

August 17, 2012

Securities and Exchange Commission  
100 F Street, N.E.  
Washington, DC 20549

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have read Item 4.01 of Form 8-K dated August 17, 2012, of Kadant Inc. and are in agreement with the statements contained in the second through fifth paragraphs on page 2 therein. We have no basis to agree or disagree with other statements of the registrant contained therein.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP  
Boston, Massachusetts