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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Meritage Homes CORP [MTH] Sferruzza Hilla (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 17851 NORTH 85TH STREET, (Check all applicable) SUITE 300 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Chief Accounting Officer Person SCOTTSDALE, AZÂ 85255 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â MTH COMMON STOCK (1) 5,000 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
MTH COMMON STOCK	08/21/2007	08/21/2013	MTH COMMON STOCK	300	\$ 40.25	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	08/21/2008	08/21/2013	MTH COMMON STOCK	300	\$ 40.25	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	08/21/2009	08/21/2013	MTH COMMON STOCK	300	\$ 40.25	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	08/21/2010	08/21/2013	MTH COMMON STOCK	300	\$ 40.25	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	08/21/2011	08/21/2013	MTH COMMON STOCK	300	\$ 40.25	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	01/29/2008	01/29/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	400	\$ 42.82	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	01/29/2009	01/29/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	400	\$ 42.82	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	01/29/2010	01/29/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	400	\$ 42.82	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	01/29/2011	01/29/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	400	\$ 42.82	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	01/29/2012	01/29/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	400	\$ 42.82	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	12/11/2009	12/11/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	700	\$ 15.98	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	12/11/2010	12/11/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	700	\$ 15.98	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	12/11/2011	12/11/2014	MTH COMMON STOCK	700	\$ 15.98	D	Â
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			STOCK				
MTH COMMON STOCK	02/05/2010	02/05/2016	MTH COMMON STOCK	1,500	\$ 14	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	02/05/2011	02/05/2016	MTH COMMON STOCK	1,500	\$ 14	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	02/05/2012	02/05/2016	MTH COMMON STOCK	1,500	\$ 14	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	02/05/2013	02/05/2016	MTH COMMON STOCK	1,500	\$ 14	D	Â
MTH COMMON STOCK	02/05/2014	02/05/2016	MTH COMMON STOCK	1,500	\$ 14	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Sferruzza Hilla 17851 NORTH 85TH STREET, SUITE 300 SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255	Â	Â	Chief Accounting Officer	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Hilla
Sferruzza

**Signature of Reporting Person

O3/08/2010

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 unvested restricted stock grants.

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