WATSON H MITCHELL JR

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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SECURITIES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WATSON H MITCHELL JR

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

02/27/2007

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PRAXAIR INC [PX]

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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(Check all applicable)

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

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

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

DANBURY, CT 06810-5113 (City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Owned Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8		Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code `	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 61.47	02/27/2007		A		6,550		02/27/2008(1)	02/27/2017	Common Stock	6,550
Deferred Stock	\$ 0 (2)	02/27/2007		A		360		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	360

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WATSON H MITCHELL JR C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113	X						

Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-In-Fact 03/01/2007

**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 option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 27, 2008.
- (2) Conversion to Praxair Common Stock is on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (3) Deferred stock units acquired by reporting person under the Praxair, Inc. Director's Fees Deferral Plan (the "Plan") and are to be settled in Praxair Common Stock after a minimum of five (5) years from the date of acquisition.
- (4) This total includes shares previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Plan.

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