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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

DATE OF REPORT (Date of earliest event reported): August 11, 2005

InterDigital Communications Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer incorporation)

1-11152

23-1882087 Identification No.)

781 Third Avenue, King of Prussia, PA (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 19406-1409 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 610-878-7800

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

As previously reported in InterDigital Communications Corporation's (the Company) 2004 Form 10-K and Form 10-Q for the periods ended March 31, 2005 and June 30, 2005, in March 2004, Tantivy Communications, Inc. (Tantivy), one of the Company's wholly-owned subsidiaries, filed a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas (the Court) against Lucent Technologies, Inc. (Lucent), a leading manufacturer of cdma2000(R) equipment. The case is based on Tantivy's assertions of infringement by Lucent of Tantivy patents issued in the United States. The lawsuit seeks damages for past infringement and an injunction against future infringement, as well as interest, costs, and attorneys' fees.

In May 2005, the Markman hearing (for claim construction) was held. On August 11, 2005 the Company received the Court's decision regarding the Markman hearing. The Court's decision adopted many of Tantivy's proposed claims constructions. The Company does not believe that the Court's claim constructions limit in any material manner the relief that Tantivy seeks in the litigation.

The parties are currently in the discovery phase of the litigation. The Company expects the trial to occur some time this fall.

 $\operatorname{cdma2000}(R)$ is a registered trademark of the Telecommunications Industry of America.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Current Report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

INTERDIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

By: /s/ W.J. Merritt

William J. Merritt Chief Executive Officer

Dated: August 12, 2005