

VBrick Video Buddy™ Quick Reference

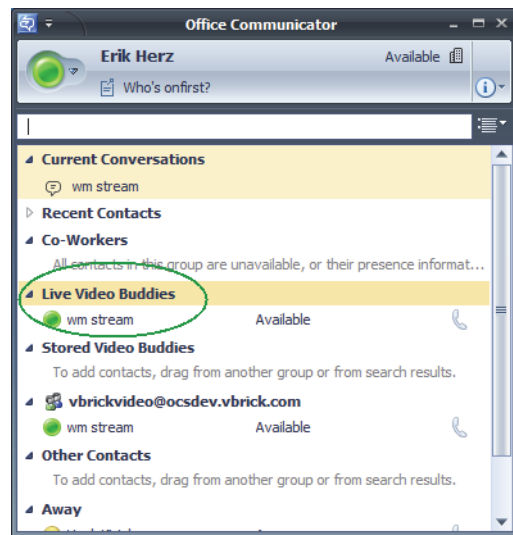
The VBrick OCS Streaming Gateway combines the power of video to every desktop with the real-time collaboration capability of instant messaging. You can view video from within Office Communicator or any OCS-enabled application. Within the Microsoft Office Communicator, you can see the availability and current program titles of always-on video content and click to watch.

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What's a Video Buddy?

VBrick's OCS (Office Communications Server) Streaming Gateway enables users to access live video feeds from within their Office Communicator client by clicking on a Video Buddy™. Video Buddies™ appear as OCS "presence icons" in Microsoft's OCS client and can be added manually to or pushed to Office Communicator client desktops via an Active Directory Distribution List.

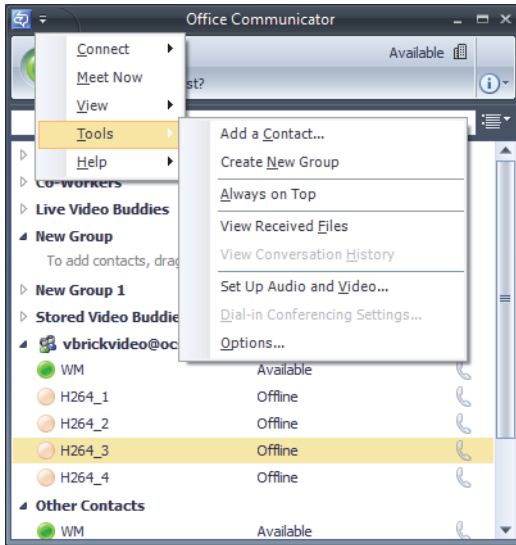
Users simply right-click on any Video Buddy to open an instant messaging session. The new Office Communicator session will automatically expand its Context Window and load the VBrick video player with the appropriate video stream.



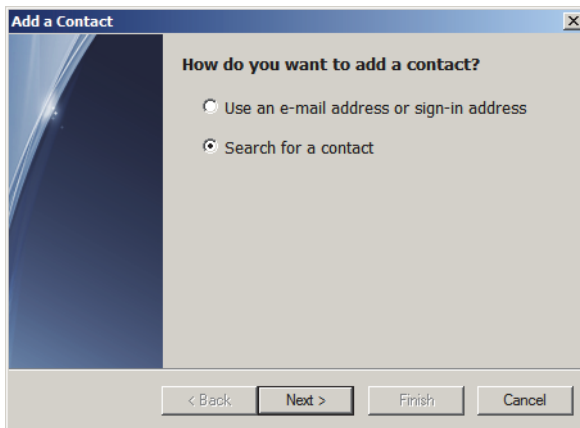
Adding a Video Buddy

Streaming video buddies are initially configured on the VBrick server by a system administrator. Once they have been configured, you can add them to your Office Communicator application as follows:

