

SEAY LARRY WAYNE  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SEAY LARRY WAYNE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Meritage Homes CORP [MTH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
17851 NORTH 85TH STREET, SUITE 300  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/30/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP - CFO

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount or Price                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       |
| MTH COMMON STOCK <sup>(1)</sup> | 04/30/2009                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   | 30,000 A \$ 19.295                                                                            | 131,965                                                  | D                                                     |
| MTH COMMON STOCK <sup>(1)</sup> | 04/30/2009                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 30,000 D \$ 21.29                                                                             | 101,965                                                  | 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)

| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| MTH COMMON STOCK                           | \$ 19.295                                              | 04/30/2009                           |                                                    | M                              | 6,000                                                                                   | 06/12/2003 06/12/2009                                    | MTH COMMON STOCK                                              | 6,000                      |
| MTH COMMON STOCK                           | \$ 19.295                                              | 04/30/2009                           |                                                    | M                              | 6,000                                                                                   | 06/12/2004 06/12/2009                                    | MTH COMMON STOCK                                              | 6,000                      |
| MTH COMMON STOCK                           | \$ 19.295                                              | 04/30/2009                           |                                                    | M                              | 6,000                                                                                   | 06/12/2005 06/12/2009                                    | MTH COMMON STOCK                                              | 6,000                      |
| MTH COMMON STOCK                           | \$ 19.295                                              | 04/30/2009                           |                                                    | M                              | 6,000                                                                                   | 06/12/2006 06/12/2009                                    | MTH COMMON STOCK                                              | 6,000                      |
| MTH COMMON STOCK                           | \$ 19.295                                              | 04/30/2009                           |                                                    | M                              | 6,000                                                                                   | 06/12/2007 06/12/2009                                    | MTH COMMON STOCK                                              | 6,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                   | Relationships |           |                    |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
|                                                                                  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer            | Other |
| SEAY LARRY WAYNE<br>17851 NORTH 85TH STREET<br>SUITE 300<br>SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255 |               |           | Executive VP - CFO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Larry W. Seay 05/01/2009

\*\*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) Balance includes all non-vested stock grants but does not include 45,000 shares of restricted stock with vesting contingent upon the achievement of pre-specified performance targets.

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