PRAXAIR INC Form 4 April 25, 2012

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEBOEUF RAYMOND W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD

04/24/2012

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

RIDGEBURY ROAD

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

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. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) or Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 04/24/2012 Stock

Code V Amount (D) 1,258 Α \$0

(1)

4,689

D

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
LEBOEUF RAYMOND W				
C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD	X			

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

04/25/2012 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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