FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHI

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH ARTHUR D					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN]							(Ch	eck all application	able)	10% Owner		vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) L					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2004								below)			рсспу	
(Street) LINTHICUM MD 21090				4	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				1	
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)										Person				
		Та	ble I - Non-I	Derivati	ive S	ecuritie	s Ac	quired, I	Dis	posed o	f, or Ber	neficially	/ Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				ate	Execution Date,		Code (Instr.		d (A) or r. 3, 4 and 5	5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	Formula (D) (I) (I) (I) (I) (I)		Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and				(matt. 4)	
	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. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye	4. Transa Code (6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		of Securities		ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s)			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.85	12/10/2004		A		125,000		01/01/2005 ⁽	[1)	12/10/2014	Common Stock	125,000	\$0	125,00	00	D	

Explanation of Responses:

 $1.\ These\ options\ will\ vest,\ beginning\ December\ 1,\ 2004,\ at\ the\ rate\ of\ 2.084\%\ per\ month\ for\ 48\ months.$

/s/Arthur Smith by Anita Weiskerger per POA

12/14/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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