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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 10, 2009 Progress Software Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Commission file number: 0-19417

Massachusetts (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

04-2746201 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

14 Oak Park

Bedford, Massachusetts 01730 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(781) 280-4000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 10, 2009, Roger J. Heinen, Jr., a member of the Board of Directors of Progress Software Corporation (the Company), advised the Company that he has decided not to stand for re-election at the Company s 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, presently scheduled for April 23, 2009. As a result, Mr. Heinen will no longer be a Director of the Company upon the expiration of his current term at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Heinen is also Chairman of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors and a member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors. Mr. Heinen was initially elected to the Board of Directors in March 1999. Mr. Heinen s decision is not in connection with any known disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company s operations, policies or practices.

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 16, 2009 Progress Software Corporation

By: /s/ Norman R. Robertson Norman R. Robertson Senior Vice President, Finance and Administration and Chief Financial

Officer