CSRDS can be configured to upload two files to an FTP site, normally for use on the stations web site but may also be used to upload now playing information for use by affiliate stations in their Center Stage application or for use in other devices and services such as digital signs.

Since there are no standards for how information is to be formatted, each web site, device or service has created their own requirement. As such CSRDS uses a template to format the data as required. A template is simply a text file in the format the receiving device requires with the Arctic Palm Merges codes where the data is to go. The CSRDS Templates document on the downloads page has details for creating templates, a list of templates included in the install set as well as all of the merge codes. For Example, you can use the CSRAS.TXT template as the now playing template to upload the current now playing information to your web server and affiliate stations can use the "Music From File" setting in their CSRDS to capture that now playing information. (http://www.mysite.com/metadata/myfile.xml)

To Configure CSRDS for an FTP Upload

1. Select Properties from the Tools Menu and click the FTP/File Output Tab

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- 2. Use the Browse Command in the Now Playing Template area to select the template for the current event.
- 3. Use the Browse command in the Play List History area to select the predefined template for the playlist history.
- 4. Enter the FTP credentials:
 - a. URL is the link to the passive FTP server. Depending on the server, enter the port or remove the port if necessary. Adding the port alters the method CSRDS uses to upload the file. Some Servers will require the port (port 21 default FTP Port) while others do not. If you get errors, add or remove the port.
 - b. Enter the Username and Password. This user must have full rights to the directory where the uploaded file is to be saved.
 - c. Normally the user will automatically log into the directory where the file is saved. If not, you may need to add the folder. DO NOT use beginning or ending slashes. IE: nowplaying NOT \nowplaying\.
 - d. Enter the RDS file name. This is the name of the file with the current now playing information.
 - e. Enter the Playlist File. This is the name of the file with the previous songs.
 - f. Enter the number of titles to include in the playlist file.
- 5. Enter or browse to the Now Playing File. This will create a local copy of the file uploaded to the FTP site. This file can be viewed in the Template Menu or used in another application.
- 6. Enter or browse to the Playlist file. This will create a local copy of the playlist file uploaded to the FTP site. This file can be viewed using the template menu or used by another application.
- 7. Click OK to save the settings and return to the main controller window.
- 8. Click F5-Start to put CSRDS back on-line.

The next time CSRDS sends data it will upload the selected files to the FTP site