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**MERIDIAN REAL ESTATE NAMED “BEST OF THE BEST”
BY MIDWEST REAL ESTATE NEWS FOR 2002**

(INDIANAPOLIS)-- Meridian Real Estate has been selected as a “Best of the Best” Top 25 Brokerage Firm in the Midwest by Midwest Real Estate News, a commercial real estate publication.

“This is an award based on performance, not popularity,” said Bob Craig, Editor of *Midwest Real Estate News*. He added, “A firm achieves this honor only through knowledge of the marketplace, service to its clients, and solid people. Meridian Real Estate has these qualities and we are proud to present this award to the firm.”

Meridian Real Estate was also named by the Johnson Center of Indiana University’s Kelley School of Business as an Indiana “Growth 100 Company.” Meridian Real Estate experienced its best year ever in 2002 and according to lists published by the *Indianapolis Business Journal*, represented more large Indianapolis office tenants/buyers during 2002 than the number two, three, four, and five brokerage firms combined.

“This recognition by an industry publication is representative of the commitment to client service, unparalleled discipline to responding to market conditions, and the professionalism by our brokers in a very challenging economic climates,” said President Jeff Harris. He added, “We value the ‘Top 25 Award’ and hope this is the first of many future acknowledgements by *Midwest Real Estate News*.”

Founded in 1993, Meridian Real Estate is Indiana’s largest locally owned office and industrial real estate brokerage firm. The company was recognized by the Johnson Center for Innovation of the Kelly School of Business as a 2002 Indiana “Growth 100 Company” and by *Midwest Real Estate News* in May, 2003 as one of the Best of the Best” Top 25 Brokerage Firms in the Midwest. The 29-person firm employs 20 brokers and represents more than 2.1 million square feet of office and 1.7 million square feet of industrial listings. Meridian is recognized by many as one of Indianapolis’ dominant tenant representation firms and a leader in corporate multi-market, medical office brokerage and project management services.

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