

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* TURKLESON DON A			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 _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____ Vice President & CFO				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 31 GOLDEN SUNSET CIRCLE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2004							
(Street) THE WOODLANDS, TX 77381			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				
(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	01/16/2004		M		166,667	A	\$ 2.72	202,084 (1)	D	

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 (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)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock options	\$ 6	01/16/2004		M		37,500		07/01/2003	10/01/2004	Common stock	37,500	\$ 0	0	D	
Stock options	\$ 2.75	01/16/2004		M		37,500		07/12/2003	07/12/2005	Common stock	37,500	\$ 0	0	D	
Stock options	\$ 1.938	01/16/2004		M		30,000		11/15/2003	11/15/2005	Common stock	30,000	\$ 0	0	D	
Stock options	\$ 1.06	01/16/2004		M		53,334		11/09/2003	11/09/2006	Common stock	53,334	\$ 0	26,666	D	
Stock options	\$ 1.25	01/16/2004		M		8,333		12/19/2003	12/19/2007	Common stock	8,333	\$ 0	16,667	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TURKLESON DON A 31 GOLDEN SUNSET CIRCLE THE WOODLANDS, TX 77381			Vice President & CFO	

Signatures

Don A. Turkleson	01/20/2004
<small>Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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) Mr. Turkleson's holdings include 7,000 shares held in his dependent daughters' names, which shares were gifted during 2003.

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