

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
 Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Benton, David H., Jr.
 14 Oak Park
 Bedford, MA 01730
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Progress Software Corporation
 PRGS
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 12/31/01
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 () Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other
 (specify below)
 Vice President and Corporate Controller
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	A/D	Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock						4,626 (1)	D	

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	A/D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Title and Number of Shares	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
Nonqualified Stock Option	\$13.0840	10/10/01	A	25,000	A	10/10/01 (11/2)	Common Stock 25,000		25,000 (3)	D	

Explanation of Responses:
 (1) Includes purchases pursuant to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan: 71 shares on July 2, 2001 and 72 shares on October 1, 2001.
 (2) The options vest on the date of grant with respect to eight-sixtieths of the total amount, thereafter in equal monthly increments over a 52 month period commencing November 1, 2001.
 (3) On 12/31/2001, options to purchase 4,167 shares were vested.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 /s/ David H. Benton, Jr.
 DATE
 January , 2002