

**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): February 13, 2013**

**MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Maryland**  
**(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)**

**1-9977**  
**(Commission  
File Number)**

**86-0611231**  
**(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)**

**17851 N. 85th Street, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona 85255**  
**(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (480) 515-8100**

**(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):

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS;  
COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS

On February 13, 2013, Meritage Homes Corporation (the "Company") paid discretionary cash bonuses to certain of its employees and officers. These bonuses, which were approved by the Company's Executive Compensation Committee, were in recognition of the employees' efforts and accomplishments during 2012. Included in these bonus awards were payments to the following executive officers:

Larry W. Seay, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	\$	50,000
C. Timothy White, Executive Vice President and General Counsel	\$	125,000

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