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CRU-DATAPORT™ DEBUTS SPACE-SAVING REMOVABLE DRIVE ENCLOSURES

New Low Profile And Small Form Factor DataPorts™ Ideal For Applications Where Space Is Limited

VANCOUVER, Wash. (March 22, 2004) – While space has become a premium in ever-shrinking computers and related equipment, technology users continue to demand increased functionality from their systems. CRU-DataPort's™ new small form factor DataPort 25 and low profile DataPort LP removable hard drive enclosures are the perfect solution for applications where space is limited yet performance is essential.

CRU's small form factor DataPort 25 is a removable drive enclosure that houses up to two 2.5-inch low-profile IDE drives while occupying a standard 3.5-inch floppy drive bay. Its unique design allows you to either double storage capacity with striping or increase fault tolerance with RAID 1 Mirroring. Constructed of heavy-duty stainless steel to withstand rugged applications, the space-saving enclosure features a dual-interface receiving frame that supports either IDE or Serial ATA (SATA) interfaces and a hideaway push-button eject mechanism for easy removal. The product is ideal for military use, test measurement, custom chassis, and other applications where space is limited.

The low profile DataPort LP makes any standard 3.5-inch low profile IDE hard drive removable yet requires only a small amount of added space. Perfect for 1U or 2U rackmount chassis and custom multi-drive applications, the enclosure was designed to minimize the required outer dimensions of removable hard drive housings while remaining durable and supporting the latest interface standards. The CE Certified low profile DataPort LP can be installed either vertically or horizontally and is made of extruded aluminum for light weight and strength. The carrier, which also features a hideaway release mechanism that stows out of sight, supports side mounting for drives while the frame supports side and bottom mounting for enclosure installation.

“The rugged design and cooling features of DataPort hard drive carriers make them the safest way to remove, transport and re-use drives frequently,” said Jon Johnson, director of sales and marketing for CRU-DataPort. “The new DataPort 25 continues that trend but in a much smaller and more flexible enclosure, suitable for mobile chassis like the ones used in police, military and forensics systems.

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“The new low profile DataPort LP also addresses space-constrained data environments and it’s all-extruded aluminum design makes it the sturdiest, yet affordable low profile removable for 3.5” disk drives.”

Both models have front view LEDs for drive activity and power status and feature built-in channel openings for maximum airflow and heat dissipation.

CRU will display its new low profile and small form factor DataPorts at booth #1117 at the upcoming eUSA Embedded Systems Conference, March 29-April 1, 2004, at the Moscone Convention Center in San Francisco. For more information or to arrange an appointment, please contact Jon Johnson at (360) 816-1740 or 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.

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