CHENIERE ENERGY INC

Form 4

December 19, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOENMANS PAUL J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	CHENIERE ENERGY INC [LNG] (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction		(Check all applicable)		
P.O. BOX 9608			(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2006	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
ASPEN, CO 81612 (City) (State) (Zip)				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionAcquired (A) or				Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
	any	Code	de Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)		Reported		
						Transaction(s)		
		C 1 W			ъ.	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
		Code V	Amount	(D)				
12/15/2006		A	4,725	A	$\frac{\$ 0}{(1)}$	174,200	D	
	(Month/Day/Year)	any (Month/Day/Year)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code Disposed (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3,	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code Disposed of (D (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Code V Amount (D)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (A) Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$ 0

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)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month Day/ Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Yea e	ar)	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Ex Exercisable Da	•	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting o where there is a real constant of	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HOENMANS PAUL J P.O. BOX 9608 ASPEN, CO 81612	X						

Signatures

/s/ Anne V. Vaughan under POA by Paul J. Hoenmans

12/19/2006 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 December 15, 2007, 2008 and 2009.

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