FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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L. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Locoh-Donou Francois  2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2011		ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION			Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)     Director	10% Owne	r (Mor	If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)      Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
1201 WINTERSON ROAD			X Officer (give title below)	Other (spe	7   0.1110		
(Street)			Senior Vice Pre	sident	X		y One Reporting Person
LINTHICUM, MD 21090						Reporting P	y More than One erson
(City) (State) (Zip)							
	Table I - No	n-Deriva	tive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect ( (Instr. 5)	ect (D) (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock			124,133(1)	D			
(6			ve Securities Beneficially ants, options, convertible		s)		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	06/10/201	5 Common Stock	3,143	16.52	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	10/26/201	4 Common Stock	725	16.87	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)							
	(2)	10/26/201	5 Common Stock	1,785	17.43	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	10/26/201 05/26/201		1,785 5,357	17.43 22.96	D D	
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- 1 (3 %)	(2)	05/26/201	4 Common Stock 4 Common Stock	5,357	22.96	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	05/26/201	4 Common Stock 4 Common Stock 4 Common Stock	5,357 5,857	22.96 23.73	D D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	05/26/201 06/14/201 05/18/201	4 Common Stock 4 Common Stock 4 Common Stock 6 Common Stock	5,357 5,857 1,785	22.96 23.73 25.06	D D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2) (2) (2) (2)	05/26/201 06/14/201 05/18/201 12/18/201	4 Common Stock 4 Common Stock 4 Common Stock 6 Common Stock 2 Common Stock	5,357 5,857 1,785 20,000	22.96 23.73 25.06 27.88	D D D D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares reported include restricted stock unit (RSU) awards previously granted representing, in the aggregate, 75,115 shares that remain unvested as of the date of this report. Shares subject to these awards vest over a three or four-year period from the date of grant with 1/12th or 1/16th of the grant amount vesting on March 20, June 20, September 20, and December 20 of each year.

2. Option is fully vested.

By: Erik Lichter For: Francois Locoh-Donou 08/03/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$ 

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