Meritage Homes CORP Form 4 January 31, 2007

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A WHITE C T	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	Č	e Homes (Earliest Tra	CORP [MTH]	(Check all applicable)		
17851 NOR' STREET, SU			(Month/D 01/29/20	•		Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Gen. Counsel, Secretary		
	(Street)			ndment, Dat th/Day/Year)	0	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		
1 Title of	2 Transact	ion Date 2Δ Γ	Deemed	3	1 Securities	5 Amount of 6 Ownership 7 Nature		

(City)	(State) (Zij	Table I	- Non-Deri	ivative Se	curitie	s Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	nAcquired	(A) or	•	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed	of (D))	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and 5	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
MTH									
COMMON STOCK (1)	01/29/2007		A	7,500	A	\$0	28,764	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)

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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, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number coof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
MTH COMMON STOCK (2)	\$ 42.82	01/29/2007		A	3,000	01/29/2008	01/28/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	3,00
MTH COMMON STOCK (2)	\$ 42.82	01/29/2007		A	3,000	01/29/2009	01/28/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	3,00
MTH COMMON STOCK (2)	\$ 42.82	01/29/2007		A	3,000	01/29/2010	01/28/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	3,00
MTH COMMON STOCK (2)	\$ 42.82	01/29/2007		A	3,000	01/29/2011	01/28/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	3,00
MTH COMMON STOCK (2)	\$ 42.82	01/29/2007		A	3,000	01/29/2012	01/28/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	3,00

Reporting Owners

Departing Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WHITE C TIMOTHY 17851 NORTH 85TH STREET SUITE 300 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255

EVP, Gen. Counsel, Secretary

Signatures

/s/ C. Timothy White 01/31/2007

**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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Balance represents the grant of restricted stock. The restricted stock cliff-vests on the third anniversary from the date of the grant.
- (2) Represents a single option grant.

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