MORGAN RICHARD T

Form 4

March 25, 2005

FORM 4

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Street)

(First) (Middle)

3551 MISTY MEADOW

DALLAS, TX 75287

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Meritage Homes CORP [MTH]

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

03/23/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Vice President-Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

Form: Direct (T) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) and 5)					
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
MTH Common Stock	\$ 58.62	03/23/2005		A	2,000		03/23/2006	03/22/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000
MTH Common Stock	\$ 58.62	03/23/2005		A	2,000		03/23/2007	03/22/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000
MTH Common Stock	\$ 58.62	03/23/2005		A	2,000		03/23/2008	03/22/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000
MTH Common Stock	\$ 58.62	03/23/2005		A	2,000		03/23/2009	03/22/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000
MTH Common Stock	\$ 58.62	03/23/2005		A	2,000		03/23/2010	03/22/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MORGAN RICHARD T 3551 MISTY MEADOW DALLAS, TX 75287

Vice President-Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ Richard T. 03/25/2005 Morgan

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).

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