

CODY WILLIAM M
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CODY WILLIAM M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD

(Street)

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ [PGR]

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

01/01/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Chief Investment / Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common | 01/01/2009 | | D | 9,560 D \$ 0 (1) | 147,650 | D | |
| Common | 01/01/2009 | | F(2) | 1,660 D \$ 14.6 | 145,990 | D | |
| Common | | | | | 13,049.234 | I | 401(K) Plan |

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)

| 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 (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) | 8. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Deferred Comp Unit | \$ 0 ⁽³⁾ | 01/01/2009 | | A | 9,560 | ⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁵⁾ | Common 9,560 | \$ 0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CODY WILLIAM M 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143 | | | Chief Investment Officer | |

Signatures

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney
01/05/2009
**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 reporting person elected to defer receipt of previously granted restricted common shares upon vesting thereof. This Form 4 reports the disposition of such restricted shares in exchange for an equal number of units under the applicable deferred compensation plan.
- (2) Delivery of shares to pay taxes upon vesting of restricted shares.
- (3) 1 for 1.
- (4) Units deferred from restricted stock awards made prior to March 2005 will be exercisable six (6) months and one (1) day from the date of the transactions reported herein. Units deferred from restricted stock awards made on or after March 2005 will not be exercisable prior to distribution and will be distributed in an equivalent number of Common Shares at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the payment provisions of the plan.
- (5) Units deferred from restricted stock awards made prior to March 2005 will be paid out in cash at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the payment provisions of the plan. Units deferred from restricted stock awards made on or after March 2005 will be distributed in an equivalent number of Common Shares at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the payment provisions of the plan.

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