FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHA	NGES IN BENEFIC	IAL 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]									Check	all app	licable)		Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/28/2010									X	belov			w)
(Street) LINTHICUM, MD 21090 (City) (State) (Zip)					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/Date)					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquii Disposed Of (D) (In 5)						5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follo		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		(A) or (D)	Price	e	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(11301.4)
Common Stock 07/28					3/2010				A		7,700(1)		A	\$	\$0 14		4,731 ⁽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)	ve Conversion Date Execution Date, Transa or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code			5. Numof Deriv. Securion Acquired (A) or Disport (Instr. and 5	ative rities ired sed	Expiration	i. Date Exercisable and expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Deri Secu	rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction ((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)			
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reflects a grant of Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) that vest over one-year period, with one- fourth of the grant amount vesting on September 20, 2010, December 20, 2010, March 20, 2011 and June 20, 2011.
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: David M Rothenstein

08/18/2010

** 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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