Monitoring Log Volume Surge

EventTracker Enterprise

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About this Guide:

This guide will help the end user to use the utility in monitoring log volume surge on specific system or machine.

Scope:

The configurations detailed in this guide are consistent with EventTracker Enterprise.

Audience:

IT/Security administrators who want to monitor if there is a surge of log volume, which might require attention.

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Introduction:

There might be instances where due to mis-configuration of a device/application or in cases of some error condition, there would be flooding of logs. This results in higher load on EventTracker Manager, which might further lead to low disk space or malfunctioning of manager system.

The “MonitorLogVolume” utility will help in monitoring if there is a surge in log volume observed on the EventTracker Manager server.
Pre-requisite

- EventTracker should be installed.
- .NET 4.5 should be installed.
Steps to Schedule the Utility

- Download and apply the updates as per your EventTracker version.
  - For v7.5, apply the update `ET75U15-2001`.
  - For v7.6, apply the update `ET76U15-2000`.
  - For v8.0, apply the update `ET80U15-2002`.

Configure the "MonitorLogVolumeSurge.exe.config" as per requirement:

Under the `<appsettings>` section,

```xml
<appSettings>
  <!-- Count of EC2 file limit after which we assume cache build up is occurring-->
  <add key="EC2ThresholdCount" value="100"/>

  <!-- Increment count of EC2 file. The ec2 files should increase by this value or more everytime the check is done-->
  <add key="IncrementThreshold" value="5"/>

  <!-- Email address to inform when log volume is observed. Multiple email ids separated by comma-->
  <add key="SendEmailAddress" value="healthcheck@eventtracker.com,myemail@company.com"/>
</appSettings>
```

**NOTE:**

- In the threshold count, enter the count value beyond which you assume the cache build up might occur. The count Value must be within double quotes (Ex: "100")

- In the Increment Threshold, put the increment value by which the EC2 should increase everytime the check is done. (The Increment Count should also be within double quotes (Ex: “5”).

- In the SendEmailAddress, you can add an email address for sending the details of log volume surge to the concerned user. (Make sure that the SMTP is configured in the EventTracker web. You can also provide multiple email ids, separated by comma).

For scheduling MonitorLogVolume Utility,

- Go to Task Scheduler> Create a Task.
- Now, in the **General** tab, enter the name: "MonitorLogVolume" and select the check box as highlighted below in the figure:

![Create Task](image)

**Figure 1**

- In the **Trigger** tab, click the **New** button to create a New trigger.
- Select the date and the time.
- Select the option “Daily” and click the checkbox “Repeat task every” as “10 Minutes” and for duration of as “indefinitely” as highlighted below:

**NOTE:** It is suggested to run this task under the service account used for “EventTracker Remoting” service.
In the Action tab, click the New button.
Click the Browse button to select the path as shown below:
Review the configuration settings and click OK.

The "MonitorLogVolume" utility gets configured and gets listed in the Task Scheduler to run on the scheduled time.

**Intimation of Log Volume Surge**

The application will send an email to the email address(s) provided in the configuration explained above. Also an event with Event Id "9800" and Event Source "EventTracker" is logged to the eventlog.