

HARDIS STEPHEN R
Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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 Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/16/2005

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

MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common | 03/16/2005 | | D | | 1,113 | D | \$ 0 (1) 38,289 |

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)

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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) | 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
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Phantom Stock Unit (Rest. Stock)

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------|------------|---|-------|-----|-----|--------|-------|------|
| \$ 0 (2) | 03/16/2005 | A | 1,113 | (3) | (3) | Common | 1,113 | \$ 0 |
|----------|------------|---|-------|-----|-----|--------|-------|------|

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HARDIS STEPHEN R
6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD
MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143

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Signatures

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney

03/18/2005

__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).
- 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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