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ACACIA NAMES JEFFREY ANDERSON VICE PRESIDENT, ENGINEERING

Newport Beach, CA. – (BUSINESS WIRE) February 7, 2008 – Acacia Research Corporation (Nasdaq: ACTG) announced today that it has named Jeffrey Anderson as Vice President, Engineering.

Mr. Anderson has held a number of positions in the software industry during his 25 year career, including founder of a company developing mobile location based services, Director of Software Development at Websense, where he directed a department developing enterprise security solutions, Director of Software Development at Sun Microsystems, where he directed a department of over 100 employees in server systems development, and Manager of Software Development at Cray Research, where he managed a development team working on innovative fault management software.

Acacia Chairman and CEO, Paul Ryan commented, “Mr. Anderson is a great addition to our engineering team. His extensive experience in the software industry with Websense, Sun Microsystems and Cray Research will be extremely valuable as we continue to expand our leadership position in technology licensing”.

Mr. Anderson is a named inventor of issued and pending patents and holds a B.S. degree in Computer Science from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

ABOUT ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

Acacia Research’s subsidiaries develop, acquire, and license patented technologies. Acacia Research’s subsidiaries control 90 patent portfolios, which include U.S. patents and certain foreign counterparts, covering technologies used in a wide variety of industries.

Information about Acacia Research is available at www.acaciatechnologies.com and www.acaciaresearch.com.

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