

DITKOFF JAMES H
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**2200 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,
 NW, SUITE 800W**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/22/2012

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

Senior VP-Finance & Tax

(Street)
WASHINGTON, DC 20037

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

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

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	10/22/2012		M	20,300 A \$ 37.07	178,400	D	
Common Stock	10/22/2012		S	20,300 D \$ 53.5	158,100	D	
Common Stock					475	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild
Common Stock					5,217	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild
					500	I	

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Common Stock							By trust for benefit of grandchild
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				94,323	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	\$ 37.07	10/22/2012		M	20,300	<u>(1)</u> 02/22/2017	Common Stock 20,300

buy)

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 10/24/2012

__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).
- (1) Fifty percent of the reported options became exercisable on each of February 22, 2011 and February 22, 2012.

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