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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres <u>Rowny Micha</u>	ss of Reporting Perso ael J	n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CIENA CORP</u> [CIEN]		lationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ck all applicable) Director 10% Owner			
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(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2009		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
1201 WINTERSON ROAD			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date Execution Date, T			ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/22/2009		Р		2,400	A	\$10.8299	25,806	D	
Common Stock	12/23/2009		Р		100	A	\$10.9775	25 , 906 ⁽¹⁾	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		5. Nut of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/M	ate	e Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik J. Lichter For: Michael J. Rowny

12/23/2009

** 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).

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