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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MORGAN RICHARD T Issuer Symbol Meritage Homes CORP [MTH] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 3551 MISTY MEADOW 04/11/2005 below) Vice President-Treasurer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75287 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8.
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactionof		Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	De
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Se

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. and 5)	red sed					(In
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
MTH Common Stock	\$ 61.28	04/11/2005		A		500		04/11/2006	04/10/2012	MTH Common Stock	500	\$
MTH Common Stock	\$ 61.28	04/11/2005		A		500		04/11/2007	04/10/2012	MTH Common Stock	500	\$
MTH Common Stock	\$ 61.28	04/11/2005		A		500		04/11/2008	04/10/2012	MTH Common Stock	500	\$
MTH Common Stock	\$ 61.28	04/11/2005		A		500		04/11/2009	04/10/2012	MTH Common Stock	500	\$
MTH Common Stock	\$ 61.28	04/11/2005		A		500		04/11/2010	04/10/2012	MTH Common Stock	500	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MORGAN RICHARD T 3551 MISTY MEADOW DALLAS, TX 75287

Vice President-Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ Richard T. 04/13/2005 Morgan

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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