Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise Power Manager
Release Notes
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Release summary

Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise Power Manager is an extension to Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise (OME) console and uses fine-grained instrumentation to provide increased visibility over power consumption, anomalies, and utilization. Also, Power Manager alerts and reports about power and thermal events with servers, chassis, and custom groups consisting of servers and chassis. This enables increased control, faster response times, greater accuracy, and broader decision-making intelligence than would otherwise be possible.

When used with PowerEdge servers, or modular systems with an iDRAC Enterprise license, or supported chassis, and OpenManage Enterprise Advanced license, Power Manager leverages information from OME console for platform-level power reporting. Power Manager then communicates with Integrated Dell Remote Access Controller (iDRAC) or Chassis Management Controller (CMC) on each managed server to provide power-management data, and execution of control policy—making it easy for Administrators to identify areas to gain efficiencies and cut wasteful costs.

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Priority and recommendations

Dell EMC recommends the customer to review specifics about the update to determine if it applies to your system. The update contains changes that impact only certain configurations, or provides new features that may or may not apply to your environment.

Compatibility

For the complete list about supported devices, protocols, hardware, and web browsers, see Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise Power Manager User’s Guide.
New in this release

- Monitor power and thermal metrics for the supported devices and preserve data up to an year.
- Create and maintain power policies that enable you to set a power cap on the power consumption of the devices or devices that are part of a group using the Policies feature.
- Throttle down the power consumption or shut down the devices and devices that are part of a group during an emergency using Emergency Power Reduction (EPR) feature.
- Create threshold limits for power and temperature specifying warning and critical limits for devices and groups using the Alert Threshold feature.
- Generate predefined or custom reports to view power and thermal consumption of the devices and devices that are part of a group using Reports feature.
- Addition to Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise dashboard to have quick access to Power Manager devices and groups.

Known issues

Issue 1

Description:
When you are trying to apply EPR on a device, the EPR operation may fail and there is an entry in the Audit Logs.

Resolution:
Ensure that all the following conditions are met:

- There is at least one device in the group that is eligible for applying EPR
- **Throttle** option is applicable for the following devices:
  - If the device is a server, then iDRAC Enterprise license is applied
  - If the device is PowerEdge M1000e or PowerEdge MX7000 chassis
- **Shutdown** option is applicable only for servers.

Issue 2

Description:
After rebooting OpenManage Enterprise appliance, if you try to perform any extension lifecycle-related actions for Power Manager, the job is initiated in the back-end but you still see the Console and Extensions page. And, the following message is displayed after some time: This page isn’t working

Resolution:
Wait for some time and view the status. The extension lifecycle-related action is completed successfully.

Issue 3

Description:
For an MX7000 chassis, the power cap value is displayed as same as the upper bound value. When you manually change the power cap percentage, the value is not updated and even if you change the value, the percentage is not updated.

Resolution:
Provide the power cap value and save the policy. The policy imposes the specified power cap value on the selected devices or groups.

Issue 4
Description:
When the time span of an active policy is changed, the policy is not disabled on the device.

Resolution:
Resolve the issue using one of the following methods:
• Manually disable the policy on the device.
• Disable the policy in Power Manager, change the time span, and then enable the policy.

Issue 5
Description:
Critical or warning alerts are not generated for temperature and power when the threshold values are configured on a fresh appliance or after enabling or disabling Power Manager.

Resolution:
To receive the alerts, reconfigure the alert threshold values.

Issue 6
Description:
Built-in report with the duration set for 1 Day and aggregation period set for 1 Hour has fewer entries when the appliance VM and base machine are configured in different time zones.

Resolution:
Configure the appliance and base machine to the same time zone.

Issue 7
Description:
Events are not generated for the following combination of temperature threshold violations:
• Lower Warning to Upper Warning
• Lower Critical to Upper Critical
• Upper Warning to Lower Warning
• Upper Critical to Lower Critical

Resolution:
Provide realistic warning and critical values so that there are no immediate alert generating temperature changes.

Issue 8
Description:
If the PowerEdge M1000e, VRTX, FX2, and FX2s chassis are discovered with Viewer privileges, then policy and EPR features of Power Manager do not work as expected.

Resolution:
Discover the device in OpenManage Enterprise using administrator privileges.

Issue 9
Description:
When you try to remove a device that is part of multiple groups using the REST API, then an error message is displayed.

Resolution:
To remove a device that is part of multiple groups, remove the device from the group in OpenManage Enterprise. The changes are automatically reflected in Power Manager.

Issue 10
Description:
When updating OpenManage Enterprise, if the OpenManage Enterprise and Power Manager files are present in same share folder, then there is an error message displayed.

Resolution:
You can ignore this message as OpenManage Enterprise gets updated successfully.

Issue 11
Description:
Multiple entries on group membership changes in Audit Logs.

Resolution:
When there are updates to the static group membership through OpenManage Enterprise, there are multiple entries of this update in the Audit Logs and Alert Log.

Issue 12
Description:
When you select the Ignore option for a group alert in Alert Log page, you still receive the alerts. Only the alerts for the first device of the group are ignored.

Resolution:
Create an alert policy by selecting the group for which you want to ignore the alerts by selecting the Ignore option in Create Alert Policy wizard.

Installation instructions
To monitor power and thermal data for devices or groups, install Power Manager extension on OpenManage Enterprise.

°C | NOTE: Installing an extension on OpenManage Enterprise restarts the appliance services.

For information about installing Power Manager, see Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise Power Manager User's Guide.

Contacting Dell

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