

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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) December 8, 2008

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in 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
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

85255
(Zip Code)

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

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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 December 8, 2008, Meritage Homes announced that Vicki L. Biggs, the Company's Chief Accounting Officer, will be leaving the Company in mid to late January, 2009. Ms. Biggs will continue to serve as the Chief Accounting Officer until the effective date of the termination of her employment.

Upon the departure of Ms. Biggs, Larry W. Seay, the Company's current Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, will assume the duties of Chief Accounting Officer. Mr. Seay will receive no additional compensation or benefits in connection with this appointment.

Larry W. Seay, 52, has been Chief Financial Officer of Meritage Homes Corporation since December 1996 and was appointed Executive Vice President in October 2005. Mr. Seay also served as Secretary from 1997 to 2005.

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.

Dated: December 10, 2008

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

/s/ Larry W. Seay
By: Larry W. Seay
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer