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PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA Form 4 October 19, 2009 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BENTON DAVID H** Issuer Symbol PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP (Check all applicable) /MA [PRGS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O PROGRESS SOFTWARE 10/01/2009 VP and Corporate Controller CORPORATION, 14 OAK PARK DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BEDFORD, MA 01730 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 21,414 (1) D Stock \$ Common 170⁽²⁾ D F 22.34 10/01/2009 21.244 D Stock (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and tionof Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year)) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.9	10/15/2009		А	6,000	10/15/2009 <u>(3)</u>	10/14/2016	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
r g g g g g g g g g g g g g g g g g g g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BENTON DAVID H C/O PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION 14 OAK PARK DRIVE BEDFORD, MA 01730			VP and Corporate Controller			

Signatures

David H. 10/19/2009 Benton, Jr.

<u>**</u>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) Includes 320 shares acquired through Employee Stock Purchase Plan, on June 30, 2009.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock withheld by Issuer to pay tax withholding obligation of reporting person upon the vesting of restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on May 12, 2009.
- (3) Eight -sixtieths of the option vests on the date of grant, thereafter the option vests in equal monthly increments over a 52 month period commencing November 1, 2009.

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