

Breedlove James T
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Breedlove James T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PRAXAIR INC [PX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/26/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior VP, Gen. Counsel & Sec.

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	35,991 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					4,747.3301	I	401(k)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 110.58	02/26/2013		A	29,755	02/26/2014 ⁽²⁾ 02/26/2023	Common Stock 29,755
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 83.89					02/26/2009 ⁽³⁾ 02/26/2018	Common Stock 39,300
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 60.92					02/24/2010 ⁽³⁾ 02/24/2019	Common Stock 44,100
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 76.16					02/23/2011 ⁽⁴⁾ 02/23/2020	Common Stock 34,900
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 97.84					02/22/2012 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/22/2021	Common Stock 37,900
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 109.68					02/28/2013 ⁽⁶⁾ 02/28/2022	Common Stock 36,000
Deferred Stock	\$ 0 ⁽⁷⁾					⁽⁸⁾ ⁽⁸⁾	Common Stock 1,124

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Breedlove James T C/O PRAXAIR, INC.			Senior VP, Gen. Counsel	

39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD
DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

& Sec.

Signatures

Anthony M.
Pepper

02/28/2013

**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) This total includes shares of unvested restricted stock units.
- (2) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2014.
- (3) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (4) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2011.
- (5) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2012.
- (6) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 28, 2013.
- (7) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (8) Deferred stock units acquired under the Praxair, Inc. Compensation Deferral Program as amended ("Deferral Program") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock.

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