

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 \*  
**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)  
**10/06/2005**

\_\_\_\_ 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)

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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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	10/06/2005		M		\$ 12.8125	9,063	D
Common Stock	10/06/2005		S		\$ 30.92	8,000	D
Common Stock	10/06/2005		M		\$ 13.084	9,083	D
Common Stock	10/06/2005		S		\$ 30.92	8,000	D
Common Stock	10/06/2005		M		\$ 13.24	10,500	D

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Common Stock	10/06/2005	S	2,500	D	\$ 30.92	8,000	D
Common Stock	10/06/2005	M	3,000	A	\$ 15.07	11,000	D
Common Stock	10/06/2005	S	3,000	D	\$ 30.92	8,000	D
Common Stock	10/06/2005	S	3,400	D	\$ 30.89	4,600	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 Nur of Sha	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 12.8125	10/06/2005		M	1,063	04/03/2001 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/02/2011	Common Stock	1,063
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 13.084	10/06/2005		M	1,083	10/10/2001 <sup>(3)</sup>	10/09/2011	Common Stock	1,083
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 13.24	10/06/2005		M	2,500	08/02/2002 <sup>(4)</sup>	08/01/2012	Common Stock	2,500
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 15.07	10/06/2005		M	3,000	03/01/2003 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/23/2013	Common Stock	3,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

FREEDMAN JAMES  
14 OAK PARK  
BEDFORD, MA 01730

Senior VP & General Counsel

## Signatures

James D.  
Freedman 10/11/2005

\*\*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) Two sixtieths of the option vests on the date of the grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 58 month period commencing May 1, 2001.
- (2) As of October 11, 2005, options to purchase 0 shares were vested.
- (3) Eight sixtieths of the option vests on the date of the grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 52 month period commencing November 1, 2001.
- (4) Six sixtieths of the option vests on the date of the grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 54 month period commencing September 1, 2002.
- (5) The option vests in equal monthly increments over a 60 month period commencing March 1, 2003.

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