Daniel Schumacher Chief Financial Officer Proto Labs Inc 5540 Pioneer Creek Drive Maple Plain, Minnesota 55359

Re: Proto Labs Inc

Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2023

Form 8-K furnished November 1, 2024

File No. 001-35435

Dear Daniel Schumacher:

We have limited our review of your filing to the financial statements and related $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left(1\right) +\left(1\right) \left(1$

disclosures and have the following comment.

Please respond to this letter within ten business days by providing the requested $\ensuremath{\mathsf{P}}$

information or advise us as soon as possible when you will respond. If you do not believe a

comment applies to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing your response to this letter, we may have additional comments.

Form 8-K Furnished on November 1, 2024 Exhibit 99.1 Additional Third Quarter 2024 Hightlights

1. We note you disclosure of revenue per customer contact in your earnings release

filings and investor presentations on your website which appears to be a metric. We

further note references to and discussions of changes in this metric in your $10\mbox{-Q}$ and

10-K filings. In future filings, please provide the following disclosures for any

metrics disclosed (refer to SEC Release No. 33-10751):

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the metric or its calculation;

The reasons why the metric provides useful information to investors;

How management uses the metric.

In closing, we remind you that the company and its management are responsible for $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +$

the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments,

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and

action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Melissa Gilmore at 202-551-3777 or Kevin Woody at 202-551-3629 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation

Office of Manufacturing

Finance