Aquino Michael Gerald Form 4 August 04, 2009

FORM 4

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

SECURITIES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5

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See Instruction 1(b).

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Aquino Michael Gerald

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CIENA CORP [CIEN]

(First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2009

C/O CIENA CORPORATION, 1201 WINTERSON ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) SR VP. Global Field Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

D

LINTHICUM,, MD 21090

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 08/01/2009 F Stock

218 (1) D 11.16

 $195,252 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | ate | Amount Underly Securiti | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code V | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title N | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Aquino Michael Gerald C/O CIENA CORPORATION 1201 WINTERSON ROAD LINTHICUM,, MD 21090

SR VP. Global Field Operations

Signatures

By: Erik J. Lichter For: Michael G. Aquino 08/04/2009

**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 June 1, 2006. The RSU vests at the end of Ciena's fiscal quarters over a four year year term and shares are issued
- (1) award agreement dated June 1, 2006. 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 June 8, 2006.
- (2) Shares reported include unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs).

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