

PRAXAIR INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GALANTE EDWARD G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 10
RIVERVIEW DRIVE

(Street)

DANBURY, CT 06810

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2017

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	03/01/2017		M	540	A \$ 85.79	14,608.343	D
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F	385 ⁽¹⁾	D \$ 120.565	14,223.3431	D

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

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- ** 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 withheld to pay the exercise price of the stock option. There was no market sale of any shares. The 540 shares acquired upon the option exercise, net of 385 shares used to pay the exercise price, resulted in 155 shares that were acquired and held.
- (2) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (4) Deferred stock units acquired by reporting person under the Praxair, Inc. Director's Fees Deferral Plan and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock upon the reporting person's retirement or termination of service.
- (5) This total includes shares previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Plan.

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