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* SMITH GARY B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN]										check all	nship of Reportii applicable) Director	g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2014											Officer (give title selow) PRESID	Other below ENT, CEO	(specify)	
7035 RIDGE RD. (Street) HANOVER MD 21076-1426 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										ne) <mark>X</mark> F	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - Nor	າ-Deriv	ative	Se	curi	ities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	ally Ov	vned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					ur) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)					ties Acquired (A) I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			id Se Be Ov	Amount of ecurities eneficially wned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
										Code	v	Amount	(A) or D)	Price	, Tr₃	eported ansaction(s) astr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 12/17/					′2014				A		119,690(1)		A	\$0.0		521,088(2)	D			
Common	ommon Stock 12/17/				/2014					A		126,724 ⁽³⁾		Α	\$0.0		647,812(2)	D		
		Та										sed of, onvertib				y Own	ed			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	Date, Transact Code (In		n of r. Do Se A (A Di of (Ir	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		е	Amou Secu Unde Deriv	rlying ative rity (Ins	ount	8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5	ve derivative Securities	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reflects Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) that vest over four years, with one-sixteenth of the grant amount vesting on March 20, June 20, September 20, and December 20 of each year, commencing on March 20, 2015.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).
- 3. Reflects the number of stock units earned pursuant to the terms of a performance stock unit award granted on 12/17/2013 reflecting the achievement of the related performance conditions. These shares vest in equal 1/3 amounts on each December 20, 2014, 2015, and 2016.

By: Erik Lichter For: Gary B. Smith

12/18/2014

** 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).
- ** 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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