CIENA CORP Form 4 February 02, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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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 Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(Middle)

(Zip)

CIENA CORP [CIEN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner

C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 1201

(State)

(First)

01/31/2009

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

WINTERSON ROAD

(Month/Day/Year)

PRESIDENT, CEO

(Check all applicable)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

X 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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 01/31/2009 Stock

1,166 F D (1) 6.24

 $662,597 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ 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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | | | ate | 7. Title Amoun Under | nt of lying ities | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene |
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| | | | | | of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | 4, and 3) | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | or Number of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

By: Erik Lichter For: Gary B.
Smith
02/02/2009

**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).
 - Shares reported represent the amount forfeited to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a restricted stock unit (RSU)
- (1) award agreement dated November 1, 2005. The RSU vests at the end of Ciena's fiscal quarters over a four year year term and shares are issued net of taxes upon vesting. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 filed on November 3, 2005.
- (2) Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

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