

EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES
Form SC 13G
December 09, 2004

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**SCHEDULE 13G
(Rule 13d-102)**

**Information Statement Pursuant to Rules 13d-1 and 13d-2
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No.)***

Exide Technologies

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

302051206

(CUSIP Number)

December 1, 2004

Date of Event Which Requires Filing of the Statement

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
- Rule 13d-1(c)
- Rule 13d-1(d)

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

Citadel Limited Partnership

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)
(b)

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Illinois limited partnership

U.S.A.

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
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EACH
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WITH

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

1,558,195 shares of Common Stock

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

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8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
See Row 6 above.

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

See Row 6 above.

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

CERTAIN SHARES*

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

Approximately 6.4% as of the date of this filing (based on 24,161,910 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of November 11, 2004).

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**Delaware limited partnership
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Delaware limited liability company

U.S.A.

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Kenneth Griffin

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(a)
(b)

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U.S. Citizen

U.S.A.

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Bermuda company

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Citadel Equity Fund Ltd.

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(b)

3. SEC USE ONLY

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Cayman Islands company

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Citadel Credit Products Ltd.

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3. SEC USE ONLY

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Cayman Islands company

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Cayman Islands company

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Cayman Islands company

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Citadel Antaeus International Investments Ltd.

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(b)

3. SEC USE ONLY

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Cayman Islands company

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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer: **EXIDE TECHNOLOGIES**

1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

**Crossroad Corporate Center
3150 Brunswick Pike, Suite 230
Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648**

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing
Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office
Item 2(c) Citizenship

Citadel Limited Partnership
131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Illinois limited partnership
GLB Partners, L.P.
131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Delaware limited partnership
Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Delaware limited liability company
Kenneth Griffin
131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603

U.S. Citizen
Citadel Wellington Partners L.P.
c/o Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Illinois limited partnership
Citadel Wellington Partners L.P. SE
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131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
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Delaware limited partnership

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 c/o Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
 131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
 Chicago, Illinois 60603
 Bermuda company
 Citadel Equity Fund Ltd.
 c/o Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
 131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
 Chicago, Illinois 60603
 Cayman Islands company
 Citadel Credit Products Ltd.
 c/o Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
 131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
 Chicago, Illinois 60603
 Cayman Islands company
 Citadel Jackson Investment Fund Ltd.
 c/o Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
 131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
 Chicago, Illinois 60603
 Cayman Islands company
 Citadel Credit Trading Ltd.
 c/o Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
 131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
 Chicago, Illinois 60603
 Cayman Islands company
 Citadel Antaeus International Investments Ltd.
 c/o Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.
 131 S. Dearborn Street, 32nd Floor
 Chicago, Illinois 60603
 Cayman Islands company

2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

2(e) **Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share**
 CUSIP Number: **302051206**

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Item 3

- If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:
- (a) Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act;
 - (b) Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act;
 - (c) Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act;
 - (d) Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act;
 - (e) An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
 - (f) An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
 - (g) A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
 - (h) A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
 - (i) A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
 - (j) Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box. :

Item 4

Ownership:

- CITADEL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**
- GLB PARTNERS, L.P.**
- CITADEL INVESTMENT GROUP, L.L.C.**
- KENNETH GRIFFIN**
- CITADEL WELLINGTON PARTNERS L.P.**
- CITADEL WELLINGTON PARTNERS L.P. SE**
- CITADEL KENSINGTON GLOBAL STRATEGIES FUND LTD.**
- CITADEL EQUITY FUND LTD.**
- CITADEL CREDIT PRODUCTS LTD.**
- CITADEL JACKSON INVESTMENT FUND LTD.**
- CITADEL CREDIT TRADING LTD.**
- CITADEL ANTAEUS INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENTS LTD.**

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

1,558,195 shares of Common Stock

(b) Percent of class:

Approximately 6.4% as of the date of this filing (based on 24,161,910 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of November 11, 2004).

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

0

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

See item (a) above.

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

0

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

See item (a) above.

Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:
Not Applicable.

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:
Not Applicable.

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:

See Item 2 above.

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:
Not Applicable.

Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group:
Not Applicable.

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

* Adam C. Cooper is signing on behalf of Kenneth Griffin as attorney-in-fact pursuant to a power of attorney previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 19, 2002, and hereby incorporated by reference herein. The power of attorney was filed as an attachment to a filing by Citadel Limited Partnership on Form 3 for Metals USA, Inc.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of its knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated this 8th day of December, 2004

KENNETH GRIFFIN

By: /s/ Adam C. Cooper
Adam C. Cooper, attorney-in-fact*

CITADEL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: GLB Partners, L.P.,
its General Partner

By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Adam C. Cooper
Adam C. Cooper, Senior Managing
Director and General Counsel

GLB PARTNERS, L.P.

By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
its General Partner

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**CITADEL WELLINGTON PARTNERS
L.P.**

By: Citadel Limited Partnership,
its General Partner

By: GLB Partners, L.P.,
its General Partner

By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Adam C. Cooper
Adam C. Cooper, Senior Managing
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CITADEL INVESTMENT GROUP, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Adam C. Cooper
Adam C. Cooper, Senior Managing
Director and General Counsel

CITADEL EQUITY FUND LTD.

By: Citadel Limited Partnership,
its Portfolio Manager

By: GLB Partners, L.P.,
its General Partner

By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Adam C. Cooper
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its General Partner

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CITADEL CREDIT PRODUCTS LTD.

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its General Partner

By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Adam C. Cooper
Adam C. Cooper, Senior Managing
Director and General Counsel

CITADEL CREDIT TRADING LTD.

By: Citadel Limited Partnership,
its Portfolio Manager

By: GLB Partners, L.P.,
its General Partner

By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
its General Partner

By: /s/ Adam C. Cooper
Adam C. Cooper, Senior Managing
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**CITADEL KENSINGTON GLOBAL
STRATEGIES FUND LTD.**

By: Citadel Limited Partnership,
its Portfolio Manager

By: GLB Partners, L.P.,
its General Partner

By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
its General Partner

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FUND LTD.**

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its Portfolio Manager

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By: Citadel Investment Group, L.L.C.,
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