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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

[ ] Check this box if no longer subject of Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5  
obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*

BIGGS VICKI L.  
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(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
MERITAGE CORPORATION  
8501 E. PRINCESS DRIVE SUITE 290  
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(Street)  
  
SCOTTSDALE AZ 85255  
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(City) (State) (Zip)  
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2. Issuer Name AND Ticker or Trading Symbol

MERITAGE CORPORATION (MTH)  
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3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)

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4. Statement for Month/Day/Year

MARCH 13, 2003  
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5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

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6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

[ ] Director [ ] 10% Owner  
[X] Officer (give title below) [ ] Other (specify below)

Vice President-Controller  
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7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line)

[X] Form filed by One Reporting Person  
[ ] Form filed by More Than one Reporting Person  
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Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of,  
or Beneficially Owned

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<CAPTION>

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Nature	Indirect	Bene-	2A.	3.	of (D) (Instr.	5.	7.	
						Amount		6.
					Acquired (A)	or Disposed	Beneficially Owned	Ownership
					or Disposed	of (D) (Instr.	Following	Form:
					3, 4 and 5)	Reported	Direct	

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Owner-ship Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Code V	(A) or (D)	Amount or Price (Instr. 3 and 4)	Trans-action(s) (Instr. 4)	(D) or (I)
Meritage Corporation Common Stock	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C> <C>	<C>	<C>

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

11. Nature of In-strument	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Securities (Instr. 3)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned at End of Reporting Period (Instr. 4)	10. Owner-ship of Derivative Securities (Instr. 4)
Options	3/14/03		A	1,500	3/13/04 3/12/10	MTH Common Stock	\$32.00	1,500	\$32.00
"	3/14/03		A	1,500	3/13/05 3/12/10	"	\$32.00	1,500	\$32.00
"	3/14/03		A	1,500	3/13/06 3/12/10	"	\$32.00	1,500	\$32.00
"	3/14/03		A	1,500	3/13/07 3/12/10	"	\$32.00	1,500	\$32.00
"	3/14/03		A	1,500	3/13/08 3/12/10	"	\$32.00	1,500	\$32.00 37,850 D

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Vicki L. Biggs

3/17/03

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

- \* 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).
- Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.  
If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedures.