

SLID RETrieval software Installation Instructions

Installing the SLID “query” database and the metadata files

- 0 If SLIDRET is open, close it.
- 1 Create the directory C:\SLIDUPDATES if it does not already exist. Copy the following files in the directory:
 - PKZIP25.EXE
 - metadat.zip
 - sliddata.zip
 - SLIDMETA.bat
- 2 From C:\SLIDUPDATES, double-click on SLIDMETA.bat
 - This will create the directory C:\SLIDDATA if it doesn't already exist (you may need to refresh your view in Windows Explorer for C:\SLIDDATA to appear. Press F5 or go into View, then hit Refresh.),
 - install (or update) your new SLID “query” database in the directory c:\sliddata,
 - and create the directory C:\SLIDRET if it does not already exist. It will also install 5 files in the directory. Those are the updated SLID metadata files. As you just received a new copy of SLIDRET, we will ask you to delete them in the next step.

Note: the SLID “query” database contains no data.

You can now install SLIDRET:

- 3 If you do not have a C:\SLIDRET directory, create one. If the directory already exists, delete all files and subdirectories EXCEPT for the **QUERIES** subdirectory. This subdirectory must be kept if you want to preserve previously built queries.
- 4 Copy the files **install.bat**, **pkzip25.exe**, **slidret.zip**, and **slidque.zip** to C:\SLIDRET. Also included are the English and French versions of the SLIDRET manual in *.pdf format. You can print these and/or copy them to the same directory as you wish.
- 5 Double click on **install.bat**. This will unzip the files.

NOTE: A new queries subdirectory will be installed only if it does not already exist. This prevents wiping out the client's existing queries.

- 6 If you do not have a new program item or shortcut for this program from a previous install, create a program item or shortcut with the following command line:
c:\slidret\retriev.exe.
The work directory should be set to c:\slidret.

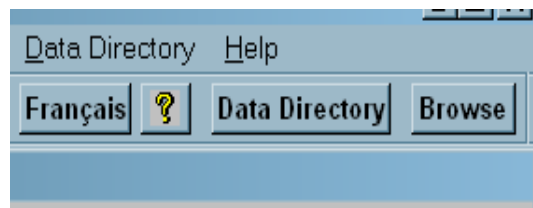
- 7 You can add this program item or shortcut to your desktop or a program group.
- 8 If you are a **Remote Access User**, go to step 9.
- If you are an **Internal User**, then make a link to \\LHS3\SLIDDB_PUB or <\\LHS3\SLIDDATA\SLIDCOPY> on the LHSBRANCH server.
- If you are a **Research Data Center or Regional Office User**, then make a link to the location of the SLID complete databases.
- 9 Now you can use SLIDRET. Double-click on its shortcut. SLIDRET should now open.

SLIDRET is now pointing to the “query” databases, which contains no data.
SLIDRET works fine with those, as they are the databases used by our Remote Access Users.

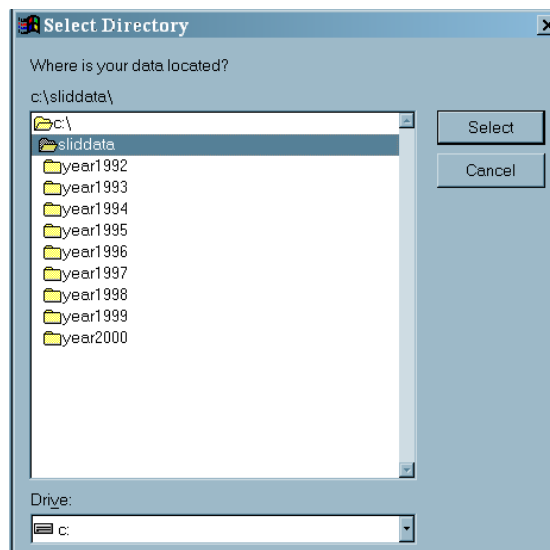
If you are a Remote Access User, you have finished installing SLIDRET.

- 10 **Internal Users, RDC or Regional Office Users will now need to point SLIDRET to the complete SLID databases in order for them to access it.**

Click on the Data Directory button or menu option:



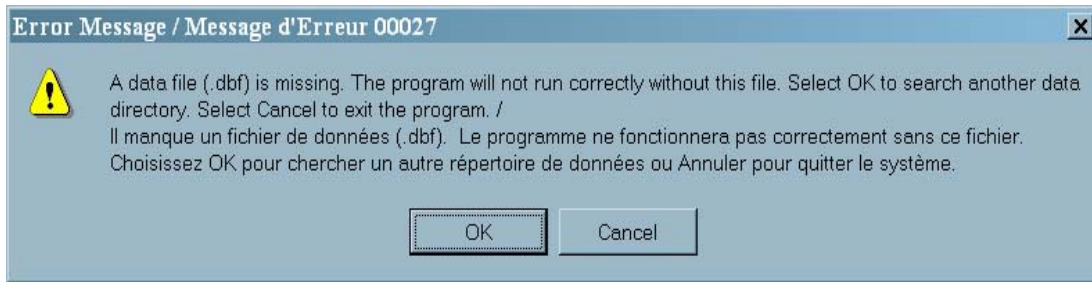
This window will appear:



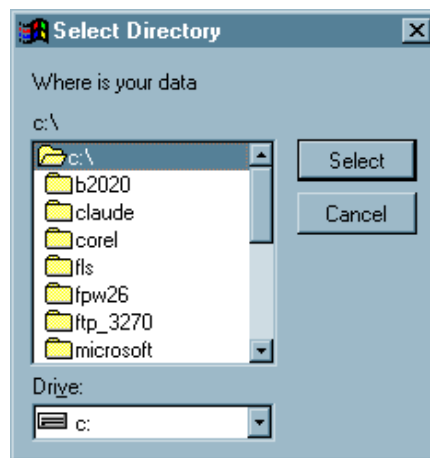
SLIDRET is asking you to point it to the right directory. Point it to [\\Lhs3\Sliddb_pub](#) or [\\Lhs3\Sliddata\Slidcopy](#) if you are an **Internal User**, or to the link to the SLID complete databases if you are a **RDC or Regional Office User**. Click **Select**.

SLIDRET should now work.

- 10a **If you have not installed the SLID “query” database in the C:\SLIDDATA directory, a message similar to this one will appear:**



This is normal: SLIDRET is not pointing to the right directory to find the SLID databases. Click on OK. After that a new box appears:



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SLIDRET should now open.