SAWYER JAMES S

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SAWYER JAMES S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

below)

Issuer

below)

(Middle)

(Zip)

PRAXAIR INC [PX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD

(Street)

(State)

(First)

Executive V.P. and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

03/12/2013

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Person

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

12,703.4673

401(k)

Common Stock

D 58,903

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)))	Pate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock	\$ 0 (1)	03/12/2013		A	117.907	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	117.907

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SAWYER JAMES S C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

Executive V.P. and CFO

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

03/14/2013

**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 under the Praxair, Inc. Compensation Deferral Program as amended ("Deferral Plan") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock.

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