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### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b).

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Nume and Address of Reporting Leson			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CIENA CORP</u> [ CIEN ]		ationship of Reporting Person ( all applicable) Director	10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2007	X	Officer (give title below) CHIEF OPERATING	Other (specify below) OFFICER	
(Street) LINTHICUM, (City)	MD (State)	21090 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing ( Form filed by One Report Form filed by More than C Person	ing Person	

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

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or Brice Trans		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(insu. 4)
Common Stock	12/20/2007		A		12,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	116,162	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2007		S		5,494 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	\$34.2558	110,668	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2007		S		5,861 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$34.2558	104,807	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)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title Amour Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	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 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: Arthur D. Smith 12/21/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $\ast$  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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