

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA

Form 4

September 21, 2006

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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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)  
**09/20/2006**

\_\_\_\_ 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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
				Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					5,670 <sup>(1)</sup>	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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 25.01	09/20/2006		A	15,000	09/20/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 09/19/2013	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
FREEDMAN JAMES 14 OAK PARK BEDFORD, MA 01730	Senior VP & General Counsel

## Signatures

James D.  
Freedman

09/21/2006

\*\*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) Employee Stock Purchase Plan shares in the amount of 1,070 were acquired on April 3, 2006.
- (2) 7/60ths of the option vests on the date of grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 53 month period commencing October 1, 2006.
- (3) As of September 20, 2006, options to purchase 1,750 shares were vested.

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