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Item 8.01 Other Events.

Acacia Research Corporation has resolved the dispute initiated by Microsoft Corporation in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, Civil Action No. 1:13-cv-08275.

The following actions brought by Acacia subsidiaries have also been resolved as they relate to Microsoft: Intercarrier Communications LLC v. Microsoft Corp., et al., Case No. 1:13-cv-01639-GMS (D. Del.); Optimum Content Protection LLC v. Microsoft Corp., Case No. 6:13-cv-00741-KNM (E.D. Tex.); Internet Communications Solutions LLC v. Microsoft Corp., Skype Inc, and Skype Communications SARL, Case No. 2:14-cv-00189-JRG (E.D. Tex.); Cell and Network Selection LLC v. BlackBerry Corp. et al, Case No. 6:13-cv-00563-KNM (E.D. Tex.); Mobile Enhancement Solutions LLC v. Microsoft Mobile Oy & Nokia Inc, Case No. 3:13-cv-03977-MGL (N.D. Tex.); Super Interconnect Technologies v. Microsoft Mobile Oy & Nokia Inc, Case No. 6:13-cv-00739-KNM (E.D. Tex.), Case No. 3:14-cv-2293-H-BGS (S.D. Cal.).

In addition, the action entitled Cellular Communications Equipment LLC v. HTC Corp., et al., Case No. 6:13-cv-00738-LED/ 6:13-cv-00507-LED (E.D. Tex.) will be dismissed with respect to Microsoft without prejudice.

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: January 4, 2015 By: /s/ Matthew Vella
Name: Matthew Vella
Title: Chief Executive Officer