## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Morin Philippe  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O CIENA CORPORATION  1201 WINTERSON ROAD  (Street)  LINTHICUM, MD 21090 |  |           |  |         |          |                | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2013  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |        |   |  |   |               |   |           | (Check   | SVP, Global Field Organization  Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) |  |   |  |
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| (City)   |  | (Sta      | te) (                                      | Zip)    |          |                |  |        |   |  |   |               |   |           |          |  |  |   |  |
|  |  |           | Tabl                                       | e I - N | on-Deriv | ative          | Sec  | uritie | s Ac                                    | quired   | d, Di   | sposed o      | f, or B   | enefic    | ially    | Owne   | ed   |   |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da   |  |           |  |         |          | Execution Date |  |        | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |  | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a |               |   | Beneficia |          | ities<br>icially<br>d Following  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)                                | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership               |  |
|  |  |           |  |         |          |                |  |        | Code                                    | v  | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   |           | Transa   | action(s)<br>3 and 4)  |  | (Instr. 4)  |  |
| Common Stock 03/21/20  |  |           |  |         |          |                |  |        |   | S  |   | 1,211(1)      | D   | \$16.     | 6.3851   |  | 2,409(2)   | D   |  |
| Common Stock 03/21/20  |  |           |  |         |          | 2013           |  |        |   | S  |   | 3,222(3)      | D   | \$16.     | 3.3851 2 |  | 9,187(2)   | D   |  |
| Common Stock 03/21/20  |  |           |  |         |          |                | 013  |        |   |  |   | 1,638(4)      | D   | \$16.     | 16.3852  |  | 7,549 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D   |  |
| Common Stock 03/21/20  |  |           |  |         | 2013     | 013            |  |        |   |  | 1,340(5)  | D             | \$16.   | 6.3851    |          | 6,209 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D  |   |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |           |  |         |          |                |  |        |   |  |   |               |   |           |          |  |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversi<br>or Exerci<br>Price of<br>Derivativ<br>Security   | on<br>ise | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | if any  | on Date, |                | ansaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)   |        |   | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Exercisable Expiration Date |   |               | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount of Amount or Number of Shares |           | <u> </u> |  | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |

- 1. Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/15/2011. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2011.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).
- 3. Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 4/1/2010. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 4/1/2010.
- 4. Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/14/2010.  $Acquisition \ of the \ RSU \ was \ previously \ reported \ in \ Table \ I \ of \ reporting \ person's \ Form \ 4 \ on \ 12/16/2010.$
- 5. Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/18/2012. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2012.

By: Erik Lichter For: Phillippe Morin \*\* Signature of Reporting Person

03/22/2013

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).
- \*\* 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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