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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **SMITH GARY B** Issuer Symbol CIENA CORP [CIEN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 7035 03/21/2016 below) RIDGE RD. PRESIDENT, CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HANOVER, MD 21076-1426

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, 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)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/21/2016		Code V D	Amount 3,870 (1)		Price \$ 17.9605	(Instr. 3 and 4) 830,946 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/21/2016		D	3,867 (3)	D	\$ 17.9606	827,079 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/21/2016		D	2,836 (4)	D	\$ 17.9605	824,243 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/21/2016		D	2,908 (5)	D	\$ 17.9605	821,335 (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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9.
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	De
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SMITH GARY B C/O CIENA CORPORATION 7035 RIDGE RD. HANOVER, MD 21076-1426	X		PRESIDENT, CEO				

Signatures

By: Erik Lichter For: Gary B. 03/22/2016 Smith

**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 an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related (1) to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/18/2012. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/20/2012.
- (2) Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) and Performance Stock Units (PSUs).
- Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related (3) to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/17/2014. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2014.

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Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/15/2015. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/17/2015.

Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related (5) to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/17/2013. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2013.

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