

Aquino Michael Gerald
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â Aquino Michael Gerald

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/19/2006

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
CIENA CORP [CIEN]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner

X Officer ___ Other
(give title below) (specify below)

Sr.V.P. Worldwide Sales

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting
Person

___ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person

C/O CIENA
CORPORATION,Â 1201
WINTERSON ROAD

(Street)

LINTHICUM,Â MDÂ 21090

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

Date Expiration
Exercisable Date

3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

Title Amount or
Number of

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative
Security

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:
Direct (D)

6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	05/20/2012	Common Stock	88,000	\$ 6.9	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	08/20/2012	Common Stock	90,000	\$ 4.3	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	11/19/2012	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 4.53	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	05/14/2013	Common Stock	12,500	\$ 5.55	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	11/05/2013	Common Stock	19,750	\$ 6.7	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	05/18/2014	Common Stock	12,500	\$ 3.58	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	05/26/2014	Common Stock	37,500	\$ 3.28	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	10/26/2014	Common Stock	18,750	\$ 2.41	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	12/10/2014	Common Stock	80,000	\$ 2.85	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (3)	06/10/2015	Common Stock	14,000	\$ 2.36	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (4)	10/26/2015	Common Stock	70,000	\$ 2.49	D	Â

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	Â	Â	Â Sr.V.P. Worldwide Sales	Â

Signatures

/s/Michael G. Aquino by Anita Weiskerger per
POA 04/28/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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- (1) Option is fully vested. On October 26, 2005, the Board of Directors accelerated the vesting of Ciena's unvested, "out-of-the-money" stock options having an exercise price per share of \$2.50 or greater.
- (2) Option vests at a rate of 25% on October 31, 2005 and 2.084% for each of the 36 months thereafter.
- (3) Option vests at a rate of 25% on June 30, 2006 and 2.084% for each of the 36 months thereafter.
- (4) Option vests in equal amounts over 48 months beginning on November 1, 2005.

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