

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 *
ALSO P JOSEPH WRIGHT

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)
05/22/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
CEO and Director

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 | 249,559 | 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Nonqualified Stock Options | \$ 23.07 | 05/22/2006 | | A | 60,000 | 05/22/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 05/21/2013 | Common Stock 6 |
| Nonqualified Stock Options | \$ 23.07 | 05/22/2006 | | A | 30,000 | 05/22/2006 ⁽³⁾ 05/21/2013 | Common Stock 3 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ALSOP JOSEPH WRIGHT 14 OAK PARK BEDFORD, MA 01730 | X | | CEO and Director | |

Signatures

Joseph W.
Alsop 05/24/2006

**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).
- (1) 3/60ths of the option vests on the day of grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 57 month period, commencing on June 1, 2006.
- (2) As of May 22, 2006, 3,000 shares are vested and exercisable.
- (3) 15/60ths of the option vests on the day of grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 45 month period, commencing on June 1, 2006.
- (4) As of May 22, 2006, 7,500 shares are vested and exercisable.

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