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Item 6.

Exhibits

☑ Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended August 31, 2005

OR

o Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Commission File Number: 0-19417

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MASSACHUSETTS

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

04-2746201

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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14 Oak Park Bedford, Massachusetts 01730

(Address of principal executive offices) Telephone Number: **(781) 280-4000**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days: Yes \square No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act): Yes 🗵 No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act): Yes o No 🗵

As of October 3, 2005, there were 39,706,000 shares of the registrant's common stock, \$.01 par value per share, outstanding.

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION

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FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31, 2005

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PART 1. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Consolidated Financial Statements

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (unaudited)

(In thousands)

	August 31, 2005	November 30, 2004
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 58,778	\$ 69,939
Short-term investments	194,004	121,328
Total cash and short-term investments	252,782	191,267
Accounts receivable, net	52,128	63,503
Other current assets	34,494	23,485
Total current assets	339,404	278,255
Property and equipment, net	40,128	40,658
Acquired intangible assets, net	50,290	40,233
Goodwill	84,708	67,130
Other assets	23,350	20,538
Total	\$ 537,880	\$ 446,814
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity Current liabilities: Current portion, long-term debt Accounts payable Accrued compensation and related taxes Income taxes payable Other accrued liabilities Short-term deferred revenue Total current liabilities Long-term debt, less current portion	\$ 255 8,491 35,923 1,906 23,148 100,767 170,490 2,005	\$ 238 11,953 34,907 3,018 20,553 101,106 171,775
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Long-term deferred revenue	5,124	5,861
Other liabilities	4,189	_
Commitments and contingent liabilities Shareholders' equity: Common stock; authorized, 100,000 shares; issued and outstanding, 39,576 shares in 2005 and 36,422		
shares in 2004, and additional paid-in capital	127,945	70,085
Retained earnings, including accumulated other comprehensive loss of \$2,047 in 2005 and \$1,913 in	14/,343	70,005
2004	228,127	196,893
Total shareholders' equity	356,072	266,978
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See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (unaudited)

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended August 31,			Nine Months Ended August 31,				
		2005		2004	_	2005		2004
Revenue:								
Software licenses	\$	37,986	\$	32,864	\$	112,762	\$	103,664
Maintenance and services		61,502		56,452		184,657		162,804
Total revenue		99,488		89,316		297,419		266,468
Costs and expenses:								
Cost of software licenses		1,843		2,092		5,649		6,983
Cost of maintenance and services		13,492		12,826		41,328		39,611
Sales and marketing		37,910		35,310		113,799		107,590
Product development		15,957		14,907		47,749		44,791
General and administrative		10,284		9,674		31,948		29,187
Amortization of acquired intangibles		2,568		1,809		6,861		5,205
Compensation expense from repurchase of subsidiary								
stock options		2,803		_		2,803		_
Acquisition-related expenses, net		1,776		_		2,750		2,600
Total costs and expenses		86,633		76,618		252,887		235,967
Income from operations		12,855		12,698		44,532		30,501
Other income (expense):								
Interest income and other		1,620		606		3,670		2,027
Foreign currency losses		(317)		(503)		(2,128)		(1,285)
Total other income, net		1,303		103		1,542		742
Income before provision for income taxes		14,158		12,801		46,074		31,243
Provision for income taxes		801		4,281		11,174		9,998
Net income	\$	13,357	\$	8,520	\$	34,900	\$	21,245
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$	0.34	\$	0.24	\$	0.93	\$	0.59
Diluted	\$	0.31	\$	0.22	\$	0.85	\$	0.54
Weighted average shares outstanding:								
Basic		38,947		36,220		37,651		35,970
Diluted		42,501		38,853		41,067		39,014

See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (unaudited)

(In thousands)

	Nine Months Ended August 31,		
	 2005		2004
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 34,900	\$	21,245
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	13,416		12,290
In-process research and development	_		2,600
Deferred income taxes and other	(11,335)		251
Tax benefit from stock plans	17,833		3,945
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Accounts receivable, net	10,383		4,176
Other current assets	39		1,616
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(870)		(6,461)
Income taxes payable	(619)		417
Deferred revenue	103		15,354
Net cash provided by operating activities	63,850		55,433
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchases of investments available for sale	(285,003)		(146,131)
Maturities of investments available for sale	212,322		180,684
Purchases of property and equipment	(5,860)		(5,943)
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(32,161)		(87,520)
Decrease (increase) in other non-current assets	324		(138)
Net cash used for investing activities	(110,378)		(59,048)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	46,084		16,189
Repurchase of stock in subsidiary, net of issuances	(467)		_
Repurchase of common stock	(9,275)		(12,060)
Repayment of long-term debt	(151)		
Net cash provided by financing activities	36,191		4,129
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(823)		579
Net (decrease) increase in cash and equivalents	(11,160)		1,093
Cash and equivalents, beginning of period	69,938		62,677
Cash and equivalents, end of period	\$ 58,778	\$	63,770

See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

Notes to Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 1: Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared by Progress Software Corporation (the Company) pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) regarding interim financial reporting. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2004

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the same basis as the audited financial statements, and include all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for a fair presentation of the results of the interim periods presented. The operating results for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the full fiscal year.

Certain balances in the condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the nine months ended August 31, 2004, and the condensed consolidated balance sheet as of November 30, 2004 have been restated to conform to the current year presentation.

Note 2: Stock-based Compensation

The Company uses the intrinsic value method to measure compensation expense associated with the grants of stock options and awards to employees. The Company accounts for stock options and awards to non-employees using the fair value method. The Company has not granted any stock options or awards to non-employees, except to outside directors.

Under the intrinsic value method, compensation associated with stock options and awards to employees is determined as the excess, if any, of the current fair value of the underlying common stock on the date compensation is measured over the price an employee must pay to exercise the option or award. Under the fair value method, compensation associated with stock options and awards is determined based on the estimated fair value of the option or award itself, measured using either current market data or an established option pricing model. The measurement date for employee options and awards is generally the date of grant.

Had the Company used the fair value method to measure compensation related to stock options and awards to employees, pro forma net income and pro forma earnings per share would have been as follows:

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended August 31,			Nine Months Ended August 31,			t 31,		
		2005		2004		2005			2004
Net income, as reported	\$	13,357	\$	8,520	\$	34,900		\$	21,245
Less: stock-based compensation expense determined under									
fair value method for all awards, net of tax		(2,517)		(2,298)		(8,525)			(7,203)
Pro forma net income	\$	10,840	\$	6,222	\$	26,375		\$	14,042
Basic earnings per share:									
As reported	\$	0.34	\$	0.24	\$	0.93		\$	0.59
Pro forma	\$	0.28	\$	0.17	\$	0.70		\$	0.39
Diluted earnings per share:									
As reported	\$	0.31	\$	0.22	\$	0.85		\$	0.54
Pro forma	\$	0.26	\$	0.16	\$	0.64		\$	0.36

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123(R), *Share-Based Payment* (SFAS 123R). This Statement is a revision of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, and supersedes Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and its related implementation guidance. SFAS 123R requires a company to measure the grant date fair value of equity awards given to employees in exchange for services and recognize that cost over the period that such services are performed. In April 2005, the SEC announced that the SFAS 123R effective transition date will be extended to the annual period beginning after June 15, 2005. The Company will adopt SFAS 123R on December 1, 2005.

The Company is currently evaluating the two methods of adoption allowed by SFAS 123R: the modified-prospective transition method and the modified-retrospective transition method. Adoption of SFAS 123R will materially increase the Company's stock compensation expense and decrease its net income and basic and diluted earnings per share. SFAS 123R also requires that the excess tax benefits related to stock compensation be reported as a cash inflow from financing activities rather than as a reduction of taxes paid in cash from operations.

Note 3: Earnings Per Share

Basic earnings per share is calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share is computed on the basis of the weighted average number of common shares outstanding plus the effect of outstanding stock options using the treasury stock method. The following table provides the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share on an interim basis:

(In thousands, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended August 31,				 Nine Months Ended August 31,			
		2005		2004	2005		2004	
Net income	\$	13,357	\$	8,520	\$ 34,900	\$	21,245	
Weighted average shares outstanding		38,947		36,220	37,651		35,970	
Dilutive impact from outstanding stock options		3,554		2,633	3,416		3,044	
Diluted weighted average shares outstanding		42,501		38,853	41,067		39,014	
Earnings per share:								
Basic	\$	0.34	\$	0.24	\$ 0.93	\$	0.59	
Diluted	\$	0.31	\$	0.22	\$ 0.85	\$	0.54	

Note 4: Income Taxes

The Company provides for income taxes at the end of each interim period based on the estimated effective tax rate for the full fiscal year. Cumulative adjustments to the tax provision are recorded in the interim period in which a change in the estimated annual effective rate is determined. During the quarter ended August 31, 2005, the IRS completed an examination of the Company's United States income tax returns for fiscal years through 2002. The provision for taxes in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 included a tax benefit of \$3.8 million resulting from the reversal of previously established income tax liabilities that were no longer required.

Note 5: Comprehensive Income

The components of comprehensive income include net income, foreign currency translation adjustments, unrealized gains and losses on foreign exchange hedging contracts and unrealized gains and losses on investments. The following table provides the calculation of comprehensive income on an interim basis:

(In thousands)

	Three Months Ended August 31,				 Nine Months Ended August 31,			
		2005		2004	2005		2004	
Net income, as reported	\$	13,357	\$	8,520	\$ 34,900	\$	21,245	
Foreign currency translation adjustments		132		250	(528)		101	
Unrealized gains on foreign exchange hedging contracts		_		245	622		157	
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments		19		112	(78)		(301)	
Total comprehensive income	\$	13,508	\$	9,127	\$ 34,916	\$	21,202	

Note 6: Segment Information

The Company conducts business through four principal operating units. The first operating unit conducts business as the Progress OpenEdge Division (OED) and provides the OpenEdge platform, a set of development and deployment technologies, which includes the OpenEdge RDBMS, for building business applications. The second operating unit, Sonic Software Corporation, provides a set of standards-based integration products and services. The third operating unit is the Progress Real Time Division (formerly ObjectStore). The Progress Real Time Division provides event stream processing, data management, data access and synchronization products to enable the real-time enterprise. The division includes the recent acquisitions of Persistence Software and Apama and the integration of PeerDirect, creating a comprehensive source of real-time enterprise products. The fourth operating unit, DataDirect Technologies, provides standards-based data connectivity software.

Segment information is presented in accordance with SFAS No. 131, *Disclosures About Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information*. This standard is based on a management approach which requires segmentation based upon the Company's internal organization and disclosure of revenue and operating income based upon internal accounting methods.

Based upon the aggregation criteria for segment reporting, the Company has two reportable segments: Application Development & Deployment, which primarily includes OED, the Progress Real Time Division and DataDirect Technologies, and Enterprise Application Integration, which primarily includes Sonic Software. The Company has aggregated its segment data based on similar utilization characteristics, such as deployment or integration, of the primary products in each operating unit. The Company does not internally report its assets, capital expenditures, interest income or provision for income taxes by segment.

The following table provides revenue and income from operations from the Company's reportable segments on an interim basis:

(In thousands)

	Three Months Ended August 31,					Nine Months Ended August 31,			
		2005		2004		2005		2004	
Revenue:									
Application Development and Deployment	\$	93,646	\$	84,485	\$	282,154	\$	251,567	
Enterprise Application Integration		7,119		5,526		18,731		17,022	
Eliminations		(1,277)		(695)		(3,466)		(2,121)	
Total	\$	99,488	\$	89,316	\$	297,419	\$	266,468	
Income (loss) from operations:									
Application Development and Deployment	\$	20,228	\$	19,485	\$	63,960	\$	51,647	
Enterprise Application Integration		(6,096)		(6,092)		(15,962)		(19,025)	
Eliminations		(1,277)		(695)		(3,466)		(2,121)	
Total	\$	12,855	\$	12,698	\$	44,532	\$	30,501	

Amounts included under Eliminations represent intersegment sales, which are accounted for as if made under an equivalent arms-length basis arrangement. Total revenue from the Sonic product line, generated by both segments, was \$22.6 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 and \$19.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004.

Note 7: Acquisitions of Apama and EasyAsk

On April 6, 2005, the Company acquired the stock of Apama, Inc. (Apama) for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$25 million, net of cash acquired. Apama is a provider of event stream processing software focused on the financial services industry. Apama has become part of the Progress Real Time Division. The acquisition was accounted for as a purchase, and accordingly, the results of operations for Apama are included in the Company's operating results from the date of acquisition. Included in the aggregate purchase price of \$25 million is \$0.6 million of direct acquisition costs. In addition, the Company has implemented an employee retention program by which payments will be made on certain dates over the twelve months following the acquisition to Apama employees who joined the Company, if they meet certain employment criteria. If all retention criteria are met, the Company will be obligated to pay a total of \$4 million in retention payments. Compensation expense will be recognized ratably over the service period associated with each payment. The purchase price was paid in cash from available funds.

On May 12, 2005, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets and assumed certain liabilities of EasyAsk, Inc. (EasyAsk) for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$9.4 million, net of cash acquired. EasyAsk is a provider of natural language question/answer and eCommerce search solutions. Prior to the acquisition, the Company held a minority interest in EasyAsk, whose chairman was a member of the Board of Directors of the Company until the closing of the purchase agreement. EasyAsk is included within the Application Development and Deployment segment. Included in the aggregate purchase price of \$9.4 million is \$0.4 million of expenses related to excess facilities space and \$0.2 million of direct acquisition costs. In addition, the Company has implemented an employee retention program by which payments will be made twelve months following the acquisition to EasyAsk employees who joined the Company, if they meet certain employment criteria. If all retention criteria are met, the Company will be obligated to pay a total of \$0.5 million in retention payments. Compensation expense associated with these payments will be recognized ratably over the twelve month service period. The purchase price was paid in cash from available funds.

Acquisition-related expenses for the first nine months of fiscal 2005 include expenses for retention bonuses to Apama and EasyAsk employees who joined the Company of \$3.3 million, of which \$1.8 million is attributable to sales and marketing, \$1.3 million is attributable to product development, and \$0.2 million is attributable to general and administrative, partially offset by a credit of \$0.6 million for settlement of pre-acquisition assets and liabilities related to a previous acquisition. Acquisition-related expenses for the first nine months of fiscal 2004 include acquired in-process research and development from the acquisition of DataDirect of \$2.6 million, which was expensed when the acquisition was consummated because the technological feasibility of several products under

development at the time of the acquisition had not been achieved and no alternate future uses had been established. Research and development costs to bring the acquired products to technological feasibility are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's future results of operations or cash flows. The value of in-process research and development was determined based on an appraisal from an independent third party. There was no in-process research and development associated with the Apama or EasyAsk acquisitions.

