FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MOYLAN JAMES E JR | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN] | | | | | | | | Check | all app Direc | olicable) | g Person(s) to Is | |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---------|------------------|---|--|--|------|--|-------|-----------------------|---|--|---|---|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD. | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/17/2018 | | | | | | | | X | belov | | | | |
| (Street) HANOVER MD 21076-1426 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 4. If | 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - N | on-Deriv | ative | Sec | uritie | s Ac | quire | d, Di | sposed o | f, or B | enefici | ally C | Owne | ed | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/ | | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. | | | | 5) | | | 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 | | Transa | action(s) 3 and 4) | | (111511.4) |
| Common Stock 10/17/20 | | | | | 018 | 18 | | | S | | 2,000(1) | D | \$30.6 | 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 3.5 | | 6,725 ⁽³⁾ | D | |
| | | Та | ble II | | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | | ned | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | Date Execu (Month/Day/Year) if any | if any | ition Date, Trai | Transa Code (| | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | | 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. Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 1/9/2018.
- 2. Reflects the weighted average sales price with transactions in a range of sales from \$30.30 to \$30.95. Upon request by the SEC, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate sales price will be provided.
- 3. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) and Performance Stock Units (PSUs).

By: Michelle Rankin For: James E. Moylan Jr

10/18/2018

** 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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