

Roberge Raymond P
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Roberge Raymond P		(Month/Day/Year)	PRAXAIR INC [PX]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
DANBURY, CT 06810-5113			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
			Senior Vice President	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	4,668.7552 ⁽¹⁾	D	^
Common Stock	69.3527	I	401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/27/2008 ⁽²⁾	02/27/2017	Common Stock	22,500	\$ 61.47	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/26/2009 ⁽²⁾	02/26/2018	Common Stock	13,700	\$ 83.89	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/24/2010 ⁽³⁾	02/24/2019	Common Stock	27,090	\$ 60.92	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/23/2011 ⁽⁴⁾	02/23/2020	Common Stock	20,465	\$ 76.16	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/22/2012 ⁽⁵⁾	02/22/2021	Common Stock	19,790	\$ 97.84	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/28/2013 ⁽⁶⁾	02/28/2022	Common Stock	21,505	\$ 109.68	D	Â
Deferred Stock	Â ⁽⁷⁾	Â ⁽⁷⁾	Common Stock	15,189.422	\$ 0 ⁽⁸⁾	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Roberge Raymond P C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113	Â	Â	Â Senior Vice President	Â

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper,
Attorney-in-Fact
05/03/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Praxair Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan and unvested restricted stock units.
- (2) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2010.
- (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.

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- (7) Deferred stock units acquired under the Praxair, Inc. Compensation Deferral Program as amended ("Deferral Program") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock.
- (8) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.

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