

SIMMS STEVE  
Form 4  
January 31, 2006

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SIMMS STEVE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2099 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,  
NW, 12TH FLOOR

(Street)

WASHINGTON, DC 20006

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
DANAHER CORP /DE/ [DHR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Underlying Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							(Instr. 8)
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Executive Deferred Income Plan -- Danaher Stock Fund <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/27/2006	A		25.17		<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	25.17	\$ 5 (

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SIMMS STEVE 2099 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW 12TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20006			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

James F. O'Reilly, attorney-in-fact for Steven E. Simms 01/31/2006

\_\_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).

Compensation deferred or contributed into the Danaher stock fund (the "EDIP Stock Fund") included in Danaher's Executive Deferred Income Plan (the "EDIP") is deemed to be invested in a number of unfunded, notional shares of Danaher common stock based on the

(1) closing price of Danaher common stock as reported on the NYSE on the date such compensation is credited to the EDIP Stock Fund. The price shown in Table II, Column 8 above is the closing price per share of Danaher common stock as reported on the NYSE on the transaction date noted above.

(2) The notional shares convert on a one-for-one basis.

The reporting person immediately vests in 100% of each voluntary contribution to the EDIP Stock Fund. The reporting person will vest in all company contributions to the EDIP Stock Fund as follows: 100% upon the earlier of the reporting person's death, or upon retirement

(3) following at least 5 years of service with Danaher and reaching the age of 55, or, if earlier, one-tenth per vesting year of participation following five vesting years of participation, in each case in accordance with the plan. Upon termination of employment, the vested portion of the EDIP Stock Fund is settled in Danaher common stock.

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