

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:)	Chapter 11
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EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES, <i>et al.</i> ,)	Case No. 02-11125 (KJC)
)	
Debtors.)	Jointly Administered
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**ORDER PURSUANT TO RULE 2004 OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF
BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE AUTHORIZING THE EXAMINATION OF
R² PARTIES AND DIRECTING DOCUMENT PRODUCTION**

UPON CONSIDERATION of the Motion of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the “Committee”) of Exide Technologies, et al. (“Exide”), pursuant to Rule 2004 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”) for entry of an order authorizing the examination of R² Top Hat, Ltd., R² Investments, LDC and their affiliates that hold or have held claims or equity interests in these cases (collectively, “R²”) and directing document production (the “Motion”); and good and sufficient notice of the Motion having been given, and the Court having ruled on any and all objections thereto, and the Court being fully advised, and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Motion is granted; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2004, the Committee may issue and serve a subpoena duces tecum, for production of documents (substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto) and examination under oath, upon any or all of R², each of the persons identified on Exhibit B hereto; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that this Order shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that this Order is without prejudice (a) to the rights of the Committee to apply for seek further discovery of R² or of any other person or entity; and (b) to the rights of R² or of any other person or entity to object to such further discovery; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that documents or other discovery material produced by R² that it deems to be confidential or highly confidential shall be subject to the terms of a stipulated protective order to be entered into between counsel for the Committee and R². Until such time as the stipulated protective order is approved by the Court, documents and discovery material shall be produced by R² in accordance with D. Del. LR 26.2.

Kevin J. Carey
United States Bankruptcy Judge