FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ALEXANDER STEPHEN B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]											ionship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% (	ssuer Owner (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD					09/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/17/2007											below) below) Sr VP Chief Technology Officer				
(Street) LINTHIC		MD State)	21090 (Zip)		. 4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Line)  X Form filed by One Report Form filed by More than 0											Reporting Pers	son			
		T	able I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	ecui	ritie	s Acq	uired,	Disp	osed o	f, or	Bene	fici	ally	Owne	ed			
D				Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				4 and Secu Bene Own		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										Code	v	Amount	(	A) or D)	Price	,	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		ı	(111341. 4)	
Common Stock 09					09/17/2007							50		D	\$37.21		85,318		D		
Common Stock 09					09/17/2007				<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		600		D	\$37	.19 8		34,718	D			
Common Stock 09/					/17/2007				<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		300		D	\$37.14		84,418		D			
Common	Stock			09/17	7/2007	7				<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		300		D	\$3′	7.1	84,118 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)		Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Frice of Derivative Execution if any (Month/Day		n Date,	Code (Instr.		on or. I	5. Nur of Deriva Secur Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5	ative ities red sed 3, 4	6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	)	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ount ober			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. Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 12/20/06.

By: Erik Lichter For: Stephen
B. Alexander

09/18/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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