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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement PRAXAIR INC [PX] Hoyt Kelcey E (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD

(Street)

10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Vice President, Controller

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

DANBURY, Â CTÂ 06810-5113

(State)

(City)

Common Stock

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock D 148

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Zip)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Instr. 4) (Month/Day/Year)	Securities Underlying Derivative Security		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/22/2012(1)	02/22/2021	Common Stock	4,950	\$ 97.84	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/28/2013(1)	02/28/2022	Common Stock	3,995	\$ 109.68	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/26/2014(1)	02/26/2023	Common Stock	2,675	\$ 110.58	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/25/2015(2)	02/25/2024	Common Stock	3,735	\$ 128.8	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/24/2016(3)	02/24/2025	Common Stock	5,150	\$ 128.38	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/23/2017(4)	02/23/2026	Common Stock	9,360	\$ 102.22	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
reporting of their remains a remained	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hoyt Kelcey E C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113	Â	Â	Vice President, Controller	Â

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact 08/01/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 25, 2015.
- (3) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2016.
- (4) This options vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2017.

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