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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hirsch Elizabeth T Issuer Symbol PRAXAIR INC [PX] (First) (Middle) (Last)

(Month/Day/Year)

03/08/2016

(Check all applicable)

C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

RIDGEBURY ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Vice President & Controller 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

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

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

(City)

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 (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 16,896.62 (1) D Stock

Common 3,922.1748 I 401(k) Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date Underlying (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and d of		7. Title and Lunderlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock	\$ 0 (2)	03/08/2016		A	30.664	(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	30.664	9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Topozonia o maor rumo / radaross	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hirsch Elizabeth T C/O PRAXAIR, INC.			Vice				
39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY CT 06810-5113			President & Controller				

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

03/08/2016

**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) This total includes shares previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Praxair Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (3) Deferred stock units acquired under the Praxair, Inc. Compensation Deferral Plan as amended ("Deferral Plan") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock.

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