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ALEXANDER STEPHEN B Symbol				r Name an CORP [r Trad	0	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Month								Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Sr VP Chief Technology Officer			
Filed(Mc				Month/Day/Year)				 Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
	JM,, MD 21090							Person		8	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)					-	ired, Disposed of,		-	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or		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	03/21/2012			S	1,455 (1)	D	\$ 15.662	219,171	D		
Common Stock	03/21/2012			S	1,232 (2)	D	\$ 15.6619	217,939	D		
Common Stock	03/21/2012			S	810 <u>(3)</u>	D	\$ 15.6612	217,129 <u>(4)</u>	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	S	Date	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
Repo	rting C	owners		Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ALEXANDER STEPHEN B C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD LINTHICUM,, MD 21090			Sr VP Chief Technology Officer				
Signatures							
By: Erik Litcher For: Stephen E Alexander	3.	03/2	23/2012				
**Signature of Reporting Person]	Date				
Evaluation of Responses:							

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 12/16/2009. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/18/2009.

Shares reported represent an amount sold to cover the tax liabilities of the reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales instruction related
 (2) to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/14/2010. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/16/2010.

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 12/15/2011. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/19/2011.

(4) Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

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