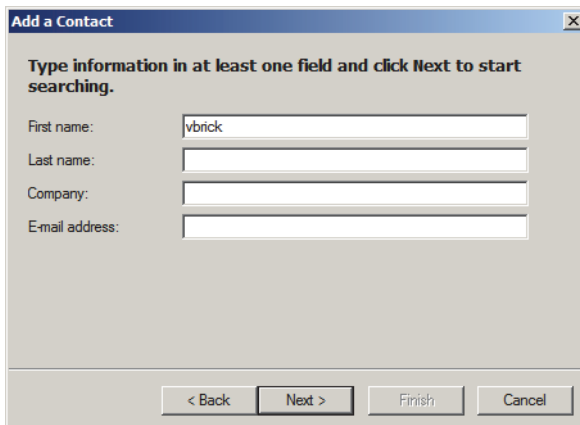
- ▼ To add video buddies to Office Communicator:
 1. Click on the **Show menu** icon in the upper-left corner of the page.
 2. Navigate to **Tools > Add a Contact**.



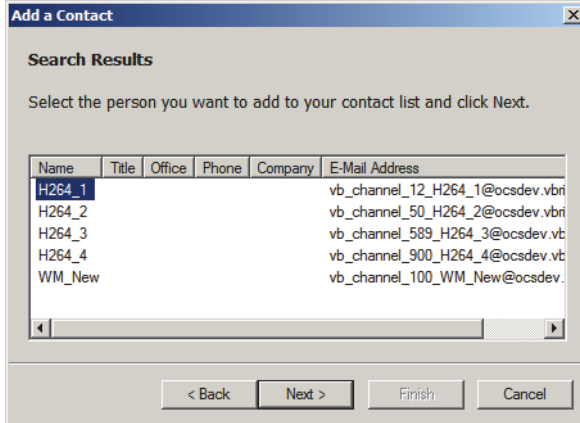
3. Select **Search for a contact** and click **Next**.



4. Type **vbrick** in the **First name** field and click **Next**.

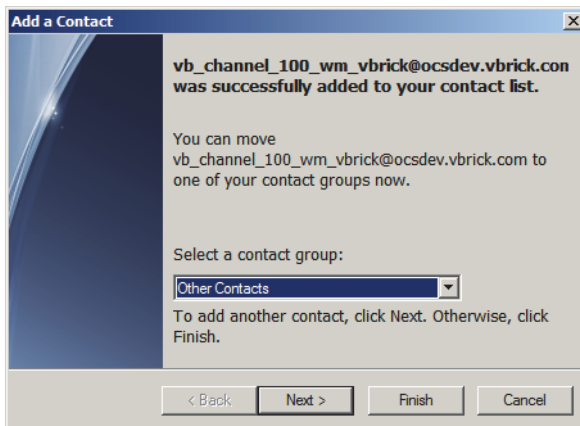


5. Select a **VBrick** channel by name and click **Next**.



6. A message will indicate the contact was successfully added. If desired, select a specific group from the dropdown that the new contact will be added to.

Note All available Video Buddies may be discovered and displayed. However, depending on your authentication privileges, you may not be able to play some Video Buddy streams.

