

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA
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**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 *
FREEDMAN JAMES

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)
05/13/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP & General Counsel

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)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	05/13/2005		M	V	5,000	A	\$ 13.24	10,470	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2005		S		5,000	D	\$ 27.24	5,470	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)	Am or Num of Sha
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 13.24	05/13/2005		M	5,000	08/02/2002 ⁽¹⁾ 08/01/2012	Common Stock	5,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREEDMAN JAMES 14 OAK PARK BEDFORD, MA 01730			Senior VP & General Counsel	

Signatures

James D.
Freedman 05/17/2005

**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) Six-sixtieths of the option vests on the date of grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 54 month period commencing September 1, 2002.
- (2) As of May 17, 2005, options to purchase 23,250 shares were vested.

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