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11/01/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ALEXANDER STEPHEN B	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(encor an approacie)
CIENA CORPORATION, 1201 WINTERSON ROAD	(Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2005	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
LINTHICUM, MD 21090	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 3) any	Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired attion Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) th/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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150,000

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

150,000

(1)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.36	11/01/2005		A	275,000	11/01/2005(2)	11/01/2015	Common Stock	275

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ALEXANDER STEPHEN B				
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CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD LINTHICUM, MD 21090

Sr VP, Products & Tech., & CTO

Signatures

/s/Stephen Alexander by Anita Weiskerger per POA 11/03/2005

**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) These are Restricted Stock Units that begin vesting on November 1, 2005 and vest in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each fiscal quarter.
- (2) These options begin vesting on November 1, 2005 and vest in equal monthly amounts over 48 months.

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