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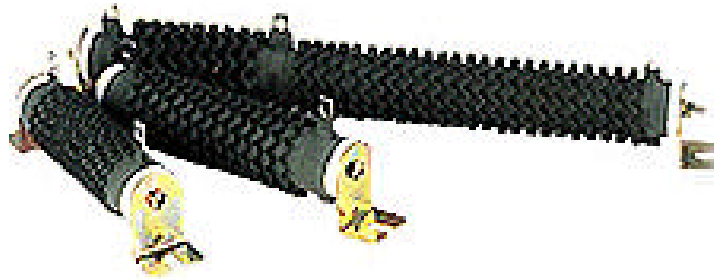
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## PRESS RELEASE

# RCD INTRODUCES HIGH POWER ECONOMICAL EDGEWOUND RESISTORS



Manchester, NH - August 23, 2001 - RCD Components Inc., a leading manufacturer of resistors, coils, capacitors, and delay lines has announced the release of their new high power 'edgewound' resistors. This new family of resistors offers greatly increased power ratings, up to 25% more than the typical wattage found in similar package sizes. Designed to meet heavy-duty requirements where space is at a premium. RCD's unique ribbon-wound element offers the industry's highest power ratings from 75 watt to 2000 watts, making it especially suited for a diverse range of applications. Applications include power supplies, load testing, power switching circuits, power distribution, high power medical instrumentation, and data transmission systems.

RCD's new family, designated EW (EdgeWound power resistor) features a newly developed proprietary winding process. The ribbon element edgewound onto a high performance ceramic tube is fully insulated with a highly thermal conductive flameproof silicone coating.

The EW series is available in seventeen power sizes, ranging from 75-watts to 2000-watts. Dimensions range from 4.33" long (75-watt) to 25.59" (2000-watt), and available in a resistance range from 0.1 $\Omega$  to 200 $\Omega$ , 1% to 10% tolerance. Samples and production quantities of RCD's EW series are available now, with lead-times of six to eight weeks for larger orders. Typical pricing (size dependent) starting as low as \$2.50 each at the 1000 piece level.

For samples or detailed product information, contact RCD Components Inc., at 520 East Industrial Park Drive, Manchester, NH USA 03109. Phone (603)669-0054, Toll Free Order Hot Line: (877) RCD-COMP, Fax: (603)669-5455.

Acknowledged throughout the electronic components industry for its service and engineering excellence, RCD Components Inc. is one of the world's leading manufacturers of Resistors, Caps & Coils, and Delay lines. RCD was founded in 1973 and is headquartered in Manchester New Hampshire, USA, with plants in the Caribbean, and the Far East. RCD continues to be one of the fastest growing passive component manufacturers due to its ABZED™ ABsolute ZERo Defect guarantee, fast turnaround on non-standard products, and inventory in excess of 2 billion components.