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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person * New Jason Griffin | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) — 08/15/2008 | | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG] | | | | | |
|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 280 PARK AVENUE | | | Issuer | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_Director | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK, NY 10017 | | | X Director Officer (give title | | | 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) | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | 2. Amount of Beneficially C (Instr. 4) | Owned | | 4. Nature of Indire (Instr. 5) | ct Beneficial Ownership | | |
| Common Stock | 0 (1) | | D | | | | | |
| Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02 Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 3. Title and Securities U Security (Instr. 4) | | d Amount of Underlying Derivative | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | |
| | Date Expira Date | Title Shar | ount or Number of | | (I) (Instr. 5) | | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| New Jason Griffin 280 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10017 | X | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Jason G. New | 08/25/2008 |
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| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The Reporting Person does not beneficially own any securities of the company whether directly or indirectly.

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