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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 15

CERTIFICATION AND NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 12(G) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 OR SUSPENSION OF DUTY TO FILE REPORTS UNDER SECTION 13 AND 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

Commission File Number: 1-10671 The Meridian Resource Corporation

1401 Enclave Parkway, Suite 300, Houston, Texas, (281) 597-7000

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

(Title of each class of securities covered by this Form)

None

(Titles of all other classes of securities for which a duty of file reports under section 13(a) or 15(d) remains) Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon to terminate or suspend the duty to file reports:

Rule 12g-4(a)(1) b Rule 12g-4(a)(2) o Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(i) b Rule 12h-3(b)(1)(ii) o Rule 15d-6 o

Approximate number of holders of record as of the certification or notice date: 1

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, The Meridian Resource Corporation has caused this certification/notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Date: May 13, 2010 THE MERIDIAN RESOURCE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Paul D. Ching
Paul D. Ching
Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

President, Director and Chairman of the

Board