FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) CIENA CORP [CIEN] **SMITH GARY B** X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify X below) below) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2005 President and CEO C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable (Street) X Form filed by One Reporting Person LINTHICUM 21090 MD Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. Ownership Transaction Execution Date, Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Securities Beneficially Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. (D) or Indirect (Month/Dav/Year) 8) Owned Following (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (A) or (D) Code Amount Price (Instr. 3 and 4) Common Stock 11/01/2005 325,000(1) 325,000 Α \$0 D Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of Derivative 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 8. Price of 9. Number of 11. Nature 10. of Securities Underlying Derivative Security Conversion Date **Execution Date** ..ansaction Code (Instr. 8) Derivative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Derivative derivative Ownership of Indirect Securities Acquired (A) Security (Instr. 3) or Exercise Price of (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) Securities Beneficially Form: Direct (D) Beneficial Ownership or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Owned or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) Amount Date Expiration Number Code (A) (D) Exercisable Date of Shares Employee Stock Option 11/01/2005 750,000

11/01/2005⁽²⁾

11/01/2015

Stock

Explanation of Responses:

(right to buy)

\$2,36

- 1. These are Restricted Stock Units that begin vesting on November 1, 2005 and vest in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each fiscal quarter.
- 2. These options begin vesting on November 1, 2005 and vest in equal monthly amounts over 48 months.

/s/Gary B. Smith by Anita 11/03/2005 Weiskerger per POA

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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750,000

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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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