

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 \*  
Sauerland John P

(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)

10/31/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Personal Lines Group / President

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**

| 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (D)  | Price                                      |
| Common                          | 10/31/2008                           |  | M                              |   | 4,804   | A  | \$ 10.782                                  |
| Common                          |                                      |  |                                |   | 8,400.99  | I  | 401(k) Plan                                |
| Common                          |                                      |  |                                |   | 5,600   | I  | By Sauerland Partnership (1)               |
| Common                          |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,200   | I  | By Child                                   |
| Common                          |                                      |  |                                |   | 5,600   | I  | By Trust (2)                               |

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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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 1999 Employee Option                       | \$ 10.782  | 10/31/2008                           |  | M                              | 4,804   | 01/01/2004 12/31/2008                                    | Common 4,804  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                      |           |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other     |
| Sauerland John P<br>6300 WILSON MILLS ROAD<br>MAYFIELD VILLAGE, OH 44143 |               |           | Personal Lines Group | President |

## Signatures

David M. Coffey, by Power of Attorney  
11/03/2008

\_\_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 is a general partner of the partnership that owns the reported securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(1) The Reporting Person is trustee of a family trust, certain beneficiaries of which are immediate family members of the Reporting Person.  
(2) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein (including the pecuniary interest of such immediate family members), and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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