1054-57-281   **Michael John Williams*** (`mikew@math.ucsb.edu`), Department of Mathematics, South Hall, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106. *Handle number one links and generalized property R.*

An n–component link L in the three sphere has Generalized Property R provided that if L admits a 0–framed Dehn surgery yielding $\#_n(S^1 \times S^2)$, then L is handleslide-equivalent to the 0–framed unlink (of n–components). We show that if the exterior of a 2-component link L in the three sphere admits a genus 2 Heegaard splitting, then L has Generalized Property R. (Received September 15, 2009)