

Meritage Homes CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 15, 2006

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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**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) August 14, 2006**

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**MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Maryland**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-9977**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**86-0611231**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**17851 N. 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**85255**  
(Zip Code)

**(480) 609-3330**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 9, 2006 the board of directors of Meritage Homes Corporation ( Meritage ) approved a \$100 million increase to Meritage s existing \$100 million share repurchase program. The new authorization allows Meritage to purchase outstanding shares of its common stock subject to applicable securities laws, in open market or privately negotiated transactions, based on market conditions. As of August 9, 2006, \$134 million remained available under the program, taking into account the \$100 million increase.

A copy of the press release announcing this increase in our share repurchase program is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated August 14, 2006

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: August 15, 2006

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

/s/ Vicki L. Biggs  
By: Vicki L. Biggs  
Controller and Chief Accounting Officer