ACACIA RESEARCH CORP

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1(b).

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HAYNES CLAYTON J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ACACIA RESEARCH CORP [ACTG]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

500 NEWPORT CENTER DR., 7TH 11/20/2014 **FLOOR**

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

CFO

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionr Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) (Instr. 8) Ownership or Indirect Following (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common $S^{(1)}$ 11/20/2014 4,365 D D 98,573 18.1381 Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HAYNES CLAYTON J 500 NEWPORT CENTER DR. 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660			CFO				

Signatures

Clayton J.
Haynes

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5(1) Trading Plan adopted by the Reporting Person on April 4, 2014.

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