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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO:

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UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

PRAXAIR, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware

06-124-9050

**(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)**

**(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)**

10 RIVERVIEW DRIVE, DANBURY, CONNECTICUT 06810

(203) 837-2000

(Address and Telephone Number, including Area Code, of Principal Executive Offices)

Amended and Restated 2009 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan

Praxair Distribution, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan

Amended and Restated 2009 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan

2005 Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors of Praxair, Inc.

Amended and Restated 2002 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan

1992 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan

1996 Praxair, Inc. Senior Executive Performance Award Plan

1996 Praxair, Inc. Performance Incentive Plan

Praxair Healthcare Services, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan

The Savings Program for Employees of Praxair, Inc. and Participating Subsidiary Companies

The Savings Program for Employees of Praxair Puerto Rico, Inc. and its Participating Subsidiaries

Praxair Distribution, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan

Praxair, Inc. Directors Fees Deferral Plan

1993 Praxair Compensation Deferral Program

Praxair Retirement Savings Plan

(Full Titles of the Plans)

Guillermo Bichara

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Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

Emerging Growth Company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

DEREGISTRATION OF SHARES

Praxair, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Registrant), is filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) these post-effective amendments (the Post-Effective Amendments) to deregister the shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Registrant (the Common Stock) previously registered under the following Registration Statements on Form S-8 (the Registration Statements), together with any and all plan interests and other securities registered thereunder:

Registration Statement No. 333-204086, originally filed with the SEC on May 12, 2015 relating to the Amended and Restated 2009 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-183147, originally filed with the SEC on August 8, 2012 relating to the Praxair Distribution, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-163005, originally filed with the SEC on November 9, 2009 relating to the 2009 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-124618, originally filed with the SEC on May 4, 2005 relating to the 2005 Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors of Praxair, Inc.;

Registration Statement No. 333-115192, originally filed with the SEC on May 5, 2004 relating to the 2002 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-115191, originally filed with the SEC on May 5, 2004 relating to the 1992 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan, the 1996 Praxair, Inc. Senior Executive Performance Award Plan, the 1996 Praxair, Inc. Performance Incentive Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-97191, originally filed with the SEC on July 26, 2002 relating to the Praxair Healthcare Services, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-81248, originally filed with the SEC on January 23, 2002 relating to The Savings Program for Employees of Praxair, Inc. and Participating Subsidiary Companies and The Savings Program for Employees of Praxair Puerto Rico, Inc. and its Participating Subsidiaries;

Registration Statement No. 333-64608, originally filed with the SEC on July 5, 2001 relating to the 2002 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan;

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Registration Statement No. 333-33801, originally filed with the SEC on August 15, 1997 relating to the Praxair Distribution, Inc. 401(k) Retirement Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-18113, originally filed with the SEC on December 18, 1996 relating to the Praxair, Inc. Directors Fees Deferral Plan;

Registration Statement No. 333-18111, originally filed with the SEC on December 18, 1996 relating to the 1993 Praxair Compensation Deferral Program;

Registration Statement No. 33-87274, originally filed with the SEC on December 12, 1994 relating to The Savings Program for Employees of Praxair, Inc. and Participating Subsidiary Companies;

Registration Statement No. 33-48479, originally filed with the SEC on June 16, 1992 relating to the 1992 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan;

Registration Statement No. 33-48478, originally filed with the SEC on June 16, 1992 relating to The Savings Program for Employees of Praxair, Inc. and Participating Subsidiary Companies.

On October 31, 2018, the Registrant and Linde Aktiengesellschaft, a stock corporation incorporated under the laws of Germany (Linde AG), combined under Linde plc, a new holding company incorporated under the laws of Ireland, as contemplated by the business combination agreement, dated June 1, 2017, as amended on August 10, 2017 (the Business Combination Agreement), by and among the Registrant, Linde plc, Linde AG, Zamalight Holdco LLC and Zamalight Subco, Inc. (the Business Combination). Pursuant to the Business Combination Agreement, (i) the Registrant became an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Linde plc through the merger of Zamalight Subco, Inc., an indirect wholly-owned Delaware subsidiary of Linde plc with and into the Registrant, and (ii) Linde AG became an indirect subsidiary of Linde plc through an exchange offer by Linde plc for each issued and outstanding bearer share of Linde AG.

In connection with and effective upon the completion of the Business Combination, Linde plc assumed the existing Amended and Restated 2002 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan, the 2005 Equity Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors of the Registrant and the Amended and Restated 2009 Praxair, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan. The Linde AG Long Term Incentive Plan 2012 was terminated (other than in respect of awards held by individuals who are members of the Linde AG executive board) effective upon completion of the Business Combination and Linde plc adopted the Linde plc Long Term Incentive Plan 2018. In addition, in connection with the completion of the Business Combination, Linde plc will honor (or cause to be honored) the Praxair Retirement Savings Plan and The Savings Program for Employees of Praxair Puerto Rico B.V., Inc. and its Participating Subsidiary Companies.

As a result of the Business Combination, the Registrant has terminated all offerings and sales pursuant to the Registration Statements and hereby terminates the effectiveness of the Registration Statements and removes and withdraws from registration all securities of the Registrant registered but remaining unsold or unissued under the Registration Statements.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused these Post-Effective Amendments to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Danbury, CT, on this 31st day of October, 2018.

PRAXAIR, INC.

By: /s/ Guillermo Bichara

Name: Guillermo Bichara

Title: General Counsel

Note: No other person is required to sign these Post-Effective Amendments in reliance on Rule 478 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.