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* <u>Claflin Bruce L.</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN]											olicable)		Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CIENA CORPORATION						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2011										Office belov	er (give title w)		ther (s	specify
1201 WINTERSON ROAD						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) LINTHICUM MD 21090															X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)																	
		Tal	ole I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	of, o	r Ben	efici	ally	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Da		n Date,	Code (Instr.						4 and Secu Bend Own		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ect rect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
							v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	•	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(111501.4)			
Common Stock 05/03/						3/2011					400		D	\$27.49		9 34,102(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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,		ransaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		exercision Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct (or Indir (I) (Inst	ship (D) rect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Code		Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nui of	ount mber ares									

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Sales were effected pursuant to 10b5-1 trading plan dated December 22, 2010
- 2. Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

By: Erik Lichter For: Bruce L Claflin

05/04/2011

** 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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