Meridian Waste Solutions, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Meridian Waste Solutions, Inc. [MRDN] D'Arelli Joseph (Month/Day/Year) 11/29/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 5489 WILES ROAD, Â SUITE (Check all applicable) 303 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Chief Financial Officer Person **COCONUT** Form filed by More than One CREEK. FLÂ 33073 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock, \$0.025 par value per share 15,000 (1) D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect
Exercisable Date Number of (I)
Shares (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

D'Arelli Joseph

5489 WILES ROAD SUITE 303 Â Â Chief Financial Officer Â

COCONUT CREEK, FLÂ 33073

Signatures

/s/ Joseph D'Arelli 12/09/2016

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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In connection with Mr. D'Arelli's appointment as Corporate Controller and SEC Compliance Director of the Issuer on May 23, 2016, Mr.

(1) D'Arelli received 300,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.025. On November 3, 2016, the Issuer effected a 1-for-20 reverse stock split. On November 29, 2016, the Issuer and Mr. D'Arelli entered into an Executive Employment Agreement, as amended.

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