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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

DANIEL WILLIAM K

(Last) (First) (Middle) Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

07/24/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DANAHER CORP / DE/ [DHR]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2099 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW, 12TH FLOOR

(Street)

Director _X__ Officer (give title below) (specify below)

10% Owner _ Other **EVP**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

WASHINGTON, DCÂ 20006

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Executive Deferred Incentive Program -- Danaher Stock Fund (1)

(2)

(2)

Common Stock (1)

1,212

\$ 0 (3)

D \tilde{A}

Reporting Owners

WASHINGTON, DCÂ 20006

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DANIEL WILLIAM K
2099 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW
12TH FLOOR

Relationships

Other

Signatures

James F. O'Reilly, attorney-in-fact for William K. Daniel II

07/25/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Represents compensation deferred or contributed into the Danaher stock fund (the "Danaher Stock Fund") included in Danaher's

 Executive Deferred Incentive Program (the "EDIP"), which is deemed to be invested in a number of unfunded, notional shares of Danaher common stock calculated based on the closing price of Danaher common stock as reported on the NYSE on the date such compensation is credited to the Danaher Stock Fund.
 - The reporting person immediately vests in 100% of each voluntary contribution to the EDIP Stock Fund. The reporting person will vest in all company contributions to the EDIP Stock Fund as follows: 100% upon the earlier of the reporting person's death, or upon retirement
- (2) following at least 5 years of service with Danaher and reaching the age of 55, or, if earlier, one-tenth per vesting year of participation following five vesting years of participation, in each case in accordance with the plan. Upon termination of employment, the vested portion of the Danaher Stock Fund is settled in Danaher common stock.
- (3) The notional shares convert on a one-for-one basis.

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