

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **November 12, 2004**

**CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**1-16383**

(Commission File  
Number)

**95-4352386**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No.)

**717 Texas Avenue  
Suite 3100**

**Houston, Texas**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**77002**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(713) 659-1361**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  
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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On November 12, 2004, Cheniere Energy, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that its chairman, Charif Souki, will be making a presentation about the Company on November 16 at the Bank of America Energy & Power Conference. The press release and the slide show presentation are attached as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively, to this report and are incorporated by reference into this Item 7.01. The Exhibits are not filed but are furnished pursuant to Regulation FD.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**c) Exhibits**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated November 12, 2004 (filed herewith).
99.2	Slide Show Presentation to be presented by Cheniere Energy, Inc. on November 16, 2004 at the Bank of America Energy & Power Conference (filed herewith).

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

Date: November 16, 2004

By: /s/ Don A. Turkleson  
Name: Don A. Turkleson  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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## CHENIERE ENERGY INC. NEWS RELEASE

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**Cheniere Energy Chairman to Speak at Bank of America's 2004 Energy & Power Conference**

**Houston – November 12, 2004** – Cheniere Energy, Inc. (AMEX: LNG) Chairman, CEO & President, Charif Souki will make a presentation on Cheniere at the Bank of America Energy & Power Conference at 2:30 PM PST on Tuesday November 16, 2004.

Cheniere's updated presentation slides may be accessed at Cheniere's website: [www.cheniere.com](http://www.cheniere.com).

A webcast of Mr. Souki's presentation may be viewed at the following link:  
<http://www.veracast.com/webcasts/bas/energy-2004/id13210148.cfm>.

Cheniere Energy, Inc. is a Houston-based developer of liquefied natural gas receiving terminals and a Gulf of Mexico E&P company. Cheniere is developing Gulf Coast LNG receiving terminals near Sabine Pass in Cameron Parish, LA, and near Corpus Christi, TX. Cheniere is also a 30% limited partner in Freeport LNG Development, L.P., which is developing an LNG receiving terminal in Freeport, Texas. Cheniere conducts exploration for oil and gas in the Gulf of Mexico using a regional database of 7,000 square miles of PSTM 3D seismic data. Cheniere also owns 9% of Gryphon Exploration Company, along with Warburg, Pincus Equity Partners, L.P. which owns 91%. Additional information about Cheniere Energy, Inc. may be found on its website at [www.Cheniere.com](http://www.Cheniere.com).

This press release contains certain statements that may include "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. All statements, other than statements of historical facts, included herein are "forward-looking statements." Included among "forward-looking statements" are, among other things, (i) statements regarding Cheniere's business strategy, plans and objectives and (ii) statements expressing beliefs and expectations regarding the development of Cheniere's LNG receiving terminal business. Although Cheniere believes that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, they do involve assumptions, risks and uncertainties, and these expectations may prove to be incorrect. Cheniere's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of factors, including those discussed in Cheniere's periodic reports that are filed with and available from the Securities and Exchange Commission. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this press release. Other than as required under the securities laws, Cheniere does not assume a duty to update these forward-looking statements.

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# Cheniere Energy, Inc.

