FORM 4

obligations may continue. See

Instruction 1(b)

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  PETRIK ANDREW C						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]							(Check all app		olicable)	10% (	Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/21/2012							X Office (give title Office (specify below)  VP, CONTROLLER					
(Street) LINTHIC			21090 (Zip)		_ 4. II	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Deri  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D			ction	tion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3.		sposed of, or Benefic 4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		r	5. Amount of		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	•	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(instr. 4)
Common Stock				12/21/	1/2012				S		460(1)	D	\$15	315.2355		34,917	D	
Common Stock				12/21/	/2012				S		234(2)	D	\$15	15.2358		34,683	D	
Common Stock			12/21/	1/2012				S		192 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$15	\$15.2334		34,491	D		
Common Stock			12/21/2012					A		889(4)	A	\$	\$0.0		35,380	D		
Common Stock 12/2			12/21/	2012				S		795 <sup>(5)</sup>	D	\$15	\$15.2323		4,585 <sup>(6)</sup>	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)	Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Frice of Derivative Security Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transa Code ( 8)	(Instr.	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 or Number of Title Shares		Deri Secti (Inst	rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 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 12/16/2009.  $Acquisition \ of the \ RSU \ was \ previously \ reported \ in \ Table \ I \ of \ reporting \ person's \ Form \ 4 \ on \ 12/18/2009.$
- 2. 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.
- 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 12/15/2011. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2011.
- 4. Reflects additional shares earned, as determined by the Compensation Committee, pursuant to Performance Stock Units (PSUs) granted December 14, 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 performance stock unit (PSU) award agreement dated 12/14/2010. Acquisition of the PSU was previously reported in Table 1 of reporting person's Form 4 in December 2010.
- 6. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Andrew C Petrik

12/26/2012

\*\* 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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