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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>SMITH GARY B</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CIENA CORP</u> [CIEN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
				Х	Director	10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Х	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD			09/22/2008		PRESIDENT, C	EO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable		
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,					Form filed by More than (Person	One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Ins 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.1.4)
Common Stock	09/22/2008		S		633 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$11.6647	165,672	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)			of Expiration Date Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		Expiration Date		Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. 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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						

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.

<u>By: Erik Lichter For: Gary B.</u> <u>Smith</u>	09/23/2008
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Date ** Signature of Reporting Person

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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