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## **CRU-DATAPORT™ ANNOUNCES MEMBERSHIP IN NEW SATA ORGANIZATION**

### ***First Company To Ship SATA Removable Hard Drive Enclosures***

VANCOUVER, Wash. (September 9, 2004) – CRU-DataPort™, developer of data security and storage devices since 1986, announced its membership in the new Serial ATA International Organization, (formerly the Serial ATA Working Group), an industry organization whose mission is to secure the long-term support and maintenance of the Serial ATA specifications. Serial ATA (SATA) is an evolutionary replacement for the Parallel ATA physical storage interface. SATA is scalable and will allow future enhancements to the computing platform.

CRU-DataPort's line of removable drive enclosures allow system hard drives to be removed and safely transported to a secure storage location, easily installed into another system pre-configured with a DataPort receiving frame or combined with an external DataPort HotDock™ for a truly portable drive that leverages any other USB or FireWire device. To ensure compatibility, CRU-DataPort products support industry standards, such as SATA, for storage and desktop PC systems.

“Many of our customers and OEM partners told us SATA was on their roadmaps,” said Jon Johnson, executive director of marketing for CRU-DataPort. “As a result, CRU-DataPort delivered the first SATA removable drive enclosure and our membership in the new SATA-IO organization is further proof of our commitment to customer satisfaction.”

“CRU-DataPort will continue to support the Parallel ATA interface as long as our customers have IDE drives,” continued Mr. Johnson, “We also have several IDE-2-SATA conversion solutions available for our current customers as well as people using competitive products.” For more information please contact Jon Johnson at (360) 816-1740 or [jjohnson@CRU-DataPort.com](mailto:jjohnson@CRU-DataPort.com).

#### About CRU-DataPort™

Founded in 1986 and based in Vancouver, Wash., CRU-DataPort™ develops computer data security and storage devices. DataPort™ removable drive enclosures are the de facto standard for physical data security and drive portability in government, education and corporate IT departments. DataPort products are available through major distributors, OEMs, VARs and resellers. For more information about CRU-DataPort, visit [www.CRU-DataPort.com](http://www.CRU-DataPort.com).