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**CRU-DATAPORT™ PREVIEWS NEW USB REMOVABLE DRIVE ENCLOSURE  
AT EMBEDDED SYSTEMS CONFERENCE IN BOSTON**

***Ideal Storage Device for Video Surveillance, Law Enforcement, Emergency  
Response and Field Agent Work***

VANCOUVER, Wash. (August 28, 2004) – CRU-DataPort™, developer of data security and storage devices since 1986, announced the new **DataPort 25 USB**, the latest in a line of rugged removable hard drive enclosures for small form factor systems. The palm-sized removable drive enclosure for 2.5” drives is now truly hot-swappable with a USB 2.0 interface, making it easy to change-out the drive without powering down the computer. Related options include encryption and external connection modes for easy portability and data sharing. The DataPort 25 USB begins shipping in September 2004.

DataPorts allow a computer or other devices hard drive to be removed and then safely transported to a secure storage location, to another system configured with a DataPort receiving frame or combined with an external DataPort HotDock™ to make data truly portable and allowing the drive contents to be shared with any USB or FireWire device.

“The popular DataPort 25 is a rugged small form factor removable storage device designed for systems with limited space but large amounts of media content, such as audio/video surveillance equipment, kiosks and ATM’s,” said Jon Johnson, executive director of marketing for CRU-DataPort. “The USB interface creates a truly plug-and-play device, making data downloads and content upgrades in the field much easier.”

In one application, the new USB device easily stores video surveillance data in emergency response vehicles. Elsewhere in the field, the new USB interface provides added flexibility by connecting to a PC from a distance of up to 16 feet with standard cabling.

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The DataPort 25's new USB 2.0 interface also simplifies high capacity multi-drive storage configurations thanks to readily available standard off-the-shelf USB hubs to connect to multiple DataPorts. The DataPort 25 USB "Hot Mounts" to any OS and is backwards compatible to USB 1.1. It's designed to fit in the same small space as a 3.5" floppy drive bay and supports any standard 2.5" hard drive, with current capacities of up to 120GB capable of storing hours of video surveillance files and other important data.

CRU will display the new DataPort 25 USB at booth #1015 at the Embedded Systems Conference, September 14-15, 2004, at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston, MA. For more information or to arrange an appointment, please contact Jon Johnson at (503) 887-3312 or [jjohnson@CRU-DataPort.com](mailto:jjohnson@CRU-DataPort.com).

#### About CRU-DataPort™

Founded in 1986 and based in Vancouver, Wash., CRU-DataPort™ develops and markets computer data security and storage devices. The company's DataPort™ brand of removable hard drive enclosures has become the de facto standard for physical data security and drive removal in government, education and corporate information technology departments. CRU-DataPort products are available through major distributors, OEMs, VARs and a host of resellers and systems integrators throughout the United States and abroad. For more information about CRU-DataPort, visit [www.CRU-DataPort.com](http://www.CRU-DataPort.com).