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# ACCESS, ACACIA AFFILIATE AND HP EXPAND PATENT LICENSE AGREEMENT

TOKYO and NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., - (BUSINESS WIRE) July 13, 2012 — ACCESS CO., LTD., Smartphone Technologies LLC (an affiliate of Acacia Research Corporation, Nasdaq: ACTG) and HP have expanded an existing patent license agreement, extending HP's license across ACCESS' and Smartphone Technologies' entire patent portfolios.

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