

Meritage Homes CORP  
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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 \*  
 Sarver Robert Gary

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

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/13/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price					
MTH Common Shares	02/13/2013		A		6,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0	24,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
MTH Common Stock								190,359 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	See Note.

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu...
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sarver Robert Gary 17851 N. 85TH STREET SUITE 300 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Hilla Sferruzza, attorney-in-fact for Robert G. Sarver 02/15/2013

\_\_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 grant of restricted shares. The shares will fully vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) Balance represents restricted shares not vested.

Balance represents indirect ownership of shares held in trust (6,000 shares Penny Sarver - wife; 2,000 shares Penny Sarver FBO Max Sarver - minor son; 8,170 shares Robert Sarver - trustee of Eva Lauren Hilton Trust; 8,170 shares Robert Sarver - trustee of Shari Rachel Hilton Trust; 166,019 shares Robert Sarver - trustee of Robert Sarver Trust). 3,770 shares each of the Eva Lauren Hilton Trust and Shari

- (3) Rachel Hilton Trust and 9,819 shares of the Robert Sarver Trust were previously reported as an indirect holding for Mr. Sarver through Southwest Value Partners Fund XIV, LP (SWVP). These shares represent the pro rata distribution of Meritage Homes Corporation stock from SWVP to its partners, of which Mr. Sarver indirectly shared control over the voting, purchase and disposition of the shares, but disclaimed pecuniary interest in the shares.

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