FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name ar															
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LANDON JOHN R					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Meritage Homes CORP [MTH]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2745 NORTH DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 600					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2005						X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Co-CEO				
(Street)				4. I	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year))	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	LANO, TX 75093 (City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y) MTH Common Stock 02/24/2005				ear) Exec	Deemed cution Date, if	(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)			Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
				(Mon	th/Day/Year	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 a	ŕ		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
				S		300,00	0 D	\$ 70.35	1,715,13	136 ⁽¹⁾		I	Shares held indirectly with spouse.		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	3. Transacti Date (Month/Day	ion 3A. Dec Executi y/Year) any	(e.g.,	4. Transaction Code	5.	the ired, I option 6. I and (M	form dis	of, or Be tible secucisable on Date	neficial urities) 7. Ti Amo Undo Secu	ntly valid		rol numb	of 10. Owners Form o Derivat Securit Direct or India	11. Natu of Indire f Beneficia Ownersh y: (Instr. 4)

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LANDON JOHN R 2745 NORTH DALLAS PARKWAY SUITE 600 PLANO, TX 75093	X		Co-CEO			

Signatures

/s/ John R. Landon	02/28/2005

**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 acqusition of 1,007,568 additional shares of common stock.

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