For both acquisitions the Company obtained valuations from independent appraisers for the amounts assigned to intangible assets. The allocation of the purchase price as of August 31, 2005 was as follows:

(In thousands)

	Total	Life (in years)
Assets and liabilities, including cash	\$ 1,811	
Acquired intangible assets	17,149	1 to 10 years
Goodwill	23,435	
Deferred tax liability	(4,350)	
Total purchase price	38,045	
Less: cash acquired	(3,384)	
Less: existing investment in EasyAsk held by PSC	(300)	
Net cash paid	\$ 34,361	_

Pro forma financial information has not been presented, as the historical operations of Apama and EasyAsk were not material to the Company's consolidated financial statements either individually or in the aggregate.

In March 2005, the Company finalized a settlement agreement related to a previous acquisition resulting in a purchase price adjustment and return of funds to the Company of approximately \$2 million. The settlement was recorded as a decrease to goodwill.

Note 8: Repurchase of Stock in Subsidiary

On August 31, 2005, the Company entered into an agreement and plan of merger with Sonic Software Corporation (Sonic), a Delaware corporation and majority-owned subsidiary of the Company, and Sonic Merger Corporation, a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (Merger Sub). The purpose of the merger was for the Company to purchase the shares of the minority stockholders of Sonic and the in-the-money, vested stock options of Sonic. Sonic is the surviving corporation of the merger and is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The merger agreement was unanimously approved by the boards of directors of the Company, Sonic and Merger Sub and was also approved by the requisite votes of the stockholders of Sonic and Merger Sub. The merger was consummated on August 31, 2005 immediately after execution of the merger agreement.

Pursuant to the merger agreement, the Company will pay \$0.6 million, recorded as a treasury stock transaction on the balance sheet, in the aggregate to the holders of Sonic common stock (other than the Company) and will pay \$2.8 million, recorded as compensation expense in the statement of operations, in the aggregate to Sonic employees who hold vested, in-the-money options to purchase Sonic common stock.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Cautionary Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 contains certain safe harbor provisions regarding forward-looking statements. This Form 10-Q and other information provided by the Company or statements made by its directors, officers or employees, from time to time, may contain "forward-looking" statements and information which involve risks and uncertainties. Actual future results may differ materially. Statements indicating that the Company "expects," "estimates," "believes," "is planning" or "plans to" are forward-looking, as are other statements concerning future financial results, product offerings or other events that have not yet occurred. There

are several important factors that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from those anticipated by the forward-looking statements. Such factors are described below in greater detail under the heading "Factors That May Affect Future Results" and include, but are not limited to, the timing of the receipt and shipment of new orders, the success of the Company's distribution channels, the timely release of enhancements to the Company's products, the growth rates of certain market segments, the positioning of the Company's products in those market segments, success in the enterprise service bus market, variations in the demand for professional services and software license maintenance, including technical support, global economic conditions, pricing pressures and the competitive environment in the software industry, the impact of recent acquisitions and any future acquisitions on the Company's business and the Company's ability to penetrate international markets and manage its international operations. Although the Company has sought to identify the most significant risks to its business, the Company cannot predict whether, or to what extent, any of such risks may be realized, nor can there be any assurance that the Company has identified all possible issues which the Company might face. The Company undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statements it makes.

Overview

The Company develops, markets and distributes software to simplify and accelerate the development, deployment, integration and management of business applications. The mission of the Company is to deliver software products and services that empower partners and customers to improve their development, deployment, integration and management of quality applications worldwide. The Company's products include development tools, databases, application servers, messaging servers, application management tools, data connectivity products and integration products for distributed and Web-based applications as well as for client/server applications. The Company, through its various operating units, markets its products globally to a broad range of organizations in manufacturing, distribution, finance, retail, healthcare, telecommunications, government and many other fields.

A significant portion of the Company's revenue is derived from international operations. In the first six months of fiscal 2005, as well as in fiscal years 2002 through 2004, the weakening of the U.S. dollar against most major currencies, primarily the euro and the British pound, positively affected the Company's results. However, the U.S. dollar strengthened against most major currencies in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 to approximate levels from one year earlier.

In recent years, the Company has completed a number of acquisitions, including eXcelon Corporation in December 2002, DataDirect Technologies Limited in December 2003, Persistence Software Inc. in November 2004 and most recently Apama, Inc. and EasyAsk, Inc. in April 2005 and May 2005, respectively. These acquisitions were designed to expand the size and breadth of the Company's business and/or add complementary products and technologies to existing product sets.

The Company conducts business through four primary operating units. The Company's principal operating unit conducts business as the Progress OpenEdge Division, or OED. OED provides the Progress® OpenEdgeÔ platform, a set of development and deployment technologies, including the OpenEdge RDBMS, one of the leading embedded databases, for building business applications. Another operating unit, Sonic Software Corporation, is focused on enterprise application integration and the emerging market for enterprise service bus, or ESB, and operates as a subsidiary of the Company. Sonic Software Corporation delivers a distributed, standards-based communications and integration infrastructure, built on an ESB that integrates existing business applications and orchestrates business processes across the extended enterprise. The third operating unit is the Progress Real Time Division (formerly ObjectStore). The Progress Real Time Division provides event stream processing, data management, data access and synchronization products to enable the real-time enterprise. The division includes the recent acquisitions of Persistence Software and Apama and the integration of PeerDirect, creating a comprehensive source of real-time enterprise products. The fourth operating unit, the DataDirect division of PSC, provides standards-based data connectivity software.

Critical Accounting Policies

Management's discussion and analysis of financial condition and results of operations are based upon the Company's consolidated financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Company makes estimates and assumptions in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, revenue and expenses and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience and various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. However, actual results may differ from these estimates.

The Company has identified the following critical accounting policies that require the use of significant judgments and estimates in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements. This listing is not a comprehensive list of all of the Company's accounting policies. For further information regarding the application of these and other accounting policies, see Note 1 in the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in Item 8 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Revenue Recognition — The Company's revenue recognition policy is significant because revenue is a key component affecting results of operations. In determining when to recognize revenue from a customer arrangement, the Company is often required to exercise judgment regarding the application of its accounting policies to a particular arrangement. For example, judgment is required in determining whether a customer arrangement has multiple elements. When such a situation exists, judgment is also involved in determining whether vendor-specific objective evidence (VSOE) of fair value for the undelivered elements exists. While the Company follows specific and detailed rules and guidelines related to revenue recognition, significant management judgments and estimates are made and used in connection with the revenue recognized in any reporting period, particularly in the areas described above, as well as collectibility. If management made different estimates or judgments, material differences in the timing of the recognition of revenue could occur.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts — The Company maintains an allowance for doubtful accounts for estimated losses resulting from the inability of customers to make required payments. This allowance is established using estimates that the Company makes based on factors such as the composition of the accounts receivable aging, historical bad debts, changes in payment patterns, changes to customer creditworthiness and current economic trends. If the Company used different estimates, or if the financial condition of customers were to deteriorate, resulting in an impairment of their ability to make payments, additional provisions for doubtful accounts would be required and would increase bad debt expense.

