UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 15, 2006

Kirby Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1-7615

(Commission File Number)

74-1884980

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

55 Waugh Drive, Suite 1000 Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

77007 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 435-1000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 15, 2006, Kirby Corporation's senior management will present at the JPMorgan Small Cap Conference at 3:15 p.m. (Eastern time) in Philadelphia, PA. On February 16, 2006, Kirby will present at the BB&T Capital Markets Transportation Services Conference at 11:45 a.m. (Eastern time) in Miami, FL. On February 17, 2006, Kirby will present at the Deutsche Bank Small Cap Growth Conference at 10:30 a.m. (Eastern time) in Naples, FL. A live audio webcast of each presentation will be available to the public and replays will be available afterward. Each webcast can be accessed by visiting Kirby's Web site at http://www.kirbycorp.com/.

A copy of the slide presentation that will be used by Kirby at each event, substantially in the form intended to be used, is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is also posted on Kirby's Web site at http://www.kirbycorp.com/ on the opening page.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Kirby Corporation slide presentation dated February 2006

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto authorized.

KIRBY CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ G. Stephen Holcomb

G. Stephen Holcomb Vice President, Investor Relations

Dated: February 15, 2006

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Forward Looking Statement Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Statements contained in this presentation with respect to the future are forward-looking statements. These statements reflect management's reasonable judgement with respect to future events. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated as a result of various factors, including cyclical or other downturns in demand, significant pricing competition, unanticipated additions to industry capacity, changes in the Jones Act or in U.S. maritime policy and practice, fuel costs, interest rates, weather conditions and the timing, magnitude and the number of acquisitions made by Kirby. Forward-looking statements are based on currently available information and Kirby assumes no obligation to update such statements. A list of additional risk factors can be found in Kirby's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2004, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Kirby reports its financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). However, Kirby believes that certain Non-GAAP financial measures are useful in managing Kirby's businesses and evaluating Kirby's performance. This presentation contains two Non-GAAP financial measures, adjusted net earnings and EBITDA. Please see the Appendix for a reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP financial measures.

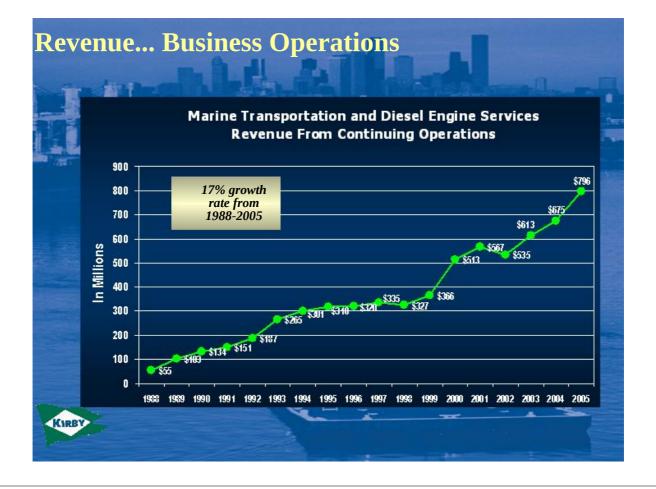




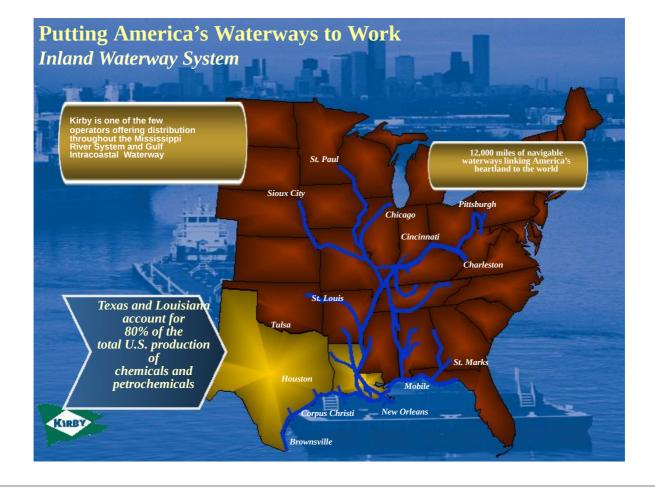
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10	Current Price (February 13, 2006)	\$54.67
	Number of Shares O/S	26.2M
	Market Capitalization	\$1,435M
	Debt (December 31, 2005)	\$200M
	Enterprise Value	\$1,635M
	Employees	2,400
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Largest inland tank barge operator Operates 897 barges and 242 towing vessels Sustainable competitive advantages: Lowest cost due to economies of scale Best positioned for growth opportunities "One Stop Shop" for customers 70% of Kirby's business is under contract, 30% spot market Successful integration of 24 acquisitions

