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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Find of Type Responses)											
1. Name and Address of R TURKLESON DON	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) 914 MAIN STREET	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2004					X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Vice President and CFO			
HOUSTON, TX 7700	(Street)		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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form:	Beneficial
			(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock		12/19/2004		М		8,333	А	\$ 1.25	266,298	D	
Common Stock									8,000 (1)	Ι	By Daughters

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(<i>e.g.</i> , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
	Conversion	Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code		n of 5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.25	12/19/2004		М			8,333	12/19/2004	12/19/2007	Common Stock	8,333	\$ 0	8,334	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
TURKLESON DON A 914 MAIN STREET HOUSTON, TX 77002			Vice President and CFO					

Signatures

Don A. Turkleson	12/21/2004	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

Explanation of Responses:

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) These shares are held by the Reporting Person's two daughters who share the Reporting Person's same household.

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