## FORM 4

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

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Print or Ty	pe Response	s)																
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MORGAN RICHARD T				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Meritage Homes CORP [MTH]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4520 ETHRIDGE DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2006							Officer (give title below) X Other (specify below)  Vice President-Treasurer / Former Officer						
(Street) PLANO, TX 75024				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
PLANO,		(State)		(Zip)		т	-bl. I. N.	D.			·	_	. d. D!		C: .! . II	01		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, i		3. Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			ed (A) 5. Amour Beneficia Reported		ant of Securities ally Owned Following d Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
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						ative Securit		ed, I	Disposed (	of, or E	Benefi	cially		OMB cont	rol numbe	r.		
Derivative Conversion Date						4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	6. l and (M	d Expiration Date Ionth/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)				Ownersh Form of Derivativ Security: Direct (D or Indirect	Ownersl y: (Instr. 4) (D)	
						Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Da Ex		Expira Date	tion	Γitle	Amount or Number of Shares					
Repor	ting O	wners																
Day	tina Over	Name /				Relation	ships											
Reporting Owner Name / Address		Director	10%		Other													

Vice President-Treasurer Former Officer

## Signatures

PLANO, TX 75024

MORGAN RICHARD T 4520 ETHRIDGE DRIVE

/s/ Richard T. Morgan	05/26/2006
**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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