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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>STEVENSON RUSSELL B JR</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CIENA CORP</u> [CIEN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2006	- x	Officer (give title below) Sr.V.P., General Cour	Other (specify below) sel & Sec			
(Street) LINTHICUM (City)	MD (State)	21090 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than Person	rting Person			

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities A Disposed Of (5)			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	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	08/31/2006		A		35,000 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	140,534	D	
Common Stock	08/31/2006		F		11,883(2)	D	\$3.95	128,651	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)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Sect Acqu (A) o Disp of (D		Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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 August 31, 2006 of a Performance Stock Unit (PSU) award granted on November 1, 2005.

2. Shares reported represent the amount forfeited to cover the tax liabilities of the grantee pursuant to the PSU award agreement.

/s/Russell B. Stevenson, Jr. by

Anita Weiskerger per POA

09/01/2006

** 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).

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