PROGRESSIVE CORP/OH/ Form 8-K August 21, 2009

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) August 21, 2009

THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-9518 (Commission File Number) 34-0963169 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 440-461-5000

Not Applicable

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

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- " 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.

(b) On August 21, 2009, Jeffrey D. Kelly resigned as a director of The Progressive Corporation in connection with his recent appointment as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Renaissance Re Holdings Ltd. Mr. Kelly had been on Progressive s Board since 2000 and most recently served as the Chairman of the Investment and Capital Committee.

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: August 21, 2009

THE PROGRESSIVE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Brian C. Domeck Name: Brian C. Domeck

Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer