FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)														
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MERKSAMER SAMUEL J.				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 700 MILAM STREET, SUITE 1900					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2017							Office	er (give title belo	ow)(Other (specify be	low)
(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						
	ON, TX 77															
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		T	able I	- Non	-Deri	ivative S	Securities	Acqu	ired, Disp	osed of, or I	Beneficially (Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			Code (Instr. 8)		tion	(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	Beneficia	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
			(Month/Day/Year)			ode	V	Amoun	(A) or	Price	(Instr. 3 a	\ /			Indirect (Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock		05/18/2017				A	v	2,464	()	\$ 0 (1)	21,098			D	
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Security	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye:	Year) Execution Da	e, if Transaction Code (ear) (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Am Uno Sec	Title and ount of derlying urities str. 3 and	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form of Derivativ Security: Direct (E or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code				Date Exer		Expiratio Date	n Titl	Amount or Number of				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MERKSAMER SAMUEL J. 700 MILAM STREET, SUITE 1900	X						
HOUSTON, TX 77002	Λ						

Signatures

/s/ Sean N. Markowitz under POA by Samuel J. Merksamer	05/22/2017		
**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) The shares were issued as a restricted stock grant and therefore no consideration was given by the Reporting Person.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Michael J. Wortley, Greg W. Rayford and Cara E. Carlson, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorne 1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a director of Cheniere Energy, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms ID, 3, 4 and 5, pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Se

2. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, Form 4, Form 5 or Form 144 and timely file

take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally requi The undersigned hereby grants such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer a director of the Company unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered t IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this ___ day of August, 2015.

/s/ Samuel J. Merksamer Name: Samuel J. Merksamer