in router and filter logic-plug-ins. XPath expressions can reference these extended properties. The root elements of each extended property set associated with a given trading partner are inserted as the last children of the <trading-partner> element node. The following example shows an XML document generated from the repository with an extended property set:

#### **Configuring Trading Partner Extended Properties**

To add extended properties to a trading partner:

- 1. Select a trading partner from the navigation tree. Four high-level tabs (Configuration, Monitoring, Notes, and Advanced) are displayed in the right pane.
- 2. Select the Advanced tab. Two tabs (XOCP Filters & Routers and Extended Properties) are nested on the Advanced tab.
- 3. Select the Extended Properties tab. It is displayed as shown in the following figure.

Figure 3-4 Trading Partner Extended Properties Tab



Using this tab you can set the required extended properties. The detailed information required to perform these tasks is provided by online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

#### **Additional Information**

For more information about the structure of message-context documents and creating XPath expressions to reference extended properties, see *Programming Logic Plug-Ins* for B2B Integration.

# 4 Importing and Exporting B2B Integration Components

Before trading partners can participate in conversations hosted by a WebLogic Integration B2B application, they must set up their environments to meet the requirements of the application. Specifically, they must populate their systems with various components on which a B2B application depends, such as trading partner definitions, conversation definitions, collaboration agreements, and workflows. You can facilitate this aspect of environment setup by creating the necessary B2B components and delivering them to your trading partners.

This section explains how to export and import the components necessary to implement B2B applications. It includes the following topics:

- B2B Integration Components
- Export and Import Overview
- Exporting from the B2B Console
- Importing to the B2B Console
- Exporting a Workflow Package
- Importing a Workflow Package

# **B2B Integration Components**

The components of a WebLogic Integration B2B application include:

- Trading partner definitions
- Collaboration agreements
- Conversation definitions
- Collaborative workflows

A collaborative workflow includes the template definition and any associated:

- Business operations
- Business calendars
- Plug-ins
- Event key tables
- XML entities (for example, XML documents, schema files, or XSLT templates)

It is common for multiple trading partners to use the same component. For example, all parties who are assigned the same role in a collaboration agreement for a given conversation definition require the same conversation definition and public workflow template. To participate in a peer-to-peer exchange, each trading partner must have a trading partner definition for itself and the other party.

To facilitate trading partner setup, one partner can define the required components, and then export them so they become available for import by other trading partners. Trading partner definitions, collaboration agreements, and conversation definitions can be exported and imported through the WebLogic Integration B2B Console. Collaborative workflows can be exported and imported through the WebLogic Integration Studio.

Although many components of a business collaboration are identical when used by different trading partners, some require minor modification after import. For example, if a trading partner definition for a remote trading partner is exported by a local trading partner and then imported by the remote trading partner, the remote trading partner must change the value of the trading partner type property from remote to local before the imported definition can be used.

Workflow templates and conversations typically require modification of the specified organization because different trading partners have different organizational structures in the Studio.

# **Export and Import Overview**

To export the components required by a participant in a B2B exchange:

1. Export the required trading partner definitions, conversation definitions, and collaboration agreements from the B2B Console.

Typically, you can simply export the required collaboration agreement with the Export all referenced entities option set. This option ensures that all necessary conversation definitions and trading partners are exported along with the specified collaboration agreement.

**Note:** When you use the Export all referenced entities option, only the referenced objects are exported. For example, although many delivery channels may be associated with a particular trading partner definition, when you export a collaboration agreement with the Export all referenced entities option set, only those parts of the trading partner definition required for the collaboration agreement (that is, only the required party identifiers, delivery channels, document exchanges, transports, and certificates) are exported.

The export procedure is described in "Exporting from the B2B Console" on page 4-4.

2. Export the collaborative workflow package required by the trading partner to implement its role in the conversation.

The workflow export procedure is described in "Exporting a Workflow Package" on page 4-9.

To import and modify the exported components for use:

- 1. Import the required trading partner definitions, conversation definitions, and collaboration agreements.
  - One or more XML files may be provided. The import procedure is described in "Importing to the B2B Console" on page 4-8.
- 2. Verify the imported components by viewing them in the B2B Console. Make adjustments as required for use. For example:
  - Reset the trading partner type property for each imported trading partner (from local to remote, or vice versa). Typically, the trading partner type in an imported trading partner definition does not reflect the type required on your system.
  - Update the certificates and security configuration as required.
  - Reset the organization specified for the workflow template in the
    conversation definition. Typically, the organizations defined in the Studio on
    your system are not the same as those defined for other trading partners. The
    organization specified should be the organization to which the workflow is
    assigned.
- 3. Import the collaborative workflow package required to implement your role in the conversation.

The workflow import procedure is described in "Importing a Workflow Package" on page 4-12.

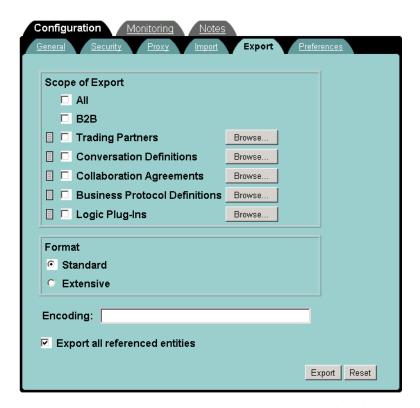
# **Exporting from the B2B Console**

To export entities from the B2B Console:

- Click the B2B node in the navigation tree.
   The B2B page is displayed in the right pane. It contains several high-level tabs.
- 2. Select the high-level Configuration tab.
- 3. Select the nested Export tab.

The export options are displayed, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 4-1 B2B Export Tab



- 4. Select the entities to be exported by performing one or more of the following steps:
  - To export all repository data, select the All option.
  - To export all instances of a particular entity (such as Trading Partners), select the name of the appropriate entity.
  - To select individual instances of a particular entity, display the list of available instances by clicking the Browse button to the right of the appropriate entity name. A page showing a selection of the available instances of the specified entity is displayed, as shown in the following figure.

**B2B> Collaboration Agreements** Connected to localhost: 7001 Previous 5 | Next 5 | First | Last | Refresh Search Collaboration Agreement Version HelloPartnerConversation | 1.1 | RequestorPartner | HelloPartnerHub 1.1 HelloPartnerConversation | 1.1 | ReplierPartner | HelloPartnerHub 1.1 verifierConversation-CPA1 1.0 verifierConversation-CPA2 1.0 verifierConversation-CPA3 1.0 Previous 5 | Next 5 | First | Last | Refresh Cancel

Figure 4-2 Entity Selection Page

Select individual instances of the entity by selecting them on this page. Then click the OK button to return to the Export tab.

5. On the Export tab, select a format.

The default format is standard. The extensive format includes system information, such as the total number of updates (update-count) and timestamps.

- 6. If you want all entities referenced by the selected entities to be included, select the Export all referenced entities option.
- 7. Click the Export button.

The specified entities are exported to an XML file. When the export is complete, a message is displayed as a link at the bottom of the page, as shown in the following figure.



Figure 4-3 Notification of Successful Export

- 8. Right-click the link. A menu of shortcuts is displayed. Select Save Link As from the shortcut menu.
  - The Save As dialog box is displayed, allowing you to select the location or rename the file. (The default filename is exportConfig.xml.)
- 9. When you have selected a target directory, click Save.

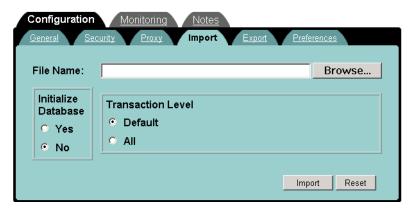
# Importing to the B2B Console

Before importing data, you must shut down the B2B engine, as described in "Starting and Stopping the B2B Engine from the B2B Console" in *Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration*.

To import to the B2B Console:

- Click the B2B node in the navigation tree.
   The B2B page is displayed in the right pane. It contains several high-level tabs.
- 2. Select the high-level Configuration tab.
- 3. Select the nested General tab.
- 4. Verify that the status is inactive.
- Select the high-level Configuration tab. Then select the nested Import tab.The import options are displayed, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 4-4 B2B Import Tab



- 6. Select the Browse option beside the File Name field.
  - The Upload File dialog box is displayed.
- 7. Select the XML file that contains the data to be imported, then click the Open button.

- 8. Verify that Initialize Database is set to No (unless you want to delete all existing data).
- 9. Select the Transaction level:
  - Default—A transaction is initiated for each entity. All instances of the same
    entity are imported in a single transaction. (For example, if the entity in
    question is Trading Partner, then all trading partners are imported.) If invalid
    data is detected during any single transaction, that transaction is rolled back
    and processing continues for the next entity type.
  - *All*—The data in the selected file is imported as a single transaction. If invalid data is detected, the entire transaction is rolled back.
- 10. To import the data, click Import.

**Note:** If an entity has the same name as an entity in the repository, it is overwritten.

11. Restart the B2B engine, as described in "Restarting the B2B Engine from the B2B Console" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration.

# **Exporting a Workflow Package**

The WebLogic Integration Studio allows you to select and export template definitions and related workflow components. The components you select are packaged in a Java Archive (JAR) file known as a workflow package.

When you export a workflow package, you can:

- Use passwords to prevent unauthorized access to the contents of the package.
- Publish the package to make the components available only for reading. When you publish a package, trading partners can employ the workflow components, but they are unable to modify them.

The Studio supports the export of template definitions, business operations, business calendars, plug-ins, event key tables, and XML repository items. The only elements that cannot be exported are the organizations, users, and roles defined in the Studio. When you export a template definition, it is disassociated from the current organization. When a template definition is imported into a target system, a new organization must be selected for the template.

To export a workflow package from the Studio:

- 1. Start the Studio as described in "Starting the Studio" in *Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration*.
- 2. Choose Tools→Export Package from the Menu bar.

