

CHENIERE ENERGY INC
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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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 3100
(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/12/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. VP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/27/2006 | | G | V 2,000 A \$ 0 | 491,750 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/12/2007 | | A | 22,523 A \$ 0 (1) | 514,273 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,075 | I | By Wife |
| Common Stock | | | | | 60,000 (2) | I | GRATS |

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 Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TURKLESON DON A 717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 3100 HOUSTON, TX 77002 | | | Sr. VP & CFO | |

Signatures

/s/ Anne V. Vaughan under POA by Don A. Turkleson

 **Signature of Reporting Person

01/12/2007

 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).
- (1) The shares were issued as a restricted stock grant and therefore no consideration was given by the Reporting Person. The stock grant vests in three equal installments on January 12, 2008, 2009 and 2010.
- (2) These shares were previously reported as directly beneficially owned, but were contributed to grantor retained annuity trusts which provide the return to the grantors (Mr. and Mrs. Turkleson) of an annuity representing the initial contribution plus an annual rate of return of approximately 6%. In the event there is any excess over that annuity amount, the remainder will be distributed to the trust beneficiaries upon termination of each 2-year trust.

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