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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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Smith Jerry D.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 700 MILAM ST., SUITE 800			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2010						X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) VP & Chief Accounting Officer					
(Street) HOUSTON, TX 77002			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/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) (State) (Zip)			Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu					Acqui	lired, 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)	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Collowing	Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
				(Wollin Bay Tear)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(msu. 3 ai	J dire 1)		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock		12/30/2010		F		882		\$ 5.71	38,193			D	
	2. Conversion	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Number of Derivative		11. Nati	
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				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exer	cisable I	Expiration Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Repor	ting O	wners												

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Smith Jerry D. 700 MILAM ST. SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77002			VP & Chief Accounting Officer				

Signatures

Anne V. Vaughan under POA by Jerry D. Smith	01/04/2011
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).

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