CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addi PORTER WIL	ress of Reporting Person * LIAM	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC [CDN]	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) 12/30/2004	Director 10% Owner Specify oblow) Chief Financial Officer			
		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			
SAN JOSE, CA	A 95134		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curitie	s Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securitie	s Acqu	ired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n(A) or Disp	osed o	f (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 a	and 5)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	A	or (D)	D	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/30/2004		A	150,000	A	\$0	191,545 <u>(2)</u>	D	
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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PORTER WILLIAM 2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG. 5 SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

William Porter 12/30/2004

**Signature of Person

**Bate

**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) Issuance of restricted stock.
- (2) Includes 2,520 shares acquired through the Cadence Design Systems, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan on January 31, 2003 and 2,551 shares acquired through the Cadence Design Systems, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan on January 30, 2004.

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