



DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

August 19, 2015

Geoffrey G. Ribar
Chief Financial Officer
Cadence Design Systems, Inc.
2655 Seely Avenue, Building 5
San Jose, CA 95134

**Re: Cadence Design Systems, Inc.
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended January 3, 2015
Filed February 20, 2015
File No. 000-15867**

Dear Mr. Ribar:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filing and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kathleen Collins

Kathleen Collins
Accounting Branch Chief
Office of Information Technologies
and Services