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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 6, 2018 Progress Software Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number: 0-19417

Delaware 04-2746201
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. employer incorporation or organization) 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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

Progress Software Corporation (the "Company") is filing this Form 8-K to report that the Company has fixed Thursday, May 17, 2018 as the date of its 2018 annual meeting of stockholders (the "2018 Annual Meeting").

Important Additional Information and Where to Find It

The Company, its directors and certain of its executive officers and employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from shareholders in connection with the Company's 2018 Annual Meeting. The Company plans to file a proxy statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in connection with the solicitation of proxies for the 2018 Annual Meeting (the "2018 Proxy Statement"), together with a WHITE proxy card. STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE 2018 PROXY STATEMENT (INCLUDING ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS THERETO) AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS THAT THE COMPANY WILL FILE WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Additional information regarding the identity of these potential participants, none of whom owns in excess of one percent (1%) of the Company's outstanding shares of common stock, and their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be set forth in the 2018 Proxy Statement and other materials to be filed with the SEC in connection with the 2018 Annual Meeting. Information relating to the foregoing can also be found in the Company's definitive proxy statement for its 2017 annual meeting of stockholders (the "2017 Proxy Statement"), filed with the SEC on May 12, 2017. To the extent holdings of the Company's securities by such potential participants (or the identity of such participants) have changed since the information printed in the 2017 Proxy Statement, such information has been or will be reflected on Statements of Change in Ownership on Forms 3 and 4 filed with the SEC.

Stockholders will be able to obtain, free of charge, copies of the 2018 Proxy Statement, any amendments or supplements thereto and any other documents (including the WHITE proxy card) when filed by the Company with the SEC in connection with the 2018 Annual Meeting at the SEC's website (http://www.sec.gov), at the Company's website (http://investors.progress.com) or by contacting the Company's VP Treasury & Investor Relations, Brian Flanagan, by phone at 781-280-4817, by email at Flanagan@progress.com or by mail at Progress Software Corporation at 14 Oak Park, Bedford, MA 01730, Attention: Investor Relations. In addition, copies of the proxy materials, when available, may be requested from the Company's proxy solicitor, MacKenzie Partners, Inc. at proxy@mackenziepartners.com or toll-free at 800-322-2885.

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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 6, 2018 Progress Software Corporation

By:/s/ STEPHEN H. FABERMAN Stephen H. Faberman Chief Legal Officer