

RATCLIFFE GEORGE J  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
RATCLIFFE GEORGE J

(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)  
10/29/2007

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)  
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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)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	10/29/2007		M		5,000	A	\$ 22.59	8,909.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007		M		5,000	A	\$ 29.3	13,909.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007		M		5,000	A	\$ 28.76	18,909.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe,

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Common Stock	10/29/2007	M	5,000	A	\$ 37.26	23,909.5983	I	Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	M	5,000	A	\$ 47.64	28,909.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	400	D	\$ 86.52	28,509.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	100	D	\$ 86.53	28,409.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	800	D	\$ 86.54	27,609.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,500	D	\$ 86.55	26,109.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	300	D	\$ 86.57	25,809.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	13,000	D	\$ 86.58	12,809.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	300	D	\$ 86.59	12,509.5983	I	The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003

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Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	400	D	\$ 86.6	12,109.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	200	D	\$ 86.64	11,909.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,500	D	\$ 86.67	10,409.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,000	D	\$ 86.68	9,409.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	400	D	\$ 86.69	9,009.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	4,100	D	\$ 86.7	4,909.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	500	D	\$ 86.71	4,409.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	100	D	\$ 86.89	4,309.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	400	D	\$ 87	3,909.5983	I	Irrevocable Trust The George J. Ratcliffe, Jr. 2003 Irrevocable

Trust

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 (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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.59	10/29/2007		M	5,000	04/02/2002 04/22/2011	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.3	10/29/2007		M	5,000	04/01/2003 04/01/2012	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.76	10/29/2007		M	5,000	04/01/2004 04/01/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.26	10/29/2007		M	5,000	04/01/2005 04/01/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 47.64	10/29/2007		M	5,000	04/01/2006 04/01/2015	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director   10% Owner   Officer   Other

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## Signatures

Anthony M. Pepper,  
Attorney-In-Fact

10/30/2007

\_\_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 total includes shares previously acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment under the Praxair Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.

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