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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Locoh-Donou Francois			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CIENA CORP</u> [CIEN]		tionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director	10% Owner
(Last) C/O CIENA CO 1201 WINTERS			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2012	X	Officer (give title below) Senior Vice P	Other (specify below) resident
(Street) LINTHICUM, (City)	MD (State)	21090 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2012	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filir Form filed by One Re Form filed by More the Person	porting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)	
Common Stock	03/21/2012		S		1,123(1)	D	\$15.6611	200,630	D		
Common Stock	03/21/2012		S		689 ⁽²⁾	D	\$15.6613	199,941 ⁽³⁾	D		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D)	erivative (Month/Day/Year) ecurities cquired) or isposed f (D) nstr. 3, 4		xpiration Date Amount of		nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

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 12/16/2009. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table 1 of reporting persons Form 3 on 8/3/11.

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 12/14/2010. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table 1 of reporting persons Form 3 on 8/3/11.

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

By: Erik Lichter For: Francois Locoh-Donou

04/16/2012

** 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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