FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PETRIK ANDREW C (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD (Street) LINTHICUM, MD 21090							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2011 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								(Check	VP, CONTROLLER Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)			
(City)		(Sta	te) (Zip)															
			Tab	e I - N	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	l, Di	sposed o	f, or B	enefic	ially	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,					4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			nd 5) Secur Benef		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
										Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 09/22/						2011	011					149(1)	D	\$11.	.0697		7,205	D	
Common Stock 09/2					09/22/2	:011				S		1,634(2)	D	\$11.	0762		5,571	D	
Common Stock 09/22/20					2011)11			S		491(3)	D	\$11.	11.0732		5,080	D		
Common Stock 09/22/20					2011)11			S		251(4)	D	\$11.	\$11.0762		1,829 ⁽⁵⁾	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. Conversi or Exerci Price of Derivativ Security	on ise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	on Date,	n Date, ay/Year) Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Derivation Securiting Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)		ative rities ired osed	6. Date Expirat (Month)	tion Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or Number of Title Shares		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		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)	

- 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 12/18/2007. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2007.
- 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 12/16/2008. $Acquisition \ of the \ RSU \ was \ previously \ reported \ in \ Table \ I \ of \ reporting \ person's \ Form \ 4 \ on \ 12/18/2008.$
- 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 12/16/2009. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/18/2009.
- 4. 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 12/14/2010. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/16/2010.
- 5. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Andrew C Petrik

09/26/2011

** 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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