

Bates John  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Bates John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA [PRGS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP,CTO,Head of Corp. Dev.

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION, 14 OAK PARK DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/27/2010

(Street)  
BEDFORD, MA 01730

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/27/2010		A	(A) or (D) 9,600 (1)	\$ 0 19,860 (2)	D	

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option	\$ 31.98	04/27/2010		A	36,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 04/27/2017	Common Stock	36,000

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bates John PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION 14 OAK PARK DRIVE BEDFORD, MA 01730			Sr. VP,CTO,Head of Corp. Dev.	

**Signatures**

Stephen H. Faberman,  
Attorney-In-Fact

04/29/2010

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

**Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Represents restricted stock units acquired by reporting person on April 27, 2010 pursuant to the Company's 2008 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock. Each restricted stock unit vests in six equal semiannual installments beginning on October 1, 2010, subject to the continued employment of the reporting person with Progress Software Corporation.
- (1) Includes 1,430 shares acquired through Employee Stock Purchase Plan on March 31, 2010.
  - (2) Two-sixtieths (2/60) of the option were vested and exercisable on the grant date. The remaining options vest in 58 equal monthly increments commencing on May 1, 2010.

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