The Export: Select File dialog box is displayed.

3. Enter the location and filename of the JAR file to be created.

**Note:** If you specify a JAR file by selecting it from a list invoked through the Browse option, the export overwrites the file.

Click Next.

The Export: Select Components to Export dialog box is displayed, as shown in the following figure.

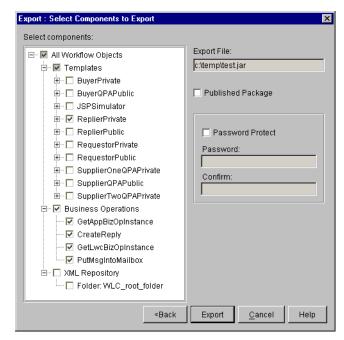


Figure 4-5 Export: Select Components to Export Dialog Box

The dialog box displays a list of all items currently defined. When you select an item, items referenced by it are automatically selected.

**Note:** Items in the XML repository are not automatically selected; you must select them manually.

- 5. Select the items to export.
- 6. Click Export.

When the export operation is complete, the Export: Review Export Summary dialog box displays the following message:

Components were exported to JAR file: path/filename.jar

7. Click Close to dismiss the dialog box.

# Importing a Workflow Package

To import a workflow package from the Studio:

- 1. Start the Studio as described in "Starting the Studio" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration.
- 2. Choose Tools→Import Package from the Menu bar.

The Import: Select File dialog box is displayed.

3. Click Browse.

The Open dialog box is displayed.

4. Select the file to import, and then Click Open.

You are returned to the Import: Select File dialog box.

5. Click Next.

The Import: Select Components to Import dialog box is displayed, as shown in the following figure.

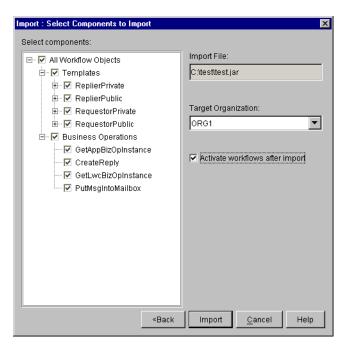


Figure 4-6 Import: Select Components to Import Dialog Box

The dialog box lists all the items contained in the JAR file.

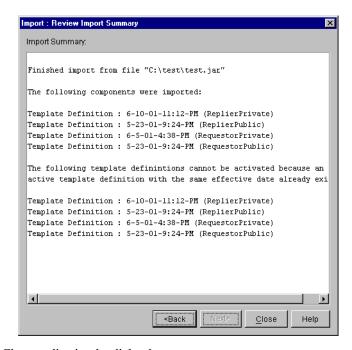
- 6. Deselect any items you do not want to import.
- 7. Expand the drop-down list and select a target organization.
- 8. To avoid having to activate the workflows after the import, select the Activate workflows after import option.
- 9. Click Import.

If the name of any item is the same as that of an existing item, the Import Confirmation dialog box is displayed, as shown in the following figure.



10. When complete, the Import: Review Import Summary dialog box is displayed, as shown in the following figure.

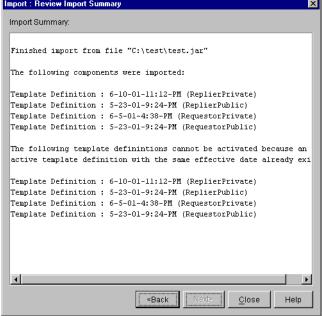
Figure 4-7 Import: Review Import Summary Dialog Box



11. Click Close to dismiss the dialog box.



Figure 4-8 Import: Review Import Summary



12. Click Close to dismiss the dialog box.

# 5 Monitoring B2B Integration

This section provides an overview of how you can use the B2B Console to monitor and control WebLogic Integration, trading partner sessions, delivery channels, conversations, and collaboration agreements. It includes the following topics:

- Overview of Monitoring
- Note About Conversation Monitoring
- B2B Console Monitoring Pages
- Monitoring the B2B Engine
- Monitoring Trading Partner Sessions
- Monitoring Delivery Channels
- Monitoring Conversations
- Monitoring Collaboration Agreements
- Monitoring Messages

#### **Overview of Monitoring**

The WebLogic Integration B2B Console enables you to control and monitor the following entities:

- *B2B engine*—WebLogic Integration process that provides and controls functionality for B2B integration.
- *Trading partner session*—Connections between trading partner delivery channels. One or more conversations may be associated with a single connection.
- *Delivery channels*—Connection endpoints in a trading partner session.
- Conversations—Exchange of messages associated with trading partner delivery channels and roles defined in a collaboration agreement.
- *Collaboration agreements*—Contracts in which trading partners specify the parameters of their message exchanges.

### **Note About Conversation Monitoring**

The primary benefit of being able to monitor conversations from the B2B Console is that it makes it possible for a conversation initiator to terminate a conversation and for other participants to exit the conversation.

cXML and RosettaNet conversations, which are not monitored via the B2B Console, do not support this conversation termination feature. The ability to view a list of conversations and select one to be either terminated (from the B2B engine running on the initiating trading partner system) or exited (from the B2B engine running on the participant system) is limited to the XOCP protocol.

In RosettaNet and cXML, control resides at the level of the delivery channel and the trading partner session. Throughout this section, any reference to the display of conversations applies to XOCP delivery channels and trading partner sessions only.

#### **B2B Console Monitoring Pages**

Monitoring functions can be invoked from the Monitoring tab, which, in turn, is available from the pages of the WebLogic Integration B2B Console listed in the following table.

Table 5-1 Accessing the B2B Console Pages

This page	Is displayed in the B2B Console when you select		
B2B page	B2B from the navigation tree		
Trading partner page	A trading partner from either the navigation tree or the Trading Partners page.		
Conversation page	A conversation definition from either the navigation tree or the Conversations page.		
Collaboration agreement page	A collaboration agreement from either the navigation tree or the Collaborations Agreements page.		

For a detailed description of the B2B Console, including its support for monitoring tasks, see "Overview of WebLogic Integration B2B Console" on page 2-2.

The following table summarizes the functions available on each page.

**Table 5-2 Monitoring WebLogic Integration** 

Select the Monitoring tab on the	Then select this nested tab	To access these functions	
B2B page	General	<ul> <li>Status (running or inactive).</li> <li>Shutdown or Restart (depending on the current status of the B2B engine).</li> </ul>	
	Statistics	<ul> <li>Summary statistics (number of trading partner sessions, active collaboration agreements, active conversations, active delivery channels, and messages sent and received, and time of the last message sent and received).</li> </ul>	
	Log	■ View the B2B engine log.	
		• Set view options for the log (level of logging, number of lines per page).	
Trading partner page	Sessions	■ View a list of run-time sessions for the selected trading partner (session identifier and start time are listed).	
		■ View the details of a selected session (status, start time, number of conversations, number of messages sent, number of messages outstanding, times at which messages were last sent and received, times of first and last failed message).	
		■ From the details about a selected session, link to a list of either the constituent conversations or the outstanding messages.	
	Delivery Channels	View a list of the delivery channels associated with the selected trading partner.	
		<ul> <li>View details about a selected delivery channel (status, trading partner sessions, conversations, collaboration agreements, messages sent).</li> </ul>	
		■ From the details about a selected delivery channel, modify the status (enable or disable) or link to a list of trading partner sessions, collaboration agreements, conversations, or messages sent. For each list, additional detail is available.	

**Table 5-2 Monitoring WebLogic Integration (Continued)** 

Select the Monitoring tab on the	Then select this nested tab	To access these functions	
Conversation page	General	<ul> <li>View a list of the active conversations for the selected conversation definition. (A conversation identifier and the start time are listed.)</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>View details of a selected conversation (start time, self-initiated indicator, time of last message, identity of last sender).</li> </ul>	
		■ End/Leave a conversation.	
		These features are available only for XOCP. See "Note About Conversation Monitoring" on page 5-3.	
Collaboration agreement page	General	<ul> <li>View identifying information (name, version, business protocol, associated conversation definition, and number of parties)</li> <li>View the status (enabled/disabled, registered/unregistered)</li> <li>Modify the status (enable/disable, register/unregister)</li> </ul>	

The following sections provide an overview of each type of entity you can monitor from the WebLogic Integration B2B Console. The detailed information required to navigate the B2B Console to view available monitoring options is provided in the online help. See "Getting Help" on page 2-7.

#### Monitoring the B2B Engine

When you select B2B from the navigation tree, a set of three high-level tabs (Configuration, Monitoring, and Notes) is displayed in the right pane. If you select the Monitoring tab, and then select the nested General tab, the General tab is displayed as shown in the following figure.

Figure 5-1 General Tab for Monitoring the Server



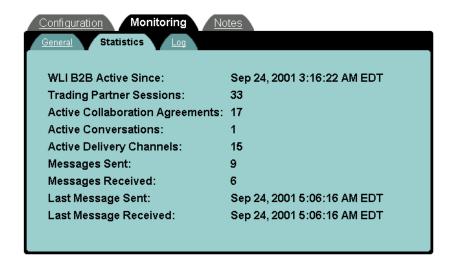
Status information and the time at which the server started are displayed.

To shut down the server, select Shut down this server. The *Terminate* shutdown option is displayed. This option shuts down active delivery channels, triggering the termination of the associated trading partner sessions. The termination of the trading partner sessions triggers, in turn, the termination of associated conversations and the removal of queues.

**Note:** For information about shutting down the B2B engine, see "Starting and Stopping the B2B Engine from the B2B Console" in *Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration*.

To display summary statistics for your server, select the Statistics tab, as shown in the following figure.

