FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Rothenstein David M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [ CIEN ]										all app	olicable)		Ssuer Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2016									Λ	belov	,	belov neral Counsel	)``
(Street) HANOVER MD 21076-14  (City) (State) (Zip)				26	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				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Sec Ben		cially d Following	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)		(1113111 4)			
Common Stock 08/15/2									S		2,000(1	1)	D \$20		.84	84 269,334 <sup>(2)</sup>		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)	ative Conversion Date Execution D rity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date, Transaction Code (Instr.		n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			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 Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nur of	nber					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 1/14/2016.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) and Performance Stock Units (PSUs).

By: Michelle Griswold For: David M. Rothenstein

08/15/2016

\*\* 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).
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