GARGALLI CLAIRE W

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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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

GARGALLI CLAIRE W 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 03/06/2013 below) RIDGEBURY ROAD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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

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

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

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

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 265.986 6,536.9481 03/06/2013 D M (1) (1) Stock (2)

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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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)	Secu Acqu Disp	umber of vative rities nired (A) or osed of (D) r. 3, 4, and	Expiration Dat	Date Exercisable and piration Date Ionth/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	
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	03/06/2013		M		265.986 (1)	03/06/2013	03/06/2013	Common Stock	265.9	
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	11,211	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GARGALLI CLAIRE W C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113	X						

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

03/06/2013

**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).
- Settlement and payout of Deferred Stock Units ("DSUs") granted to non-management directors on February 26, 2008, as part of the

 (1) Director Compensation Program. Each DSU was the economic equivalent of one share of Praxair common stock. On March 6, 2013, the

 DSUs were settled for an equal number of shares of Praxair common stock.
- (2) This total includes shares previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Praxair Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan, and shares of unvested restricted stock units.
- (3) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- Deferred stock units acquired by reporting person under the Praxair, Inc. Director's Fees Deferral Plan and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock upon the reporting person's retirement or termination of service.

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