UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

 $\label{eq:CURRENT REPORT} CURRENT \mbox{ REPORT} \\ \mbox{Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934} \\$

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 4, 2006

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-16383 95-4352386 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification 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

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):

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 240.14a-12)
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- |_| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 4, 2006, Cheniere Energy, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's results of operations for the second quarter ended June 30, 2006. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein in its entirety.

The information included in this Item 2.02 of Current Report on Form 8-K, including the attached Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

d) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release, dated August 4, 2006 (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.

Date: August 4, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Cheniere Energy Reports Second Quarter 2006 Results

HOUSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 4, 2006--Cheniere Energy, Inc. (AMEX:LNG) reported a net loss of \$3.6 million, or \$0.07 per basic and diluted share, for the second quarter of 2006, compared to a net loss of \$9.7 million, or \$0.18 per basic and diluted share, during the corresponding period in 2005. The major factors contributing to the net loss during the second quarter of 2006 were charges for general and administrative expenses of \$12.4 million and interest expense of \$11.1 million. These were partially offset by interest income of \$10.3 million, an income tax benefit of \$5.6 million and a \$4.5 million credit in LNG receiving terminal and pipeline development expenses from application of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 71, Accounting for Effects of Certain Types of Regulation whereby \$12.3 million of natural gas pipeline development costs previously charged to expense were capitalized as a regulatory asset. Cheniere's net loss for the second quarter of 2006 excluding the \$12.3 million expense recapture was \$15.9 million or \$0.30 per basic and diluted share. Results for the corresponding period in 2005 included LNG receiving terminal and pipeline development expenses of \$5.4 million, general and administrative expenses of \$5.6 million and interest income of \$1.8 million.

Cheniere's working capital at June 30, 2006 was \$756.1 million, compared with \$810.1 million at December 31, 2005. The change was primarily the result of working capital used for the construction of Phase 1 of the Sabine Pass LNG receiving terminal and working capital used in operating activities. These uses were partially offset by \$149.0 million borrowed under the Sabine Pass Credit Facility.

For additional information please refer to the Cheniere Energy, Inc. Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2006, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Cheniere Energy, Inc.

Cheniere is developing a network of three, 100% owned LNG receiving terminals and related natural gas pipelines along the Gulf Coast of the United States. The three terminals will have an aggregate send-out capacity of 9.9 billion cubic feet per day. Cheniere is pursuing related LNG business opportunities both upstream and downstream of the terminals and developing a business to market LNG and natural gas. Cheniere is also the founder and holds a 30% limited partner interest in a fourth LNG receiving terminal, owns a minority interest in an LNG shipping venture, and engages in oil and gas exploration in the shallow waters of the U.S. Gulf of Mexico.

Cheniere is based in Houston, Texas, with offices in Johnson Bayou, Louisiana, and Paris, France. Additional information about Cheniere may be found on the company's 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.

(Financial Table Follows)

Cheniere Energy, Inc. Selected Financial Information (in thousands) (1)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2006	2005	2006	2005
	(as	adjusted)(2)	(as	adjusted)(2)
Revenues Operating costs and expenses LNG receiving terminal and pipeline	\$413	\$689	\$835	\$1,425
development expenses Exploration costs	(4,506) 590	5,350 560	3,807 1,428	10,775 1,102

Oil and gas production costs Depreciation,	55	34	105	89
depletion and amortization General and	579	249	1,185	453
administrative expenses	12,444	5,600	25,625	10,590
Total operating costs and expenses		11,793		23,009
Loss from operations	(8,749)	(11,104)	(31,315)	(21,584)
Equity in net loss of limited partnership Derivative gain (loss) Interest expense Interest income Other income Income tax benefit Minority interest	162 (11,096) 10,335 108 5,621	(127) (642) 1,755 426 	923 (22,234) 19,879 284 13,033	(667) 3,573 426
Net loss		\$(9,692)	\$(19,430)	
Net loss per common sharebasic and diluted		\$(0.18)		\$(0.36)
Weighted average number of common shares outstandingbasic and diluted		53,757		53,063
		June 30, 2006		December 31, 2005
		(unai	udited) (as adjusted)
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash and cash equivalents				\$692,592 160,885

Restricted cash and cash equivalents	136,860	160,885
Restricted certificate of deposit	688	676
Advances to EPC contractor		8,087
Other current assets	20,617	9,223
Non-current restricted cash and cash		
equivalents	13,744	16,500
Property, plant and equipment, net	469,686	280,106
Debt issuance costs, net	40,288	43,008
Goodwill	76,844	76,844
Other assets	33,461	2,226
Total assets	\$1,449,796	\$1,290,147
Current liabilities	\$59 , 690	\$61 , 322
Long-term debt	1,063,500	917 , 500
Deferred revenue	41,000	41,000
Other liabilities	59	1,784
Stockholders' equity	285,547	268,541
Total liabilities and stockholders'		
equity		\$1,290,147

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- (2) Effective January 1, 2006, Cheniere converted from the full cost method of accounting to the successful efforts method of accounting for its investment in oil and gas properties. The change in accounting methods constitutes a "Change in Accounting Principle," requiring that all prior period financial statements be adjusted to reflect the results and balances that would have been reported had the company been following the successful efforts method of accounting from its inception. The cumulative effect of the change in accounting method as of December 31, 2005 was to reduce the balance of our net investment in oil and gas properties and retained earnings by \$18.0 million. The change in accounting methods resulted in a decrease in the net loss of

\$145,000 and an increase in the net loss of \$73,000 for the three and six months ended June 30, 2005, respectively, and had no significant impact on earnings per share (basic and diluted) for these respective periods. The change in method of accounting has no impact on cash or working capital.

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