

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SOUKI CHARIF			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Chairman, CEO & President		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/14/2009					
700 MILAM ST., SUITE 800								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
HOUSTON, TX 77002								
(City) (State) (Zip)			Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/14/2009		S		3,400	D	\$ 3.52	497,454	D	
Common Stock	01/14/2009		S		500	D	\$ 3.51	496,954	D	
Common Stock	01/14/2009		S		15,388	D	\$ 3.50	481,566	D	
Common Stock	01/14/2009		S		10,605	D	\$ 3.49	470,961	D	
Common Stock	01/14/2009		S		7,707	D	\$ 3.48	463,254	D	
Common Stock	01/14/2009		S		2,400	D	\$ 3.47	460,854	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2009		S		4,000	D	\$ 3.56	456,854	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2009		S		4,100	D	\$ 3.53	452,754	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2009		S		200	D	\$ 3.52	452,554	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2009		S		1,700	D	\$ 3.51	450,854	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1474 (9-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (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)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