Figure 5-2 Server Statistics



#### **Monitoring Trading Partner Sessions**

A trading partner session is a connection between trading partner delivery channels. WebLogic Integration supports two options for listing active trading partner sessions:

- List the trading partner sessions for a selected trading partner

  To do so, select a trading partner from the navigation tree or Trading Partners
  page. Then, in the right pane, select the Monitoring tab. Finally, select the
  Sessions tab. A list of active trading partner sessions for the specified trading
  partner is displayed.
- List the trading partner sessions for a selected delivery channel

  To do so, select a trading partner from the navigation tree or Trading Partners
  page. Then, in the right pane, select the Monitoring tab. Finally, select the
  Delivery Channels tab. A list of the active delivery channels for the specified
  trading partner is displayed.

As described in "Monitoring Delivery Channels" on page 5-11, the number of trading partner sessions for the specified delivery channel is displayed as one of the summary statistics for the delivery channel. You can view a list of the trading partner sessions for the delivery channel by clicking that number.

When you select a trading partner session from a list of sessions, the following information is displayed.

Figure 5-3 Monitoring a Trading Partner Session



Summary statistics for the trading partner session are displayed. From the summary, you can link to either a list of the active conversations for the session or a list of the outstanding messages for it.

**Note:** For successful deployment, the delivery channel endpoints for the session must be bound to the same business protocol. (Protocol binding is assigned in the document exchange assigned to the delivery channel.)

To shut down a trading partner session, select Shut Down this Trading Partner session. Shutdown of the trading partner session triggers termination of the associated conversations and removal of queues.

#### **Monitoring Delivery Channels**

A delivery channel is a connection endpoint in a trading partner session. To display a list of the active delivery channels for a trading partner, complete the following procedure:

- 1. Select a trading partner from the Trading Partners page or the navigation tree.
- 2. Select the Monitoring tab, and then select the Delivery Channels tab.

When you select a delivery channel from the list, the following types of information are displayed.

Figure 5-4 Monitoring a Delivery Channel



Status information and summary statistics for the designated delivery channel are displayed. From the summary, you can link to lists of trading partner sessions, collaboration agreements, conversations, and messages sent.

You can disable a delivery channel by selecting Disable this Delivery Channel. Disabling a delivery channel triggers termination of all active trading partner sessions associated with the delivery channel. Termination of the trading partner sessions, in turn, triggers termination of the associated conversations and removal of queues.

# **Monitoring Conversations**

**Note:** As discussed in "Note About Conversation Monitoring" on page 5-3, support for monitoring conversations is available only for XOCP trading partner sessions.

WebLogic Integration allows you to display a list of the active XOCP conversations for three entities: conversations, delivery channels, and trading partner sessions. Follow the appropriate instructions in the following table.

**Table 5-3 Listing Conversations** 

To list conversations for a particular	Perform the following steps		
Conversation definition	Select a conversation definition from the navigation tree or Conversations page.		
	2. Select the Monitoring tab. A list of active conversations for the designated conversation definition is displayed.		
Delivery channel	1. List the delivery channels as described in "Monitoring Delivery Channels" on page 5-11. When you select a delivery channel from the list, the number of conversations for that delivery channel is displayed as one of the summary statistics for the delivery channel.		
	2. To view a list of the conversations for the specified delivery channel, click the number representing the number of conversations in the summary statistics.		
Trading partner session	1. List trading partner sessions as described in "Monitoring Trading Partner Sessions" on page 5-9. When you select a trading partner session from the list, the number of conversations for that session is displayed as one of the summary statistics for the trading partner session.		
	2. To view a list of the conversations for the specified delivery channel, click the number representing the number of conversations in the summary statistics.		

When you select a conversation from a list, the following is displayed.

Figure 5-5 Monitoring a Conversation

<u>B2B</u>> <u>Conversations</u>> <u>verifierConversation</u> > verifierConversation:1.1:requestor\_PartnerVerifier1\_993491715922\_6993497

Tend this Conversation

Conversation: verifierConversation:1.1:requestor PartnerVerifier1 993491715922 6993491715

**Start Time:** Mon Sep 25 10:55:16 PDT 2001

Participants: 0

Last Mon Sep 25 10:55:17 PDT 2001

Message:

**Last Sender:** PartnerVerifier1-Channel1:PartnerVerifier1

The following information is displayed: identifying information, the starting time, a self-initiated indicator, the time of the last message, and the identity of the last sender.

If the local trading partner initiates the conversation, that trading partner can end the conversation by selecting End this Conversation.

If the local trading partner does not initiate the conversation, the trading partner can leave the conversation by selecting Leave this Conversation.

#### Monitoring Collaboration Agreements

A collaboration agreement specifies the trading partners, delivery channels, and roles that define a specific interaction. You can view collaboration agreement status by selecting a collaboration agreement from the navigation tree or the Collaboration Agreements page, and then selecting the Monitoring tab.

The status of a collaboration agreement is displayed as shown in the following figure.

**B2B> Collaboration Agreements>** HelloPartnerConversation|1.1|RequestorPartner|HelloPartnerHub 🗂 🖥 1.1 Connected to localhost: 7001 Sep 24, 2001 5:45 Monitoring Configuration General Disable this Collaboration Agreement Tunregister this Collaboration Agreement Collaboration HelloPartnerConversation|1.1|RequestorPartner|HelloPartnerHub Agreement: Version: 1.1 Status: Enabled/Registered Business XOCP-1.1 Protocol: Conversation HelloPartnerConversation-1.1 Parties: 2

Figure 5-6 Monitoring a Collaboration Agreement

The information displayed includes the following: identifying information, status information, the business protocol, the conversation definition, and the number of parties.

For successful deployment, a collaboration agreement must include two parties, and both of the delivery channel endpoints assigned in the collaboration agreement must be bound to the same business protocol. (Protocol binding is assigned in the document exchange assigned to a delivery channel.)

If a collaboration agreement specifies a spoke delivery channel for the local trading partner, the agreement cannot be deployed successfully until the hub delivery channel is up and running.

You always have the option of reversing the status of a collaboration agreement:

- You can disable an enabled collaboration agreement by selecting Disable this Collaboration Agreement.
- You can enable a disabled collaboration agreement by selecting Enable this Collaboration Agreement.

When you disable a collaboration agreement, existing conversations are completed, but no new conversations for that agreement can be started, and no new participants can be added to existing conversations.

Similarly, you can register an unregistered collaboration agreement or unregister a registered collaboration agreement by selecting Register this Collaboration Agreement or Unregister this Collaboration Agreement, respectively. Unregistering a collaboration agreement triggers termination of all active conversations associated with the collaboration agreement.

You can also view the status of collaboration agreements for a delivery channel, as follows:

- 1. Display a list of delivery channels by performing the steps described in "Monitoring Delivery Channels" on page 5-11.
- Select a delivery channel from the list. The number of collaboration agreements for that delivery channel is displayed in the summary statistics for the delivery channel.
- 3. View a list of the collaboration agreements for that delivery channel by clicking the link in the number of collaboration agreements.
- 4. From the list, select a collaboration agreement for which you want to see status information like the information shown in the following figure.

Figure 5-7 Monitoring a Collaboration Agreement



In this case, you cannot disable or unregister the collaboration agreement.

#### **Monitoring Messages**

To display a list of the outstanding messages for a trading partner session, complete the following procedure:

- 1. Display a list of trading partner sessions. (For instructions, see "Monitoring Trading Partner Sessions" on page 5-9.)
- 2. Select a trading partner session from the list.
  - When you make your selection, the number of outstanding messages for the selected trading partner session is displayed in the summary statistics for that session.
- 3. To display a list of outstanding messages for the designated trading partner session, click the number (in the summary statistics) representing the total number of outstanding messages.

When you select a message from a list, the following information is displayed: identifying information, the date and time at which the message was sent, and the size of the message.

# 6 Working with the Repository

The following sections describe the WebLogic Integration repository:

- Understanding the Repository
- Managing the B2B Configuration Information in the Repository

#### Understanding the Repository

The WebLogic Integration repository is the database that stores the information required by WebLogic Integration. The repository consists of:

- B2B configuration tables—set of database tables that contain the static B2B configuration information.
- Persistence tables—set of database tables in which the persistence state is stored. (dynamic)
- JMS Queue tables—set of database tables that store the message state. (dynamic)
- Workflow tables—set of database tables that store static workflows and dynamic run-time information.
- Common tables—set of database tables that store XML, DTDs, XLST style sheets, and other entities used by WebLogic Integration.

#### **B2B Configuration Elements**

The following two figures show the relationships among the B2B configuration elements in the repository. For information about configuring the repository data elements, see Chapter 1, "Configuration Requirements."

B2B 1:n Logic Plug-In 1:n i Logic Pluq-In Protocol Chain Definition \* 1:n XPath Expression Delivery Channel 1:n Collaboration 1:n Party \* Party Identifier Agreement \* 1:1 Role Trading Partner 1:n Conversation 1:n 1:1 Process Role \* Definition \* Implementation 1:n Extended Property Set \* Key = inclusion

= reference

can be specified for partial unloading or deletion

Figure 6-1 Elements in the Repository (Part 1)

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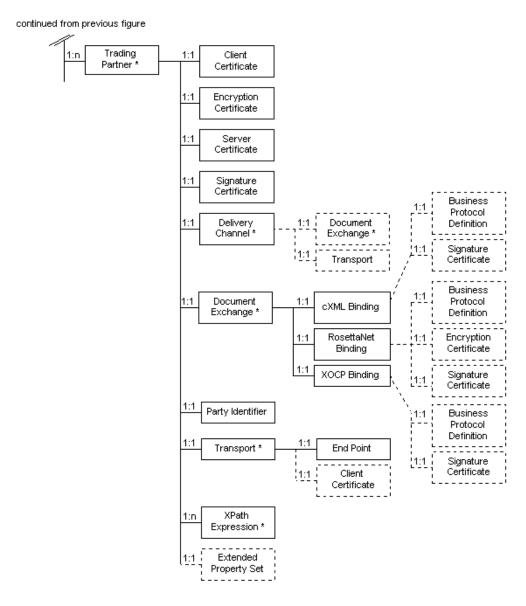
Logic Plug-In \*

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The following figure is a continuation of the previous figure.

