

CHENIERE ENERGY INC
Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SOUKI CHARIF

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 3100

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/14/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, President & CEO

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 72.5 | 03/14/2005 | A | 200,000 | | | | | (1)(3) | 03/14/2015 | Common Stock | 200,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 120 | 03/14/2005 | A | 200,000 | | | | | (1)(3) | 03/14/2015 | Common Stock | 200,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 180 | 03/14/2005 | A | 50,000 | | | | | (2)(3) | 03/14/2015 | Common Stock | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SOUKI CHARIF 717 TEXAS AVENUE SUITE 3100 HOUSTON, TX 77002 | X | | Chairman, President & CEO | |

Signatures

Don A. Turkleson, under POA for Charif Souki 03/16/2005

__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).

(1) 66,668 shares are exercisable on March 14, 2009 and 66,666 shares are exercisable on each of March 14, 2010 and March 14, 2011.

(2) 16,668 shares are exercisable on March 14, 2009 and 16,666 shares are exercisable on each of March 14, 2010 and March 14, 2011.

(3) Vesting may be accelerated by approval of the board of a successor to Mr. Souki as CEO, but no earlier than March 14, 2008.

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