FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	S IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ALEXANDER STEPHEN B					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]									Check all a	ship of Reporti applicable) rector fficer (give title		10% C		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD.				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2015									A be	elow) r VP Chief Techn		below)			
(Street) HANOVI	reet) ANOVER MD 21076-1426					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tabl	le I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	efici	ally Ow	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Da		n Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				nd Sec Ber Ow	Securities Seneficially Dwned Following		Ownership rm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		(A) or (D)	Price	ͺ   Tra	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(msu. 4)
Common Stock 04/01					/01/2015				S		3,750	(1) D \$		\$19	9.1 159,234 <sup>(2)</sup>			D	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 9/19/2014.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Stephen B. Alexander

04/02/2015

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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