CODY WILLIAM M

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **CODY WILLIAM M** Issuer Symbol PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ [PGR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD 01/03/2006 below) below) Chief Investment / Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$0 Common 01/03/2006 D 1,450 D 17,130 D (1) 401(K) Common I 2,363.664 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number Doof 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)		8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Comp Unit	\$ 0 (2)	01/03/2006		A	1,450	(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common	1,450	\$ 0
Deferred Comp Unit	\$ 0 (2)	01/03/2006		A	1.046	(5)	<u>(6)</u>	Common	1.046	\$ (

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

01/05/2006

**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)** 1 for 1
- (3) Six (6) months and one (1) day from the date of the transactions reported herein.
- (4) These units will be paid out in cash at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the vesting provisions of the plan.
- (5) Immediately
- (6) These units will be paid out in cash at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the vesting provisions of the plan.

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