## Corporate Presentation

November 2004



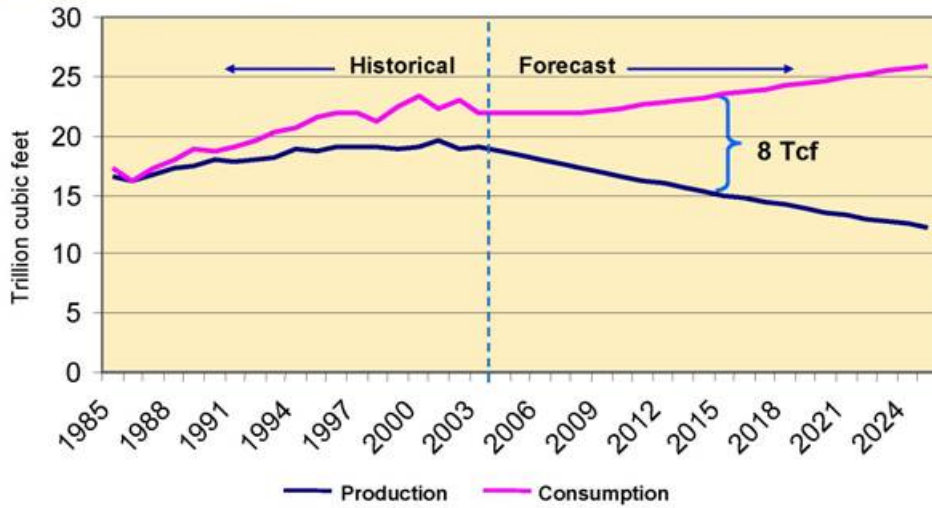
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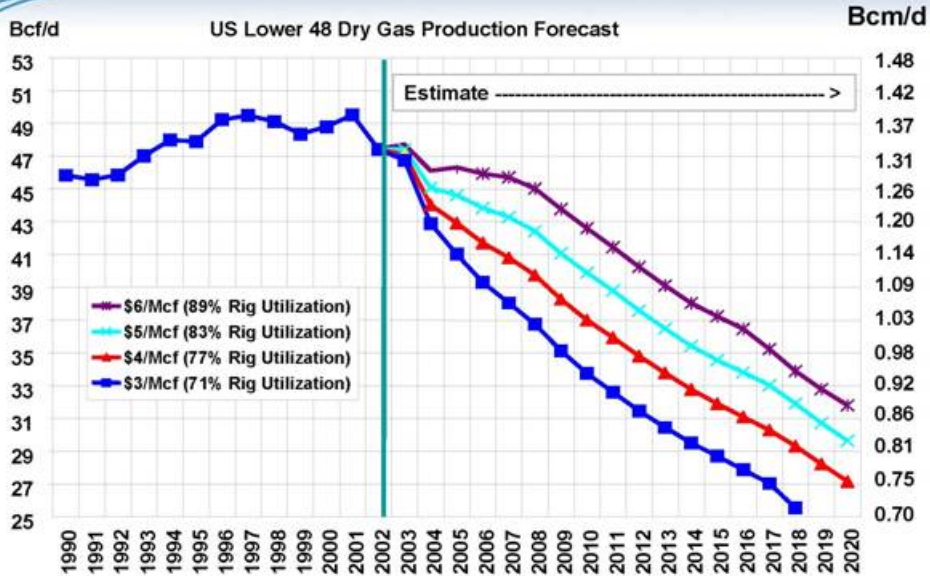


Cheniere estimate based on 2% annual average decline in production, 1% annual average growth in consumption post-2008



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# Domestic Production



Source: IHS Energy



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## Supplies Ample LNG capacity by region in 2010

- Committed Liquefaction Investment \$20 Billion by 2010
- 80% Controlled by National Oil Companies

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4.6 Bcf/d

**Europe**  
0.5 Bcf/d

**ME Gulf**  
8.5 Bcf/d

**Asia Pacific**  
14 Bcf/d

**Africa**  
9.1 Bcf/d

Current LNG Consumption  
Asia – 11 Bcf/d  
Europe – 4 Bcf/d  
Americas – 2 Bcf/d



Source: GIGNL, Cheniere Research

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## Shipping

Committed Shipping Investment over \$13 Billion by 2008  
Increasing number of ships uncommitted to a trade

