CHENIERE ENERGY INC Form 8-K December 19, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 17, 2008

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of

1-16383 (Commission File Number) 95-4352386 (I.R.S. Employer

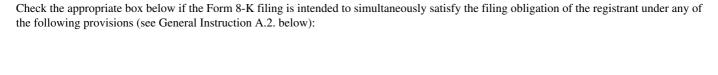
incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

700 Milam Street

Suite 800

Houston, Texas 77002 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 375-5000



- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On December 17, 2008, the Board of Directors of Cheniere Energy, Inc. (the Company) approved a form of Indemnification Agreement and authorized the Company to enter into such an Indemnification Agreement with each of the directors of the Company. The form of Indemnification Agreement provides for indemnification for all expenses and claims that a director incurs as a result of actions taken, or not taken, on behalf of the Company while serving as a director, officer, employee, controlling person, agent or fiduciary of the Company, with such indemnification to be paid within 25 days after demand. The Indemnification Agreement provides that no indemnification will generally be provided (1) for claims brought by the director, except for a claim of indemnity under the Indemnification Agreement, if the Company approves the bringing of such claim, or if the Delaware General Corporation Law requires providing indemnification because the director has been successful on the merits of such claim, (2) for claims under Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (3) if the director did not act in good faith or in a manner reasonably believed by the director to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company, (4) if the director had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful in a criminal proceeding, or (5) if the director is adjudged liable to the Company. Indemnification will be provided to the extent permitted by law, the Company s certificate of incorporation and bylaws, and to a greater extent if by law the scope of coverage is expanded after the date of the Indemnification Agreement. In all events, the scope of coverage will not be less than what is in existence on the date of the Indemnification Agreement.

The foregoing description of the form of Indemnification Agreement is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the form of Indemnification Agreement filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

d) Exhibits

Exhibit

Number Description

10.1 Form of Indemnification Agreement for directors of Cheniere Energy, Inc. (filed herewith).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CHENIERE ENERGY, INC.

Date: December 18, 2008 By: /s/ Don A. Turkleson

Name: Don A. Turkleson

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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