

BASCH JEFFREY W
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FORM 4

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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 *
BASCH JEFFREY W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ [PGR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/11/2009

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice Pres. & Chief / Accounting Officer

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	09/11/2009		M	V	14,605 A \$ 4.3801	92,416	D
Common	09/11/2009		S		14,605 D \$ 16.8137	77,811	D
Common						2,727.743	I 401(k) Plan

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2000 Employee Option	\$ 4.3801	09/11/2009		M		(2)	12/31/2009	Common	14,605

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BASCH JEFFREY W 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143			Vice Pres.& Chief	Accounting Officer

Signatures

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney
Date: 09/14/2009

**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).

(1) The price reported in Column 4 is the weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$16.78 to \$16.825, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The Progressive Corporation, any security holder of The Progressive Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this Footnote 1.

(2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning January 1, 2003.

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