### World Fleet\*

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## Status of Industry

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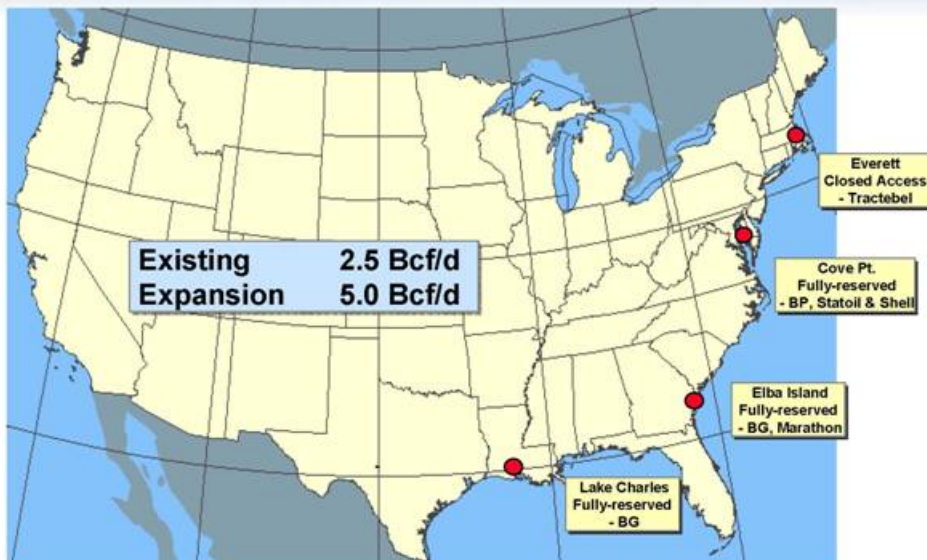
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## US LNG Import Facilities



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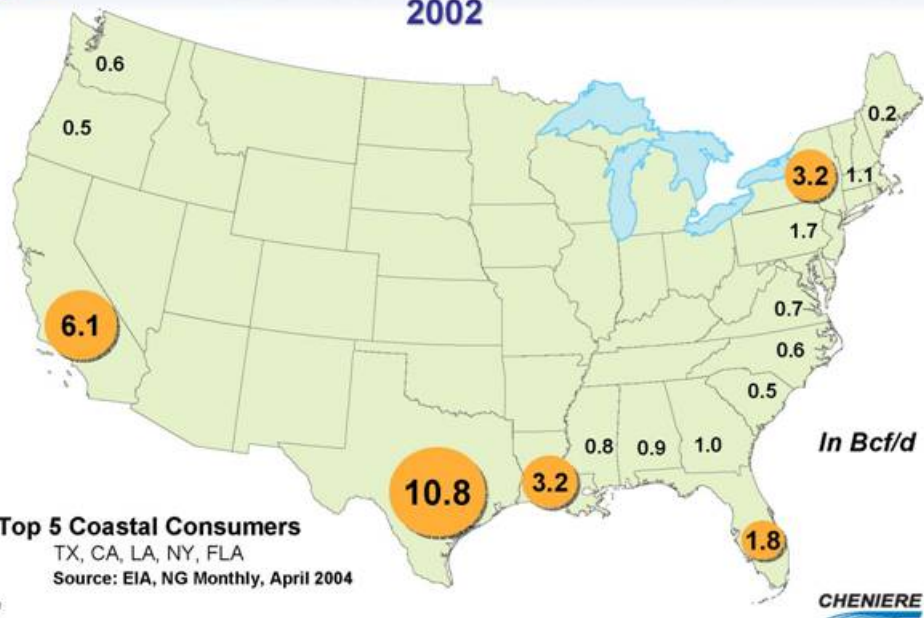
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# Coastal States Gas Consumption

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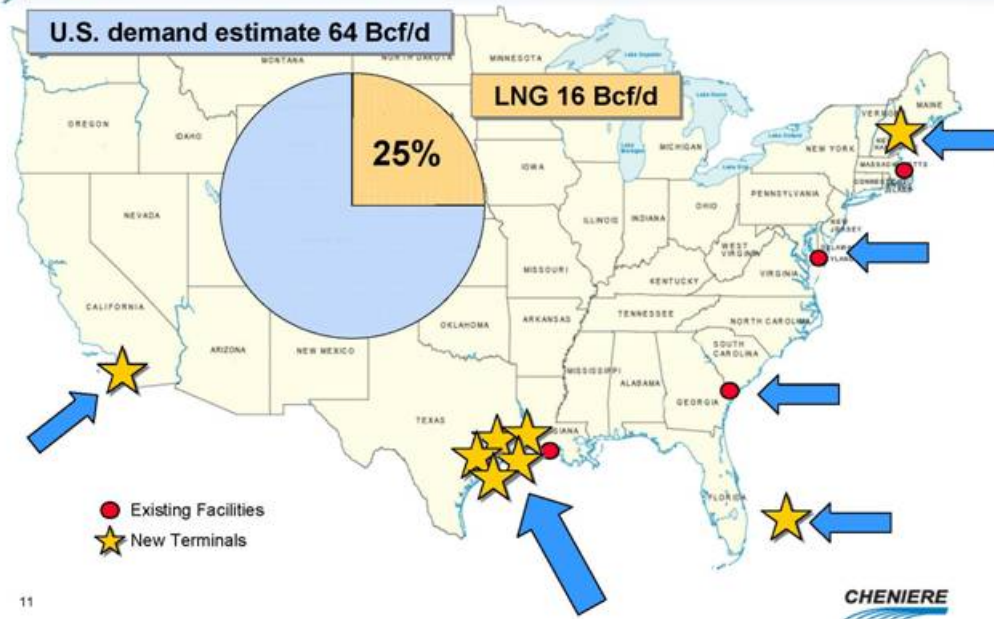


