BULUS DOMINGOS H

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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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 **BULUS DOMINGOS H** Issuer Symbol PRAXAIR INC [PX] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O PRAXAIR, INC., 39 OLD 08/27/2010 below) RIDGEBURY ROAD Vice President (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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(City)	(State)	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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit omr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (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)	
Commor Stock	08/27/2010		Code V M	Amount 30,000	(D)	Price \$ 26.425	40,314.4551 (1)	D		
Commor Stock	1 08/27/2010		S	30,000	D	\$ 86.924 (2)	10,314.4551 (1) (2)	D		

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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)	TransactiorDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.425	08/27/2010		M		30,000	02/28/2004(3)	02/28/2013	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.25						02/22/2006(3)	02/22/2015	Common Stock	26,300
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.98						02/28/2007(3)	02/29/2016	Common Stock	23,900
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.58						02/24/2005(3)	02/24/2014	Common Stock	22,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 61.47						02/27/2008(3)	02/27/2017	Common Stock	19,300
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 83.89						02/26/2009(4)	02/26/2018	Common Stock	11,400
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 83.89						02/26/2011(5)	02/26/2018	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 60.92						02/24/2010(6)	02/24/2019	Common Stock	15,000
	\$ 76.16						02/23/2011(7)	02/23/2020		9,795

Stock Common Option Stock (right to

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BULUS DOMINGOS H C/O PRAXAIR, INC. 39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD DANBURY, CT 06810-5113

Vice President

Signatures

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Anthony M. Pepper, Attorney-in-Fact

08/30/2010

**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.
- The \$86.924 price reported is the weighted average sale price. The sale prices ranged from \$86.86 to \$87.01 per share. Upon request of (2) the SEC Staff, Praxair, Inc. or a security holder of Praxair, Inc., the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) This option became exercisable in three (3) equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (4) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 26, 2009.
- This option will vest in full if Praxair, Inc. achieves cumulative fiscal year earnings per share growth of at least 33% over 2007 earnings
- (5) per share at any time prior to January 1, 2011. If vested, the option may be exercised beginning on the third anniversary of the grant date. If Praxair, Inc. fails to meet the cumulative earnings per share goal, this option will be forfeited.
- (6) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2010.
- (7) This option vests over three years in three consecutive equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2011.

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