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

Date of Report: July 25, 2002

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-12822

(Commission File Number)

54-2086934

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5775 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Suite B-200 Atlanta Georgia 30342

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(404) 250-3420

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

None

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events.

On July 25, 2002, Beazer Homes USA, Inc. (the "Company") issued the press release attached hereto as exhibit 99.1 and made a part hereof announcing the appointment of James O'Leary to the newly created position of Executive Vice President, Corporate Development, reporting directly to President and Chief Executive Officer, Ian J. McCarthy. For additional information, please see the press release.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release issued July 25, 2002.

2

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.

BEAZER HOMES USA, INC.

By:

Date: July 29, 2002

/s/ DAVID S. WEISS

David S. Weiss Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

QuickLinks

<u>Item 5. Other Events.</u> <u>Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.</u>

SIGNATURES

Exhibit 99.1

Press Release
For Immediate Release

Beazer Homes Announces the Addition of Executive Vice President, Corporate Development

Atlanta, Georgia, July 25, 2002—Beazer Homes USA, Inc. (NYSE:BZH; *www.beazer.com*) today announced that it has appointed James O'Leary to the newly created position of Executive Vice President, Corporate Development, reporting directly to the President and Chief Executive Officer, Ian McCarthy.

Prior to joining Beazer, Mr. O'Leary was with U.S. Industries, Inc. from 1995 to 2002. Most recently Mr. O'Leary served as Chairman and CEO of LCA Group, Inc., U.S. Industries' global lighting business. He also held several other positions with U.S. Industries including Executive Vice President, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and Vice President and Corporate Controller.

Mr. O'Leary holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Pace University. Mr. O'Leary is a licensed Certified Public Accountant.

Ian McCarthy, President and Chief Executive Officer of Beazer Homes, said, "We are extremely pleased to add Jim to our management team as Executive Vice President, Corporate Development. He brings vast business experience and a strong track record to the Company. I am confident that Jim will make an immediate impact on Beazer Homes as we move forward with our long-term strategic goals."

Beazer Homes USA, Inc., based in Atlanta, Georgia, is one of the country's ten largest single-family homebuilders with operations in Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, Nevada, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. Beazer Homes also provides mortgage origination, title and insurance services to its homebuyers.

Contact: David S. Weiss

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(404) 250-3420 dweiss@beazer.com

QuickLinks

Exhibit 99.1

Press Release For Immediate Release

Beazer Homes Announces the Addition of Executive Vice President, Corporate Development