FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person CIENA CORP [CIEN] PETRIK ANDREW C Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) VP, CONTROLLER 12/17/2014 C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD. 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable (Street) X Form filed by One Reporting Person 21076-1426 **HANOVER** MD Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2A. Deemed Execution Date, 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 6. Ownership Form: Direct 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 5. Amount of 7. Nature Transaction Securities of Indirect (Month/Day/Year if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial 8) Owned Following (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership Reported (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) nsaction(s) Price ν Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) Common Stock 12/17/2014 $7,480^{(1)}$ 49,694(2) D A \$0.0 Common Stock 12/17/2014 4,759(3) 54,453(2) D Α A \$0.0 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 7. Title and 1. Title of 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 8. Price of 9. Number of 11. Nature Derivative Conversion **Execution Date** Transaction Code (Instr. **Expiration Date** Amount of Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise if anv (Month/Day/Year) Securities Security Securities Form: Beneficial Beneficially (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Direct (D) Price of 8) Securities Underlying (Instr. 5) Ownership Acquired Derivative Derivative Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4) (A) or Disposed Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Following Security (I) (Instr. 4) Reported of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) and 5) Amount

Explanation of Responses:

1. Reflects Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) that vest over four years, with one-sixteenth of the grant amount vesting on March 20, June 20, September 20, and December 20 of each year, commencing on March 20, 2015.

Date

Exercisable

Expiration

Title

- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).
- 3. Reflects the number of stock units earned pursuant to the terms of a performance stock unit award granted on 12/17/2013 reflecting the achievement of the related performance conditions. These shares vest in equal 1/3 amounts on each December 20, 2014, 2015, and 2016.

By: Erik Lichter For: Andrew C. Petrik 12/18/2014

Number

Shares

** 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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