MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE INC

Form 4

January 26, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MOTTO WILLIAM J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE INC [VIVO]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2006

_X__ 10% Owner _X_ Director Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Chairman, CEO

MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE. INC, 3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CINCINNATI, OH 45244

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Ta | ble I - Non | -Derivativ | e Seci | ırities Acqu | ired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficia | ally Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|---------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4 | ed of | ` ′ | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 592,500 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/24/2006 | | S | 3,000 | D | \$ 25.85 | 441,750 | I | By Trusts |
| Common Stock | 01/25/2006 | | S | 50,000 | D | \$ 26.0302 | 391,750 | I | By Trusts |
| Common Stock | 01/25/2006 | | S | 5,000 | D | \$ 26.4 | 386,750 | I | By Trusts |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 2,368,156 | I | By partnership |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | |
| | - | | | | (A) or | | | | | |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | m: d | or | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title Number | | |
| | | | | G 1 17 | (A) (D) | | | | of | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| MOTTO WILLIAM J MERIDIAN BIOSCIENCE, INC 3471 RIVER HILLS DRIVE CINCINNATI, OH 45244 | X | X | Chairman, CEO | | | | | |

Signatures

Melissa Lueke, Attorney-in-Fact for William J.
Motto

01/26/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

The sole general partner of this limited partnership, Motto Vivo Family Limited Partnership, is Motto Management, LLC, which holds 1% of the Limited Partnership. (The 100% owner of Motto Management, LLC is William J. Motto and David H. Motto, Trustees under

(1) the William J. Motto Revocable Trust.) The only other limited partner is William J. Motto and David H. Motto, Trustees under the William J. Motto Revocable Trust. Mr. Motto disclaims beneficial ownership of Meridian's common stock held by the Limited Partnership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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(2) Shares held by irrevocable trusts over which Mr. Motto maintains beneficial ownership.

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