

Huang Charlie X.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Huang Charlie X.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC [CDNS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG 5

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. Vice President

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 114,526 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 235,488 | I | Held by Trust ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 20,420 | I | As Custodian for Children ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 03/15/2012 | | F ⁽³⁾ | 157 D | \$ 11,215 12.4 | I | Held by reporting person's |

spouse.

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)

| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Huang Charlie X. 2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG 5 SAN JOSE, CA 95134 | | | Sr. Vice President | |

Signatures

James J. Cowie, Attorney-in-Fact for Charlie X. Huang
 Date: 03/15/2012
 **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) These securities are held by Huang-Zhang Trust U/A DTD 6/12/96, of which Reporting Person and Reporting Person's spouse are trustees.
- (2) These securities are held in custodial accounts by Reporting Person's spouse for the children of Reporting Person and Reporting Person's spouse.
- (3) Shares withheld to satisfy tax obligations arising out of vesting of restricted stock.

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