

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
**12/18/2006**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	15,270	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)**

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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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.25	12/18/2006		D <sup>(1)</sup>			15,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/18/2010	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23	12/18/2006		A <sup>(1)</sup>		15,000		<u>(1)</u>	02/18/2010	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.084	12/18/2006		D <sup>(2)</sup>			25,000	<u>(2)</u>	10/09/2011	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.424	12/18/2006		A <sup>(2)</sup>		25,000		<u>(2)</u>	10/09/2011	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.24	12/18/2006		D <sup>(3)</sup>			50,000	<u>(3)</u>	08/01/2012	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.5	12/18/2006		A <sup>(3)</sup>		50,000		<u>(3)</u>	08/01/2012	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.07	12/18/2006		D <sup>(4)</sup>			25,000	<u>(4)</u>	02/23/2013	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.99	12/18/2006		A <sup>(4)</sup>		25,000		<u>(4)</u>	02/23/2013	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.15	12/18/2006		D <sup>(5)</sup>			17,500	<u>(5)</u>	05/23/2014	Common Stock	17,500
	\$ 18.75	12/18/2006		A <sup>(5)</sup>		17,500		<u>(5)</u>	05/23/2014		17,500

Option Type	Exercise Price	Grant Date	Exercise Type	Quantity	Expiration Date	Common Stock	Quantity
Stock Option (right to buy)						Common Stock	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.25	12/18/2006	D <sup>(6)</sup>	17,500	(6)	09/26/2014	Common Stock 17,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.45	12/18/2006	A <sup>(6)</sup>	17,500	(6)	09/26/2014	Common Stock 17,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.86				(7)	11/10/2013	Common Stock 25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.81				(8)	11/14/2012	Common Stock 14,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.81				(8)	11/14/2012	Common Stock 6,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.07				(9)	05/21/2013	Common Stock 10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.01				(9)	09/19/2013	Common Stock 10,000

## 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

/s/ David H.  
Benton, Jr. 12/19/2006  
Date

Signature of Reporting  
Person

## 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) These two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the deemed grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on February 18, 2000 and vested in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2000.

These two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the deemed grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on October 10, 2001 and vested in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2001.
  - (3) These two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the deemed grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on August 2, 2002 and vests in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2002.

These two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the deemed grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on February 24, 2003 and vests in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2003.
  - (5) These two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the deemed grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on May 24, 2004 and vests in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2004.

These two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the deemed grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on September 27, 2004 and vests in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2004.
  - (7) The option vests in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2003.
  - (8) The option vests in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2005.
  - (9) The option vests in 60 equal monthly increments commencing on March 1, 2006.

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