PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ Form 8-K October 22, 2010

## **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) October 22, 2010

# THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-9518 (Commission 34-0963169 (IRS Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

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#### 6300 Wilson Mills Road, Mayfield Village, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code 440-461-5000

44143 (Zip Code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 22, 2010, The Progressive Corporation issued a news release announcing that its Board of Directors had declared an extraordinary cash dividend of \$1.00 per Common Share, payable December 29, 2010 to shareholders of record at the close of business on December 20, 2010. A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

See exhibit index on page 4.

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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: October 22, 2010

#### THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

By: <u>/s/ Jeffrey W. Basch</u> Name: Jeffrey W. Basch Title: Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Under Reg.	Form 8-K Exhibit	
S-K Item 601	No.	Description
99	99	News release dated October 22, 2010 announcing extraordinary cash dividend

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