#### WATSON H MITCHELL JR

Form 4 July 24, 2008

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* WATSON H MITCHELL JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

PRAXAIR INC [PX]

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD

RIDGEBURY ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

07/22/2008

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

below)

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					(In	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock	\$ 0 (1)	07/22/2008		A	48.939		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	48.939	\$

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WATSON H MITCHELL JR C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113	X						

### **Signatures**

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

07/23/2008

\*\*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) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (2) Deferred stock units acquired by reporting person under the Praxair, Inc. Director's Fees Deferral Plan (the "Plan") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock upon the reporting person's retirement or termination of service.
- (3) This total includes shares previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Plan.

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