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FORM 4

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. Nume and Address of Reporting reison			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CIENA CORP</u> [CIEN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
					Director Officer (give title	10% Owner Other (specify			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X	below)	below)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION		(12/21/2012		SVP, Global Ma	rketing			
1201 WINTERS	ON ROAD								
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing	(Check Applicable			
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(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	3. Transa Code (ction	4. Securities	Acquired	(A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	8) Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/21/2012		S		1,200(1)	D	\$15.2345	106,257	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2012		S		240 ⁽²⁾	D	\$15.235	106,017	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2012		S		676 ⁽³⁾	D	\$15.2355	105,341 ⁽⁴⁾	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 Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D)	erivative ccurities cquired) or (D) sposed (D) str. 3, 4		ate Amount of		Amount of Derivative securities Security Inderlying (Instr. 5) security (Instr. 3 nd 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 1/1/2011. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 3 on 4/4/2011.

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 6/1/2011. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 6/2/2011.

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 12/15/2011. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2011.

4. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Rick R

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** 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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