Goodwill and Intangible Assets — The Company had goodwill and net intangible assets of \$135.0 million at August 31, 2005. The Company assesses the impairment of goodwill and identifiable intangible assets on an annual basis and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of the asset may not be recoverable. An impairment charge would be recorded if such an assessment were to indicate that the fair value of such assets was less than the carrying value. Judgment is required in determining whether an event has occurred that may impair the value of goodwill or identifiable intangible assets. Factors that could indicate that an impairment may exist include significant underperformance relative to plan or long-term projections, changes in business strategy, significant negative industry or economic trends or a significant decline in the stock price of the Company for a sustained period of time. For the annual assessment of impairment, the Company utilizes discounted cash flow models or valuation reports from third-party firms to determine the fair value of its reporting units. The Company and these third-party firms must make assumptions about future cash flows, future operating plans, discount rates and other factors in the models and valuation reports. Different assumptions and judgment determinations could yield different conclusions that would result in an impairment charge to income in the period that such change or determination was made.

Income Tax Accounting — The Company had a net deferred tax asset of \$39.1 million, including \$22.8 million in other current assets, \$20.5 million in other assets and \$4.2 million in other liabilities at August 31, 2005. The Company records valuation allowances to reduce deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. The Company considers scheduled reversals of temporary differences, projected future taxable income, ongoing tax planning strategies and other matters in assessing the need for and the amount of a valuation allowance. If the Company were to change its assumptions or otherwise determine that it was unable to realize all or part of its

net deferred tax asset in the future, an adjustment to the deferred tax asset would be charged to income in the period that such change or determination was made

Results of Operations

The following table provides certain income and expense items as a percentage of total revenue, and the percentage change in dollar amounts of such items compared with the corresponding period in the previous fiscal year:

		Percentage of		Period-to-Period Change			
	Three Mor August 31,	nths Ended August 31,	Nine Mon August 31,	ths Ended August 31,	Three Month	Nine Month	
	2005	2004	2005	2004	Period	Period	
Revenue:							
Software licenses	38%	37%	38%	39%	16%	9%	
Maintenance and services	62	63	62	61	9	13	
Total revenue	100	100	100	100	11	12	
Costs and expenses:							
Cost of software licenses	2	2	2	3	(12)	(19)	
Cost of maintenance and services	14	14	14	15	5	4	
Sales and marketing	38	40	38	40	7	6	
Product development	16	17	16	17	7	7	
General and administrative	10	11	11	11	6	9	
Amortization of acquired							
intangibles	3	2	2	2	42	32	
Compensation expense from re-							
purchase of subsidiary stock							
options	3	_	1	_	*	*	
Acquisition-related expenses, net	1		1	1	*	*	
Total costs and expenses	87	86	85	89	13	7	
Income from operations	13	14	15	11	1	46	
Other income	1	0	1	1	*	108	
Income before provision for taxes	14	14	15	12	11	47	
Provision for income taxes	1	4	4	4	(81)	12	
Net income	13%	10%	12%	8%	57%	64%	

not meaningful

Revenue. The Company's total revenue increased 11% from \$89.3 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$99.5 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005. Less than 1 percentage point of this increase is attributable to favorable changes in currency exchange rates from those in effect during the third quarter of 2004 to those in effect during the third quarter of 2005. The Company's total revenue increased 12% from \$266.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$297.4 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. Approximately 3 percentage points of this increase is attributable to favorable changes in currency exchange rates from those in effect during the first nine months of 2004 to those in effect during the first nine months of 2005. In addition to the positive effect of changes in exchange rates, the Company's revenue increased due to growth in sales volume across all of the Company's major product lines.

Total revenue derived from the OED product line increased from \$70.5 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$75.6 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and increased from \$212.9 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$228.8 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. Total revenue derived from the Sonic product line increased from \$6.6 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$8.6 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and increased from \$19.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$22.6 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. Revenue from the Real Time product line increased from \$5.2 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$7.4 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and increased from \$14.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$20.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. Total revenue derived from the DataDirect product line increased from \$7.0 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$7.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and increased from \$20.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$25.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005.

Software license revenue increased 16% from \$32.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$38.0 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005. Approximately 1 percentage point of this increase is attributable to favorable changes in currency exchange rates from those in effect during the third quarter of 2004 to those in effect during the third quarter of 2005. Software license revenue increased 9% from \$103.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$112.8 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. Approximately 3 percentage points of this increase is attributable to favorable changes in currency exchange rates from those in effect during the first nine months of 2004 to those in effect during the first nine months of 2005. The increase in software license revenue in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2005 was primarily due to growth from the Company's newer product lines, including DataDirect, Real Time and Sonic. These product lines accounted for 36% of software license revenue in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 as compared to 34% in the third quarter of fiscal 2004. Software license revenue through indirect channels, including application partners which have written software applications utilizing OED technology and resell the Company's products in conjunction with the sale of their application, increased 7% in the third quarter of 2005 as compared to the third quarter of 2004, which was partially offset by a decrease in sales to direct end users.

Maintenance and services revenue increased 9% from \$56.5 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$61.5 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005. Approximately 1 percentage point of this increase is attributable to favorable changes in currency exchange rates from those in effect during the third quarter of 2004 to those in effect during the third quarter of 2005. Maintenance and services revenue increased 13% from \$162.8 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$184.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. Approximately 1 percentage point of this increase is attributable to favorable changes in currency exchange rates from those in effect during the first nine months of 2004 to those in effect during the first nine months of 2005. The increase in maintenance and services revenue was primarily the result of growth in the Company's installed customer base, renewal of maintenance agreements and an increase in professional services revenue.

Total revenue generated in markets outside North America increased 7% from \$51.6 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$55.4 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and represented 55% of total revenue in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 as compared to 58% in the third quarter of fiscal 2004. Revenue from the three major regions outside North America, consisting of Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA), Latin America and Asia Pacific, each increased in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 as compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2004. Total revenue generated in markets outside North America would have represented 56% of total revenue in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 if exchange rates had been constant in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 as compared to the exchange rates in effect in the third quarter of fiscal 2004.

Total revenue generated in markets outside North America increased 10% from \$153.1 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$168.4 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 and represented 57% of total revenue in the first nine months of both fiscal 2005 and 2004. Revenue from the three major regions outside North America each increased in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 as compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2004. Total revenue generated in markets outside North America would have represented 56% of total revenue in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 if exchange rates had been constant in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 as compared to the exchange rates in effect in the first nine months of fiscal 2004.

The Company anticipates total revenue in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005 to be in the range of \$104 million to \$106 million, representing an increase of 8% to 10% as compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004. The Company anticipates total revenue for all of fiscal 2005 to be in the range of \$401 million to \$403 million, representing an increase of approximately 11% over fiscal 2004 amounts. This revenue expectation assumes the continued success of the Company's application partners and other channel partners, continued improvement in the Company's ability to generate new business in end user accounts and continued growth and success from the Company's newer product sets, including the DataDirect, Sonic and Real Time product lines. However, external factors, such as the impact of oil price shocks to the economy, geopolitical issues or a further strengthening of the U.S. dollar against currencies in which the Company derives a significant portion of its revenues, could negatively impact this revenue expectation.

Cost of Software Licenses. Cost of software licenses consists primarily of cost of product media, documentation, duplication, packaging, royalties and amortization of capitalized software costs. Cost of software licenses decreased 12% from \$2.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$1.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and

decreased as a percentage of software license revenue from 6% to 5%. Cost of software licenses decreased 19% from \$7.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$5.6 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 and decreased as a percentage of software license revenue from 7% to 5%. The dollar decrease for the third quarter and for the first nine months of fiscal 2005 were primarily due to lower royalty expense for products and technologies licensed or resold from third parties and lower costs for documentation and media. Cost of software licenses as a percentage of software license revenue may vary from period to period depending upon the relative product mix. The Company expects costs of software licenses to range from 5% to 8% of the related software license revenue in a given period.

