## FORM 4

obligations may continue. See

Instruction 1(b)

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     PETRIK ANDREW C					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]										tionship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% (	Ssuer Owner (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2011									below) below)  VP, CONTROLLER				
(Street) LINTHIC		1D State)	21090 (Zip)		_ 4. If	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				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Execution Date,		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			and 5) Sec Ben Owr		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	!	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock				03/22/2011		03/24/2011		S		142(1)	D	\$23.	\$23.4277		51,682	D			
Common	Stock			03/22/2	2011	11 03/24/2011		S		1,473(2)	D	\$23	\$23.428		50,209	D			
Common	Stock			03/22/2	2011	03	3/24/2	011	S		420(3)	D	\$23	.4281	5	D			
Common	Stock			03/22/2	2011	03	8/24/2	011	S		214(4)	D	\$23	.4294	4294 59,575 <sup>(5)</sup> D				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year)  Price of Derivative Security  Date (Month/Day/Year)  Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Transa Code ( 8)	Instr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Expiration Date Expiration Date Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of		Deri Seci (Inst		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 12/18/2007. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2007.
- 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 12/14/2010. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/16/2010.
- 5. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Andrew C. Petrik

03/28/2011

\*\* 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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