Manage Virtual Machines with Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Software (NFVIS) CLI

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Introduction

This document describes how to do basic Virtual Machine (VM) management in Network Function Virtualization Infrastructure Software (NFVIS) via command line interface (CLI).

Background Information

NFVIS is a part of Enterpise Network Function Virtualization (ENFV). NFVIS is the software platform that implements full life cycle management from the central orchestrator and controller (APIC-EM and ESA) for virtualized services. NFVIS enables the connectivity between virtual services and external interfaces as well as supporting the underlying hardware.

Prerequisites

Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- ENFV
- NFVIS

Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software:

Enterprise NFV Infrastructure Software version 3.5.1

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of

the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, make sure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

Problem

The command **show system deployments deployment** shows the list of VMs and their status.

The problem is that names under column **NAME** are not the full names for VMs. For VM management you need to find the full name to perform actions with it.

Find Virtual Machines Full Name

In order to find the full name of VM you need to run the command **show vm_lifecycle opdata tenants tenant**. You will see VM name in a line that begins with **name**, as well as in **VM NAME** column.

Tip: If you look for VMs in specific tenant, you can add the tenant name to the end of command.

```
bdsol-encs-01# show vm_lifecycle opdata tenants tenant
vm_lifecycle opdata tenants tenant admin
tenant_id AdminTenantId
networks network int-mgmt-net
 netid
                      085d726e-3193-469b-b9f8-7415e3e8b880
 shared
                      true
 admin_state
 provider_network_type local
                      active
 subnets subnet int-mgmt-net-subnet
  subnetid c56aa2e2-fd96-4e25-8744-0684acc2b14f
           10.20.0.0/24
  gateway 10.20.0.1
  no_gateway false
  dhcp false
  ipversion 4
deployments 1494763184 - -
 deployment_id SystemAdminTenantId1494763184
 vm_group ISRv
  vm_instance ae521a5b-f173-4b22-9b05-2130b346fbe3
          SystemAdminTena_ISRv_0_1989b9c8-311a-43d6-94e1-385752a3cc44
   host_id NFVIS
   hostname bdsol-encs-01
   interfaces interface 0
              virtio
    model
    port_id vnic0
    network
              int-mgmt-net
    subnet
              N/A
    ip_address 10.20.0.2
    mac_address 52:54:00:60:44:a6
    netmask 255.255.255.0
    gateway
              10.20.0.1
```

```
interfaces interface 1
    model virtio
    port_id vnic1
             N/A
    network
    subnet
             N/A
    ip_address 127.0.0.1
    mac_address 52:54:00:0b:b9:95
   interfaces interface 2
            virtio
    model
    port_id
             vnic2
             N/A
    network
    subnet
             N/A
    ip_address 127.0.0.1
    mac_address 52:54:00:ab:32:cd
 state_machine state SERVICE_ACTIVE_STATE
VM NAME
                                                     STATE
SystemAdminTena ISRv 0 1989b9c8-311a-43d6-94e1-385752a3cc44 VM ALIVE STATE
deployments 1495371059 - -
 deployment_id SystemAdminTenantId1495371059
 vm_group Linux
  vm_instance 82030189-61d2-4675-9ea5-2f2c9a0514c6
   name SystemAdminTena_Linux_0_58b32552-37ba-4759-8c25-28065fc6158d
   host_id NFVIS
  hostname bdsol-encs-01
   interfaces interface 0
    model virtio
    port_id vnic3
    network lan-net
    subnet N/A
 state_machine state SERVICE_INERT_STATE
SystemAdminTena_Linux_0_58b32552-37ba-4759-8c25-28065fc6158d VM_SHUTOFF_STATE
```

Manage Virtual Machines

To manage a VM you can use **vmAction** command, followed by **actionType** and **vmName**.

```
bdsol-encs-01# vmAction
Possible completions:
   actionType vmName
```

Type in **vmAction actionType** command to get the list of possible actions.

```
bdsol-encs-01# vmAction actionType
Possible completions: DISABLE_MONITOR ENABLE_MONITOR REBOOT START STOP
For example, to start a VM named SystemAdminTena_Linux_0_58b32552-37ba-4759-8c25-28065fc6158d use this command.
```

bdsol-encs-01# vmAction actionType START vmName SystemAdminTena_Linux_0_58b32552-37ba-4759-8c25-28065fc6158d

Verify

You have these options to verify VM status:

Use NFVIS CLI command show system deployments deployment

- Use NFVIS CLI command show vm_lifecycle opdata tenants tenant
- In GUI navigate to VM Life Cycle -> Manage, and see the status of VM
- Latest log events in log file /var/log/messages

An example of event generated in log file /var/log/messages:

bdsol-encs-01# vmAction actionType START vmName SystemAdminTena_Linux_0_58b32552-37ba-4759-8c25-28065fc6158d