Cost of Maintenance and Services. Cost of maintenance and services consists primarily of costs of providing customer technical support, education and consulting. Cost of maintenance and services increased 5% from \$12.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$13.5 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and decreased as a percentage of maintenance and services revenue from 23% to 22%. Cost of maintenance and services increased 4% from \$39.6 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005, but decreased as a percentage of maintenance and services revenue from 24% to 22%. The margin increases for the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2005 as compared to the same periods of fiscal 2004 were due to a change in the mix of revenue, with maintenance revenue representing a greater proportion of the total, partially offset by slightly lower margins in professional services. The dollar increase in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 as compared to the first nine months of 2004 was primarily due to headcount-related expenses and year-over-year changes in exchange rates. The Company's technical support, education, and consulting headcount increased by 1% from the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2005.

Sales and Marketing. Sales and marketing expenses increased 7% from \$35.3 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$37.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005, but decreased as a percentage of revenue from 40% to 38%. Sales and marketing expenses increased 6% from \$107.6 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$113.8 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005, but decreased as a percentage of revenue from 40% to 38%. The increase in sales and marketing expenses was due to the addition of sales and marketing expense in the Real Time division related to the acquisition of Persistence in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004 and the acquisition of Apama in the second quarter of 2005. Expenses also increased in the first nine months of 2005 due to year-over-year changes in exchange rates, as a significant percentage of sales and marketing expenses are incurred outside North America. The Company's sales, sales support and marketing headcount increased by 1% from the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2005.

Product Development. Product development expenses increased 7% from \$14.9 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$16.0 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005, but decreased as a percentage of revenue from 17% to 16%. Product development expenses increased 7% from \$44.8 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$47.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005, but decreased as a percentage of revenue from 17% to 16%. The dollar increase was primarily due to expenses related to the development teams associated with the recently acquired Persistence and Apama products, the start-up of the Company's offshore development center in India and greater use of outside contractors. There were no capitalized software development costs in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 or fiscal 2005 due to the timing and stage of development of projects that might otherwise qualify for capitalization under the Company's software capitalization policy. Capitalized software costs associated with Progress OpenEdge 10 totaled \$0.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 as compared to none in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. The Company's product development headcount increased 10% from the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2005.

General and Administrative. General and administrative expenses include the costs of the finance, human resources, legal, information systems and administrative departments of the Company. General and administrative expenses increased 6% from \$9.7 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$10.3 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005, but decreased as a percentage of revenue from 11% to 10%. General and administrative expenses increased 9% from \$29.2 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$31.9 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005, but remained the same percentage of revenue at 11%. The dollar increase was primarily due to headcount-related costs, the impact of changes in exchange rates, higher professional services fees and higher transition and integration costs associated with acquisitions. The Company's administrative headcount increased 6% from the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2005.

Amortization of Acquired Intangibles. Amortization of acquired intangibles increased from \$1.8 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$2.6 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005. Amortization of acquired intangibles increased from \$5.2 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$6.9 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. The increase was due to amortization expense associated with intangible assets identified in the acquisitions of Persistence, Apama and EasyAsk. The Company expects amortization of acquired intangibles to total approximately \$2.5 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005 and approximately \$9.4 million for all of fiscal 2005.

Acquisition-Related Expenses. Acquisition-related expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 2005 totaling \$1.8 million include expenses for retention bonuses to Apama and EasyAsk employees who joined the Company, of which \$1.0 million is attributable to sales and marketing, \$0.7 million is attributable to product development, and \$0.1 million is attributable to general and administrative. Acquisition-related expenses for the first nine months of fiscal 2005 totaling \$3.3 million include expenses for retention bonuses to Apama and EasyAsk employees who joined the Company, of which \$1.8 million is attributable to sales and marketing, \$1.3 million is attributable to product development, and \$0.2 million is attributable to general and administrative, partially offset by a credit of \$0.6 million for settlement of pre-acquisition assets and liabilities related to a previous acquisition. Acquisition-related expenses for the first nine months of fiscal 2004 include in-process research and development from the acquisition of DataDirect of \$2.6 million, which was expensed when the acquisition was consummated because the technological feasibility of several products under development at the time of the acquisition had not been achieved and no alternate future uses had been established. Research and development costs to bring the acquired products to technological feasibility are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's future results of operations or cash flows. The value of in-process research and development was determined based on an appraisal from an independent third party. There was no in-process research and development associated with the Apama or EasyAsk acquisitions.

Compensation expense from repurchase of subsidiary stock options. Compensation expense from repurchase of subsidiary stock options for the third quarter of fiscal 2005 represented expenses of \$2.8 million related to the settlement and pay-out to Sonic employees who held vested, in-the-money options to purchase Sonic common stock.

Income From Operations. Income from operations as a percentage of total revenue decreased from 14% in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to 13% in the third quarter of fiscal 2005. The decline in the operating margin percentage in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 as compared to the third quarter of fiscal 2004 was primarily due to compensation expense from repurchase of Sonic stock options, which represented 3% of total revenue. Income from operations as a percentage of revenue increased from 11% in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to 15% in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. If the Company is able to meet its forecasted revenue target and expenses occur as planned for the remainder of the fiscal year, the Company expects operating income as a percentage of revenue to be approximately 16% for all of fiscal 2005.

Income from operations increased from \$19.5 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$20.2 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 in the Company's Application Development & Deployment segment, which primarily includes OED, the Progress Real Time Division and DataDirect Technologies. Income from operations in the same segment increased from \$51.6 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$61.2 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. Losses from operations remained the same at \$6.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 and fiscal 2005 in the Company's Enterprise Application Integration segment, which includes Sonic Software. Losses from operations from this segment decreased from \$19.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$16.0 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. The operating loss in the Enterprise Application Integration segment in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2005 included the compensation charge related to the repurchase of Sonic stock options of \$2.8 million.

Other Income. Other income increased from \$0.1 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2004 to \$1.3 million in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 and increased from \$0.7 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004 to \$1.5 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005. The increase in other income in the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2005 as compared to the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2004 primarily related to an increase in interest income. The increase in interest income was primarily due to higher interest rates and higher average cash and short-term investment balances, partially offset by foreign exchange hedging and transaction expenses.

Provision for Income Taxes. The Company's effective tax rate was 6% in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 as compared to 33% in the third quarter of fiscal 2004. The Company provides for income taxes at the end of each interim period based on the estimated effective tax rate for the full fiscal year. Cumulative adjustments to the tax provision are recorded in the interim period in which a change in the estimated annual effective rate is determined. During the third quarter of fiscal 2005, the IRS completed an examination of the Company's United States income tax returns for fiscal years through 2002. The provision for taxes in the third quarter of fiscal 2005 included a tax benefit of \$3.8 million resulting from the reversal of previously established income tax liabilities that were no longer required. The decrease in the effective tax rate from the third quarter and first nine months of fiscal 2004 as compared to the same periods in fiscal 2005 was primarily due to this benefit. The Company estimates that for all of fiscal 2005 its effective tax rate will be approximately 27%, including the effect of the \$3.8 million tax benefit which represents an approximate 6% reduction in the overall effective tax rate.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

At the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2005, the Company's cash and short-term investments totaled \$252.8 million. The increase of \$61.5 million since the end of fiscal 2004 resulted primarily from cash generated from operations and proceeds from exercises of stock options and stock issuances under the Company's stock purchase plan, partially offset by acquisitions, capital expenditures, and common stock repurchases.

