Meritage Homes CORP Form 4 June 02, 2005

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

**OMB APPROVAL** 

**OMB** 3235-0287 Number:

Expires:

January 31, 2005

0.5

Estimated average

burden hours per response...

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

**STOCK** 

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HILTON STEVEN J			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Meritage Homes CORP [MTH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an approache)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
8501 E. PRINCESS DRIVE, SUITE 290			05/31/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
_, ,				Co-CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
SCOTTSDA	LE, AZ 852	55		_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 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 7. Nature Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDisposed of (D) Securities Ownership of Indirect (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following or Indirect Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price **MTH HELD** BYCOMMON 05/31/2005 M \$ 7.9375 1,827,194 Ι 100,000 Α **STOCK TRUST HELD MTH** COMMON 05/31/2005 S 100,000 D 1,727,194 BY

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

Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**TRUST** 

### Edgar Filing: Meritage Homes CORP - Form 4

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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 of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sl
MTH COMMON STOCK	\$ 7.9375	05/31/2005		M	39,200	03/14/2002	06/14/2006	MTH COMMON STOCK	39,
MTH COMMON STOCK	\$ 7.9375	05/31/2005		M	39,200	03/14/2003	06/14/2006	MTH COMMON STOCK	39,
MTH COMMON STOCK	\$ 7.9375	05/31/2005		M	15,214	03/14/2004	06/14/2006	MTH COMMON STOCK	15,
MTH COMMON STOCK	\$ 7.9375	05/31/2005		M	6,386	03/14/2005	06/14/2006	MTH COMMON STOCK	6,3

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
<b>F-</b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HILTON STEVEN J 8501 E. PRINCESS DRIVE SUITE 290 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255	X		Co-CEO			

## **Signatures**

/s/ Steven J.
Hilton

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

Reporting Owners 2

<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).