#### PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/

Form 4 March 16, 2006

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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(Middle)

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* HARDIS STEPHEN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ [PGR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2006

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

below)

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

(Street)

(State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price \$0

Common 03/15/2006 D 1,142

38,289

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
			Code V	(A) (D	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Unit (Rest. Stock)	\$ 0 (2)	03/15/2006	A	1,142	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common	1,142	\$ 0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
.I	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HARDIS STEPHEN R 6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143	X					

### **Signatures**

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney 03/16/2006

\*\*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).
- The reporting person elected to defer receipt of previously granted restricted Common Shares upon vesting thereof. This Form 4 reports (1) the disposition of such restricted shares in exchange for an equal number of phantom stock units under the applicable deferred compensation plan.
- (**2**) 1 for 1
- (3) These units will be paid out in an equal number of Common Shares at the time elected by the reporting person, subject to the vesting provisions of the plan.

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