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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WHITE C TIMOTHY				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) 17851 NORTH 85TH STREET, SUITE 300				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2007						_X_0	X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) EVP, Gen. Counsel, Secretary					
SCOTTSDA	ALE. AZ 8	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						_X_ Form	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)		(State)	(Zip)				Table	e I - Non-Deriv	ative Securitie	s Acquired, Di	sposed of	or Benefic	ially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea	Execut any	2A. Deemed Sexecution Date, if		3. Transaction Code (Anstr. 8) (I		Securities Acquired or Disposed of Str. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (D)	red 5. Amount of Securities 1		urities Bene	ficially 6		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Reminder: Rep	oort on a sepa	arate line for each cla		- Deriva	tive S	Securitie	s Acc	Persons this form	are not requivalid OMB co		nd unles			n SEC	1474 (9-02)	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, is any (Month/Day/Year	4. Transaction Code		5. Number of Derivative Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Owners Form of Derivati Security Direct (or Indirect)	Ownershi (Instr. 4) D) ect	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
MTH COMMON STOCK (1)	\$ 15.98	12/11/2007		A		10,000		12/11/2008	12/10/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	10,000	\$ 0	10,000	D		
MTH COMMON STOCK (1)	\$ 15.98	12/11/2007		A		10,000		12/11/2009	12/10/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	10,000	\$ 0	20,000	D		
MTH COMMON STOCK (1)	\$ 15.98	12/11/2007		A		10,000		12/11/2010	12/10/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	10,000	\$ 0	30,000	D		
MTH COMMON STOCK (1)	\$ 15.98	12/11/2007		A		10,000		12/11/2011	12/10/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	10,000	\$ 0	40,000	D		
MTH COMMON	\$ 15.98	12/11/2007		A		10,000		12/11/2012	12/10/2014	MTH COMMON	10,000	\$ 0	50,000	D		

Reporting Owners

		Relationships								
1 8	Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
	WHITE C TIMOTHY 17851 NORTH 85TH STREET SUITE 300 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255			EVP, Gen. Counsel, Secretary						

Signatures

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**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) Represents a single option grant.

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