

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA
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FORM 4

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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 *
 NEWFIELD CRAIG

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 DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/14/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP and General Counsel

BEDFORD, MA 01730
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 | 10/14/2011 | | A | | 15,000 (1) | A | \$ 20.73 |
| | | | | | 18,000 | 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option | \$ 20.73 | 10/14/2011 | | A | 37,500 (2) | (3) 10/14/2018 | Common Stock | 37,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NEWFIELD CRAIG 14 OAK PARK DRIVE BEDFORD, MA 01730 | | | SVP and General Counsel | |

Signatures

Craig Newfield 10/18/2011

**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) Represents restricted stock units acquired by Reporting Person as part of New Hire Grant pursuant to the Company's 2008 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock. Each restricted stock unit vests in six equal semiannual installments beginning on April 1, 2012, subject to the continued employment of the Reporting Person with Progress Software Corporation.
 - (2) Represent stock options acquired by the Reporting Person as part of a New Hire Grant pursuant to the Company's 2008 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.
 - (3) These options vest in forty-two (42) equal monthly increments commencing on the first day of the month following the completion of six months of service by the Reporting Person.

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