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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Skare Todd

(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)  
07/30/2010

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)  
Vice President

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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	07/30/2010		M	A	2,000 \$ 22.01	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2010		M	A	1,000 \$ 26.425	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2010		S	D	1,564 \$ 86.847	D	
Common Stock					1,252.9658	I	401(k)
Common Stock					382.8061	I	Wife's 401(k)

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.01	07/30/2010		M	2,000	02/21/2002	02/21/2011	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.425	07/30/2010		M	1,000	02/28/2004	02/28/2013	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.25					02/22/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/22/2015	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.98					02/28/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/29/2016	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 61.47					02/27/2008 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/27/2017	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 83.89					02/26/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/26/2018	Common Stock	2,800
Stock Option	\$ 83.89					02/26/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/26/2018	Common Stock	4,200

(right to buy)

Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 60.92	02/24/2010 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/24/2019	Common Stock	4,650
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Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 76.16	02/23/2011 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/23/2020	Common Stock	2,730
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Skare Todd C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113			Vice President	

## Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact	08/03/2010
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

## 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 350 restricted stock units, payable in shares of Praxair Common Stock, vesting in three equal consecutive, annual installments beginning on February 23, 2011.
- (2) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2009.
- (4) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2010.
- (5) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2011.

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