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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of R SEAY LARRY WAY	2. Issuer Name MERITAGE			U	ymbol	5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 8501 E. PRINCESS I	^(First) DRIVE,	(Middle) SUITE 290	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/12/2003						X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Vice President - Finance & CFO			
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255					Filed(Mor	nth/Day/		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	on	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(D)	Beneficially Owned Following O Reported Transaction(s) Fo (Instr. 3 and 4) D		Ownershipof IndirectForm:BeneficialDirect (D)Ownership	
				Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
MTH Common		09/12/2003		S		4,000	D	\$45.9465	4,408	D		
MTH Common		09/15/2003		S		4,000	D	\$46.1	408	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

	(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.	5	5.		6. Date Exer	cisable	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n l	Numb	ber	and Expirati	on Date	Amou	unt of	Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code	0	of		(Month/Day	/Year)	Unde	rlying	Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	I	Deriv	ative			Secur	rities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership
	Derivative				5	Secur	ities			(Instr	. 3 and		Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)
	Security				1	Acqui	ired			4)			Following	Direct (D)	
						(A) 01							1	or Indirect	
						Dispo							Transaction(s)		
						of (D)							(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(Instr	· · · ·								
					4	4, and	15)								
											Amount				
								Date	Expiration		or				
								Exercisable		Title	Number				
								Excicisable	Date		of				
				Code V	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships									
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other						
SEAY LARRY WAYNE 8501 E. PRINCESS DRIVE SUITE 290 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255			Vice President - Finance & CFO							

Signatures

/s/ Larry W. Seay	09/16/2003
**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).

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