

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BENTON DAVID H JR			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) Other (specify below) VP and Corporate Controller		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/11/2003			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		
14 OAK PARK			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) BEDFORD MA 01730								
(City) (State) (Zip)								

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								8,583 ⁽¹⁾	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					
Nonqualified Stock Options	\$21.86	11/11/2003		A		20,100		11/11/2003 ⁽²⁾	11/10/2013	Common Stock	20,100	20,100 ⁽³⁾	D	
Incentive Stock Options	\$21.86	11/11/2003		A		4,900		11/11/2003 ⁽²⁾	11/10/2013	Common Stock	4,900	4,900 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Includes a purchase made pursuant to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan of 23 shares on October 1, 2003.
- Nine-sixtieths of the options vest on the date of grant, thereafter the options vest in equal monthly increments over a 51 month period commencing December 1, 2003.
- As of November 13, 2003, options to purchase 3,015 shares were vested.
- As of November 13, 2003, options to purchase 735 shares were vested.

Remarks:

David H. Benton, Jr.

11/13/2003

** 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 13th day of November, 2003.

/s/ David H. Benton

Signature

David H. Benton

Print Name