The Company generated \$63.9 million in cash from operations in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 as compared to \$55.4 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004. The increase in cash generated from operations in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 as compared to the first nine months of fiscal 2004 was primarily due to increased profitability and tax benefits from stock plans associated with disqualifying dispositions, partially offset by lower contributions from changes in working capital. The Company's taxable income in the United States, on a tax return basis, is expected to be negligible as a result of the tax benefit from disqualifying dispositions. Other current assets have increased primarily due to the resulting increase in deferred taxes associated with tax credit carryforwards and refundable estimated tax payments.

Accounts receivable decreased by \$11.4 million from the end of fiscal 2004. Accounts receivable days sales outstanding, or DSO, decreased by 12 days to 47 days at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2005 as compared to 59 days at the end of fiscal 2004 and decreased by 4 days from 51 days at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2004. The third quarter of each fiscal year is typically the quarter-end period with the lowest DSO due to a lower proportion of annual customer billings for maintenance renewals occurring in this quarterly period. The Company's objective is to maintain a DSO range of 60 to 80 days.

The Company purchased property and equipment totaling \$5.9 million in the first nine months of each of fiscal 2005 and 2004. The purchases consisted primarily of computer equipment and building and leasehold improvements. The Company funded these purchases primarily from cash generated from operations.

In September 2004, the Board of Directors authorized, for the period from October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005, the purchase of up to 10,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock, at such times that the Company deems such purchases to be an effective use of cash. The Company purchased and retired approximately 379,000 shares of its common stock for \$9.3 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 and approximately 600,000 shares of its common stock for \$12.1 million in the first nine months of fiscal 2004. The Company funded these purchases primarily from cash generated from operations. A total of 9,597,000 shares of common stock remained available for repurchase under this authorization at August 31, 2005. In September 2005, the Board of Directors authorized, for the period from October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006, the purchase of up to 10,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock. On October 1, 2005, this authorization will supersede the authorization in place at August 31, 2005.

In March 2005, the Company entered into a settlement agreement related to a previous acquisition resulting in a purchase price adjustment and return of funds to the Company of approximately \$2 million.

On April 6, 2005, the Company acquired the stock of Apama for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$25 million, net of cash acquired. Apama is a provider of event stream processing software focused on the financial services industry. Apama has become part of the Progress Real Time Division. The acquisition was accounted for

as a purchase, and accordingly, the results of operations for Apama are included in the Company's operating results from the date of acquisition. Included in the aggregate purchase price of \$25 million is \$0.6 million of direct acquisition costs. In addition, the Company has implemented an employee retention program by which payments will be made on certain dates over the twelve months following the acquisition to Apama employees who joined the Company, if they meet certain employment criteria. If all retention criteria are met, the Company will be obligated to pay a total of \$4 million in retention payments. Compensation expense will be recognized ratably over the service period associated with each payment. The purchase price was paid in cash from available funds.

On May 12, 2005, the Company acquired substantially all of the assets and assumed certain liabilities of EasyAsk for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$9.4 million, net of cash acquired. EasyAsk is a provider of natural language question/answer and eCommerce search solutions. Prior to the acquisition, the Company held a minority interest in EasyAsk, whose chairman was a member of the Board of Directors of the Company until the closing of the purchase agreement. EasyAsk is included within the Application Development and Deployment segment. Included in the aggregate purchase price of \$9.4 million is \$0.4 million of expenses related to excess facilities space and \$0.2 million of direct acquisition costs. In addition, the Company has implemented an employee retention program by which payments will be made twelve months following the acquisition to EasyAsk employees who joined the Company, if they meet certain employment criteria. If all retention criteria are met, the Company will be obligated to pay a total of \$0.5 million in retention payments. Compensation expense associated with these payments will be recognized ratably over the twelve month service period. The purchase price was paid in cash from available funds.

On August 31, 2005, the Company entered into an agreement and plan of merger with Sonic Software Corporation (Sonic), a Delaware corporation and majority-owned subsidiary of the Company, and Sonic Merger Corporation, a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (Merger Sub). The purpose of the merger was for the Company to purchase the shares of the minority stockholders of Sonic and the in-the-money, vested stock options of Sonic. Sonic is the surviving corporation of the merger and is now a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. The merger agreement was unanimously approved by the boards of directors of the Company, Sonic and Merger Sub and was also approved by the requisite votes of the stockholders of Sonic and Merger Sub. The merger was consummated on August 31, 2005 immediately after execution of the merger agreement.

Pursuant to the merger agreement, the Company will pay \$0.6 million, recorded as a treasury stock transaction on the balance sheet, in the aggregate to the holders of Sonic common stock (other than the Company) and will pay \$2.8 million, recorded as compensation expense in the statement of operations, in the aggregate to Sonic employees who hold vested, in-the-money options to purchase Sonic common stock.

In connection with the purchase of a building adjacent to the Company's headquarters in November 2004, the Company was required to assume an existing mortgage on the building of \$2.4 million. Principal payments on this long-term debt in the first nine months of fiscal 2005 totaled approximately \$0.2 million.

The Company includes standard intellectual property indemnification provisions in its licensing agreements in the ordinary course of business. Pursuant to the Company's product license agreements, the Company will indemnify, hold harmless, and reimburse the indemnified party for losses suffered or incurred by the indemnified party, generally business partners or customers, in connection with certain patent, copyright or other intellectual property infringement claims by third parties with respect to the Company's products. Other agreements with the Company's customers provide indemnification for claims relating to property damage or personal injury resulting from the performance of services by the Company or its subcontractors. Historically, the Company's costs to defend lawsuits or settle claims relating to such indemnity agreements have been insignificant. Accordingly, the estimated fair value of these indemnification provisions is immaterial.

The Company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims, either asserted or unasserted, which arise in the ordinary course of business. While the outcome of these claims cannot be predicted with certainty, management does not believe that the outcome of any of these legal matters will have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operations.

The Company believes that existing cash balances together with funds generated from operations will be sufficient to finance the Company's operations and meet its foreseeable cash requirements (including planned capital

expenditures, lease commitments, debt payments, potential cash acquisitions and other long-term obligations) through at least the next twelve months.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The Company's only significant off-balance sheet commitments relate to operating lease obligations. The Company has no "off-balance sheet arrangements" within the meaning of Item 303(a)(4) of Regulation S-K. Future annual minimum rental lease payments are detailed in Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended November 30, 2004.

New Accounting Pronouncements

In December 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued SFAS No. 123(R), *Share-Based Payment*. This statement is a revision of SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, and supersedes Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and its related implementation guidance. SFAS 123R requires a company to measure the grant date fair value of equity awards given to employees in exchange for services and recognize that cost over the period that such services are performed. In April 2005, the SEC announced that the SFAS 123R effective transition date will be extended to the annual period beginning after June 15, 2005. The Company will adopt SFAS 123R on December 1, 2005.

The Company is currently evaluating the two methods of adoption allowed by SFAS 123R: the modified-prospective transition method and the modified-retrospective transition method. Adoption of SFAS 123R will materially increase the Company's stock compensation expense and decrease its net income and basic and diluted earnings per share, but will have no impact on the Company's financial position. In addition, SFAS 123R requires that the excess tax benefits related to stock compensation be reported as a cash inflow from financing activities rather than as a reduction of taxes paid in cash from operations.

