Rothenstein David M Form 4 September 23, 2009

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rothenstein David M			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	(Check an applicable)			
C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 1201 WINTERSON ROAD		TION, 1201	(Month/Day/Year) 09/21/2009	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP, General Counsel			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
LINTHICUM	I,, MD 2109	90	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	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)	on Date, if Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				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)
_			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/21/2009		S	230 (1)	D	\$ 15.4742	107,510	D	
Common Stock	09/21/2009		S	171 (2)	D	\$ 15.4738	107,339	D	
Common Stock	09/21/2009		S	222 (3)	D	\$ 15.475	107,117	D	
Common Stock	09/21/2009		S	2,644 (4)	D	\$ 15.4724	104,473 (5)	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. Title a	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amount	of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ing	Security	Secui
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				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rothenstein David M C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD LINTHICUM,, MD 21090

Sr. VP, General Counsel

Signatures

By: Erik J. Lichter For: David M. 09/23/2009 Rothenstein

> **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 12/18/2006. RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 3
- 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 12/18/2007. RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 3 on 11/4/08.
- 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 10/28/2008. RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 3 on 11/4/08.

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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 (4) to a restricted stock unit (RSU) award agreement dated 12/16/2008. Acquisition of the RSU was previously reported in Table I of reporting person's Form 4 on 12/18/2008.
- (5) Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

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