

CIENA CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ALEXANDER STEPHEN B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 7035  
RIDGE RD.

(Street)

HANOVER, MD 21076-1426

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CIENA CORP [CIEN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

10/01/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr VP Chief Technology Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 10/01/2015                           |  | M                              |   | 3,750   | A  | \$ 16.52                          |
| Common Stock                    | 10/01/2015                           |  | S                              |   | 3,750<br>(2)  | D  | \$ 20.75                          |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 136,881   | (1)  | D                                 |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 133,131   | (3)  | D                                 |

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

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**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/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 16.52   | 10/01/2015                           |  | M                              | 3,750   | <sup>(4)</sup> 11/02/2015                                | Common Stock  | 3,750                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                      |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                              | Other |
| ALEXANDER STEPHEN B<br>C/O CIENA CORPORATION<br>7035 RIDGE RD.<br>HANOVER, MD 21076-1426 |               |           | Sr VP Chief<br>Technology<br>Officer |       |

## Signatures

By: Erik Lichter For: Stephen B. Alexander 10/02/2015

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).
- (2) Sales were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated 09/19/14, as amended.
- (3) Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).
- (4) Option vests in equal monthly amounts over 48 months beginning on November 1, 2005.

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