FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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] **FRODSHAM JAMES** Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) SR. VP, Chief Strategy Officer 04/16/2018 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 Line) (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 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Execution Date. Transaction Securities Form: Direct of Indirect (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Following (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership 8) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) saction(s) Price Code ٧ Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) 04/16/2018 \$25.5015(2) Common Stock 2,000(1) 169,617(3) D S D Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of 3A. Deemed 3. Transaction 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 8. Price of 9. Number of 10. 11. Nature 5. Number Derivative Conversion Execution Date Transaction Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Ownership of Indirect (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security (Instr. 3) Securities Securities or Exercise if anv Code (Instr. Security Form: Beneficial Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) 8) Securities Underlying Derivative (Instr. 5) Beneficially Direct (D) Ownership Acquired Owned or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) or Disposed Security Security (Instr. 3 Following and 4) Reported of (D) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3, 4 (Instr. 4) and 5)

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 1/11/2018.
- 2. Reflects the weighted average sales price with transactions in a range of sales from \$25.20 to \$25.66. Upon request by the SEC, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate sales price will be provided.

Exercisable

3. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) and Performance Stock Units (PSUs).

By: Michelle Rankin For: James A Frodsham

Amount or Number

Shares

Expiration

Title

Date

04/16/2018

** 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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(A) (D)

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