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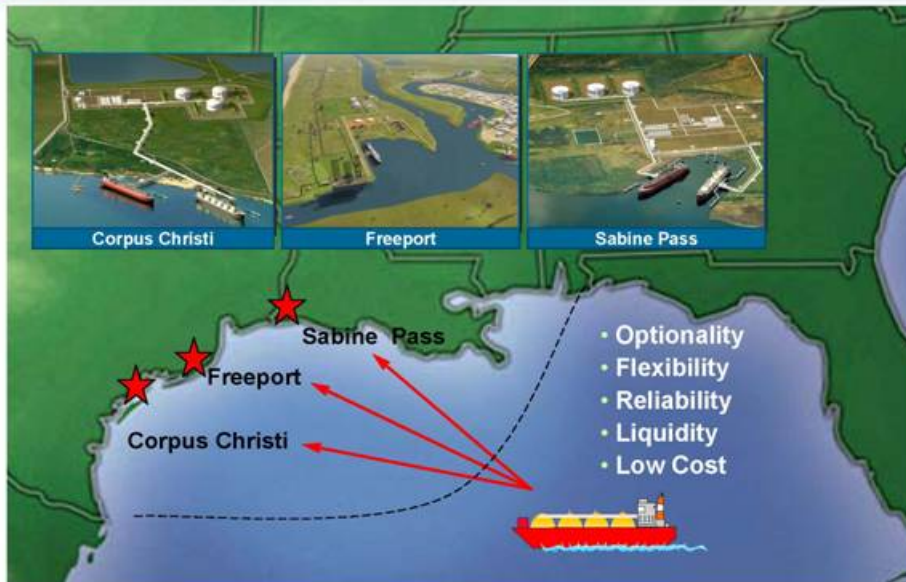
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# Cheniere LNG Sites



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## Facility Overview

	Freeport LNG L.P. 30%	Sabine Pass LNG L.P. 100%	Corpus Christi LNG L.P. 66.7%
<b>Capex*</b>	\$650 - \$750 million	\$750 - \$850 million	\$650 - \$750 million
<b>Initial Capacity</b>	1.5 Bcf/d	2.6 Bcf/d	2.6 Bcf/d
<b>Storage Capacity</b>	6.7 Bcfe	10.1 Bcfe	10.1 Bcfe
<b>Loading Berths</b>	1 dock	2 docks	2 docks
<b>Storage Tanks</b>	2 tanks	3 tanks	3 tanks
<b>Land</b>	233 acres	568 acres	610 acres
<b>FERC Permit</b>	June 2004	Expected Q4 2004	Expected Q2 2005
<b>Groundbreaking</b>	Q1 2005	Q1 2005	Q3 2005

\*Estimated construction costs before financing costs

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## Marketing of Capacity

### Total capacity in development

6.7 Bcf/d

<b>Freeport – Sold Out</b>	1.5 Bcf/d
DowChemical	0.5 Bcf/d
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## Low Risk Base Business

- Provider of service for fees (no gas risk)
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  - A rated credit or better
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## Service Provider Model Economics

### **Freeport LNG, L.P. – Cheniere 30% Limited Partner**

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## Cheniere's Competitive Advantage

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