

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <u>Bates John</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION 14 OAK PARK DRIVE  (Street) BEDFORD MA 01730  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)</b> 02/01/2010	<b>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA [ PRGS ]  <b>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</b> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Sr. VP,CTO,Head of Corp. Dev.	<b>5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>  <b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	8,830 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option	05/01/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/21/2013	Common Stock	6,000 <sup>(3)</sup>	23.07	D	
Employee Stock Option	09/01/2006 <sup>(4)</sup>	09/19/2013	Common Stock	6,000 <sup>(5)</sup>	25.01	D	
Employee Stock Option	12/01/2005 <sup>(6)</sup>	04/14/2012	Common Stock	39,825 <sup>(7)</sup>	29.3	D	
Employee Stock Option	04/01/2007 <sup>(8)</sup>	04/25/2014	Common Stock	6,000 <sup>(9)</sup>	31.18	D	
Employee Stock Option	10/01/2007 <sup>(10)</sup>	10/15/2014	Common Stock	6,000 <sup>(11)</sup>	32.25	D	
Employee Stock Option	04/01/2008 <sup>(12)</sup>	04/23/2015	Common Stock	10,000 <sup>(13)</sup>	29.94	D	
Employee Stock Option	10/01/2008 <sup>(14)</sup>	10/15/2015	Common Stock	20,000 <sup>(15)</sup>	19.51	D	
Employee Stock Option	05/01/2009 <sup>(16)</sup>	05/11/2016	Common Stock	12,000 <sup>(17)</sup>	22.01	D	
Employee Stock Option	10/01/2009 <sup>(18)</sup>	10/15/2016	Common Stock	12,000 <sup>(19)</sup>	23.9	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. 6,400 of these shares represent restricted stock units acquired by reporting person on May 12, 2009 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. The restricted stock units vest in six equal semiannual installments beginning on October 1, 2009, subject to the continued employment of the reporting person with Progress Software Corporation. As of the date of this filing, 1,066 of these restricted stock units are vested.
2. Three-sixtieths (3/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 57 equal monthly increments commencing on June 1, 2006.
3. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 3,400 shares are vested.
4. Seven-sixtieths (7/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 53 equal monthly increments commencing on October 1, 2006.
5. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 3,400 shares are vested.
6. This option grant reflects an amended option grant where "old" options were cancelled and "new" options were issued as replacement options. The option was originally granted on November 15, 2005 with nine-sixtieths (9/60) of the options vesting on the grant date and the remaining options vested in 51 equal monthly increments commencing on December 1, 2005.
7. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 38,498 shares are vested.
8. Two-sixtieths (2/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 58 equal monthly increments commencing on May 1, 2007.
9. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 3,600 shares are vested.
10. Eight-sixtieths (8/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 52 equal monthly increments commencing on November 1, 2007.
11. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 3,600 shares are vested.
12. Two-sixtieths (2/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 58 equal monthly increments commencing on May 1, 2008.
13. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 4,000 shares are vested.
14. Eight-sixtieths (8/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 52 equal monthly increments commencing on November 1, 2008.
15. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 8,000 shares are vested.
16. Three-sixtieths (3/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 57 equal monthly increments commencing on June 1, 2009.
17. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 2,400 shares are vested.
18. Eight-sixtieths (8/60) of the options were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vested in 52 equal monthly increments commencing on November 1, 2009..
19. As of the date of this filing, options to purchase 2,400 shares are vested.

**Remarks:**

John Bates

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

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