

## Progress Software CFO, Chris Perkins, Announces Plans to Retire

BEDFORD, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--

Progress (NASDAQ: PRGS) today announced that Chris E. Perkins, the company's Chief Financial Officer, has informed the company that he plans to retire after a transition period while we search for his replacement. Mr. Perkins joined Progress as its CFO in February 2013. The Company will commence a search for a new CFO shortly.

"Chris' contributions have been critical in guiding us through the strategic transformation we began almost four years ago", said Phil Pead, Progress President and CEO. "Chris has built a strong team during his time here and we are confident that with his leadership through this transition, we will continue to build on the momentum we've achieved".

Mr. Perkins reflected, "Though there never seems to be the perfect time to make these life choices, I believe that Progress is on solid financial footing and well-positioned to move to its next milestone of growth. I feel fortunate to have been a part of the company during this critical phase of its transformation and look forward to following its future success."

## **Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains statements that are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Progress has identified some of these forward-looking statements with words like "believe", other terms of similar meaning or the use of future dates.

Forward-looking statements in this press release include, but are not limited to, statements regarding Progress's business outlook and growth potential. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results or future events to differ materially from those anticipated by the forward-looking statements, including, without limitation:

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