Meritage Homes CORP Form 8-K April 06, 2010

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

## FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) April 6, 2010

# MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland 1-9977 86-0611231

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

17851 N. 85th Street, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona

85255

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(480) 515-8100

## (Registrant s telephone number, including area code) (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On April 6, 2010, we announced in a press release our intention to offer, subject to market and other conditions, \$200 million aggregate principal amount of senior notes in a private placement to qualified institutional buyers pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

On April 6, 2010, we also announced in a press release the commencement of cash tender offers to purchase (i) all of the \$130 million outstanding principal amount of our 7% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2014 and (ii) up to \$65 million outstanding principal amount of our 6.25% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2015. A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.2.

#### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release dated April 6, 2010, announcing private offering of senior unsecured notes
- 99.2 Press Release dated April 6, 2010, announcing commencement of cash tender offers

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized. Dated: April 6, 2010

## MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

/s/ Larry W. Seay By: Larry W. Seay Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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