#### CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

March 23, 2005

## FORM 4

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* FISTER MICHAEL J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC [CDN]

(Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2005

2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG. 5 (Street)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(A)

or

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

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

Issuer

below)

X Director

Applicable Line)

X\_ Officer (give title

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

D

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President, CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Estimated average

burden hours per

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

Security

(Instr. 3)

601,915 (1)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Am- Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N
Non-qualified option (right to buy)	\$ 14.545	03/22/2005		A	1,000,000	(2)	03/22/2015	Common Stock 1

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FISTER MICHAEL J 2655 SEELY AVENUE, BLDG. 5 SAN JOSE, CA 95134	X		President, CEO			

## **Signatures**

R.L. Smith McKeithen, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael J. Fister 03/23/2005

\*\*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) Includes 1,915 shares acquired on January 31, 2005 through the Cadence Design Systems, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Option was granted on March 22, 2005 and vests at a rate of 1/48th per month thereafter.

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