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Praxair Recognized as a Leader in Diversity & Inclusion by Bloomberg and Forbes

DANBURY, Conn., January 24, 2019 – Praxair, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Linde plc (NYSE:LIN; FWB:LIN), has been named to Bloomberg's 2019 Gender-Equality Index (GEI) and Forbes' America's Best Employers for Diversity 2019 list, recognizing the company's strong commitment to diversity and inclusion.

This is the second consecutive year Praxair has been included on the Bloomberg GEI, which distinguishes companies committed to transparency in gender reporting and advancing women's equality.

Additionally, Forbes recognized Praxair as one of America's Best Employers for Diversity. The list of 500 employers was based on an independent survey in which employees were asked to evaluate their own employers and others in the industry surrounding the topics of age, gender equality, ethnicity, disability, LGBTQ+ and general diversity. Other factors for consideration included diversity among top executive and board positions.

"These recognitions by Bloomberg, Forbes and other leading organizations are a testament to the value we place on operationalizing diversity and inclusion," noted David Strauss, vice president and chief human resources officer. "Praxair is committed to creating a work environment that respects, supports and values the unique contributions and ideas that all our employees bring to the workplace every day."

Praxair was recently included on Forbes' World's Best Employers and Mogul's Top 1,000 Companies with the Strongest Female Leaders in 2018 lists. More information about Praxair's external recognition can be found on the company's awards and recognition page.

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