ANGEL STEPHEN F Form 4

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add ANGEL STE		ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRAXAIR INC [PX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD			(Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2011	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				President & CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
DANBURY,	CT 06810-5	113	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Indirect Property of Codes P

Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired	. (A) 01	r	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed	of (D))	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and 5	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common							24,474.1648	ъ	
Stock							<u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock							2,268	I	In trust for children
Common Stock							58,147	I	Grantor Retained Annuity Trust
Common Stock							6,046.7146	I	401(k)

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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 (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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shar
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 97.84	02/22/2011		A	218,175	02/22/2012(2)	02/22/2021	Common Stock	21
Deferred Stock	\$ 0 (3)	02/24/2010		A	343.9755	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	343

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ANGEL STEPHEN F C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113	X		President & CEO				

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

02/24/2011 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) Shares of unvested restricted stock including shares acquired upon dividend reinvestment.
- (2) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2012.
- (3) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (4) Deferred stock units acquired under the Praxair, Inc. Compensation Deferral Program as amended ("Deferred Program") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock.

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