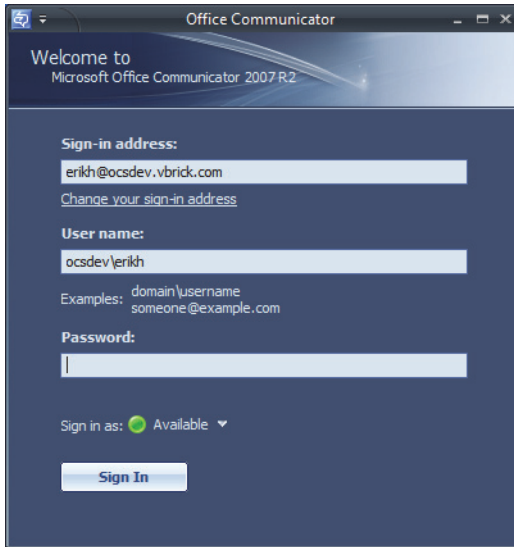


7. To add another contact, click **Next**. Otherwise click **Finish** to exit the wizard.

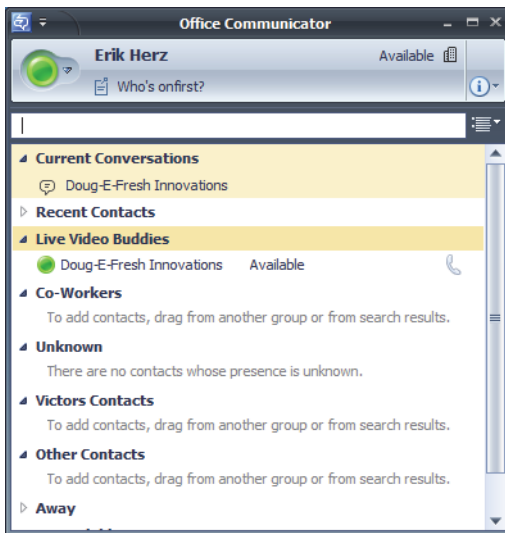
Playing a Video Buddy

▼ To launch Office Communicator:

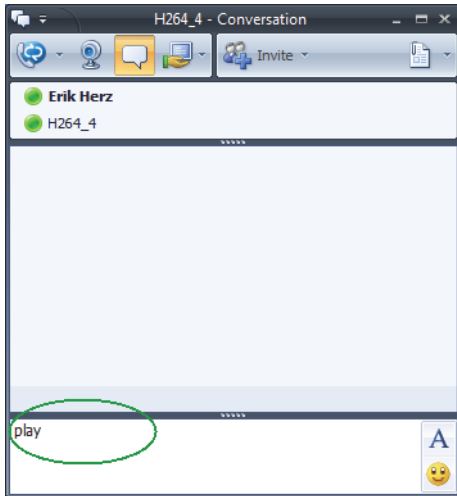
1. Go to **Start > Microsoft Office Communicator**.



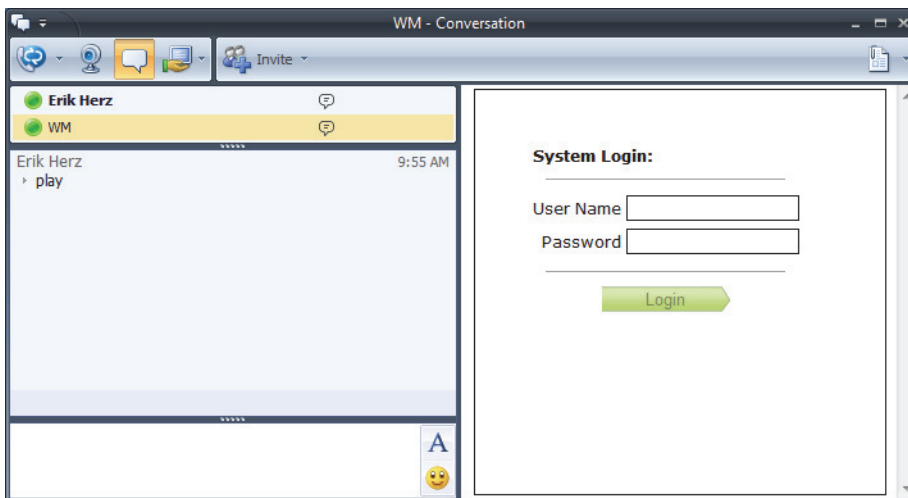
2. Login with a valid User name and Password to display your Office Communicator home page.



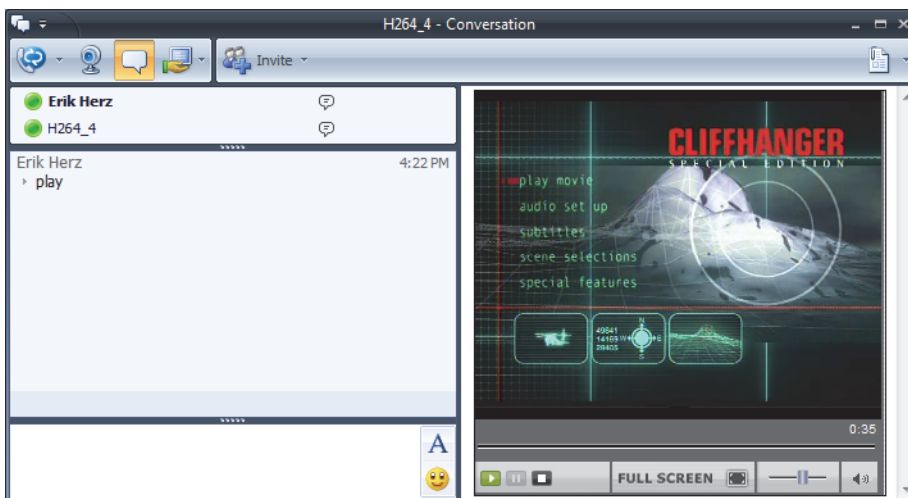
3. Double-click on any available **Video Buddy** or **Contact**. If your desktop has been configured by an administrator with specific VBrick components, the stream will auto launch in a new window although you may be prompted for a User Name and Password.
4. If not configured with VBrick components, the following page will display with a "chat" window at the bottom.