Figure 6-2 Elements in the Repository (Part 2)



In the figures, solid lines represent inclusion and dashed lines represent reference. When you remove an element from the repository, the following events occur:

- If the removed element includes other elements, the included elements are removed from the repository, too.
- If the removed element refers to other elements, the referenced elements remain in the repository.

For example, if you remove a transport, the transport's end point is also removed but the referenced client certificate remains.

The following table provides an overview of the elements in the repository.

**Table 6-1 Elements in the Repository** 

	F V		
Element	Description		
B2B	The B2B root element. This element represents the B2B engine configuration. All major elements stem from this root element.		
	<b>Note:</b> The B2B root element is wlc. This abbreviation is a legacy from a previous release.		
Business protocol definition	Business protocol definition that specifies how the B2B engine processes business messages, including how it reads messages and how it routes messages to recipients. A business protocol definition also specifies persistence, retries, and quality of service.		
Logic plug-in chain	A logic plug-in chain is a set of logic plug-ins that changes the way in which B2B integration routes or filters a message.		
XPath expression	An XPath expression is a string written in XPath syntax that, when evaluated, results in one of the following types of objects:		
	■ Node-set (an unordered collection of nodes without duplicates)		
	■ Boolean		
	■ Floating-point number		
	■ String		
	For information about XPath expressions, see "Expressions" at the following URL:		
	http://www.w3.org/TR/xpath.html#section-Expressions		

**Table 6-1 Elements in the Repository (Continued)** 

Element	Description		
Collaboration agreement	A collaboration agreement is a definition of the interactions that trading partners agree to carry out, along with a specification for the methods through which these interactions are conducted. This specification includes details about transport, messaging, security constraints, and bindings to a process specification.		
Party	A party is an entity that binds a role in a conversation definition to a trading partner in a collaboration agreement.		
Conversation definition	A conversation definition is a collection of values that defines a conversation.		
Role	A role is a definition of activities, such as buying and selling, that can be performed by a trading partner during a conversation. A role is defined in terms of the documents that can be sent or received by a trading partner in the conversation. Each conversation has two or more roles, and each role is defined by a collaborative workflow.		
Process implementation	Associates the workflow template name and organization.		
Extended property set	An extended property set is a set of user-defined elements, attributes, or text components that can be associated with entities in the repository.		
Logic plug-in	Logic plug-ins are Java classes that are invoked when WebLogic Integration is started. At run time, logic plug-ins intercept, process, and output business messages. Built-in router and filter logic plug-ins are associated with each supported business protocol. Customer-provided logic plug-ins can modify the default routing and filtering functionality, or provide functionality other than routing and filtering, such as billing.  For information about logic plug-ins, see <i>Introducing B2B Integration</i> and		
	Programming Logic Plug-Ins for B2B Integration.		
Trading partner	A trading partner is a business entity that is authorized to send and receive business messages in a conversation.		
Certificates	WebLogic Integration supports the following types of digital certificates for use in B2B integration:  Client certificates Encryption certificates Server certificates Signature certificates		

**Table 6-1 Elements in the Repository (Continued)** 

Element	Description	
Delivery channel	A delivery channel is a specification for delivering business messages to one trading partner. There is one delivery channel per trading partner per collaboration agreement.	
Document exchange	A document exchange is a definition of the method through which a document is exchanged. A document exchange defines a business protocol and some run-time parameters.	
Bindings for business protocols	To participate in a business process, a trading partner needs to define a binding for the business protocol that the business process uses. The binding associates the protocol with a specific delivery channel.	
Party identifier	A party identifier is a value that specifies a trading partner participant to a conversation.	
Transport	A transport specifies the transport level properties for a delivery channel.	
Endpoint	An endpoint is the URI defined for the delivery channel.	

### Managing the B2B Configuration Information in the Repository

The following figure illustrates the methods you can use to manage the information in the repository.

Bulk Loader

Repository
API

Repository
Repository

Figure 6-3 Managing the Information in the Repository

As this figure illustrates, when you update information through the B2B Console or a custom management application, the repository is accessed by means of the MBeans API. The Bulk Loader employs a low-level API to handle database operations.

The MBeans API enables you to update the repository dynamically at run time. That is, database updates can occur while the B2B engine is running. The Bulk Loader, on the other hand, requires B2B engine shutdown.

Additional information about each of these methods of updating the B2B configuration elements stored in the repository can be found in the following documents:

- For information about using the Bulk Loader, see Chapter 7, "Working with the Bulk Loader."
- For information about using the B2B console, see the *Online Help for the WebLogic Integration B2B Console*.
- For information about creating your own applications, see the WebLogic Integration development guides.

# 7 Working with the Bulk Loader

The following sections describe how to work with the Bulk Loader:

- Understanding the Terminology
- Importing Data into the Repository
- Exporting Data from the Repository
- Deleting Data from the Repository
- Working with the Bulk Loader Configuration File
- Working with the Repository Data File
- Checking Data
- Forcing the Bulk Loader

In addition to using the Bulk Loader, you can use the B2B Console to transfer data to and from the repository, as described in Chapter 4, "Importing and Exporting B2B Integration Components." For information about the repository, see Chapter 6, "Working with the Repository."

## **Understanding the Terminology**

The following table describes some of the terms used in this chapter.

**Table 7-1 Terms Used in This Chapter** 

This term	Refers to		
XML declaration	A processing instruction that identifies the document as being XML. At a minimum, the XML version must be specified. If the document uses a character set other than the default, encoding="valid_encoding" must also be specified.		
Doctype declaration	The XML document type (references the root element and DTD).		
XML element	An element in an XML file.		
attribute	An attribute for an XML element.		
value	The value of either an attribute or a data element.		

For example, consider the following repository data file:

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<!DOCTYPE wlc SYSTEM "WLC.dtd">
<wlc system-password="wlcsystem">
    <conversation-definition</pre>
       name="CMOPAConversation"
        version="1.1"
        business-protocol-name="XOCP"
        protocol-version="1.1">
        <role
            name="CMBuver"
            wlpi-template="CMBuyerQPAPublic">
            cprocess-implementation wlpi-org="ORG1" />
        </role>
        <role
            name="CMSupplier"
            wlpi-template="CMSupplierQPAPublic">
            cprocess-implementation wlpi-org="ORG1" />
        </role>
   </conversation-definition>
</wlc>
```

In the previous file, the following examples of the definitions are used:

- <?xml version="1.0"?> is the XML declaration.
- conversation-definition is an XML element. The child elements and attributes of the conversation-definition element constitute the conversation definition stored in the repository.
- name is an attribute of the conversation-definition element.
- "CMOPAConversation" is the value for the name attribute.

#### Importing Data into the Repository

The following sections provide information about importing repository data:

- How the Bulk Loader Imports Data
- Procedure for Importing Data into the Repository

#### **How the Bulk Loader Imports Data**

As the following figure shows, the Bulk Loader parses a Bulk Loader configuration file to get instructions about transferring data from a repository data file into the repository. Both files are XML files. If the Bulk Loader detects any errors during this procedure, it creates an error log.

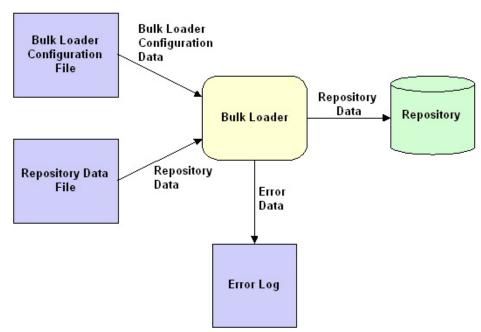


Figure 7-1 Using the Bulk Loader to Import Repository Data

The Bulk Loader uses the following logic to import data from a repository data file into the repository:

1. If the B2B root element specified in the repository data file does not exist in the repository, the Bulk Loader creates it.

**Note:** The B2B root element in a repository data XML file is wlc. This abbreviation is a legacy from a previous release.

- 2. If the B2B root element specified in the repository data file already exists in the repository, the Bulk Loader uses the following logic to process each data element in the repository data file:
  - If the data element exists in the repository and has the same data element values, attributes, and attribute values as the corresponding XML element in the repository data file, the Bulk Loader does nothing.
  - If the data element does not exist in the repository, the Bulk Loader creates it, using the logic described in the following table for each data element value and attribute.
  - If the data element exists in the repository but includes one or more data
    element values, attributes, or attribute values that do not match the values of
    the corresponding XML element in the repository data file, the Bulk Loader
    recreates the data element using the logic described in the following table for
    each data element value and attribute.

The following table describes the logic the Bulk Loader uses to recreate an existing element.

Table 7-2 Logic for Processing an Attribute

Does the element or attribute exist in the repository data file?	Attribute type	Logic
Yes	Does not matter	The Bulk Loader sets the data element value or attribute to the value specified in the repository data file.
No	IMPLIED	The Bulk Loader sets the data element value or attribute to null unless it is one of the attributes that has a special default value, as described in the following table.
No	REQUIRED	The Bulk Loader considers the data to be invalid. For more information, see "Checking Data" on page 7-23.

The following table lists the default values for special IMPLIED attributes.

**Table 7-3 Default Values for Special IMPLIED Attributes** 

XML Element	Attribute	Default Value
wlc	large-msg-support-on	OFF
wlc	show-hidden	OFF
trading-partner	status	ENABLED

**Note:** The abbreviation wlc is a legacy from a previous release of the product. The wlc element corresponds to the top-level node, B2B, in the B2B Console.

#### **Procedure for Importing Data into the Repository**

**Notes:** In addition to using the Bulk Loader, you can use the B2B Console to transfer data to and from the repository, as described in Chapter 4, "Importing and Exporting B2B Integration Components."

You cannot run the Bulk Loader when the B2B engine is running. If the B2B engine has shut down abnormally, thus preventing the Bulk Loader from running, you can force the import, as described in "Forcing the Bulk Loader" on page 7-26.

To import data from a repository data file into the repository:

1. Create a Bulk Loader configuration file.

In it, include load-processing-parameters, which is the XML element that instructs the Bulk Loader to import data from the repository data file into the repository. For information about creating a Bulk Loader configuration file, see "Working with the Bulk Loader Configuration File" on page 7-14.

2. Create a repository data file.

For information about creating a repository data file, see "Working with the Repository Data File" on page 7-21.

- 3. To import data from the repository data file into the repository, enter the command appropriate for your platform:
  - Windows: bulkloader cfg\_file
  - UNIX: bulkloader.sh cfg\_file

In both commands, <code>cfg\_file</code> is the pathname of the Bulk Loader configuration file that you created in step 1. The Bulk Loader configuration file, in turn, specifies the pathname of the repository data file that you created in step 2.

Use the same command for importing, exporting, and deleting data. The Bulk Loader configuration file indicates which action the Bulk Loader should take.

While importing data, the Bulk Loader checks for errors, as described in "Checking Data" on page 7-23.

#### **Exporting Data from the Repository**

The following sections provide information about exporting repository data:

- How the Bulk Loader Exports Data
- Full and Partial Repository Exports
- Short and Long Repository Exports
- Procedure for Exporting Repository Data

#### **How the Bulk Loader Exports Data**

As the following figure shows, the Bulk Loader parses a Bulk Loader configuration file to get instructions about transferring data from the repository to a repository data file. Both files are XML files. If the Bulk Loader detects any errors during this procedure, it creates an error log.

Bulk Loader Bulk Loader Configuration Configuration Data File Repository Repository Data Data Bulk Loader File Repository Repository Error Data Data Error Log

Figure 7-2 Using the Bulk Loader to Export Repository Data

#### **Full and Partial Repository Exports**

When you export data from the repository, you can specify a full export or a partial export, as described in the following table.

**Table 7-4 Full and Partial Repository Exports** 

Type of Export	Description	
Full	All the data is exported.	
Partial	A subset of the data is exported.	

By default, the Bulk Loader performs a full repository export.

To perform a partial repository export, use the entities XML element in the Bulk Loader configuration file. The entities XML element specifies the data elements to be exported. The Bulk Loader uses the entities values to traverse the repository to the specified data elements.

For a complete description of the entities XML element, see the WLCConfig.dtd file in the lib\dtd subdirectory of your WebLogic Integration installation directory.

You can identify a specific data element instance in the Bulk Loader configuration file. For example, to export a specific collaboration agreement, include the <entities> element and identifying information for the collaboration agreement in the required structure, as shown in the following listing. This strategy applies to all types of data elements.

## Listing 7-1 Example of a Bulk Loader Configuration File for Exporting a Specific Collaboration Agreement

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<!DOCTYPE wlc-config SYSTEM "WLCConfig.dtd">
<wlc-config>
    <unload-processing-parameters>
       <database-url>jdbc:weblogic:oracle:REPO</database-url>
       <database-driver>weblogic.jdbc.oci.Driver</database-driver>
       <database-user-id>scott</database-user-id>
       <database-password>tiger</database-password>
       <xml-file-name>ExportRepoData.xml</xml-file-name>
       <entities>
          <wlc>
           <collaboration-agreement
              name="OPA-XOCP-TP1-TP2"
              version=1.2>
           <collaboration-agreement>
       </entities>
    </unload-processing-parameters>
</wlc-config>
```

