

FORRESTER W THOMAS  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FORRESTER W THOMAS**

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

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

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**01/03/2006**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice Pres. & Chief / Financial Officer

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 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 (D) Price (A) or (D)			
Common	01/03/2006		D	2,416 D	\$ 0 (1) 57,274	D	
Common					9,541.388	I	401(k) Plan
Common					27,000	I	By trust (2)

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 (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)	8. Price (Instr.)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Comp Unit	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/03/2006		A	2,094	<sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	Common	2,094	\$
Deferred Comp Unit	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/03/2006		A	2,416	<sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	Common	2,416	\$ 0

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FORRESTER W THOMAS 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143			Vice Pres. & Chief Financial Officer	

## Signatures

David M. Coffey, By Power of Attorney 01/05/2006

*\*\*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) The reporting person elected to defer receipt of previously granted restricted common shares upon vesting thereof. This Form 4 reports the disposition of such restricted shares in exchange for an equal number of units under the applicable deferred compensation plan.
- (2) These shares are held in various trusts for the benefit of the reporting person's children. The reporting person's spouse is the trustee of such trusts.
- (3) 1 for 1
- (4) Immediately
- (5) These units will be paid out in cash at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the vesting provisions of the plan.
- (6) Six (6) months and one (1) day from the date of the transactions reported herein.

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