

**11 February 2008**

**MERIDIAN PETROLEUM PLC**  
("Meridian" or the "Company")

**Holdings in Company**

Meridian Petroleum plc was notified that following a purchase of ordinary shares of 5p each in the Company on 6 February Mr T Markham now has a total beneficial interest in the Company of 2,900,000 shares, representing 3% of the Company's issued share capital.

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