GALANTE EDWARD G

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

GALANTE EDWARD G Issuer Symbol PRAXAIR INC [PX] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD 04/24/2012 below) RIDGEBURY ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

(State)

(Zip)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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

Applicable Line)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 1,258 Common 04/24/2012 Α \$0 6,486.651 D Stock (1)

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GALANTE EDWARD G				
C/O PRAXAIR, INC.	X			
39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD	Λ			
DANBURY, CT 06810-5113				

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

04/25/2012

**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) Restricted stock unit award, vesting 100% and payable in shares of Praxair Common Stock on the day before the first annual meeting of shareholders occurring after April 24, 2012 if the awardee is serving on the Praxair, Inc. Board of Directors on that vesting date.

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