

Meritage Homes CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**MORGAN RICHARD T**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**3551 MISTY MEADOW**

(Street)

**DALLAS, TX 75287**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**Meritage Homes CORP [MTH]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

**03/03/2005**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Vice President-Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
MTH Common Stock	03/03/2005		S		10,000	D	\$ 72.463	12,304 <sup>(1)</sup>
MTH Common Stock	03/03/2005		M		28,400	A	\$ 7.215	40,704
MTH Common Stock	03/03/2005		S		8,598	D	\$ 72.442	32,106

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
MTH Common Stock	\$ 7.215	03/03/2005		M	6,800	03/13/2002 03/13/2008	MTH Common Stock 6,800
MTH Common Stock	\$ 7.215	03/03/2005		M	10,800	03/13/2003 03/13/2008	MTH Common Stock 10,800
MTH Common Stock	\$ 7.215	03/03/2005		M	10,800	03/13/2004 03/13/2008	MTH Common Stock 10,800

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MORGAN RICHARD T 3551 MISTY MEADOW DALLAS, TX 75287	Vice President-Treasurer

## Signatures

/s/ Richard T.  
Morgan 03/07/2005

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) On January 7, 2005, the common stock of Meritage Homes Corporation split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of 11,152 additional shares of common stock.

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(2) Number of shares and dollar amounts reflect the Company's 2-for-1 stock split effective January 2005.

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