FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* PETRIK ANDREW C | | | | | <u>CI</u> | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN] | | | | | | | | | k all app Dired Offic | blicable) ctor er (give title | 10% Other | Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify | |
|--|---|--|---------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|------|---|--------------|---|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| (Last) 1501 HA | (Fii BERSHAM | , | Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Tra 09/20/2010 | | | | | nsaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | belov | w) below) VP, CONTROLLER | | <i>(</i>) | |
| (Street) | Street) CROWNSVILLE MD 21032 | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (St | ate) (2 | Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - N | on-Deri | vative | Sec | uritie | s Ac | quire | l, Di | sposed o | f, or E | Benefi | cially | Owne | ed | | | |
| Date | | | | 2. Transac Date (Month/Da | Exe ay/Year) if ar | | A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | | nd 5) Securiti Benefic | | ities icially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) o (D) | Price | • | Trans | action(s) 3 and 4) | | (111501.4) | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 09/20/2010 | | | | S | | 326(1) | D | \$15 | 5.0909 | | 3,460 | D | | |
| Common | ommon Stock 09/20/ | | | | | 010 | | | | | 1,444(2) | D | \$15 | .0905 | | 2,016 | D | | |
| Common | ommon Stock 09/20/2 | | | | | .010 | | | | | 434(3) | D | \$15 | 515.0911 | | 51,582 | D | | |
| Common Stock 09/20/ | | | | | 2010 | 010 | | | S | | 132(4) | D | \$15 | \$15.0912 | | 1,450 ⁽⁵⁾ | 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 | ercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code (Instr. Secu (Month/Day/Year) 8) Secu Acqu | | | | ative rities ired osed | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instant) Amount of Security (Instant) | | | | | Deri Sec (Ins | rice of ivative urity tr. 5) | derivative Securities | 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 | of Title Share | | | | | | | |

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 12/18/2006. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/06.
- 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 12/16/2008. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/18/2008.
- 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 12/16/2009. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/18/2009.
- 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 12/18/2007. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2007.
- 5. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Andrew C Petrik

09/23/2010

** 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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