

DITKOFF JAMES H
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DITKOFF JAMES H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,
 NW, SUITE 800W

(Street)

WASHINGTON, DC 20037

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Senior VP-Finance & Tax

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/16/2012		M		20,000	A	\$ 30.73 178,575
Common Stock	02/16/2012		S		20,000	D	\$ 52.077 158,575
Common Stock							5,217
Common Stock							500

By trust for benefit of grandchild
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Common Stock	4,313	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild
Common Stock	3,649	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild
Common Stock	4,215	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild
Common Stock	4,215	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild
Common Stock	500	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild
Common Stock	120,800	I	By spouse
Common Stock	93,654	I	401(k) plan

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 30.73	02/16/2012		M	20,000	(2)	02/23/2016	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DITKOFF JAMES H 2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW SUITE 800W WASHINGTON, DC 20037			Senior VP-Finance & Tax	

Signatures

James F. O'Reilly, attorney-in-fact for James H. Ditkoff	02/17/2012
__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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$51.96 to 52.22, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Danaher Corporation, any securityholder of Danaher Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in the footnotes to this Form 4.
- (1)
 - (2) Fifty percent of the options granted became exercisable on each of the fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date, which was February 23, 2006.

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