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CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS INC Form 8-K February 17, 2015

UNITED STATES

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): February 10, 2015

CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction **000-15867** (Commission

00-0000000 (I.R.S. Employer

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of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2655 Seely Avenue, Building 5

San Jose, California 95134 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (408) 943-1234

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(d) On February 10, 2015, Cadence Design Systems, Inc. (the Company) elected Mark W. Adams to the Board of Directors of the Company, effective immediately.

Mr. Adams will be compensated consistent with the Company's compensation of its other non-employee directors in effect from time to time and as described in the Company's definitive proxy statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 26, 2014. Mr. Adams received a grant of an incentive stock award with a grant date fair value of \$170,000 pursuant to the Company's 1995 Directors Stock Incentive Plan, which vests fully after one year of continuous service. Mr. Adams received this grant in connection with his initial appointment, and he has also entered into the Company's standard indemnification agreement.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.01 Press Release issued by Cadence Design Systems, Inc. on February 10, 2015.

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.

Dated: February 17, 2015

CADENCE DESIGN SYSTEMS, INC.

By: /s/ James J. Cowie James J. Cowie Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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