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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Huang Charlie X.			2. Date of Event Requirir Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC [CDNS]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/15/2008	4. Relationsh Person(s) to	nip of Reporting Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
2655 SEELY 5	Y AVENUI	E, BLDG		(Check	k all applicable)	•		
SAN JOSE,	(Street) CA 95	134				Dw) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-Deriva	tive Securiti	es Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount Beneficiall (Instr. 4)	of Securities y Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Sto	ock		40,000		D	Â		
Common Sto	ock		750		I	Restricted stock granted by the issuer to Reporting Person's spouse		
Common Ste	ock		420		I	As Custodian for Minor Children (1)		
Common Sto	ock		144,488		I	Held by Trust (2)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	03/09/2011	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 24	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	09/21/2011	Common Stock	53,500	\$ 15.485	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(5)	07/31/2012	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 12.625	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(6)	02/15/2016	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 16.8	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(7)	05/15/2014	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 21.58	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(8)	02/01/2015	Common Stock	60,000	\$ 10.61	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(9)	02/07/2013	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 9.585	D	Â
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(10)	10/05/2011	Common Stock	3,500	\$ 16.945	I	Option is held by spouse of the Reporting Person.
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(11)	07/31/2012	Common Stock	459	\$ 12.625	I	Option is held by spouse of the Reporting Person.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Huang Charlie X. 2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG 5 SAN JOSE, CA 95134	Â	Â	Sr.VP,Bus.Dev., Chief of Staff	Â		

Signatures

James J. Cowie, Attorney-in-Fact for Charlie X. Huang

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 in custodial accounts by spouse of Reporting Person for the minor children of Reporting Person and Reporting Person's spouse.
- (2) These securites are held by Huang-Zhang Trust U/A DTD 6/12/96, of which Reporting Person and Reporting Person's spouse are trustees.
- (3) Option was granted on March 9, 2001 and is fully vested.
- (4) Option was granted on September 21, 2001 and is fully vested.
- (5) Option was granted on July 31, 2002 and is fully vested.
- (6) Option was granted on February 15, 2006 and vests at a rate of 1/48th per month thereafer.
- (7) Option was granted on May 15, 2007 and vests at a rate of 1/48th per month thereafer.
- (8) Option was granted on February 1, 2008 and vests at a rate of 1/48th per month thereafter.
- (9) Option was granted on February 7, 2003 and is fully vested.
- (10) Option was granted to Susan Zhang, spouse of the Reporting Person, by the Issuer and Mrs. Zhang's employer, on October 5, 2001 and is fully vested.
- Option was granted to Susan Zhang, spouse of the Reporting Person, by the Issuer and Mrs. Zhang's employer, on July 31, 2002 and is fully vested.

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