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| 1. Name and Address of<br>SOUKI CHARIF | Reporting Person | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG] |  |            |                        |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>X Director 10% Owner |   |  |                         |  |
|--|------------------|--|--|------------|------------------------|--|--|---|--|-------------------------|--|
| (Last)<br>1909 SPANN                   | (First)          | (Middle)   | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/31/2003 |            |                        |  |  | X_Officer (give title below)Other (specify below)<br>Chairman, President & CEO  |  |                         |  |
| (Street)<br>HOUSTON, TX 77019          |                  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                       |            |                        |  |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting<br>(check applicable line)<br>_X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |                         |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)                   |                  |  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu                                   |            |                        |  |  | uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |  |                         |  |
| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3)     |                  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)                               | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                | (Instr. 8) | (A) or Disposed of (D) |  | of (D)   | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially<br>Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |  | Beneficial<br>Ownership |  |

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

|  | (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |            |         |                                   |                                      |   |                     |   |                 |  |  |   |                                       |                                  |
|--|--|------------|---------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|-----------------|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Security                                     | Conversion   |            | · · · · | Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | of E<br>Secu<br>Acq<br>or E<br>of (I | Number<br>Derivative<br>ccurities<br>cquired (A)<br>(D)<br>str. 3, 4, |                     | 7. Title and<br>of Underlyin<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and | ıg              | (Instr. 5) Se<br>Be<br>Ov<br>En<br>Iss | of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned at<br>End of<br>Issuer's | Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                                  |
|  |  |            |         |                                   | (A)                                  |   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date  | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  | Fiscal Year<br>(Instr. 4)                                   | (Instr. 4)                            |                                  |
| Warrant<br>to<br>purchase<br>common<br>stock |  | 04/16/2003 |         | G                                 |                                      | 80,000<br><u>(1)</u>  | 04/16/2004          | 04/16/2008  | Common<br>stock | 80,000                                 | \$ O   | 250,000   | ΙΨ                                    | Trusts<br>for<br>children<br>(1) |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Benerting Owner Neme /                          | Relationships |              |                           |       |  |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name /<br>Address               | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer                   | Other |  |  |  |  |
| SOUKI CHARIF<br>1909 SPANN<br>HOUSTON, TX 77019 | Х             |              | Chairman, President & CEO |       |  |  |  |  |

## Signatures

| Charif Souki                    | 02/17/2004 |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date       |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Mr. Souki gifted warrants to purchase 80,000 shares of common stock, 20,000 shares to four trusts, each of which benefits one of his children. Mr. Souki will administer the trusts and accordingly is the indirect beneficial owner of the securities. In addition to these indirect holdings, Mr. Souki holds directly warrants to purchase 170,000 shares of common stock.

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