Factors That May Affect Future Results

The Company operates in a rapidly changing environment that involves certain risks and uncertainties, some of which are beyond the Company's control. The following discussion highlights some of these risks.

Fluctuations in Revenue and Quarterly Results — The Company may experience significant fluctuations in future quarterly operating results that may be caused by many factors. Some of these factors include changes in demand for the Company's products, introduction, enhancement or announcement of products by the Company or its competitors, market acceptance of new products, the growth rates of certain market segments including enterprise application integration and messaging, size and timing of significant orders, budgeting cycles of customers, mix of distribution channels, mix of products and services sold, mix of international and North American revenues, fluctuations in currency exchange rates, changes in the level of operating expenses, changes in the Company's sales incentive plans, customer order deferrals in anticipation of new products announced by the Company or its competitors and general economic conditions in regions in which the Company conducts business. Revenue forecasting is uncertain, in large part, because the Company generally ships its products shortly after receipt of orders. Most of the Company's expenses are relatively fixed, including costs of personnel and facilities, and are not easily reduced. Thus, an unexpected reduction in the Company's revenue, or failure to achieve the anticipated rate of growth, would have a material adverse effect on the profitability of the Company.

Global Economic and Political Conditions — The global economic and political environment and the current business climate could impact the Company's revenue and net income in the near term. Political instability, natural disasters, oil price shocks and armed conflict in various regions of the world also contribute to economic uncertainty. If customers' buying patterns, such as decision-making processes, timing of expected deliveries and timing of new projects, unfavorably change due to economic or political conditions, there will be a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results.

Products — Ongoing enhancements to the Company's various product sets will be required to enable the Company to maintain its competitive position. The Company may not be successful in developing and marketing enhancements to its products on a timely basis, and any enhancements may not adequately address the changing needs of the

marketplace. Failure to develop enhancements that meet market needs in a timely manner could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results.

Overlaying the risks associated with the Company's existing products and enhancements are ongoing technological developments and rapid changes in customer requirements. The Company's future success will depend upon its ability to develop and introduce in a timely manner new products that take advantage of technological advances and respond to new customer requirements. The development of new products is increasingly complex and uncertain, which increases the risk of delays. The Company may not be successful in developing new products incorporating new technology on a timely basis, and any new products may not adequately address the changing needs of the marketplace.

The Company derives a significant portion of its revenue from its core product line, Progress OpenEdge, and other products that complement OpenEdge and are generally licensed only in conjunction with OpenEdge. Accordingly, the Company's future results depend on continued market acceptance of OpenEdge, and any factor adversely affecting the market for OpenEdge could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results.

Some of the Company's products, such as the Sonic and Real Time product sets, require a higher level of development, distribution and support expenditures, on a percentage of revenue basis, than the OpenEdge or DataDirect product lines. If revenue generated from these products becomes a greater percentage of the Company's total revenue and if the expenses associated with these products do not decrease on a percentage of revenue basis, then the Company's operating margins will be adversely affected.

International Operations — The Company typically generates between 55% and 60% of its total revenue from sales outside North America. Because a majority of the Company's total revenue is derived from international operations that are primarily conducted in foreign currencies, changes in the value of these foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar may affect the Company's results of operations and financial position. In the past two years, the U.S. dollar has been significantly weaker than in the previous few years against most major foreign currencies, which has positively affected the Company's revenue and results of operations. However, the U.S. dollar strengthened against most major currencies at the end of the second quarter of fiscal 2005 to equivalent levels of one year earlier. The Company's currency hedging transactions may not materially reduce the effect of fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates on its results. If for any reason exchange or price controls or other restrictions on the conversion of foreign currencies were imposed, the Company's business could be adversely affected.

Other potential risks inherent in the Company's international business include longer payment cycles, greater difficulties in accounts receivable collection, unexpected changes in regulatory requirements, export restrictions, tariffs and other trade barriers, difficulties in staffing and managing foreign operations, political instability, reduced protection for intellectual property rights in some countries, seasonal reductions in business activity during the summer months in Europe and certain other parts of the world, economic instability in emerging markets and potentially adverse tax consequences. Any one of these factors could adversely impact the success of the Company's international operations. One or more of these factors could have a material adverse effect on the Company's future international operations, and, consequently, on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results.

Acquisitions — As part of its business strategy, the Company has made and expects to continue to make acquisitions of businesses or investments in companies that offer complementary products, services and technologies, such as the acquisitions of DataDirect and Persistence in fiscal 2004 and Apama and EasyAsk in fiscal 2005. These acquisitions or investments involve a number of risks, including the risks of assimilating the operations and personnel of acquired companies, realizing the value of the acquired assets relative to the price paid, unanticipated liabilities, distraction of management from the Company's ongoing businesses and potential product disruptions associated with the sale of the acquired company's products. These factors could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results. Consideration paid for any future acquisitions could include company stock. As a result, future acquisitions could cause dilution to existing shareholders and to earnings per share.

Distribution Channels and New Markets — Future results also depend upon the Company's continued successful distribution of its products through its Application Partner, or AP, and OEM channels and may be adversely affected by downward pressure on pricing, which may not be offset by increases in volume. APs utilize technology from the Company to create their applications and resell the Company's products along with their own applications. OEMs embed the Company's products within their software product or technology device. Any adverse effect on the APs' or OEMs' businesses related to competition, pricing and other factors could also have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results.

Sonic Software is currently developing and enhancing the Sonic product set and other new products and services. The market for the enterprise service bus, enterprise application integration, Web services, messaging products and other Internet business-to-business products is highly competitive. Many potential customers have made significant investments in proprietary or internally developed systems and would incur significant costs in switching to the Sonic product set or other third-party products. Global e-commerce and online exchange of information on the Internet and other similar open wide area networks continue to evolve. The Company's products may not be successful in penetrating these evolving markets.

Competition — The Company experiences significant competition from a variety of sources with respect to the marketing and distribution of its products. Many of the Company's competitors have greater financial, marketing and technical resources than the Company and may be able to adapt more quickly to new or emerging technologies and changes in customer requirements or to devote greater resources to the promotion and sale of their products than can the Company. Increased competition could make it more difficult for the Company to maintain its market presence. The marketplace for new products is intensely competitive and characterized by low barriers to entry. As a result, new competitors possessing technological, marketing or other competitive advantages may emerge and rapidly acquire market share.

In addition, current and potential competitors may make strategic acquisitions or establish cooperative relationships among themselves or with third parties, thereby increasing their ability to deliver products that better address the needs of the Company's prospective customers. Current and potential competitors also may be more successful than the Company in having their products or technologies widely accepted. The Company may be unable to compete successfully against current and future competitors, and its failure to do so could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, prospects, financial condition and operating results.

Hiring and Retention of Skilled Employees — The Company's future success will depend in large part upon its ability to attract and retain highly skilled technical, managerial and marketing personnel. There is significant competition for such personnel in the software industry. The Company may not be successful in attracting and retaining the personnel it requires to develop new and enhanced products and to continue to grow and operate profitably.

Intellectual Property and Proprietary Rights — The Company's success is heavily dependent upon its proprietary software technology. The Company relies principally on a combination of contract provisions and copyright, trademark, patent and trade secret laws to protect its proprietary technology. Despite the Company's efforts to protect its proprietary rights, unauthorized parties may attempt to copy aspects of the Company's products or to obtain and use information that the Company regards as proprietary. Policing unauthorized use of the Company's products is difficult. The steps taken by the Company to protect its proprietary rights may not be adequate to prevent misappropriation of its technology or independent development by others of similar technology.

