

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 *
GROSS JONATHAN S

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	01/03/2006		A		8,486 A \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	310,992	D
Common Stock	01/03/2006		M		16,666 A \$ 0.625	327,658	D
Common Stock	01/04/2006		S		400 D \$ 37.6	327,258	D
Common Stock	01/04/2006		S		600 D \$ 37.56	326,658	D
Common Stock	01/04/2006		S		1,600 D \$ 37.54	325,058	D

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Common Stock	01/04/2006	S	7,400	D	\$ 37.5	317,658	D
Common Stock	01/04/2006	S	6,666	D	\$ 37.6	310,992	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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 0.625	01/03/2006		M	16,666	12/19/2005 12/19/2007	Common Stock	16,666	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GROSS JONATHAN S 717 TEXAS AVENUE SUITE 3100 HOUSTON, TX 77002			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Jonathan S. Gross 01/05/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 3, 2007, 2008 and 2009.

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