

BAUER ALAN R
Form 4
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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 *
BAUER ALAN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD
(Street)

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ [PGR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/24/2006

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

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

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Group President - / Direct Business

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
|---|--------------------------------|--|------|---|----------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Deferred Comp Unit | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ 01/24/2006 | | I | | 2,582.91 | | ⁽³⁾ | 01/24/2006 | Common | 2,582.9 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

BAUER ALAN R
6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD
MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Group President - Direct Business

Signatures

David M. Coffey, by Power of
Attorney

01/26/2006

 **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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(2) The third party administrator of the Deferred Compensation Plan (the 'Plan') should have made the distribution to the reporting person on January 13, 2006, but was unable to do so until January 24, 2006 due to an administrative error. Thus, although the reporting person's right to receive the distribution under the Plan was not fixed until January 24, 2006, the distribution was calculated based on the January 13, 2006 closing price in order to ensure that the proper amount was distributed to the reporting person. The third party administrator paid the difference between the January 24, 2006 distribution amount and the proceeds generated by the Plan's sale of the number of Common Shares shown in Column 7 on January 24, 2006.

(3) Immediately

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