PROGRAMMERS PARADISE INC

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

PROGRAMMER'S PARADISE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware Shrewsbury, New Jersey 07702 (State of Incorporation) (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

13-3136104 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

PROGRAMMER'S PARADISE, INC. 2006 STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION PLAN

(Full Title of the Plan)

Simon F. Nynens
President and Chief Executive Officer
Programmer's Paradise, Inc.
1157 Shrewsbury Avenue
Shrewsbury, New Jersey 07702
(Name and Address of Agent for Service)
(732) 389-8950
(Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)
With a Copy to:
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Dechert LLP
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10112
(212) 698-3500
CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title Of Securities To Be Registered

Amount To Be Registered

> Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share (1)

Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price (1)

Amount Of Registration Fee

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

800,000 shares

\$

14.17

\$11,336,000

\$1,212.95

(1) The registration fee for the shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock"), of the Registrant to be issued pursuant to options reserved but not yet granted under the Programmer's Paradise, Inc. 2006 Stock-Based Compensation Plan (the "Plan") was calculated in accordance with Rule 457(c) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), on the basis of \$14.17 per share, the average high and low prices of Common Stock as reported on the NASDAQ Smallcap Market on July 25, 2006. Pursuant to Rule 416(a), this registration statement (the "Registration Statement") shall also cover any additional shares of Common Stock which become issuable under the Plan by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar transaction effected without the receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of the outstanding shares of the Registrant.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

Information required in Part I of Form S-8 to be contained in a prospectus meeting the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act is not required to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") and is omitted from this Registration Statement in accordance with the explanatory note to Part I of Form S-8 and Rule 428 under the Securities Act.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents previously filed by Programmer's Paradise, Inc. (the "Registrant" or the "Company"), with the Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005;
- (b) The Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2006, the Company's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 13, 2006, January 27, 2006, May 9, 2006 and July 28, 2006 and all other reports filed by the Company pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the Annual Report on Form 10-K referred to in (a) above;
- (c) The description of the Company's Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed on July 18, 1995; and
- (d) All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this Registration Statement, but prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement, which indicates that all securities offered by this Registration Statement have been sold or which deregisters all such securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement. Each document incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a part of this Registration Statement from the date of the filing of such document with the Commission until the information contained therein is superseded or updated by any subsequently filed document which is incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement.

Item 4. Description of the Securities.

Not Applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not Applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Delaware General Corporation Law ("G.C.L."), Section 102(b)(7), subject to certain exceptions, enables a corporation in its original certificate of incorporation or an amendment thereto validly approved by stockholders to eliminate or limit personal liability of members of its Board of Directors for violations of a director's fiduciary duty of care. However, the elimination or limitation shall not apply where there has been a breach of the duty of loyalty; failure to act in good faith, intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of a law; the payment of a dividend or approval of a stock repurchase which is deemed illegal; or an improper personal benefit is obtained. Article VI of the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation includes the following language:

A Director of the Corporation shall not be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director, except for liability:

(i) for any breach of the Director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders; (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (iii) under Section 174 of the G.C.L.; or (iv) for any transaction from which the Director derived an improper personal benefit. If the G.C.L. is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of Directors, then the liability of a Director of the Corporation shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the G.C.L., as so amended. The provisions of this ARTICLE VI are not intended to, and shall not, limit, supersede or modify any other defense available to a Director under applicable law. Any repeal or modification of this ARTICLE VI by the stockholders of the Corporation shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a Director of the Corporation existing immediately prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

Delaware G.C.L., Section 145, permits a corporation organized under Delaware law to indemnify directors and officers with respect to any matter in which the director or officer acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be not opposed to the best interests of the Corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action, had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was lawful. Article IX of the Company's Restated Bylaws includes the following language:

