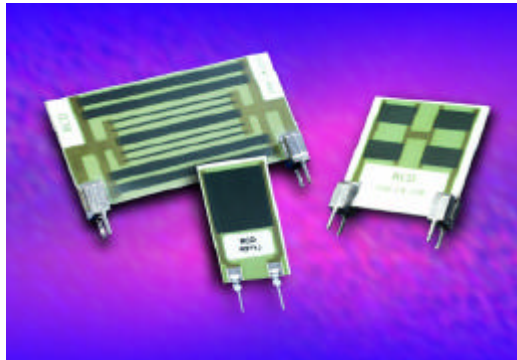




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RCD INTRODUCES SPACE SAVING 'PLANAR' **POWER RESISTORS**

Manchester, NH – June 10, 2001 – RCD Components Inc., a leading manufacturer of Resistors, Coils, and Delay lines has announced the release of their economical high power 'planar' type resistors. This new family of high power chips, designated TP (Thick-film Planar) offers high power density, in a lightweight, thin profile, space saving package. Specifically designed for switch mode power supplies, snubber circuits, in-rush current limiters, and a host of other high power applications.

The TP Series is available in 1%, 5%, 10%, and 20% tolerance, and manufactured in a wide resistance range from 0.1 Ω to 1M Ω . The TP is a thick film resistor, constructed on an alumina substrate. Available power ratings include a 3W, 5W, 7.5W, 10W, 25W, 50W, and 100Watt size. The unique characteristics of this design enable very low inductance and excellent repetitive transient withstanding capabilities.

Typical PCB real estate savings is 30% to 80% over conventional axial-lead power resistors. For example type TP10 10 watt requires 0.100 sq. inches of board space as compared to 0.800 sq. inches for power wirewound resistors. Typical production volume pricing is less than \$.50 each for smaller power sizes, and slightly higher for larger sizes. Delivery for production orders range from six to eight weeks.

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.rcdcomponents.com or by dialing RCD's "Fax on Demand" service at (603) 669-0054 ext. 602. (document # 109)

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