

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
**BENTON DAVID H**

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)  
**12/26/2007**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**VP and Corporate Controller**

**BEDFORD, MA 01730**  
 (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  
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/26/2007			M	17,173	A	\$ 13.5
Common Stock	12/26/2007			S	17,173	D	\$ 33.9
Common Stock	12/27/2007			M	4,569	A	\$ 13.5
Common Stock	12/27/2007			S	4,569	D	\$ 33.8

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 13.5	12/26/2007		M	17,173	<u>(2)</u> 08/01/2012	Common Stock	17,173
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$ 13.5	12/27/2007		M	4,569	<u>(2)</u> 08/01/2012	Common Stock	4,569

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENTON DAVID H 14 OAK PARK BEDFORD, MA 01730			VP and Corporate Controller	

## Signatures

David H.  
Benton, Jr. 12/28/2007

\_\_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) This amount includes the following shares acquired through an Employee Stock Purchase Plan: 728 shares on March 31, 2007, 183 shares on June 29, 2007, and 77 shares on September 28, 2007.
- (2) The option was originally granted on August 2, 2002 and vested in 60 equal monthly increments in effect commencing March 1, 2002.
- (3) The option is fully vested.

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