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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 White Matthew J Issuer Symbol PRAXAIR INC [PX] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD 02/27/2014 below) RIDGEBURY ROAD Senior Vice President & CFO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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 or(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		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)	
Common Stock							2,405.663	I	401(k)
Common Stock	02/27/2014		M	3,208 (1)	A	\$ 0	9,340	D	
Common Stock	02/27/2014		F	1,093 (2)	D	\$ 128.07	8,247	D	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numb orDerivativ Securitie Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5)	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	Expiration Date		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Units	\$ 0 (3)	02/27/2014		A	3,208		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,208
Performance Share Units	(3)	02/27/2014		M		3,208 (1)	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,208 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

White Matthew J C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

Senior Vice President & CFO

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

02/28/2014 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 common stock acquired pursuant to the payout of a performance share unit grant made on February 22, 2011 (the "PSU").
- (2) Shares of common stock withheld from the PSU payout to cover tax withholdings.
- The PSU paid out on February 27, 2014 and the number of shares awarded and paid out was determined based upon the cumulative earnings per share ("EPS") of Praxair, Inc. from 2011 2013 measured against EPS goals set by the Compensation and Management Development Committee of the Board of Directors when the PSU was granted in 2011.

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