

## SLID RETrieval software Installation Instructions

If SLIDRET is open, close it.

### You can now install SLIDRET:

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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 steps:  
With your mouse, right-click on SLIDretriev.exe, select Send To -> Desktop(create shortcut).

### Installing the SLID “query” database and the metadata files

5. 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
6. 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
  - 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.

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.

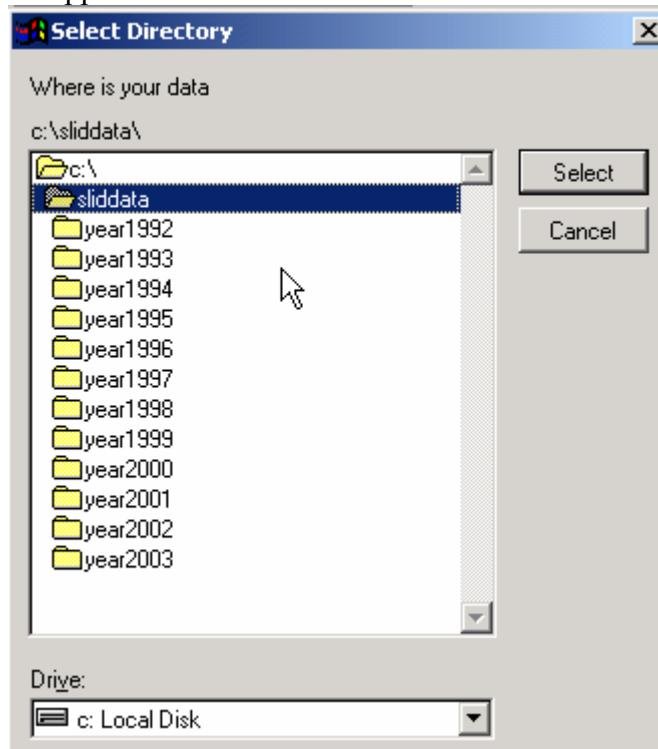
**If you are a Remote Access User, you have finished installing SLIDRET.**

7. **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 [\\Lhs2\SLIDDB\\_Pub](#) 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.