

BRADFORD DANA
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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 *
BRADFORD DANA

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 N. 85TH STREET
(Street)

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

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

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| MTH Common Shares | 02/13/2013 | | A | 6,000 (1) | \$ 0 24,000 (2) | D | |
| MTH Common Stock | | | | | 19,000 (3) (4) | 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)

Table with columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities.

Reporting Owners

Table with columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Row for BRADFORD DANA, 17851 N. 85TH STREET, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255, with 'X' in the 10% Owner column.

Signatures

/s/ Hilla Sferruzza, attorney-in-fact for Dana Bradford 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).
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- (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.
(3) Balance reflects all other holdings, including restricted shares that have previously vested.

Mr. Bradford previously reported beneficial ownership of 1,000,000 shares owned of record by Southwest Value Partners Fund XIV, LP (SWVP). SWVP distributed all 1,000,000 shares to its partners in a pro rata distribution in 2012 and Mr. Bradford no longer is deemed to control the voting, disposition or purchase of these shares that were reported in his prior ownership reports.

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