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ACACIA TECHNOLOGIES EXPANDS ENGINEERING TEAM

Newport Beach, CA. – (BUSINESS WIRE) September 12, 2007 – Acacia Research Corporation (Nasdaq: ACTG) announced today that its Acacia Technologies group, a leader in technology licensing, has named Marcel Mahdavi as Vice President, Engineering.

"Mr. Mahdavi is a great addition to our engineering team. His industry experience in wireless communications will be extremely valuable as we continue to expand our leadership position in technology licensing," commented Acacia Chairman and CEO, Paul Ryan.

Mr. Mahdavi was previously Managing Partner of mComm Solutions, which provided mobile wireless solutions and consulting services for companies including Mobile ESPN.

Previously he was Director of Core Network Technology with Sprint Nextel Corporation, Senior Manager of Network Engineering and Technology Services with LCC International, Inc., Group Technology Manager with Cingular Wireless, and Principal Member of Technical Staff at AT&T Inc.

Mr. Mahdavi holds a B.S. Electrical Engineering from the University of Southern California, a M.S. Electrical Engineering from the University of Michigan, and a Ph.D. Electrical Engineering from the University of Southern California.

ABOUT ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION

The Acacia Technologies group develops, acquires, and licenses patented technologies. Acacia controls 77 patent portfolios covering technologies used in a wide variety of industries including audio/video enhancement & synchronization, broadcast data retrieval, computer memory cache coherency, credit card fraud protection, database management, data encryption & product activation, digital media transmission (DMT_®), digital video production, dynamic manufacturing modeling, enhanced Internet navigation, image resolution enhancement, interactive data sharing, interactive television, laptop docking station connectivity, microprocessor enhancement, multi-dimensional bar codes, resource scheduling, spreadsheet automation, and user activated Internet advertising.

Information about the Acacia Technologies group is available at <u>www.acaciatechnologies.com</u>.

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This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements are based upon our current expectations and speak only as of the date hereof. Our actual results may differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statements as a result of various factors and uncertainties, including the recent economic slowdown affecting technology companies, our ability to successfully develop products, rapid technological change in our markets, changes in demand for our future products, legislative, regulatory and competitive developments and general economic conditions. Our Annual Report on Form 10-K, recent and forthcoming Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, recent Current Reports on Forms 8-K and 8-K/A, and other SEC filings discuss some of the important risk factors that may affect our business, results of operations and financial condition. We undertake no obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason.