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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Wortley Michael J | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 700 MILAM STREET, SUITE 1900 | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2017 | | | | | | | | | X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) EVP and CFO | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
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| (Instr. 3) | | | Date | n/Day/Year) | Exect | | | Code (Instr. 8) | (A) or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 and | | osed of | of (D) Benefici Reported | | ally Owned Following I Transaction(s) | | 6. Ownership Form: | | Beneficial | |
| | | | | | (Mon | nth/Day/ | Year | Code | V | Amou | nt | (A) or (D) I | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | ` / | | Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | | | 02/17 | //2017 | | | | A | | 16,71 (1) | 5 | A 5 | \$ 0 | 428,830 | 30 | | D | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | | | //Year) E | A. Deemed xecution Date | Derivative Securi e.g., puts, calls, w 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | tion | arrants, op 5. | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | tible cisal on D | ble securities) sable 7. 7 1 Date Am (ear) Uno | | ttle and ount of erlying irities r. 3 and | Derivative Security | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4) | Ow For Der Sec Dir or I | m of Î |)) |
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| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | | | Other | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wortley Michael J 700 MILAM STREET | | | | | | 77.D | 1.0 | 50 | | | | | | | | | | | |

Signatures

HOUSTON, TX 77002

SUITE 1900

| /s/ Sean N. Markowitz under POA by Michael J. Wortley | 02/22/2017 | | | |
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| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | | | |

EVP and CFO

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- * 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) The shares were issued as a restricted stock unit grant and therefore no consideration was given by the Reporting Person. Each restricted unit is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock of the Issuer and vests in equal installments on each of February 17, 2018, February 17, 2019, and February 17, 2020.

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