

COMAS DANIEL L  
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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 \*  
COMAS DANIEL L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DANAHER CORP /DE/ [DHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,  
NW, SUITE 800W

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/22/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP & CFO

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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WASHINGTON, DC 20037

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 13,500 A \$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>  | 167,178 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2012                           |  | F <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 6,096 D \$ 53.11  | 161,082 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | D  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 4,528  | I By spouse                                |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 6,592  | I By 401(k)                                |

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date                                   | Title        |
| Performance based restricted stock units   | \$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>                                    | 02/22/2012                           |  | M                              | 13,500  | 02/22/2012   | 02/22/2012  | Common Stock |
| Employee stock option (right to buy)       | \$ 53.48   | 02/23/2012                           |  | A                              | 83,480  | <sup>(4)</sup>   | 02/23/2022  | Common Stock |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |           |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |
| COMAS DANIEL L<br>2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW<br>SUITE 800W<br>WASHINGTON, DC 20037 |               |           | EVP & CFO |       |

## Signatures

James F. O'Reilly, attorney-in-fact for Daniel L. Comas

02/23/2012

\_\_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) Since November 2010, all of the performance based RSUs held by the reporting person as to which the performance criteria have been satisfied have been reflected in Table I of the reporting person's Section 16 filings as directly owned shares and not as derivative securities. When the reporting person was originally awarded the RSUs as to which this filing is being made, they were reported as derivative securities in Table II and as a result this form is being filed to reflect the vesting and distribution of those shares (even though such RSUs have been reflected as directly owned shares (and not derivative securities) in the reporting person's filings since November 2010).

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- (2) Relates to the withholding of shares for tax purposes in connection with the vesting of performance-based restricted stock units reported above.
- (3) Each performance based restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of Danaher common stock.
- (4) Fifty percent of the options become exercisable on each of the fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date, which is February 23, 2012.

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