## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Ty	pe Responses	s)															
1. Name an SOUKI C		Reporting Person*	Person*			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				
700 MIL	t) AM ST., S	(First) UITE 800	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/12/2009					X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chairman, CEO & President								
HOUSTO	ON, TX 77	(Street) 002		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				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							
(City	у)	(State)	(Zip)			Т	able	I - Non-De	rivative	Securiti	es Acquire	d, Disposed o	of, or Benef	icially Owned			
1.Title of S (Instr. 3)	Instr. 3) Date		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year	Execution Date, if		. Trai Code Instr.	(A) o (Instr		ties Acq isposed (4 and 5) (A) or (D)	d of (D) S) Owned Follow Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4		<i>C</i> 1		Ownership orm:	Beneficial Ownership		
		eparate line for each		- Deriva	ntive	Securities	s Acq	Perso in this a curr uired, Disp	ns who form a ently va	re not r lid OM or Bene	equired to B control : eficially Ow	respond u number.		on contained form display		174 (9-02)	
Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transac Code	puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible secunication Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)    S. Number of		e and	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 5) Benef Owne Follov Repor Trans	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s	Ownershi Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D or Indirect)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab	Expir le Date	ation	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	06/12/2009		A		800,000	)	(1)	12/1	5/2011	Commo	n 800,000	\$ 0	800,000	D		

#### **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other				
SOUKI CHARIF 700 MILAM ST. SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77002	X		Chairman, CEO & President					

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Charif Souki	06/12/2009
**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) One-third will vest on 12/15/2011, and the remaining two-thirds will vest on or before 12/15/2011 upon certain conditions being satisfied.

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