Meritage Homes CORP Form 8-K April 21, 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 20, 2010

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

Maryland 1-9977 86-0611231

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

17851 N. 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 300, 85255

Scottsdale, Arizona

(Address of Principal Executive (Zip Code)

Offices)

(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 20, 2010, we announced in a press release the expiration of the early tender period in our tender offer to purchase any or all of our \$130 million outstanding 7.00% senior notes due 2014, and the expiration of the early tender period in our Dutch auction tender offer to purchase up to \$65 million of our outstanding 6.25% senior notes due 2015. We also announced preliminary results of the tender offers as of the expiration of the early tender periods. Both tender offers will expire at 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on May 3, 2010, unless extended, after which we will announce final results of the tender offers.

As previously disclosed on April 6, 2010, the tender offers are part of a series of related financing transactions that also included a private placement of \$200 million aggregate principal amount of 7.15% senior unsecured notes due 2020, which we completed on April 13, 2010.

A copy of this press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

#### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release dated April 20, 2010, announcing results of tender offers as of the early tender date for notes due in 2014 and 2015

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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 20, 2010

#### MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

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

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