

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Karrmann Sandra R (Last) (First) (Middle) 2745 NORTH DALLAS PARKWAY, #600 (Street) PLANO, TX 75093 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2006	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Meritage Homes CORP [MTH]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) VP - Chief HR Officer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
MTH Common Stock	12/05/2006	12/04/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000	\$ 67.49	D	
MTH Common Stock	12/05/2007	12/04/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000	\$ 67.49	D	
MTH Common Stock	12/05/2008	12/04/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000	\$ 67.49	D	
MTH Common Stock	12/05/2009	12/04/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000	\$ 67.49	D	
MTH Common Stock	12/05/2010	12/04/2012	MTH Common Stock	2,000	\$ 67.49	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Karrmann Sandra R 2745 NORTH DALLAS PARKWAY, #600 PLANO, TX 75093			VP - Chief HR Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Sandra R.A. Karrmann	02/23/2006
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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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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