

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): March 7, 1997

QUALCOMM INCORPORATED
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-19528 95-3685934
(Commission File No.) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

6455 LUSK BOULEVARD
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92121
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (619) 587-1121
ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On March 5, 1997, QUALCOMM Incorporated (the "Company") filed a complaint (the "Complaint") against Motorola, Inc. ("Motorola") in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California. The Complaint was filed in response to allegations by Motorola that the Company's recently announced "Q" Phone infringes a design patent and certain utility patents held by Motorola as well as trade dress and common law rights relating to the appearance of certain Motorola wireless telephone products. The Complaint denies such allegations and seeks a judicial declaration that the Company's products do not infringe any patents held by Motorola. The Complaint also states that, pursuant to certain patent and technology license agreements entered into in 1990 between the companies, Motorola is precluded from asserting infringement of the utility patents. Motorola has also indicated that it intends to file suit against the Company with respect to its allegations. Although there can be no assurance that an unfavorable outcome of the dispute would not have a material adverse effect on the Company's liquidity, financial position or results of operations, the Company believes Motorola's allegations have no merit and intends to contest them vigorously. The description of the Complaint is set forth in the Press Release issued by the Company, dated as of March 6, 1997, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(C) EXHIBITS.

99.1 Press Release dated March 6, 1997.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

QUALCOMM INCORPORATED

Dated: March 7, 1997

By:

Anthony S. Thornley
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

QUALCOMM INCORPORATED

Dated: March 7, 1997

By: ANTHONY S. THORNLEY

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Senior Vice President and
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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QUALCOMM FILES LAWSUIT AGAINST MOTOROLA

SAN DIEGO -- March 6, 1997 -- QUALCOMM Incorporated (NASDAQ: QCOM) today announced it had filed a lawsuit yesterday against Motorola Inc. in federal court in San Diego for a declaratory judgment that QUALCOMM's products do not infringe any patents held by Motorola. QUALCOMM's complaint states that Motorola has asserted that certain QUALCOMM products infringe patents held by Motorola, and QUALCOMM's lawsuit seeks a judicial declaration that its products do not infringe.

The complaint also charges that QUALCOMM and Motorola entered into patent and technology license agreements in 1990 which preclude Motorola from asserting infringement of the patents. QUALCOMM's complaint also alleges that Motorola has claimed that QUALCOMM's recently announced "Q" Phone infringes a design patent of Motorola's as well as trade dress and common law rights relating to the appearance of certain Motorola wireless telephone products. QUALCOMM's complaint denies that the

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"Q" Phone infringes any rights of Motorola and requests a judicial finding that QUALCOMM's products are free of any infringement.

"QUALCOMM was careful to respect the intellectual property rights of others, and in the course of designing any new product we seek to ensure that our design does not infringe the rights of any other companies," said Harvey White, president QUALCOMM. "In our development of the "Q" Phone we followed our usual practice of verifying and checking existing patents. Our lawsuit seeks judicial confirmation that our judgment was correct."

Headquartered in San Diego, QUALCOMM develops, manufactures, markets, licenses and operates advanced communications systems and products based on its proprietary digital wireless technologies. The Company's primary product areas are the OmniTRACS(R) system (a geostationary satellite-based, mobile communications system providing two-way data and position reporting services), CDMA wireless communications systems and products and, in conjunction with others, the development of the Globalstar(TM) low-earth-orbit (LEO) satellite communications system. Other Company products include the Eudora Pro(TM) electronic mail software, ASIC products, and communications equipment and systems for government and commercial customers worldwide. For more information on QUALCOMM products and technologies, please visit the Company's web site at <<http://www.qualcomm.com/>>

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Except for the historical information contained herein, this news release contains forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties, including timely product development and commercial implementation of the Company's CDMA technology, continued growth in the CDMA subscriber population and the scale up and operations of CDMA systems, timing and receipt of license fees and royalties, the Company's ability to successfully manufacture significant quantities of CDMA or other equipment on a timely and profitable basis and those related to performance guarantees, change in economic conditions of the various markets the Company serves, as well as the other risks detailed from time to time in the Company's SEC reports, including the report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 29, 1996 and most recent Form 10-Qs.

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