FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  O NEIL ROBERT A  (Last) (First) (Middle)  1201 WINTERSON ROAD						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]									eck all ap Dire	plicable) ctor	ng Person(s) to Is		Owner
						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/25/2004								^ belo	below)		Other (s below) a Networking Gr		
(Street) LINTHICUM MD 21090 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		5	. Price of Perivative Pecurity Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	n: ct (D) direct	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. 158,632 shares are restricted shares and are held in a book account at the Transfer Agent which will vest and be distributed monthly to Mr. O'Neil by November 18, 2005; and 104,237 shares are held by Mr. O'Neil without restriction. The 50,650 shares previously held in escrow pursuant to the merger agreement by and between WaveSmith and CIENA were distributed to Mr. O'Neil on June 16, 2004.

> /s/Robert O'Neil by Anita Weiskerger per POA

06/29/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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