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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) October 25, 2004

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.)

8501 E. Princess Drive, Suite 290, 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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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 25, 2004, we announced in a press release information concerning our earnings for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2004. A copy of this press release, including information concerning forward-looking statements and factors that may affect our future results, is attached as Exhibit 99.1. This press release is being furnished, not filed, under Item 2.02 in this Report on Form 8-K.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated October 25, 2004

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: October 25, 2004

MERITAGE HOMES CORPORATION

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

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