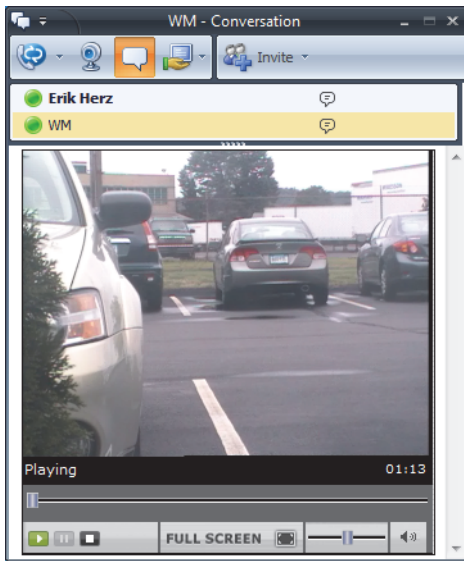
5. Type **play** in the text box and press **Enter**. If authentication is enabled and you are not already logged in, you will need to login to the VBrick Enterprise Media Server.



6. If prompted, login to the VEMS server with a valid user name and password and the stream will launch in a separate window on the right.



- Click the  icon to close the home page and view only the stream.



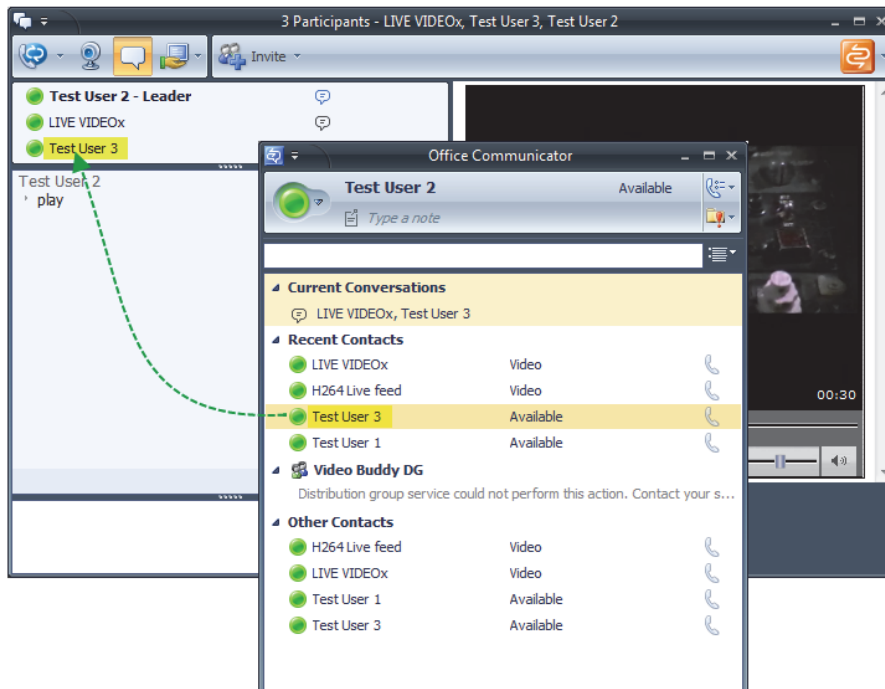
- Use the available controls to **Start**, **Pause**, **Stop**, go **Full Screen**, etc.