#### **Short and Long Repository Exports**

When you export data from the repository, you can specify a short export or a long export, as described in the following table.

Table 7-5 Short and Long Repository Exports

For this type of export	The Bulk Loader organizes the output data	
Short (standard)	To represent the user's view of the repository.	
Long (extensive)	As a snapshot of the repository, which can be useful when you migrate repository data from one database to another.	

By default, the Bulk Loader exports repository data in the short format.

To perform a long repository export, set the format attribute for the unload-processing-parameters XML element in the Bulk Loader configuration file to long.

Because the long format includes internal repository data in addition to values for various objects, we recommend that you use the long format only for the following reasons:

- To save a backup of the entire repository. For example, before you delete data from the repository, it is a good idea to back up the repository.
- To migrate repository data from one environment to another. For example, if you change from one database vendor to another, or if you upgrade your database to a new machine, then you need to use the long format to migrate the entire repository database.

For an example of a Bulk Loader configuration file that specifies a format value, see Listing 7-3. For a complete description of the format attribute, see the WLCConfig.dtd file in the lib\dtd subdirectory of your WebLogic Integration installation directory, and "Short and Long Repository Exports" on page 7-10.

#### **Procedure for Exporting Repository Data**

**Note:** In addition to using the Bulk Loader, you can use the B2B Console to transfer data to and from the repository, as described in Chapter 4, "Importing and Exporting B2B Integration Components."

You cannot run the Bulk Loader when the B2B engine is running. If the B2B engine has shut down abnormally, thus preventing the Bulk Loader from running, you can force the export, as described in "Forcing the Bulk Loader" on page 7-26.

To export data from the repository to a repository data file:

1. Create a Bulk Loader configuration file.

In it, include unload-processing-parameters, which is the XML element that instructs the Bulk Loader to export data from the repository to a repository data file. For information about creating a Bulk Loader configuration file, see "Working with the Bulk Loader Configuration File" on page 7-14.

- 2. To export data from the repository to a repository data file, enter the command appropriate for your platform:
  - Windows: bulkloader cfg\_file
  - UNIX: bulkloader.sh cfg\_file

In both commands, <code>cfg\_file</code> is the pathname of the Bulk Loader configuration file that you created in step 1. The Bulk Loader configuration file, in turn, specifies the pathname of the repository data file into which the Bulk Loader exports the data.

Use the same command for importing, exporting, and deleting data. The Bulk Loader configuration file indicates which action the Bulk Loader should take.

While exporting data, the Bulk Loader checks for errors, as described in "Checking Data" on page 7-23.

## **Deleting Data from the Repository**

The following sections provide information about deleting repository data:

- How the Bulk Loader Deletes Data
- Procedure for Deleting Repository Data

#### How the Bulk Loader Deletes Data

As the following figure shows, the Bulk Loader parses a Bulk Loader configuration file, which is an XML file, to get instructions about deleting data from the repository. The dotted line in the figure indicates that the Bulk Loader affects the repository without sending any data to it. If the Bulk Loader detects any errors during this procedure, it creates an error log.

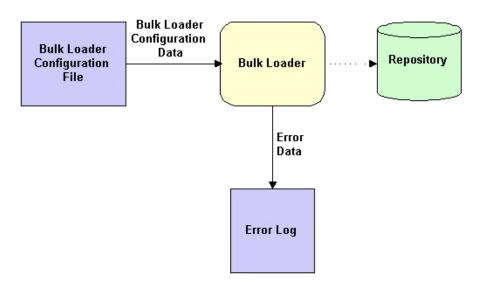


Figure 7-3 Using the Bulk Loader to Delete Repository Data

#### **Procedure for Deleting Repository Data**

**Note:** You cannot run the Bulk Loader when the B2B engine is running. If the B2B engine has shut down abnormally, thus preventing the Bulk Loader from running, you can force the deletion of the data, as described in "Forcing the Bulk Loader" on page 7-26.

#### To delete repository data:

- 1. We strongly recommend that you back up the repository before deleting any data from it. To back up the repository, perform a full, long (extensive) export, as described in "Exporting Data from the Repository" on page 7-7.
- 2. Create a Bulk Loader configuration file.

In it, include delete-processing-parameters, which is the XML element that instructs the Bulk Loader to delete data from the repository. For information about creating a Bulk Loader configuration file, see "Working with the Bulk Loader Configuration File" on page 7-14.

- To delete data from the repository, enter the command appropriate for your platform:
  - Windows: bulkloader cfg\_file
  - UNIX: bulkloader.sh cfg\_file

In both commands, cfg\_file is the pathname of the Bulk Loader configuration file that you created in step 2.

Use the same command for importing, exporting, and deleting data. The Bulk Loader configuration file indicates which action the Bulk Loader should take.

While deleting data, the Bulk Loader checks for errors, as described in "Checking Data" on page 7-23.

# Working with the Bulk Loader Configuration File

Bulk Loader configuration files contain the database login information and processing instructions required to carry out the desired task. Each Bulk Loader configuration is an XML file that conforms to the WLCConfig.dtd.

Although the sections that follow provide much of the information you need to create your own Bulk Loader configuration file, you may need to refer to the WLCConfig.dtd located in the lib\dtd subdirectory for certain details.

A Bulk Loader configuration file has a fairly simple structure. The root element <wlc-config> contains one of the following elements, depending on the action:

- When importing, <wlc-config> contains the <load-processing-parameters> element. The processing parameters used to import the data are attributes or direct children of <unload-processing-parameters>.
- When exporting, <wlc-config> contains the <unload-processing-parameters> element. The processing parameters used to export the data are attributes or direct children of <unload-processing-parameters>.

■ When exporting, <wlc-config> contains the <delete-processing-parameters> element. The processing parameters used to delete the data are attributes or direct children of <delete-processing-parameters>.

The following table summarizes the processing parameters that can be specified to carry out each type of action.

