FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL (OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
SMITH GARY B					1				CILIT					X	Direc	ctor	10%	Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2007								X	below)		Other (specify below) ENT, CEO	
(Street) LINTHICUM, MD 21090 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tabl	e I - N	on-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or E	Benefic	ially	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/					Execution Date,		ate,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			nd 5) Secui Benet Owne		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111501.4)	
Common Stock 12/20/20				2007	007			A		20,000(1)	(1) A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	192,096		D		
Common Stock 12/20/20				2007	007			S		8,791(2)	D \$34		.2558	2558 183,305		D		
Common Stock 12/20/20				2007	007			S		8,791(3)	D \$34.25		.2558	558 174,514		D		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ive Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transa Code (8)			ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable Date		ate (ear)	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		t r		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares reported reflect the satisfaction of performance criteria, and vesting in full on December 20, 2007, of a Performance Stock Unit (PSU) award granted on December 18, 2006.
- 2. Shares reported reflect the amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sale instruction related to a PSU award agreement dated December 18, 2006.
- 3. Shares reported reflect the amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sale instruction related to a Performance-Accelerated Restricted Stock Unit (PARSU) award agreement dated December 18, 2006. Acquisition of the PARSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on December 19, 2006.

By: Erik Lichter For: Gary B. 12/21/2007 Smith

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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