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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 28, 2004

THE MERIDIAN RESOURCE CORPORATION
(Exact Name of Registrant As Specified In Its Charter)

TEXAS
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-10671
(Commission File No.)

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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)

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ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS AND REQUIRED FD DISCLOSURE.

On July 28, 2004, The Meridian Resource Corporation issued a press release announcing its financial results for the second quarter of 2004. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

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Also on July 28, 2004, The Meridian Resource Corporation issued a press release announcing certain well test results. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.2 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

EXHIBIT NO. -----	DESCRIPTION -----
99.1	Press release of Meridian, dated July 28, 2004 regarding financial results for the first quarter of 2004.
99.2	Press release of Meridian, dated July 28, 2004 regarding certain well test results.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

THE MERIDIAN RESOURCE CORPORATION
(Registrant)

/s/ Lloyd V. DeLano

Lloyd V. DeLano
Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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