

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): January 11, 2005

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-16383 95-4352386
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File (I.R.S. Employer Identification
incorporation or organization) Number) No.)

717 Texas Avenue
Suite 3100
Houston, Texas 77002
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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

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simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the
following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange
Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 11, 2005, Cheniere Energy, Inc. (the "Company") issued a
press release announcing that Freeport LNG L.P., in which the Company holds a
30% limited partner interest, has received Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
authorization to commence construction of its liquefied natural gas receiving
terminal and associated pipeline. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1
to this report and is incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
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99.1	Press Release, dated January 11, 2005 (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: January 11, 2005

By: /s/ Craig K. Townsend

Name: Craig K. Townsend
Title: Vice President and
Chief Accounting Officer

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Freeport LNG Receives FERC Authorization to Commence Construction

HOUSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jan. 11, 2005--Cheniere Energy Inc. (AMEX:LNG) reports that Freeport LNG L.P., in which it holds a 30% limited partner interest, has received regulatory clearance to commence construction of its 1.5 Billion cubic feet per day (Bcf/d) liquefied natural gas receiving terminal and associated pipeline. The authorization granted by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is pursuant to and in accordance with Ordering Paragraph A and Environmental Mitigation Measures 1 of the Commission's Order granted June 18, 2004.

Cheniere Energy Inc. is a Houston-based developer of LNG 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., in which it holds a 100% ownership interest; near Corpus Christi, Texas, in which it holds a 66.7% ownership interest; and near the Creole Trail in Cameron Parish, La., in which it holds a 100% ownership interest. 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 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 Web site at 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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