Sharing a Video Buddy

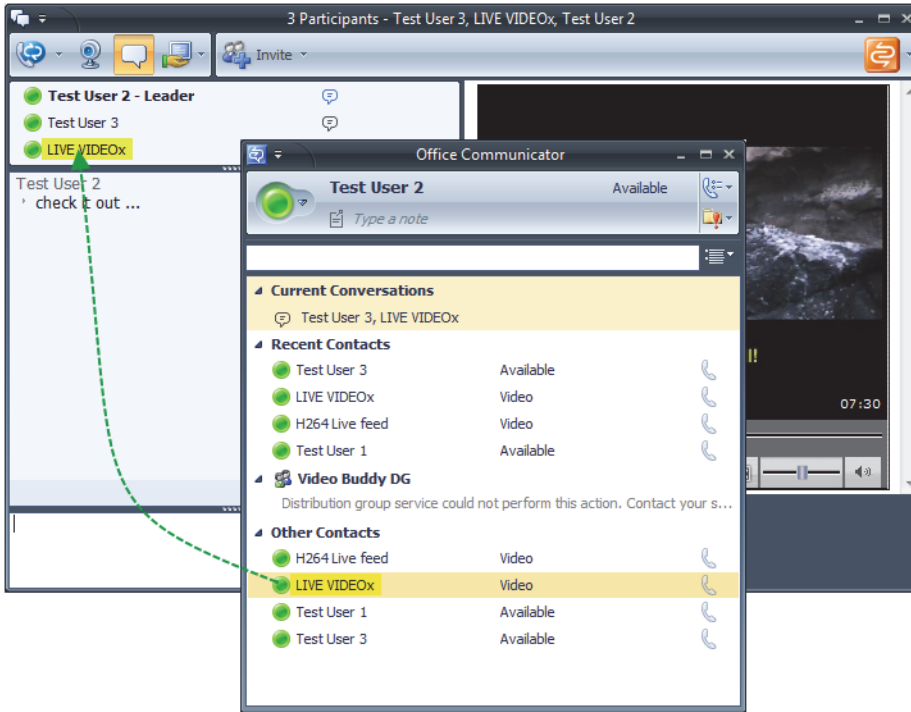
There are two ways to share a Video Buddy. The first method is to play a video and drag another *user* into the Contacts list. The second way is to launch a conversation and drag the *video* into the Contacts list.

▼ To share a Video Buddy:

- Play a video and drag a *user* into the Contacts list. The user will get a popup invitation to a conference and the video will automatically play in their Office Communicator client once they accept the invitation.



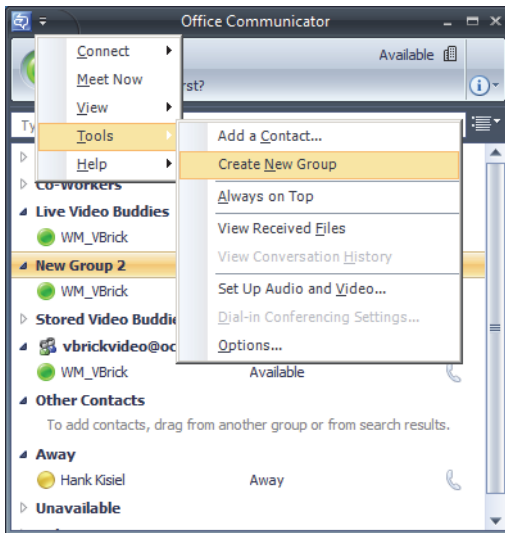
- An alternate method is to launch a conversation and drag a *video* into the Contacts list. The video will automatically play in their Office Communicator client.



