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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

(Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT

TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO

§ 240.13d-2(a)

(Amendment No. 9)¹

Progress Software Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

743312100

(CUSIP Number)

Praesidium Investment Management Company, LLC

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Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

July 31, 2017

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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1 The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person’s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be “filed” for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (“Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, *see* the *Notes*).

CUSIP NO. 743312100

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

Praesidium Investment Management Company, LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

OO (Funds from Investment Advisory Clients)

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH 7 SOLE VOTING POWER 4,106,368

8 SHARED VOTING POWER - 0 -

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

10 4,372,042 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

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11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

4,372,042

12 CHECK BOX IF
THE AGGREGATE
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(11) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS
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14 TYPE OF REPORTING
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CUSIP NO. 743312100

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Kevin Oram

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Peter Uddo

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THE SCHEDULE 13D

This Amendment No. 9 supplements the information set forth in the Schedule 13D filed on behalf of (i) Praesidium Investment Management Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Praesidium”), (ii) Kevin Oram and (iii) Peter Uddo (together with Praesidium and Mr. Oram the “Reporting Persons”) with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on December 19, 2011, as amended and supplemented by Amendment No. 1 filed with the SEC on March 14, 2012, Amendment No. 2 filed with the SEC on October 26, 2012, Amendment No. 3 filed with the SEC on January 31, 2013, Amendment No. 4 filed with the SEC on February 6, 2014, Amendment No. 5 filed with the SEC on January 11, 2016, Amendment No. 6 filed with the SEC on September 14, 2016, Amendment No. 7 filed with the SEC on January 6, 2017, and Amendment No. 8 filed with the SEC on March 29, 2017 (the “Schedule 13D”), relating to common stock (“Common Stock”), of Progress Software Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the “Issuer”).

All capitalized terms contained herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Schedule 13D. Information given in response to each item shall be deemed incorporated by reference in all other items, as applicable.

Item 2.

Identity and Background.

Item 2(a) of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

(a) This statement is filed by: (i) Praesidium Investment Management Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (“Praesidium”), (ii) Kevin Oram and (iii) Peter Uddo (together with Praesidium and Mr. Oram, the “Reporting Persons”).

Praesidium, in its capacity as investment manager to certain managed accounts and investment fund vehicles on behalf of investment advisory clients (collectively, the “Accounts”), has sole power to vote 4,106,368 shares of Common Stock held in the Accounts and to dispose of 4,372,042 shares of Common Stock held in the Accounts. As the managing members of Praesidium, each of Kevin Oram and Peter Uddo may be deemed to control Praesidium.

Item 3.

Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

The net investment costs (including commissions, if any) of the shares of Common Stock directly owned by the Accounts is approximately \$24.36 per share. The source of these funds for the Accounts was their working capital.

Purchases of some securities for certain Accounts were effected through margin accounts maintained with brokers, which may extend margin credit as and when required to open or carry positions in the margin accounts, subject to applicable federal margin regulations, stock exchange rules and the brokers’ credit policies. In such instances, the positions held in the margin accounts may be pledged as collateral security for the repayment of debit balances in the accounts.

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Item 4.

Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is supplemented and superseded, as the case may be, as follows:

On July 31, 2017, the Reporting Persons met with the Issuer's Board of Directors (the "Board") to discuss their ideas for the Board to voluntarily consider ways to enhance shareholder value. These ideas include significant internal initiatives as well as an idea for the Board to consider a potential acquisition opportunity with an unrelated third party. The Reporting Persons do not know whether the Board will consider this potential opportunity or what the terms and conditions of any possible transaction would be. The Reporting Persons intend to continue to engage in discussions with the Board about ways to enhance shareholder value, including this potential acquisition opportunity.

No Reporting Person has any present plan or proposal which would relate to or result in any of the matters set forth in subparagraphs (a) - (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D except as set forth herein or such as would occur upon or in connection with completion of, or following, any of the actions discussed herein. The Reporting Persons intend to review their investment in the Issuer on a continuing basis. Depending on various factors including, without limitation, the Issuer's financial position and investment strategy, the price levels of the shares of Common Stock, conditions in the securities markets and general economic and industry conditions, the Reporting Persons may in the future take such actions with respect to their investment in the Issuer as they deem appropriate including, without limitation, continuing to engage in communications with management and the Board of Directors of the Issuer, continuing to engage in discussions with shareholders of the Issuer or other third parties about the Issuer and the Reporting Persons' investment, including potential business combinations or dispositions involving the Issuer or certain of its businesses, making recommendations or proposals to the Issuer concerning changes to the capitalization, ownership structure, board structure (including board composition), potential business combinations or dispositions involving the Issuer or certain of its businesses, or suggestions for improving the Issuer's financial and/or operational performance, purchasing additional shares of Common Stock, selling some or all of their shares of Common Stock, or changing their intention with respect to any and all matters referred to in Item 4.

Item 5.

Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Item 5 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

(a) - (b) The Reporting Persons beneficially own 4,372,042 shares of Common Stock, which represents approximately 9.1% of the Issuer's outstanding shares of Common Stock. The percentage of beneficial ownership of the Reporting Persons, as reported in this Schedule 13D, was calculated by dividing (i) the total number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by each Reporting Person as of August 2, 2017, as set forth in this Schedule 13D, by (ii) the 48,288,664 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 28, 2017, according to the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on July 7, 2017.

Praesidium, in its capacity as investment manager to the Accounts, has sole power to vote 4,106,368 shares of Common Stock and the power to dispose of 4,372,042 shares of Common Stock held in the Accounts. As the managing members of Praesidium, each of Kevin Oram and Peter Uddo may be deemed to beneficially own the Common Stock held in the Accounts.

(c) Transactions in the Issuer's securities by the Reporting Persons during the last 60 days are listed in Annex A attached hereto.

(d) Not Applicable.

(e) Not Applicable.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: August 2, 2017

PRAESIDIUM
INVESTMENT
MANAGEMENT
COMPANY, LLC

By: /s/ Kevin Oram
Name: Kevin Oram
Title: Managing Member

KEVIN ORAM

By: /s/ Kevin Oram

PETER UDDO

By: /s/ Peter Uddo

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Annex A

Except as set forth below, there have been no transactions in the Common Stock by the Reporting Persons or, to the knowledge of the Reporting Persons, by any of the other persons named in Item 2 during the past 60 days.

During the past 60 days, inclusive of transactions effected through 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on August 2, 2017, the Reporting Persons effected the following sales of shares of Common Stock in open market transactions:

Nature of Transaction Date of Purchase/Sale Amount Purchased/(Sold) Price Per Share

Purchase	6/01/2017	15,032	29.1305
Purchase	6/28/2017	4,429	30.6348
Purchase	6/29/2017	20,000	30.4804
Purchase	7/03/2017	13,524	30.8931
Purchase	7/05/2017	618	31.0528
Purchase	7/06/2017	1,929	30.9928
Purchase	7/06/2017	8,272	30.9850
Purchase	7/07/2017	2,400	31.0388
Purchase	7/13/2017	30,000	31.5192
Purchase	7/18/2017	19,265	31.5351
Purchase	7/20/2017	29,332	32.0779
Purchase	7/24/2017	87,701	31.7003
Purchase	7/27/2017	162,116	32.1560
Purchase	7/28/2017	40,000	32.1739