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**DIGITAL BACKGROUND CORPORATION,  
A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF ACACIA RESEARCH CORPORATION,  
HAS ENTERED INTO A SETTLEMENT AND LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH  
APPLE INC.**

Newport Beach, CA. –June 23, 2008 – Digital Background Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Acacia Research Corporation, has entered into a settlement and license agreement with Apple Inc. This agreement resolves patent litigation that was pending in the District Court for the Northern District of California.