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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **SMITH GARY B**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

CIENA CORP [CIEN]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(7:-

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director below)

10% Owner

C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 1201

03/27/2008

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify

WINTERSON ROAD

(Street)

(Ctota)

PRESIDENT, CEO

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LINTHICUM,, MD 21090

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (4 and 5 (A) or	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/27/2008		Code V M	Amount 3,920	(D)	Price \$ 19.95	173,119	D	
Common Stock	03/27/2008		M	15,280	A	\$ 16.52	188,399	D	
Common Stock	03/27/2008		S	19,200	D	\$ 31.1285 (1)	169,199	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.52	03/27/2008		M	15,280	(2)	11/02/2015	Common Stock	15,2
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.95	03/27/2008		M	3,920	(3)	12/10/2014	Common Stock	3,9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SMITH GARY B C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD LINTHICUM,, MD 21090	X		PRESIDENT, CEO				

Signatures

By: Erik Lichter For: Gary B.
Smith
03/28/2008

**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).

Reflects the average sale price of the total shares sold. Actual sale prices are as follows: 300 shares at \$31.22; 300 shares at \$31.24; 700 shares at \$31.23; 500 shares at \$31.26; 1,300 shares at \$31.15; 313 shares at \$31.18; 700 shares at \$31.16; 2,600 shares at \$31.03; 500

- shares at \$31.07; 1,100 shares at \$31.14; 400 shares at \$31.09; 492 shares at \$31.10; 708 shares at \$31.04; 1,600 shares at \$30.99; 950 (1) shares at \$31.00; 300 shares at \$30.98; 200 shares at \$30.97; 400 shares at \$31.02; 700 shares at \$31.01; 500 shares at \$31.08; 200 shares at \$31.30; 87 shares at \$31.18; 50 shares at \$31.03; 200 shares at \$31.21; 200 shares at \$30.99; 100 shares at \$31.35; 300 shares at \$31.36; 200 shares at \$31.33; 500 shares at \$31.34; 1,300 shares at \$31.28; 600 shares at \$31.25; 500 shares at \$31.27; 100 shares at \$31.30; and 300 shares at \$31.31.
- (2) Option vests in equal monthly amounts over 48 months beginning on November 1, 2005.

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(3) Option is fully vested.

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