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Praxair Again Named to Forbes 2017 America's Best Employers List

DANBURY, Conn., May 9, 2017 – Praxair, Inc. (NYSE: PX) announced today that it was named by Forbes as one of the 500 best companies to work for in the United States. Praxair has been recognized by Forbes as a Best Employer since the list's inception in 2015.

Praxair was ranked seventh in its category – Construction, Oil & Gas Operations, Mining and Chemicals – and 203rd overall. It was also ranked sixth out of 17 companies listed from the state of Connecticut. Nearly 30,000 employees at companies with at least 1,000 people in their U.S. operations were surveyed by Forbes and its research partner. The willingness to recommend one's own employer was considered to be the most important dimension of the assessment.

“It is an honor to be recognized by Forbes as one of the best employers in America,” said David Strauss, Praxair vice president and chief human resources officer. “The recognition is even more rewarding as it comes, in large part, from the opinions of our own employees, as well as those in our industry. It is the diverse views and perspectives of our employees that help drive our innovation and success, positioning Praxair as a leading global industrial gas company that is making our planet more productive.”

Praxair is committed to being an employer of choice and has recently been recognized for its efforts. The company was named to the 2017 Corporate Equality Index (CEI) with a perfect score of 100 from the Human Rights Campaign for workplace equality and advocacy. Additionally, Praxair was named a 2017 World's Most Ethical Company® by the Ethisphere Institute.

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Praxair, Inc., a Fortune 300 company with 2016 sales of \$11 billion, is a leading industrial gas company in North and South America and one of the largest worldwide. The company produces, sells and distributes atmospheric, process and specialty gases, and high-performance surface coatings. Praxair products, services and technologies are making our planet more productive by bringing efficiency and environmental benefits to a wide variety of industries, including aerospace, chemicals, food and beverage, electronics, energy, healthcare, manufacturing, primary metals and many others. More information about Praxair, Inc. is available at www.praxair.com.

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