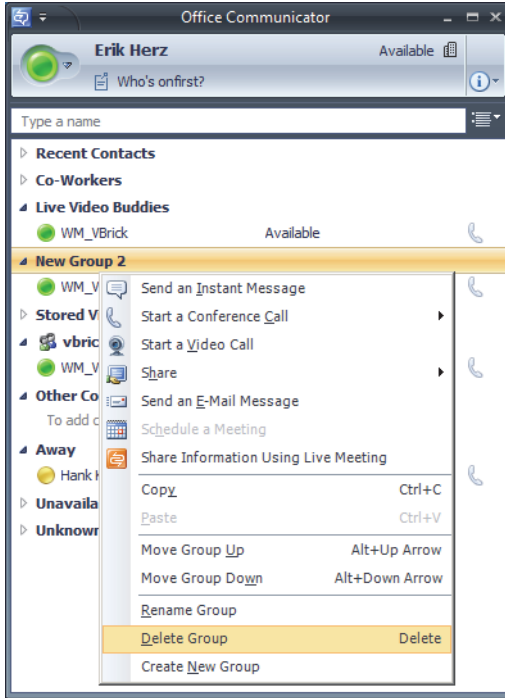
Adding Groups of Video Buddies

Sometimes it's helpful to arrange your Video Buddies into groups.

- ▼ To add groups of video buddies to your home page:
 - Click on the **Show menu** icon in the upper-left corner of the page.
 - Navigate to **Tools > Create New Group**.



- Enter a user-friendly name for the group.
- Once added you can right-click on the group name to move up, down, rename, delete, etc.



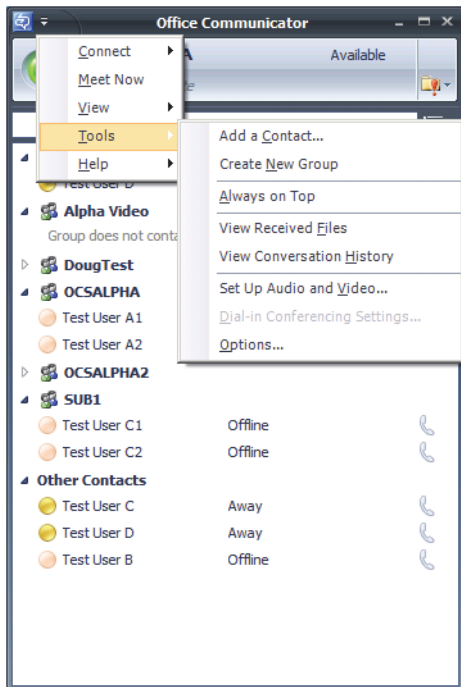
5. To add contacts, drag them from another group or from the search results.

Adding the VBrick Video Group

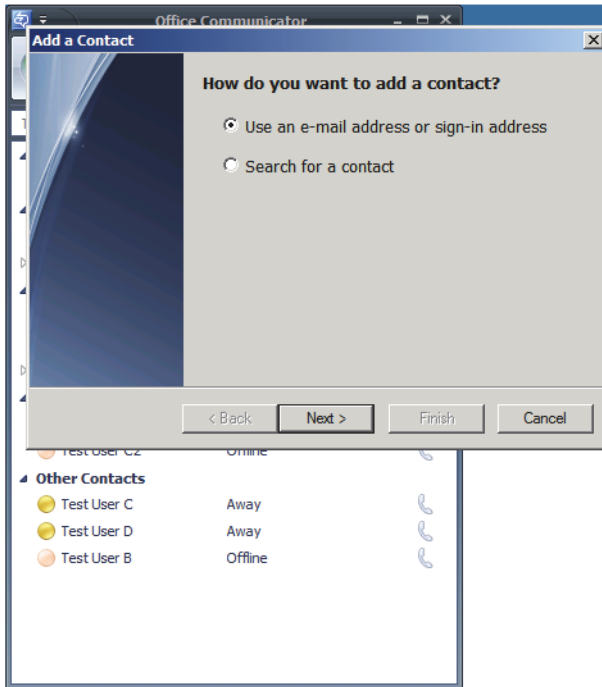
Use the following steps to quickly add the preconfigured VBrick Video group to your OCS client. This group will contain all VBrick streams that are currently available.

