BASCH JEFFREY W

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addre BASCH JEFFR	*	g Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ [PGR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an approacte)		
6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD		OAD	(Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2004	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Uice Pres.& Chief / Accounting Officer		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting		
MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143				Person		

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (A) or		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)	
Common	11/15/2004		S	1,900	D	\$ 95.75	13,406	D		
Common	11/15/2004		M	600	A	22.7916	14,006	D		
Common	11/15/2004		M	1,300	A	\$ 41.3333	15,306	D		
Common							434.815	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. Transacti 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 Option	\$ 22.7916	11/15/2004		M		600	01/01/2002	12/31/2006	Common	600
Employee Option	\$ 41.3333	11/15/2004		M		1,300	01/01/2003	12/31/2007	Common	1,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BASCH JEFFREY W 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

Vice Pres.& Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney 11/17/2004

**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).

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