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MERIDIAN PROMOTES ANTHONY BANOME TO DIRECTOR OF FUEL SALES

Teterboro, NJ, June 19, 2014 – Meridian, the award-winning private aviation company based at Teterboro Airport (TEB), is pleased to announce the promotion of Anthony Banome to Director of Fuel Sales. In addition to his previous responsibilities for maintaining and growing volume of FBO fuel sales, Mr. Banome will also be charged with developing and executing the long-term fuel strategy for both the Meridian FBO and Charter businesses. This will include optimizing fuel cost savings for the Meridian Air Charter fleet, while also seeking strategic alliances with key vendor-partners to leverage efficiencies.

Mr. Banome began his career at Meridian in 2007 as a Customer Service Representative in the FBO. A few years later, he was given additional responsibilities for FBO fuel sales, a role which he grew into very quickly. In 2013, Anthony was a recipient of *Airport Business* magazine's '40 Under Forty', an annual award honoring the best and brightest individuals in the aviation industry.

Ken Forester, Meridian's CEO, had this to say, "Anthony has truly taken the role of selling fuel to the next level with his strong knowledge of industry pricing combined with his keen ability to network. His promotion was well-deserved, and we are proud of the results that Anthony has achieved so far. It will also help us

to achieve long-term, sustainable growth by having one point of contact for both the FBO and Charter fuel sales. We are now in a better position to leverage the critical mass of both businesses to help create new opportunities and significant cost-savings for the company.”

About Meridian:

Meridian is a full-service, private aviation company based in Teterboro, NJ, located just minutes from New York City. The company has earned numerous industry awards and accolades for its outstanding service and state-of-the-art facility. Meridian owns and operates businesses that include Air Charter, Aircraft Management, Aircraft Maintenance, and a world-class Executive Terminal / FBO.

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