

Meritage Homes CORP  
Form 8-K  
November 18, 2009

**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) **November 13, 2009**

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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 th Street, Suite 300, Scottsdale, Arizona**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**85255**  
(Zip Code)

**(480) 515-8100**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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(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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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### ITEM 5.04 TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF TRADING UNDER REGISTRANT'S EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS.

On November 13, 2009, Meritage Homes Corporation received notice of a blackout period for its Meritage Homes Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan). The blackout period is necessary because the Plan will be changing its service provider. During the blackout period, Plan participants will be unable to direct or diversify investments in their accounts, request or obtain a loan or withdrawal from the Plan, or transfer monies. The blackout period is estimated to begin on December 28, 2009 and end on January 25, 2010. The Company provided notice of the blackout period to its directors and executive officers on November 18, 2009. A copy of such notice is being provided as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Notice to Directors and Executive Officers of Meritage Homes Corporation, dated November 18, 2009.

### 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: November 18, 2009

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

/s/ Larry W. Seay

Larry W. Seay  
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief  
Accounting Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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