PRAXAIR INC Form 8-K March 19, 2007

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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) March 15, 2007 PRAXAIR, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or Other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-11037 06-124-9050

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

39 OLD RIDGEBURY ROAD, DANBURY, CT

06810-5113

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(203)837-2000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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ITEM 8.01 Other Events.

On March 15, 2007, Praxair, Inc. (the Company) issued \$325 million aggregate principal amount of 5.20% notes due 2017 (the Notes) in a registered offering under the Securities Act of 1933, pursuant to the Company s shelf registration statement on Form S-3 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on December 14, 2006. The Notes were issued pursuant to an indenture dated as of July 15, 1992 between Praxair, Inc. and U.S. Bank National Association, as the ultimate successor trustee to Bank of America, Illinois (formerly Continental Bank, National Association) (the Indenture). The Indenture was previously filed with the SEC in paper. So that the Indenture is available electronically, it is being filed herewith as Exhibit 4. There have been no amendments or modifications to the Indenture since it was executed.

In connection with the Notes offering, Cahill Gordon & Reindel provided certain legal opinions to the Company that are filed as Exhibit 5 to this Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

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| 4 | Indenture dated July 15, 1992 |
| 5 | Opinion of Cahill Gordon & Reindel |
| 23 | Consent of Cahill Gordon & Reindel (included in Exhibit 5) 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

Description

Date: March 19, 2007 By: /s/ James T. Breedlove

James T. Breedlove Senior Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

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