**Table 7-6 Bulk Loader Configuration Processing Parameters** 

Elements and Attributes	Description
Attribute: transaction-level	Specifies whether the data is imported in a single transaction, or in multiple transactions.
Is an attribute of:	Valid values are all or default.
<pre><load-processing-parameters> <delete-processing-parameters></delete-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></pre>	When set to default, or not specified, a transaction is initiated upon import or delete of each of the following entities: trading partners, conversation definitions, collaboration agreements, business protocol definitions, and logic plug-ins. If invalid data is detected during a transaction for any entity, the import is rolled back for the current transaction only; importing continues for the next transaction.  For additional information about error detection, see "Checking Data
	Integrity" on page 7-24.
Attribute: database-initialization	Specifies whether or not to initialize the database. Valid values are yes and no.
Is an attribute of: <pre><load-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></pre>	yes—clears the existing B2B integration data from the repository during the import.
	no—retains existing B2B integration data during the import. If the imported data describes elements and attributes that already exist in the repository, then the imported data overwrites the existing data for those specific values. (no is the default)
Attribute: format Is an attribute of: <unload-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters>	Specifies whether the Bulk Loader exports data in the long (extensive) format or in the short (standard) format. Valid values are short and long. For more information, see "Short and Long Repository Exports" on page 7-10.

**Table 7-6 Bulk Loader Configuration Processing Parameters (Continued)** 

<b>Elements and Attributes</b>	Description	
Attribute: <database-url> Is a required child of:  <load-processing-parameters> <unload-processing-parameters> <delete-processing-parameters></delete-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></database-url>	URL for the database, as specified in the JDBC driver documentation. For a summary of the required URLs for supported drivers, see "Database Access Parameters" in "Customizing WebLogic Integration" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration	
Element: <database-driver> Is a required child of:  <load-processing-parameters> <unload-processing-parameters> <delete-processing-parameters></delete-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></database-driver>	JDBC driver required to connect to the database. For supported drivers, see "Database Access Parameters" in "Customizing WebLogic Integration" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration	
Element: <database-user-id> Is an optional child of: <load-processing-parameters> <unload-processing-parameters> <delete-processing-parameters></delete-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></database-user-id>	Database user ID, if required to connect to the database.	
Element: <database-password> Is an optional child of: <load-processing-parameters> <unload-processing-parameters> <delete-processing-parameters></delete-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></database-password>	Database password, if required to connect to the database.	
Element: <database-properties> Is an optional child of:  <load-processing-parameters> <unload-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></database-properties>	Allows you to specify any properties the database driver may require, using the following syntax:  name1=value1[;name2=value2;name3=value3 ]  In particular, if you are using a WebLogic jDriver, and the database is configured to use an alternate character set, then you must set the weblogic.codeset property. For example, if you are using the Shift_JIS character set in your locale, specify:  weblogic.codeset=Shift_JIS	

**Table 7-6 Bulk Loader Configuration Processing Parameters (Continued)** 

<b>Elements and Attributes</b>	Description
Element: <ml-file-name> Is a required child of: <load-processing-parameters> <unload-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></load-processing-parameters></ml-file-name>	Contains the name of the existing XML file to be imported, or the new XML file to be created to store the exported data.  Unless the file is located in the current directory, the full path must be specified.
Element: <encoding> Is an optional child of: <unload-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></encoding>	Used to export the B2B configuration elements using the specified encoding (character set/code set). For a list of valid character set names and aliases, see http://www.iana.org/assignments/character-sets
Element: <entities> Is an optional child of: <unload-processing-parameters> Is a required child of: <delete-processing-parameters></delete-processing-parameters></unload-processing-parameters></entities>	Contains the entities to be deleted or unloaded. Refer to WLCConfig.dtd for definitions of the entity elements and subelements.

To use the Bulk Loader to import, export, or delete data from the repository:

- 1. Create an XML file that specifies WLCConfig.dtd in the DocType declaration, and conforms to the structure required by the DTD.
- If you are importing or exporting data, set the xml-file-name XML element in
  the XML file to specify the pathname of the repository data file. If you specify
  only a filename, the Bulk Loader looks for the repository data file in the current
  working directory.

The following sections provide example Bulk Loader configuration files for importing and exporting data:

- Bulk Loader Configuration File for Importing Data
- Bulk Loader Configuration File for Exporting Data

#### **Bulk Loader Configuration File for Importing Data**

The following listing is an example Bulk Loader configuration file for importing data into the repository.

#### Listing 7-2 Bulk Loader Configuration File—Import

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<!DOCTYPE wlc-config SYSTEM "WLCConfig.dtd">
<wlc-config>
    <load-processing-parameters database-initialization="no"\</pre>
       transaction-level="all">
       <database-url>
          jdbc:oracle:thin:@rdbmshost:1521:WLIDB
       </database-url>
       <database-driver>
          oracle.jdbc.driver.OracleDriver
       </database-driver>
       <database-user-id>
          scott
       </database-user-id>
       <database-password>
       </database-password>
       <xml-file-name>
          ImportRepoData.xml
       </xml-file-name>
    </load-processing-parameters>
</wlc-config>
```

In addition to the processing parameters that are required in any Bulk Loader configuration file (DTD, database URL, database driver, database user ID, and database password), this example defines the following:

- database-initialization—The value for this attribute specifies whether the Bulk Loader deletes all data from the repository before performing the repository import. Valid values are yes and no.
- transaction-level—The value for this attribute specifies the actions for the Bulk Loader to take if it detects an error. Valid values are all and default. For more information, see "Checking Data Integrity" on page 7-24.

xml-file-name—The value for this element specifies the pathname of the repository data file from which the Bulk Loader imports the data. If you specify only a filename, the Bulk Loader looks for the repository data file in the current working directory.

Although not shown in this example, the database-properties element is also available when exporting. This element can be used to specify any additional properties required by the JDBC driver.

#### **Bulk Loader Configuration File for Exporting Data**

The following listing is an example Bulk Loader configuration file for exporting data from the repository. In this case, the configuration file itself contains locale-specific characters (see xml-file-name), and therefore, the XML declaration must specify the appropriate encoding.

#### **Listing 7-3 Bulk Loader Configuration File—Export**

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="GB2312"?>
<!DOCTYPE wlc-config SYSTEM "WLCConfig.dtd">
<wlc-config>
  <unload-processing-parameters format="short">
      <database-url>
          jdbc:weblogic:mssqlserver4:WLIDB@myhost
      </database-url>
      <database-driver>
          weblogic.jdbc.mssqlserver4.Driver
      </database-driver>
      <database-user-id>
          myuserid
      </database-user-id>
      <database-password>
          mypassword
      </database-password>
      <xml-file-name>
          d:\bea1\RN2AITest\@nA&\exportedPeer1config.xml
      </xml-file-name>
      <encoding>
         GB2312
      </encoding>
     <database-properties>
          weblogic.codeset=GB2312
     </database-properties>
</unload-processing-parameters>
</wlc-config>
```

In addition to specifying values that are required in any Bulk Loader configuration file (DTD, database URL, database driver, database user ID, and database password), this example defines the following:

- XML declaration specifies encoding—Because the file itself includes characters from the GB2312 character set (Chinese for People's Republic of China, mixed one-byte, two-byte set) the XML declaration sets encoding=GB2312.
- format—The value for this attribute specifies whether the Bulk Loader exports data in the long (extensive) format or in the short (standard) format. Valid values are short and long. For more information, see "Short and Long Repository Exports" on page 7-10.
- xml-file-name—The value for this element specifies the pathname of the repository data file to which the Bulk Loader exports the data. If you specify only a filename, the Bulk Loader looks for the repository data file in the current working directory.
- encoding—The value for this element specifies the encoding to be used in the output file.
- database-properties—In order to connect properly to the Microsoft SQL database for the locale, the weblogic.codeset property must be set to the encoding used in the database.

# Working with the Repository Data File

The repository data file is an XML file that conforms to the WLC.dtd. To create a repository data file, create an XML file that specifies WLC.dtd in the DocType declaration, and conforms to the structure required by the DTD. Refer to the WLC.dtd, which is in the lib\dtd subdirectory of your WebLogic Integration installation directory, for the required structure.

The following listing shows a repository data file that creates an extended property set.

