



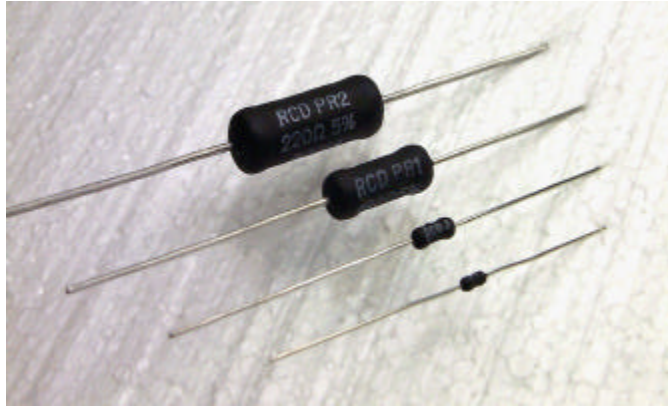
For Immediate Release

Contact: A. Arcidy VP Marketing

Phone: 603-669-0054 Fax: 603-669-5455

Email: aarcidy@aol.com

PRESS RELEASE



RCD INTRODUCES ECONOMICAL CARBON COMP REPLACEMENT RESISTORS

Manchester, NH – February 14, 2001 – RCD Components Inc., a leading manufacturer of Resistors, Coils, and Delay lines has announced the release of a specialty line of true Carbon Composition replacement resistors. RCD's PR (Pulse Resistant) series are capable of withstanding high-energy pulses similar to carbon composition resistors (superior to conventional film and wirewound resistors) without the associated performance disadvantages. The heavy-duty construction features a ceramic composition core and coating, enabling improved thermal transfer, as well as excellent long-term stability and environmental performance.

RCD's PR resistors are cost effective in a wide variety of pulse applications including telecom line feed resistors, snubber circuits, in-rush currents, capacitor charge/discharge circuits, lightning surges, any many other circuits requiring 'hi voltage/high surge' safeguarding. Typical pricing is under \$.39 each in production quantities. Available in a wide resistance range from 0.1 Ω to 200K Ω , and tolerances from 1% to 20% makes this part suitable for most applications. The PR series are available in five package sizes from 1/8-watt to 5-watts. This product is presently being produced at RCD's New Hampshire facility, and is slated to begin production at RCD's Caribbean facility by mid 2001.

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. The specifications for this product may also be accessed at www.rcd-comp.com or by dialing RCD's "Fax on Demand" service at (603) 669-0054 ext. 602. (document # 137)

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, Coils, and Delay lines. RCD was founded in 1973 and is headquartered in Manchester, New Hampshire, USA. 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, low prices and inventory in excess of 2 billion components.