FORM 4

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* FRODSHAM JAMES						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN]								Check	all app Dired	olicable)		ssuer Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2011								X	belov)	
(Street) LINTHICUM, MD 21090 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							i. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deriv	ative	Seci	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or E	enefici	ially	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Execution Date,		ate,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (and provided in the control of the contr				d 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		Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501.4)
Common Stock 03/31/20					.011				S		4,997	D	\$26.0	43 ⁽¹⁾	18	0,183(2)	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)	Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		e Exerc tion Da n/Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				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)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reflects the weighted average sales price with transactions in a range of sales prices from \$26.02 to \$26.07. Upon request by the SEC, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate sales price will be provided.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: James A. **Frodsham**

OWNERSHIP

04/01/2011

** 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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