#### Listing 7-4 Example of a Repository Data File for a New Extended Property Set

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<!DOCTYPE wlc SYSTEM "WLC.dtd">
<wlc
   name="WLC"
    large-msg-support-on="ON"
    large-msg-min-size="10000"
    large-msg-location="c:\temp"
    proxy-host="andrew"
    proxy-port="7502"
    description="The WLC Hub" >
    <extended-property-set name="EPS 1">
        <xml-element name="C1">
            <xml-attribute name="C1_A1" value="C1_A1 Value"/>
            <xml-element name="C1G1">
                <xml-element name="C1G1_T1" text="C1G1_T1 Value"></xml-element>
                <xml-element name="C1G1_T2" text="C1G1_T2 Value"></xml-element>
                <xml-element name="C1G1_T3" text="C1G1_T3 Value"></xml-element>
            </xml-element>
            <xml-element name="C1G2" text="C1G2 Value"></xml-element>
            <xml-element name="C1G3" text="C1G3 Value"></xml-element>
        </xml-element>
        <xml-element name="C2">
            <xml-attribute name="C2_A1" value="C2_A1 Value"/>
            <xml-attribute name="C2_A2" value="C2_A2 Value"/>
            <xml-attribute name="C2_A3" value="C2_A3 Value"/>
            <xml-element name="C2G1" text="C2G1 Value"></xml-element>
            <xml-element name="C2G2">
                <xml-element name="C2G2_T1" text="C2G2_T1 Value"></xml-element>
                <xml-element name="C2G2_T2" text="C2G2_T2 Value"></xml-element>
                <xml-element name="C2G2GG1">
                    <xml-attribute name="C2G2GG1_A1" value="C2G2GG1_A1 Value"/>
                    <xml-element name="C2G2GG1_T1" text="C2G2GG1_T1</pre>
                        Value"></xml-element>
                </xml-element>
            </ml-element>
            <xml-element name="C2G3" text="C2G3 Value"></xml-element>
        </xml-element>
    </extended-property-set>
</wlc>
```

#### Checking Data

The following sections describe how the Bulk Loader checks data:

- Creating an Error Log
- Validating XML Files
- Checking Data Integrity

#### **Creating an Error Log**

To keep track of errors, the Bulk Loader creates a file named wlc.log in the current working directory. If a wlc.log file already exists, the Bulk Loader renames the existing file by appending a timestamp to the name in the following format: wlc.log.yyyy.mm.dd.hh.mi.ss. Then the Bulk Loader creates a new wlc.log file. The following table describes the fields in the timestamp.

Table 7-7 Timestamp Appended to Name of Existing Log File

This string	Indicates the
УУУУ	Year
mm	Month in numeric format (between 01 - 12)
dd	Day in numeric format
hh	Hour (between 00 - 23)
mi	Minute
ss	Second
•	

#### Validating XML Files

Before it processes any data, the Bulk Loader validates the XML files. The following table lists the files that the Bulk Loader validates for each type of Bulk Loader task.

Table 7-8 Files Validated by the Bulk Loader

For this task	The Bulk Loader validates	
Importing data	Bulk Loader configuration file	
	Repository data file	
Exporting data	Bulk Loader configuration file	
Deleting data	Bulk Loader configuration file	

To validate one of these types of XML files, the Bulk Loader checks it against the corresponding.dtd file. If the Bulk Loader detects an error in the XML file, it stops without processing the data.

#### **Checking Data Integrity**

After validating the XML files, the Bulk Loader checks the data integrity while it is processing the data. To check data integrity, the Bulk Loader verifies that the information in the XML files does not conflict with the information in the repository.

For example, if the Bulk Loader is adding a new data element to the repository and if the new data element references another data element, the Bulk Loader makes sure that the referenced data element exists in the repository or in the repository data file.

#### Checking Data Integrity While Importing or Deleting

To have data integrity checked while data is being imported or deleted, set the transaction-level attribute in the Bulk Loader configuration file, as shown in Listing 7-3. If you do not set transaction-level, the Bulk Loader uses the default value. The Bulk Loader performs one of the following sets of actions, depending on the value of transaction-level:

- all—The Bulk Loader performs a single transaction for all the data. If the Bulk Loader detects invalid data during the transaction, it rolls back the entire transaction and stops. The repository is left in exactly the same condition it was in before the Bulk Loader started importing or deleting data.
- default—The Bulk Loader performs a separate transaction for each of the following types of data elements:
  - Extended property set
  - Text document
  - Message definition
  - Logic plug-in
  - Business process
  - Role
  - Business protocol definition
  - Trading partner profile
  - Document exchange
  - Transport
  - Delivery channel
  - XPath expression
  - Collaboration protocol agreement
  - Party

If the Bulk Loader detects invalid data during a transaction for one of these types of data elements, it rolls back the current transaction and then performs the next transaction.

If the Bulk Loader detects invalid data for a B2B configuration data element at the B2B level (such as a wlc attribute), it rolls back all transactions that have been performed for that B2B element and stops.

#### **Checking Data Integrity During an Export**

If the Bulk Loader detects invalid data in the Bulk Loader configuration file, it does not perform the export.

## Forcing the Bulk Loader

By default, the Bulk Loader does not import, export, or delete data while the B2B engine is running. If, for some reason, the B2B engine does not shut down normally, the Bulk Loader fails with the following error:

```
ERROR: WLC is still running or was shut down abnormally.
```

You can override this error and force the command to execute by adding the -force option to the Bulk Loader command file. You can update the existing Bulk Loader command file, or you can copy and update the file, as described in the following procedure:

- 1. Make a copy, with a new name, of the Bulk Loader command file appropriate for your platform, as shown in the following examples:
  - On Windows:

```
cd BEA_HOME\wlintegration2.1\bin
copy bulkloader.cmd bulkloaderforce.cmd
```

• On UNIX:

```
cd BEA_HOME/wlintegration2.1/bin
cp bulkloader.sh bulkloaderforce.sh
```

2. Open the new file (in this example, the bulkloaderforce command file) in your preferred text editor.

3. Locate the following line in the new file:

java %DB\_JVMARGS% -classpath %WLICP% com.bea.b2b.bulkloader.BulkLoader -v %CTLFILE%

- 4. Add the -force option to this line, as follows:
  - java ... com.bea.b2b.bulkloader.BulkLoader -v -force %CTLFILE%
- 5. Save and close the file.
- 6. Execute the newly created command file to force the import or export of the desired data.

# 8 Configuring Persistence and Recovery

The following sections describe how WebLogic Integration provides persistence and recovery for B2B integration applications:

- Understanding Persistence and Recovery
- Configuring B2B Engine Startup
- Configuring Persistence and Recovery

# **Understanding Persistence and Recovery**

The B2B engine must be configured to run in one of the following modes:

- Persistent mode
  In this mode, persistence is set to ON. The in-memory, dynamic state of B2B objects is saved to, and can be retrieved from, persistent storage in the database respository. Run-time states can be recovered in the event of an abnormal shutdown or crash.
- Nonpersistent mode
  In this mode, persistence is set to OFF. The in-memory, dynamic state of B2B objects is not saved. State information does not survive system restarts.

The persistence setting used by the B2B engine is determined by the configuration of the B2B engine startup class. (For instructions on configuring this class, see "Configuring B2B Engine Startup" on page 8-6.) Thus, as soon as you start WebLogic Integration, as described in "Getting Started" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration, the B2B engine starts running in either persistent or nonpersistent mode. The setting for persistence cannot be changed as long as the B2B engine is running.

Fortunately, it is not necessary to shut down your entire WebLogic Integration domain in order change the setting for persistence. Only the B2B engine needs to be shut down, and the B2B Console supports shutdown of this single component. (See "Starting and Stopping the B2B Engine from the B2B Console" in *Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration*). The ability to shut down only the B2B engine is advantageous because it allows you to stop only one functional area of WebLogic Integration; even when the B2B engine is shut down, all other WebLogic Integration applications and resources continue running. When you restart the B2B engine from the B2B console, you are prompted to specify a setting for persistence.

The following sections provide the information you need to understand the consequences of starting or restarting in persistent or nonpersistent mode.

#### **Understanding Persistent Mode**

In persistent mode, all state records are read from and written to persistent storage and are not cached in memory. In persistent mode, the B2B engine stores the states of the following types of run-time objects in persistent storage:

- System
- Delivery channels
- Trading partners sessions
- Conversations
- Messages
- Message queues
- Workflow instance
- Tables related to the preceding objects

Like B2B configuration elements, the data required to support persistence is stored in the database repository. The B2B engine creates a state record for each run-time component that it creates during processing. A state record is a row in a database table; the row represents an object state.

The B2B engine caches all persistent state objects in memory, and saves all information necessary to recover these objects in the database. Updates to state objects are mirrored in the database.

Multiple objects can change state as a message is processed by the B2B engine. The B2B engine updates persistent storage for these objects as a group. If a message passes through the B2B engine successfully, then the recorded changes are retained. If message processing fails at any point, the B2B engine can retry some operations. When an operation fails, the B2B engine discards the changes that the operation caused. To maintain and update a set of objects states as a group, the B2B engine uses transactions.

The B2B engine performs special processing for messages. The message size and the large message support configuration determine how to save the message, as follows:

- If the message size exceeds the large message size threshold, and if large message support is enabled, the B2B engine does the following:
  - Saves the message in persistent storage on the file system, rather than in the database
  - Saves the message location in persistent storage in the database
- Otherwise, the B2B engine saves the entire message in persistent storage.

For information about the large message threshold and large message support, see "Configuring B2B Integration" in *Online Help for the WebLogic Integration B2B Console*.

#### **Understanding Nonpersistent Mode**

In nonpersistent mode, all state records other than those in the repository are maintained in memory and recovery is disabled. In nonpersistent mode, the B2B engine uses only in-memory tables to store the states of run-time objects. The only difference between persistent mode and nonpersistent mode is that in nonpersistent mode the B2B engine does not save states in persistent storage. This means that states cannot be retrieved when the system is shut down. As a result, state information does not survive system restarts.

**Notes:** We recommend that you use nonpersistent mode only when developing your WebLogic Integration B2B application, not in production.

If you migrate a Java messaging application written with the WebLogic Collaborate C-Enabler API, the migrated application must be run in a separate JVM in nonpersistent mode.

#### **Understanding Recovery**

When you restart after the B2B engine has been shut down, the recovery behavior is dependent on:

- Whether the B2B engine was running in persistent or nonpersistent mode before it was shut down
- Whether the shutdown was normal or abnormal

**Note:** When a crash occurs, you must resolve the cause of the crash and restart B2B integration to recover and reinstantiate the persistent data in the run-time environment.

■ Whether you are restarting in persistent or nonpersistent mode

You can shut down the B2B engine in either of two ways: by shutting down WebLogic Integration entirely, using the stopWeblogic command, or by shutting down the only B2B engine from the B2B Console. When the B2B engine is successfully shut down using either of these methods, the shutdown is considered normal. For additional information about the shutdown options, see "Stopping WebLogic Integration" and "Starting and Stopping the B2B Engine from the B2B Console" in *Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration*.

In a normal shutdown, the state tables are emptied.

When the B2B engine is restarted after a shutdown, its behavior depends on whether it is restarted in persistent mode or nonpersistent mode:

- If the B2B engine starts in nonpersistent mode, it does not undertake any particular recovery activities.
- If the B2B engine starts in persistent mode, it tries to read state records from persistent storage to determine whether or not to perform the recovery procedure. If the B2B engine shutdown was normal, or if it was not running in persistent mode at the time of the shutdown, no state records are found. Otherwise, the B2B engine performs the following recovery procedure:
  - a. Reinstantiates active run-time objects, such as delivery channels and trading partner sessions.
  - b. Terminates conversations that expired while the B2B engine was down.
  - c. Restarts message queues for active trading partners.

# **Configuring B2B Engine Startup**

The configuration of the B2B engine startup class determines the persistence setting the B2B engine uses when you start WebLogic Integration. The following procedure describes how to view or modify the B2B engine startup configuration from the WebLogic Server Administration Console.

To view or modify the startup configuration:

- 1. Start the WebLogic Server Administration Console, as described in "Starting the WebLogic Server Administration Console" in *Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration*.
- In the navigation tree, choose Deployments→Startup & Shutdown →WLCStartUp.
- 3. Select the Configuration tab.

The WLCStartUp configuration is displayed. One of the following is displayed in the Arguments text box:

- PERSISTENCE=ON
   The B2B engine is configured to start in persistent mode.
- PERSISTENCE=OFF
  The B2B engine is configured to start in nonpersistent mode.

For example, in the configuration shown in the following figure, the B2B engine is configured to start in nonpersistent mode.

Figure 8-1 Startup Configuration



- 4. To modify the current setting, edit as required.
- 5. Close the WebLogic Server Administration Console.
- To initiate the new settings, shut down and restart WebLogic Integration as follows:
  - Follwow the shutdown instructions in "Stopping WebLogic Integration" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration.
  - Follow the restart instructions in "Starting WebLogic Integration" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration.

You can also update the startup class by editing the config.xml file. If you use this method, you must shut down WebLogic Integration before you edit the file. Any changes made to the file while WebLogic Integration is running will be lost.

To modify the startup class in the config.xml file:

- 1. Make sure WebLogic Integration has been shut down.
- 2. Open the config.xml file for the domain in your preferred text editor.
- 3. Locate the following entry:

