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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)
05/01/2012

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 Price		
Common Stock	05/01/2012		M		30,000 A \$ 36.58	84,193	D
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S		30,000 D \$ 116.5533 (1)	54,193	D
Common Stock	05/01/2012		M		143,100 A \$ 44.25	197,293	D
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S		143,100 D \$ 116.3879 (2)	54,193	D
	05/01/2012		M		65,000 A \$ 53.98	119,193	D

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Common Stock									
Common Stock	05/01/2012		S	65,000	D	\$ 116.2095 (3)	54,193	D	
Common Stock							2,268	I	In trust for children
Common Stock							58,147	I	Grantor Retained Annuity Trust
Common Stock							6,788.5513	I	401(k)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 109.68					02/28/2013 ⁽⁴⁾ 02/28/2022	Common Stock 230
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.58	05/01/2012		M	30,000	02/24/2005 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/24/2014	Common Stock 30
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.25	05/01/2012		M	143,100	02/22/2006 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/22/2015	Common Stock 143
Stock	\$ 53.98	05/01/2012		M	65,000	02/28/2007 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/29/2016	Common 65

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number of shares sold at each separate price.

(2) The \$116.3879 price reported is the weighted average sale price. The sale prices ranged from \$116.2550 to \$116.6900 per share. Upon request of the SEC Staff, Praxair, Inc. or a security holder of Praxair, Inc., the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(3) The \$116.2095 price reported is the weighted average sale price. The sale prices ranged from \$116.0900 to \$116.4150 per share. Upon request of the SEC Staff, Praxair, Inc. or a security holder of Praxair, Inc., the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(4) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 28, 2013.

(5) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

(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) Deferred stock units acquired under the Praxair, Inc. Compensation Deferral Program as amended ("Deferral Program") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock.

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