

PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA

Form SC TO-C

December 20, 2006

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE TO  
Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Progress Software Corporation**  
*(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))*

**Progress Software Corporation**  
*(Name of Filing Person (Issuer and Offeror))*

**Options to Purchase Shares of Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share**  
*(Title of Class of Securities)*

**Not applicable**  
*(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)*

**Joseph W. Alsop**  
**Progress Software Corporation**  
**14 Oak Park**  
**Bedford, Massachusetts 01730**  
**(781) 280-4000**

*(Name, address, and telephone numbers of person authorized  
to receive notices and communications on behalf of filing persons)  
with copies to:*

**John D. Hancock, Esq.**  
**Foley Hoag llp**  
**155 Seaport Boulevard**  
**Boston, Massachusetts 02210**  
**Calculation of Filing Fee**

**Transaction valuation**  
Not Applicable\*

**Amount of filing fee**  
Not Applicable\*

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amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

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This Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO ( Schedule TO ) is filed by Progress Software Corporation. Pursuant to Rule 13e-4 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and General Instruction D to Schedule TO, this Schedule TO relates to pre-commencement communications by Progress Software Corporation.

**Item 12. Exhibits.**

99.1 Email to employees of Progress Software Corporation from Joseph W. Alsop, dated December 19, 2006.

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**Exhibit Index**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
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