

PRAXAIR INC  
Form 8-K  
August 24, 2005

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) **August 22, 2005**

**PRAXAIR, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or Other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-11037**

(Commission File Number)

**06-124-9050**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD, DANBURY, CT**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**06810-5113**

(Zip Code)

**(203)837-2000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



**ITEM 8.01 Other Events**

Praxair Surface Technologies, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Praxair, Inc., has issued a news release on August 22, 2005 regarding a price increase and other cost recovery actions, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit (99.1) and is hereby incorporated by reference.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PRAXAIR, INC.  
Registrant

Date: August 24, 2005

By: /s/James T. Breedlove  
James T. Breedlove  
Vice President, General Counsel  
and Secretary

**Exhibit Index**

Exhibit (99.1): News Release, dated August 15, 2005