

CLIENT: Sunclipse • MEDIA: DLT, 3480, 4mm & 8mm Data Media • SOLUTION: Slidetrac

## The Challenge

Sunclipse, a division of the Kent H. Landsberg Company, is one of the world's largest manufacturers of paper packaging products. Although they are large in size, their back-up tape storage requirements were relatively small and included multiple formats. Dolores Pickler, Operations Manager for Sunclipse, needed a system that could accommodate all of the formats in a small room.

Originally, the back-up tapes were stored in boxes and miscellaneous stationary racks located in several different areas. While in the process of building a new data center, a small room was planned for consolidating and storing the tapes. In order to make the best use of the limited space in the smaller room, it was essential to find a more compact storage method.

In addition to space limitations, slotted storage was needed for the mixed collection of 3480, DLT, 8mm and 4mm tapes. The majority of the collection consisted of 3480 tapes, although DLT tapes were becoming more prevalent. The challenge was — how to accommodate the 3480 tapes, manage the format shift from 3480 to DLT tapes, and file the much smaller 8mm and 4mm tapes — without wasting space.



Dolores shows a dedicated 3480 rack in row 3 and an adjustable unit in row 2.



Small room now has large possibilities with Slidetrac!

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## The Solution

After a detailed site survey, it was determined that a "three-row deep" Slidetrac unit would fit nicely in one corner of the planned room. Sunclipse did not have enough media to fill the entire Slidetrac system, but because Slidetrac is modular they only needed to purchase three of the possible four racks. Two discrete-slot, dedicated-shelf racks provide maximum density for the 3480 tapes. The other rack is configured with adjustable shelves that can be relocated vertically to accommodate the various tape sizes without wasted space. Adjustable backstops locate the smaller tapes to the front of the shelves for easy access. Interchangeable wire racks that fit on each shelf create slots specific to each media — 3480, DLT, 8mm and 4mm.

## The Result

The 2-wide by 3-deep Slidetrac fits in just 10.5 square feet. Interchangeable wire racks and adjustable shelves guarantee flexibility to add new media formats or change the current format mix. In the meantime, Sunclipse only paid for the amount of storage they need now. When their collection grows, they will gain 25% more storage in the same amount of space by adding the fourth rack.