

Ciena Corporation
Executive Officer and Director Stock Ownership Guidelines

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Statement of Policy

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Ciena Corporation (“Ciena” or the “Company”) has adopted these stock ownership guidelines to further align the interests of the Company’s executive officers and directors with the long-term interests of its stockholders and to promote Ciena’s commitment to sound corporate governance.

Definitions

“Executive Officers” means the executive officers of the Company as defined under Rule 3b-7 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and any other officers whose compensation is required to be disclosed in the Company’s annual proxy statement.

“Outside Directors” means the non-employee members of the Board.

Stock Ownership Guidelines

Each of Ciena’s Executive Officers and Outside Directors is required to hold shares of Ciena common stock of a value equal to a multiple of the officer’s annual base salary or the director’s annual cash retainer (excluding additional committee retainers), as set forth below:

Position	Minimum Ownership Requirement
Executive Chairman	5x base salary
Chief Executive Officer	5x base salary
Other Executive Officer	2x base salary
Outside Director	5x annual cash retainer

These ownership guidelines are initially calculated using the applicable base salary or annual cash retainer as of the date these guidelines were adopted (or amended and restated) or the date the person first became subject to these guidelines as an Executive Officer or Outside Director.

Accumulation Period

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Holding Requirement

Executive Officers and Outside Directors are required to hold 50% of all shares of Ciena common stock acquired from stock option exercises and awards of restricted stock units, performance stock units and market stock units, net of shares withheld for taxes or payment of exercise price, until they achieve the minimum ownership requirement for their position.

One-Year Retention Requirement for Option and Stock Appreciation Right Shares for Chief Executive Officer

In addition to the holding requirements specified above, regardless of whether Ciena's Chief Executive Officer has satisfied their stock ownership requirement, the Chief Executive Officer is required to hold any net shares of Ciena stock that they receive through the exercise of stock options or stock appreciation rights for at least one year. For this purpose, "net shares" means the number of shares obtained by exercising the option or stock appreciation right, less the number of shares the Chief Executive Officer sells to pay the exercise price, withholding taxes and any applicable brokerage commissions.

Eligible Securities

Shares that count toward satisfaction of these guidelines include:

- shares owned outright by the Executive Officer or Outside Director or his or her immediate family members residing in the same household;
- shares held in trust for the benefit of the Executive Officer or Outside Director or his or her family;
- shares held through Ciena's Deferred Compensation Plan; and
- shares purchased on the open market (either during an open trading window or pursuant to a pre-approved 10b5-1 plan).

Shares that do not count toward satisfaction of these guidelines include:

- unexercised stock options (whether or not vested);
- unvested restricted stock units; and
- unearned and unvested performance stock units or market stock units.

The value of a share will be calculated as the greater of the closing price of Ciena common stock on the date of calculation or (i) with respect to restricted stock units, performance stock units or market stock units, the closing price of Ciena common stock on the grant date or (ii) with respect to stock options, the closing price of Ciena common stock on the date of exercise.

Administration

Exceptions

These guidelines may be waived, at the discretion of the Compensation Committee, if compliance would create hardship or prevent an Executive Officer or Outside Director from complying with a court order, as in the case of a divorce settlement. It is expected that these instances will be rare.