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Subject: Re: Animations: A can or worms?

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- > Hi everyone,
- > I need to bring up a question (again after a year) that David describes as a
- > can of worms: Animations. I need to create a massive amount of animations
- > with IDL. The problem: Animated GIFs are due to license issues not
- > acceptable, the IDL MPEG routines have serious quality issues, and AVI2IDL
- > requires constant interaction. Therefore can anyone update me on
- > state-of-the-art animations creation in IDL?
- > IMHO, RSI really has to start think about this problem before customers go
- > over to other solutions. Time is moving on and technology advances.
- > Presentation without animations are almost history, and we need a solution
- > NOW!

It would be nice to see RSI add some support for MNG. Just as PNG is replacing GIF, MNG should be replacing animated GIFs. For simple animations, MNG would be viable especially now that web browsers are starting to support it. However, this is all a pipe dream since IDL doesn't support the format. Oh, well.

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