

PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/  
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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 \*  
BAUER ALAN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD

(Street)

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

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

09/28/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Group President - / Direct Business

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common	09/28/2005		M		47,400	A	\$ 22.7916
Common	09/28/2005		M		28,200	A	\$ 41.3333
Common	09/28/2005		S		5,000	D	\$ 104.25
Common	09/28/2005		S		34,400	D	\$ 104
Common	09/28/2005		S		22,200	D	\$ 103.5
Common	09/28/2005		S		1,200	D	\$ 103.6
Common	09/28/2005		S		1,000	D	\$ 103.7

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Common	09/28/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 103.75	51,739	D	
Common	09/28/2005	S	1,500	D	\$ 103.95	50,239	D	
Common	09/28/2005	S	1,500	D	\$ 104.05	48,739	D	
Common	09/28/2005	S	6,800	D	\$ 103.8	41,939	D	
Common						22,625.854	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 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
Employee Option	\$ 22.7916	09/28/2005		M	47,400	01/01/2002	12/31/2006	Common	47,400
Employee Option	\$ 41.3333	09/28/2005		M	28,200	01/01/2003	12/31/2007	Common	28,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BAUER ALAN R 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143			Group President -	Direct Business

## Signatures

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney  
09/29/2005

\_\_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).

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