- (a) As provided in the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware Statute as the same exists or may hereafter be amended, a director of this Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for breach of fiduciary duty as a director.
- (b) Without limitation of any right conferred by paragraph (a) of this Section 1, each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved in any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, officer or employee of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer or employee of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan (hereinafter an "indemnitee"), whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity while serving as a director, officer or employee or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer or employee, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the Delaware Statute, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than permitted prior thereto), against

all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, excise taxes or amounts paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by such indemnitee in connection therewith and such indemnification shall continue as to an indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer or employee and shall inure to the benefit of the indemnitee's heirs, testators, intestates, executors and administrators; provided, however, that such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Corporation, and with respect to a criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful; provided further, however, that no indemnification shall be made in the case of an action, suit or proceeding by or in the right of the Corporation in relation to matters as to which it shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding that such director, officer, employee or agent is liable to the Corporation, unless a court having jurisdiction shall determine that, despite such adjudication, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification; provided further, however, that, except as provided in Section 1(c) of this Article IX with respect to proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify any such indemnitee in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such indemnitee only if such proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such indemnitee was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this Article IX shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition (hereinafter an "advancement of expenses"); provided further, however, that, if the Delaware Statute requires, an advancement of expenses incurred by an indemnitee in his or her capacity as a director or officer (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by such indemnitee, including, without limitation, service to an employee benefit plan) shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking (hereinafter an "undertaking") by or on behalf of such indemnitee, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined by final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal (hereinafter a "final adjudication") that such indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified for such expenses under this Section or otherwise.

(c) If a claim under Section 1(b) of this Article IX is not paid in full by the Corporation with 60 days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation, except in the case of a claim for an advancement of expenses, in which case the applicable period shall be 20 days, the indemnitee may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim. If successful in whole or in part in any such suit, or in a suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of any undertaking, the indemnitee shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting or defending such suit. In any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification hereunder (but not in a suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to an advancement of expenses) it shall be a defense that the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Delaware Statute. In any suit by the Corporation

to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Corporation shall be entitled to recover such expenses upon a final adjudication that the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Delaware Statute. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including the Board, independent legal counsel, or the stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such suit that indemnification of the indemnitee is proper in the circumstances because the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the Delaware Statute, nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including the Board, independent legal counsel, or the stockholders) that the indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct or, in the case of such a suit brought by the indemnitee, be a defense to such suit. In any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification or to an advancement of expenses hereunder, or by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the burden of proving that the indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified, or to such advancement of expenses, under this Section or otherwise shall be on the Corporation.

(d) The rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses conferred in this Article IX shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

In furtherance of these provisions, the Company has entered into indemnification agreements with its current officers and directors and maintains standard forms of officers' and directors' liability insurance policies.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not Applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed as part of this registration statement.

- 4.1 Programmer's Paradise, Inc. 2006 Stock-Based Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference to the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A for the 2006 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, filed on April 28, 2006).
- 5.1 Opinion of Dechert LLP
- 23.1 Consent of Amper, Politziner & Mattia, P.C.
- 23.2 Consent of Dechert LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
- 24.1 Powers of Attorney (included on signature page).

Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
- (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and
- (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized, in the City of Shrewsbury, New Jersey, on July 31, 2006.

PROGRAMMER'S PARADISE, INC.

By: /s/ Simon F. Nynens

Simon F. Nynens

President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each of the undersigned whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints each of Simon F. Nyens and Kevin T. Scull, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution for him and on his behalf, and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities to execute and sign any and all amendments or post-effective amendments to this registration statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits hereto and thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact or any of them or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof and the Company hereby confers like authority on its behalf.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/ Simon F. Nynens Simon F. Nynens	President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors (Principal Executive Officer)	July 31, 2006
/s/ Kevin T. Scull Kevin T. Scull	Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	July 31, 2006
/s/ William H. Willett William H. Willett	Director	July 31, 2006
/s/ Mark T. Boyer Mark T. Boyer	Director	July 31, 2006
/s/ F. Duffield Meyercord F. Duffield Meyercord	Director	July 31, 2006
/s/ Edwin H. Morgens Edwin H. Morgens	Director	July 31, 2006
/s/ Allan D. Weingarten Allan D. Weingarten	Director	July 31, 2006

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