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MERITAGE HOMES TO PRESENT AT THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL DEUTSCHE BANK LEVERAGED FINANCE CONFERENCE

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz., Sept. 27, 2010 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Meritage Homes Corporation (NYSE:MTH), a leading U.S. homebuilder, announced today that Meritage executive management will make a presentation to the investment community on Thursday, October, 7, 2010 at 7:55 a.m. local time at the 18th Annual Deutsche Bank Leveraged Finance Conference being held at The Phoenician in Scottsdale, AZ. The Company's presentation will be webcast live and may be accessed through the "Investor Relations" page of the Meritage Homes website, <http://investors.meritagehomes.com>. Participants should access the webcast event page at least five minutes before the live event for the audio link and accompanying materials. An archived version of the Company's presentation will also be available on this site for 90 days following the presentation.

About Meritage Homes Corporation

Meritage Homes Corporation is the 9th largest homebuilder in the U.S. based on homes closed. Meritage offers a variety of homes across the Southern and Western states designed to appeal to a wide range of home buyers, including first-time, move-up, luxury and active adult buyers, with base prices starting from under \$100,000. As of June 30, 2010, the Company had 148 actively selling communities in 12 metropolitan areas including Houston, Dallas/Ft. Worth, Austin, San Antonio, Phoenix/Scottsdale, Tucson, Las Vegas, Denver, Orlando, and the East Bay/Central Valley and Inland Empire of California. Meritage Homes and its predecessor companies have delivered more than 65,000 homes since the Company was founded in 1985.

In 2010, Meritage is celebrating its 25th Anniversary, and is the only large national homebuilder to be 100% ENERGY STAR® qualified in every home started in 2010. The Company has launched a new Simply Smart Series™ and a 99-day guaranteed completion program in certain communities. Meritage has designed and built more than 65,000 homes in its 25-year history, and has a reputation for its distinctive style, quality construction and positive customer experience. To find a Meritage community near you, go to www.meritagehomes.com.

Meritage Homes is listed on the NYSE under the symbol MTH.

For more information about the Company, visit <http://investors.meritagehomes.com>

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