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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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): July 9, 2009

The Meridian Resource Corporation (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Texas (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 1-10671 (Commission File Number) 76-0319553 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1401 Enclave Parkway, Suite 300 Houston, Texas 77077 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

281-597-7000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

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- Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;
- 5.02 Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On July 9, 2009, David W. Tauber notified The Meridian Resource Corporation (the "Company") that he was resigning, effective immediately, from the Board of Directors of the Company. His decision to resign was not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices, rather a response to the increased time commitments from his business dealings.

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SIGNATURE

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.

The Meridian Resource Corporation (Registrant)

By: /s/ Lloyd V. DeLano Lloyd V. DeLano Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Date: July 9, 2009