

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* IRELAND DAVID G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA [PRGS]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Executive Vice President			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/15/2008						
C/O PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION 14 OAK PARK DRIVE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
BEDFORD	MA	01730							

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								4,025	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Options	\$19.51	10/15/2008		A		30,000		10/15/2008 ⁽¹⁾	10/14/2015	Common Stock	\$0	30,000 ⁽²⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 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, 2008.
- As of October 15, 2008, options to purchase 4,000 shares were vested.

Remarks:

Stephen H. Faberman, Attorney-In-Fact

10/17/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of James D. Freedman, Vice President and General Counsel of Progress Software (

1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Form 144 Notice of Prop
2. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in acc
3. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Forms 144, 3, 4 or 5 and
4. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best in

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, (

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 144, 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigne

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed this 21st day of July, 2008.

/s/ David G. Ireland

Signature

David G. Ireland

Print Name