HAYNES CLAYTON J Form 4

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July 22, 2011

## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction

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)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

**500 NEWPORT CENTER** DRIVE, 7TH FLOOR

(Zip)

07/20/2011

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

Director

X\_ Officer (give title

Issuer

below)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

CFO, Treas. Sr. V.P. Finance

10% Owner

\_ Other (specify

Applicable Line) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if		4. Securities Acquired (A) order Disposed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
					Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
				(4)	Reported	(I)	
				(A)	Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	or Amount (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/20/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	4,166 D \$ 39.2601	70,082	D	

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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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5.  onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title Amoun Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	t of ying es	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HAYNES CLAYTON J 500 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE 7TH FLOOR NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

CFO, Treas. Sr. V.P. Finance

### **Signatures**

Clayton J. 07/21/2011 Haynes

\*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

## **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 June 3, 2011.

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