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Form 425 December 17, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

December 14, 2010

(Date of Report date of earliest event reported) BROOKFIELD HOMES CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 001-31524 37-1446709

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

8500 Executive Park Avenue Suite 300

Fairfax, Virginia

22031

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

(703) 270-1700

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On or about December 13, 2010, Plymouth County Retirement Association, on behalf of itself and other similarly situated parties, filed an action in Delaware Chancery Court alleging breach of fiduciary duties in connection with the proposed business combination (the merger) of Brookfield Homes Corporation (Brookfield Homes) and the residential and land division of Brookfield Properties Corporation (Brookfield Properties). The complaint names Brookfield Homes, Brookfield Asset Management Inc., Brookfield Properties, Brookfield Residential Acquisition Corporation, and each member of the Board of Directors of Brookfield Homes, as defendants. The complaint asserts a claim against all defendants for alleged breaches of their purported fiduciary duties in connection with the merger. The complaint also asserts a claim against Brookfield Properties for aiding and abetting the alleged breaches. In addition to requesting that the case proceed as a class action, the complaint seeks to enjoin consummation of the merger as well as an award of unspecified damages and attorney s fees.

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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.

Date: December 17, 2010

BROOKFIELD HOMES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Craig J. Laurie Craig J. Laurie Chief Financial Officer

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