

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA
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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 *
BENTON DAVID H JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA [PRGS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
14 OAK PARK
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/22/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
VP and Corporate Controller

BEDFORD, MA 01730
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	09/22/2005		M		10,000	A	\$ 12.8125
					23,864		D
Common Stock	09/22/2005		S		10,000	D	\$ 32.0011
					13,864		D
Common Stock	09/23/2005		M		10,000	A	\$ 12.8125
					23,864		D
Common Stock	09/23/2005		S		10,000	D	\$ 32.5002
					13,864		D

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 12.8125	09/22/2005		M	10,000	05/01/2001 ⁽¹⁾ 04/02/2011	Common Stock
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 12.8125	09/23/2005		M	10,000	05/01/2001 ⁽¹⁾ 04/02/2011	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENTON DAVID H JR 14 OAK PARK BEDFORD, MA 01730			VP and Corporate Controller	

Signatures

David H. Benton, Jr. 09/26/2005

**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) Two-sixtieths of the option vests on the date of grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 58 month period commencing May 1, 2001.
- (2) As of 9/22/05, 12,917 shares are vested and exercisable
- (3) As of 9/26/05, 2,917 shares are vested and exercisable

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