In addition, litigation may be necessary to enforce the Company's intellectual property rights, to protect the Company's trade secrets, to determine the validity and scope of the proprietary rights of others, or to defend against claims of infringement. Third parties may assert infringement claims against the Company, and there is a risk that any such claim will be successful. Such litigation could result in substantial costs and diversion of resources, whether or not the Company ultimately prevails on the merits, and could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and operating results. Such litigation could also result in the Company being prohibited from selling one or more of its products or cause potential customers to become reluctant to purchase the Company's products.

Third-Party Technology — The Company utilizes technology which it licenses from third parties, including software which is integrated with internally developed software and used in the Company's products to perform key

functions. This technology or functionally similar technology may not continue to be available on commercially reasonable terms, or at all.

Stock Price Volatility — The market price of the Company's common stock, like that of other technology companies, is highly volatile and is subject to wide fluctuations in response to quarterly variations in operating results, announcements of technological innovations or new products by the Company or its competitors, changes in financial estimates by securities analysts or other events or factors. The Company's stock price may also be affected by broader market trends unrelated to the Company's performance.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The Company is exposed to a variety of market risks, including changes in interest rates affecting the return on its investments and foreign currency fluctuations. The Company has established policies and procedures to manage its exposure to fluctuations in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates.

Exposure to market risk for changes in interest rates relates to the Company's investment portfolio. The Company has not used derivative financial instruments in its investment portfolio. The Company places its investments with high-quality issuers and has policies limiting, among other things, the amount of credit exposure to any one issuer. The Company limits default risk by purchasing only investment-grade securities. The Company's investments are primarily fixed-rate instruments. In addition, the Company has classified all its debt securities as available for sale. This classification reduces the income statement exposure to interest rate risk if such investments are held until their maturity date. Based on a hypothetical 10% adverse movement in interest rates, the potential losses in future earnings, fair value of risk-sensitive instruments, and cash flows are immaterial.

The Company has entered into foreign exchange option and forward contracts to hedge certain transactions in selected foreign currencies (mainly in Europe and Asia Pacific) against fluctuations in exchange rates. The Company has not entered into foreign exchange option and forward contracts for speculative or trading purposes. The Company's accounting policies for these contracts are based on the designation of the contracts as hedging instruments. The criteria the Company uses for designating a contract as a hedge include the contract's effectiveness in risk reduction and matching of derivative instruments to the underlying transactions. The Company operates in certain countries where there are limited forward currency exchange markets and thus the Company has unhedged transaction exposures in these currencies. The Company generally does not hedge the net assets of its international subsidiaries. The notional principal amount of outstanding foreign exchange option contracts at August 31, 2005 was \$89.3 million. There were no unrealized market value gains on such contracts at August 31, 2005. Based on a hypothetical 10% adverse movement in all foreign currency exchange rates, the Company's revenue would be adversely affected by approximately 6% and the Company's net income would be adversely affected by approximately 20% (excluding any offsetting positive impact from the Company's ongoing hedging programs), although the actual effects may differ materially from the hypothetical analysis.

The table below details outstanding forward contracts, which mature in ninety days or less, at August 31, 2005 where the notional amount is determined using contract exchange rates:

(In thousands, except exchange rate data)

		Exchange		Exchange	Notional
		ign Currency		U.S. Dollars	Weighted
		U.S. Dollars		eign Currency	Average
Functional Currency:	(Notic	onal Amount)	(Noti	onal Amount)	Exchange Rate*
Australian dollar	\$	187		_	1.34
Brazilian real		1,936		_	2.43
Euro		_	\$	19,070	0.82
Japanese yen		5,122		_	111.29
South African rand		1,546		_	6.53
U.K. pound		_		1,783	0.56
	\$	8,791	\$	20,853	

^{*} expressed as local currency unit per U.S. dollar

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures. The Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Based on this evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide a reasonable level of assurance that the information required to be disclosed in the reports filed or submitted by the Company under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the requisite time periods.

The effectiveness of any system of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting is subject to various inherent limitations, including cost limitations, judgments used in decision making, assumptions about the likelihood of future events, the soundness of internal systems, the possibility of human error, and the risk of fraud. Moreover, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions and the risk that the degree of compliance with policies or procedures may deteriorate over time. Because of these limitations, any system of disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting may not be successful in preventing all errors or fraud or in making all material information known in a timely manner to the appropriate levels of management.

(b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting. There were no significant changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Items 2(a) and 2(b) are not applicable.

(c) Stock Repurchases

(in thousands, except per share data)

			Total Number of	Maximum Number of
			Shares Purchased	Shares That May
	Total Number	Average	As Part of Publicly	Yet Be Purchased
	Of Shares	Price Paid	Announced Plans	Under the Plans or
Period:	Purchased (1)	Per Share	Or Programs	Programs (2)
June 1, 2005 - June 30, 2005	_	_	_	9,702
July 1, 2005 - July 31, 2005	16	\$ 29.90	16	9,686
Aug. 1, 2005 - Aug. 31, 2005	89	\$ 31.33	89	9,597
	105	\$ 31.11	105	9,597

- (1) All shares were purchased in open market transactions
- (2) In September 2004, the Board of Directors authorized, for the period from October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005, the purchase of up to 10,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock, at such times that the Company deems such purchases to be an effective use of cash. In September 2005, the Board of Directors authorized, for the period from October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006, the purchase of up to 10,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock. On October 1, 2005, this authorization will supersede the authorization in place at August 31, 2005.

Item 6. Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed or furnished as part of this quarterly report on Form 10-Q:

- 2.1 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated August 31, 2005 by and among Progress Software Corporation, Sonic Software Corporation and Sonic Merger Corporation (1)
- 31.1—Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act Joseph W. Alsop
- 31.2—Certification Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act Norman R. Robertson
- 32.1— Certification Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act
- (1) Incorporated by reference to the similarly numbered exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K filed on September 7, 2005.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Dated: October 7, 2005 /s/ Joseph W. Alsop

Joseph W. Alsop Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Dated: October 7, 2005 /s/ Norman R. Robertson

Norman R. Robertson

Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial

Officer)

Dated: October 7, 2005 /s/ David H. Benton, Jr.

David H. Benton, Jr.

Vice President and Corporate Controller

(Principal Accounting Officer)

CERTIFICATION

- I, Joseph W. Alsop, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Progress Software Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure control and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 7, 2005

/s/ JOSEPH W. ALSOP Joseph W. Alsop

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION

- I, Norman R. Robertson, certify that:
- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Progress Software Corporation;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure control and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles:
 - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent function):
 - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: October 7, 2005

/s/ NORMAN R. ROBERTSON

Norman R. Robertson Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Certification Pursuant To 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, As Adopted Pursuant To Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Progress Software Corporation (the Company) for the three months ended August 31, 2005, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the Report), each of the undersigned, Joseph W. Alsop, Chief Executive Officer, and Norman R. Robertson, Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial Officer, of the Company, certifies, to the best knowledge and belief of the signatory, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- 1. The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- 2. The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ JOSEPH W. ALSOP Chief Executive Officer /s/ NORMAN R. ROBERTSON

Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial

Officer

Date: October 7, 2005 Date: October 7, 2005