```
<StartupClass
  ClassName="com.bea.b2b.server.Startup"
  Name="WLCStartup"
  Arguments="PERSISTENCE=OFF"
  Targets="myserver"/>
```

4. Edit to set persistence on or off, as required.

# **Configuring Persistence and Recovery**

The following table summarizes how to set the persistence mode when you start the B2B engine. For details about the start procedures referenced in the table, see "Starting WebLogic Integration" and "Starting and Stopping the B2B Engine from the B2B Console" in Starting, Stopping, and Customizing BEA WebLogic Integration.

**Table 8-1 Setting the Persistence Mode** 

When you start the B2B engine from the	Do the following to start in persistent mode	Or do the following to start in nonpersistent mode
B2B Console	<ol> <li>Select the high-level Monitoring tab.</li> <li>Select the nested General tab.</li> <li>Click Start this server. A dialog box is displayed.</li> <li>In the dialog box, make sure the Persistence On option is selected.</li> <li>Click Yes.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Select the high-level Monitoring tab.</li> <li>Select the nested General tab.</li> <li>Click Start this server. A dialog box is displayed.</li> <li>In the dialog box, make sure the Persistence On option is selected.</li> <li>Click Yes.</li> </ol>
Start menu or command line	Start WebLogic Integration in one of the following ways:  Run the startWebLogic command.  Use the Start Server shortcut.  Note: By default, Persistence is on in the WebLogic Integration preconfigured domains.	<ol> <li>Set Persistence to OF, as described in "Configuring B2B Engine Startup" on page 8-6.</li> <li>Start WebLogic Integration in one of the following ways:</li> <li>Run the startWebLogic command.</li> <li>Use the Start Server shortcut.</li> </ol>

# **A** Update Considerations

Table A-1 summarizes details about configuration parameters that you should keep in mind when updating your configuration of the B2B engine, trading partners, conversation definitions, collaboration agreements, logic plug-ins, and business protocols.

Table A-1 B2B Configuration Update Considerations

Element	Category	Parameter	<b>Update Considerations</b>
B2B	General	B2B engine name	Cannot be updated by the user.
		Description	Can be updated at any time, but changes do
		Large Message Support	<ul> <li>not become effective until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.</li> </ul>
	Security	System Password	Can be updated at any time, but changes do not become effective until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.
		Audit Log Class	
		Certificate Verification Class	
		Secure Timestamp Class	_
		Certificate Authority Directory	

Table A-1 B2B Configuration Update Considerations (Continued)

Element	Category	Parameter	<b>Update Considerations</b>
B2B	Proxy	Host	Can be updated at any time, but changes do
(Continued)		Port	<ul> <li>not become effective until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.</li> </ul>
	Preferences	Number of items displayed per page (1-50)	Can be updated at any time. The update becomes effective immediately.
		Default retry value	-
		Default retry interval	•
		Default timeout value	•
		Hide advanced configuration controls	-
		Display entities in the navigation tree	-

**Table A-1 B2B Configuration Update Considerations (Continued)** 

Element	Category	Parameter	<b>Update Considerations</b>
Trading Partners	General	Name	Cannot be updated.  Workaround: Delete the obsolete trading partner name and create a new name in its place.
			<b>Note:</b> You cannot delete a trading partner if it is engaged in a trading partner session.
		Description	Can be updated at any time. The update
		Туре	— becomes effective immediately.
		Address	_
		Email	<del>_</del>
		Phone	<del>_</del>
		Fax	<del>_</del>
		WLS User Name	Can be updated at any time, but the update does not become effective until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.
		State	Can be updated at any time. The update becomes effective immediately.
	Party IDs	Party ID	Can be added at any time.
			An existing party ID cannot be updated if the trading partner is engaged in a trading partner session.
		Business ID	Cannot be updated if the trading partner is
		Business ID Type	— engaged in a trading partner session.
	Certificates	Certificate Name	A certificate can be added at any time, but the
		Certificate Type	<ul> <li>addition is not available until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.</li> </ul>
		Certificate Location	An existing certificate cannot be updated if it is in the security cache.
		Private Key Location	is in the security cache.

**Table A-1 B2B Configuration Update Considerations (Continued)** 

Element	Category	Parameter	<b>Update Considerations</b>
Trading Partners (Continued)	Doc Exchange	Document Exchange Name	A document exchange can be added at any time.  An existing document exchange cannot be updated while the B2B engine is running.
		Business Protocol Binding	
		Business Protocol Definition	
		End Point Type	
	Doc Exchange	Confirmed Delivery	Cannot be updated while the B2B engine is
	XOCP Specific Settings	Message History	running.
	-	Retries	
		Digital Signature (Nonrepudiation)	A digital certificate can be added at any time but the addition is not available until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted
			An existing certificate cannot be updated if i is in the security cache.
	Doc Exchange	Shared Secret	Cannot be updated while the B2B engine is
	cXML Specific Settings	Signature Certificate	running.
	Doc Exchange	Digital Signature	A digital signature can be added at any time
	RosettaNet 1.1 Specific Settings	(Nonrepudiation)	but the new signature is not available until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted
			An existing certificate cannot be updated if i is in the security cache.
	Doc Exchange	Encryption	An encryption certificate can be added at any
	RosettaNet 2.0 Specific Settings		time, but the addition is not available until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted
			An existing certificate cannot be updated if is in the security cache.
		Digital Signature (Nonrepudiation)	A digital certificate can be added at any time but the addition is not available until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted
			An existing certificate cannot be updated if is in the security cache.

**Table A-1 B2B Configuration Update Considerations (Continued)** 

Element	Category	Parameter	Update Considerations
Trading Partners (Continued)	Transport	Transport Name	A transport can be added at any time.  Cannot be updated while the B2B engine is running.
		Transport Protocol	
		Security Protocol	
		Endpoints	
	Delivery Channels	Delivery Channel Name	Cannot be updated while the B2B engine is running.
		Transport	
		Document Exchange	
	Advanced XOCP Filters & Routers	XOCP Filter XPath Expressions	Can be updated at any time. The update becomes effective immediately.
		XOCP Router XPath Expressions	
	Advanced Extended Properties	Property Name	Can be updated at any time. The update becomes effective immediately.
		Property Value	
		Attributes	
Conversations	General	Name	Cannot be updated.
			Workaround: Delete the obsolete conversation definition name and create a new name in its place.
			<b>Note:</b> You cannot delete a conversation definition if an active conversation is using the definition.
		Version	Conversation definition parameters cannot be  updated if there is an active conversation using the conversation definition.
		Description	
		Business Protocol	
		Default Timeout	
		Roles	

Table A-1 B2B Configuration Update Considerations (Continued)

Element	Category	Parameter	<b>Update Considerations</b>
Collaboration Agreements	General	Collaboration Agreement Name	Cannot be updated.
			Workaround: Delete the obsolete agreement name and create a new name in its place.
			<b>Note:</b> You cannot delete a collaboration agreement if it is registered.
		Description	Can be updated at any time. The update becomes effective immediately.
		Version	Cannot be updated when the collaboration – agreement is registered.
		Conversation Definition	
	Parties	Trading Partner	An existing party definition cannot be updated while the B2B engine is running. Parties can be added at any time.
		Role	
Logic Plug-Ins	General	Name	Cannot be updated.
			Workaround: Delete the obsolete logic plug-in name and create a new name in its place.
			Note: When you delete a logic plug-in, the plug-in remains in use until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.
			Custom logic plug-in definitions can be added at any time.
		Description	Can be updated at any time, but the updates  do not become effective until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.
		Type	
		Java Class Name	
		Parameters for Java Class	

**Table A-1 B2B Configuration Update Considerations (Continued)** 

Element	Category	Parameter	<b>Update Considerations</b>
Business Protocol	General	Name	Cannot be updated by the user.
		Description	
		Business Protocol	
	Filters & Routers	Java Class Name	Custom logic plug-ins can be added to the  router or filter chain, and existing plug-ins can be updated at any time, but the updates do  not become effective until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.
		Filter Chain	
		Router Chain	
	XOCP Filters &	XOCP Filter	XPath filter and router expressions can be added to the XOCP business protocol  definition, but they do not become effective until WebLogic Server is shut down and restarted.
	Routers	XPath Expressions	
		XOCP Router XPath Expressions	