



Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

SmartPhone Technologies LLC, a subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, entered into a settlement agreement with ZTE Corporation and ZTE (USA) Inc. This agreement resolved patent litigation that was pending in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, Case Nos. 6:12-cv-00350 and 6:14-cv-147, and in German District Court for the District of Dusseldorf, Claim No. 4a O 196/12.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ACACIA RESEARCH  
CORPORATION

Date: June 30, 2014 By: /s/ Matthew Vella  
Name: Matthew Vella  
Title: Chief Executive Officer