

ANGEL STEPHEN F  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ANGEL STEPHEN F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PRAXAIR INC [PX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/21/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 or (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/21/2011		F	10,547.947 (1)	\$ 14,052.685 105.975 (2)	D	
Common Stock					2,268	I	In trust for children
Common Stock					58,147	I	Grantor Retained Annuity Trust
Common Stock					6,383.896	I	401(k)

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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 (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)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.43					01/02/2003 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/02/2012	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.425					02/28/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/28/2013	Common Stock	100,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.58					02/24/2005 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/24/2014	Common Stock	120,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.25					02/22/2006 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/22/2015	Common Stock	143,100
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.98					02/28/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/29/2016	Common Stock	130,600
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 61.47					02/27/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/27/2017	Common Stock	308,300
Stock Option	\$ 83.89					02/26/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/26/2018	Common Stock	195,200

(right to buy)

Stock Option (right to buy) \$ 60.92 02/24/2010<sup>(5)</sup> 02/24/2019 Common Stock 281,500

Stock Option (right to buy) \$ 76.16 02/23/2011<sup>(6)</sup> 02/23/2020 Common Stock 204,640

Stock Option (right to buy) \$ 97.84 02/22/2012<sup>(7)</sup> 02/22/2021 Common Stock 218,175

Deferred Stock \$ 0 <sup>(8)</sup> <sub>(9)</sub> <sub>(9)</sub> Common Stock 64,932.15

## 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 04/25/2011  
\*\*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).
- (1) Shares withheld for payment of taxes in connection with vesting of a portion of a previously reported restricted stock grant.
- (2) This total includes shares previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Praxair Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (4) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2009.
- (5) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2010.
- (6) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2011.
- (7) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2012.
- (8) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (9)

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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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