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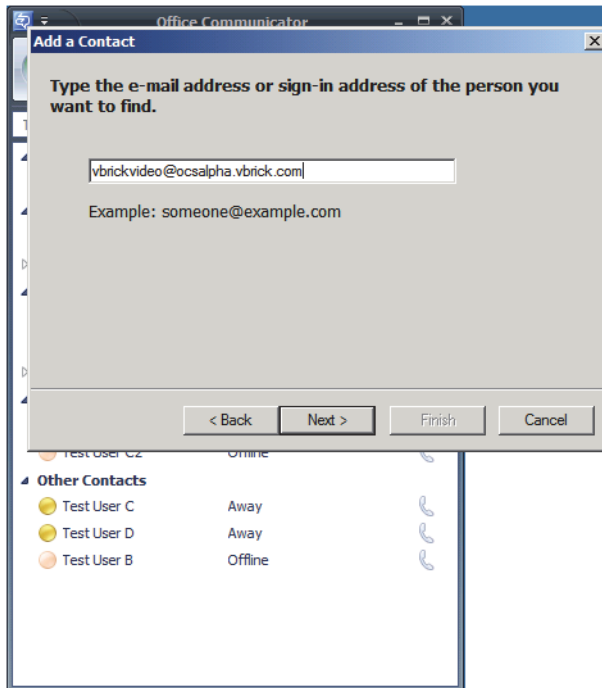
1. Select **Tools > Add a Contact** from the Office Communicator client menu.



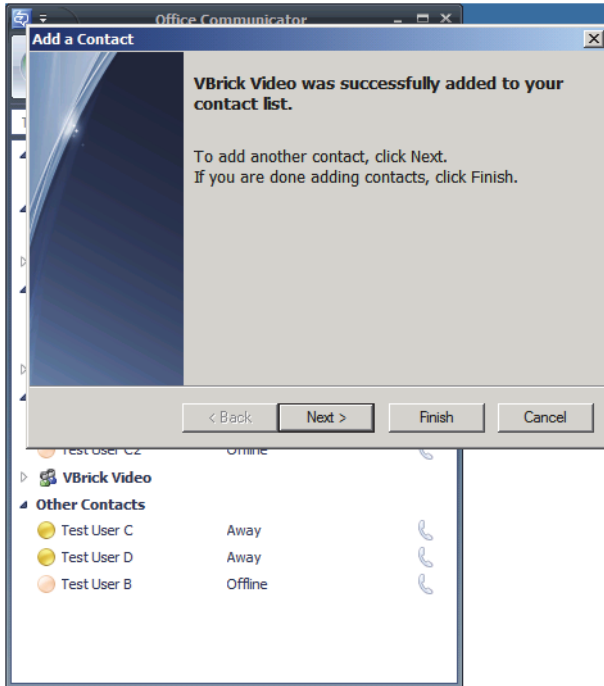
2. Select **Use an e-mail address or sign-in address**.



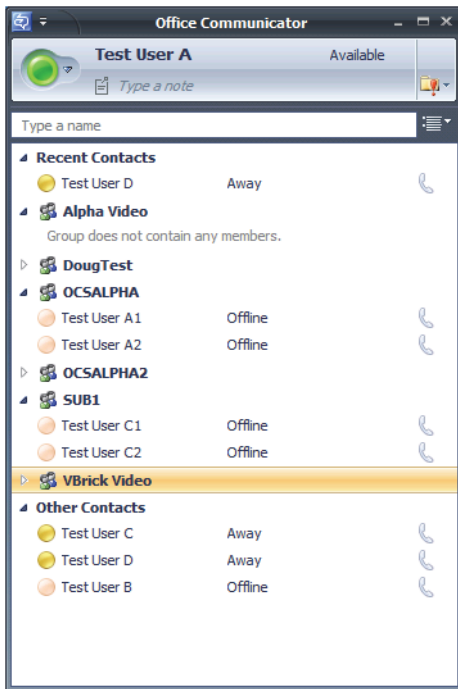
3. Type `vbrickvideo@<domain>` where `<domain>` is the e-mail address of the Distribution Group.



4. Click **Finish**.



5. The VBrick Video group will now be displayed on the Office Communicator client.



Receiving a Video Alert

When an administrator sends a Video Alert with an important video message such as an impending weather event, OCS users will see a "toast" pop up in the bottom right corner of their screen. To play the video, you simply click on the toast.

Once opened, the Video Alert works just like any other Video Buddy and you can add other users to the conversation, or use the available player controls to Start, Stop, Pause, etc.