No. of Tank				
Barges	Description	Date	No. of Tank Barges	Description
5	Alliance Marine	1999	270	Hollywood Marine, Inc. Stellman Alamo Barge Lines Ellis Towing Arthur Smith
35	Alamo Inland Marine Co.			
53	Brent Towing Company			Koch Ellis Mapco
3	International Barge Lines, Inc.			
38	Sabine Towing & Transportation Co.			
26	Ole Man River Towing, Inc.			Cargo Carriers Coastal Towing, Inc. (barge
29	Scott Chotin, Inc.	2002		management agreement for 54 barges)
	South Texas Towing	2002	94	Dow/Union Carbide (transportation
72	TPT, Division of Ashland	1		assets)
	Guidry Enterprises	2003	64	SeaRiver Maritime (ExxonMobil)
53	Chotin Transportation Company	2005	10	American Commercial Lines (black oil fleet)
_	Dow Chemical (transportation assets)			
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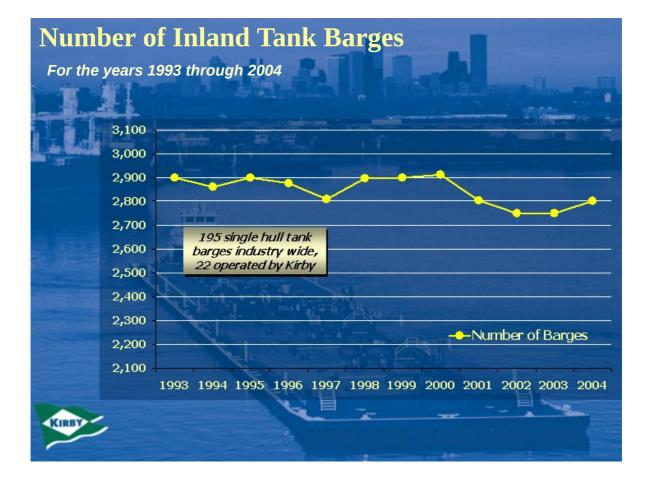


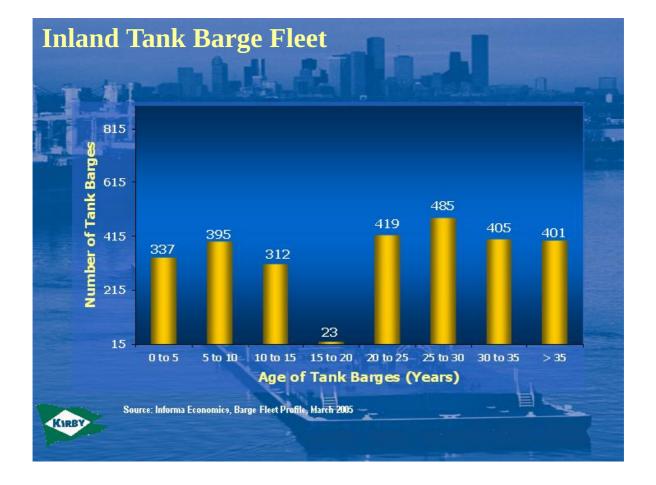




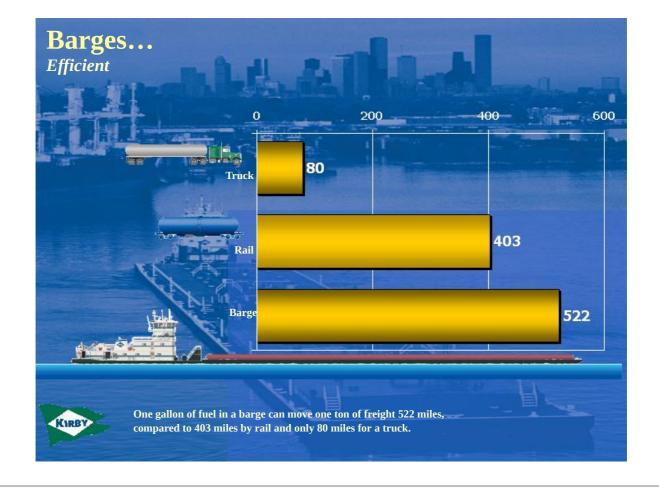
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Industry Facts Approximately 18,300 dry cargo barges, 2,800 liquid tank barges. Kirby in the liquid cargo business only. No competition from foreign companies due to a U.S. law known as the Jones Act Always a market to move product by barge on inland waterways Equipment not subject to economic obsolescence because draft and lock restrictions limit the size of barges Barges are mobile, carry wide range of cargoes, and service different geographic markets Inland waterway system plays a vital role in the U.S. economy Inland waterway system is an environmentally friendly mode of transportation





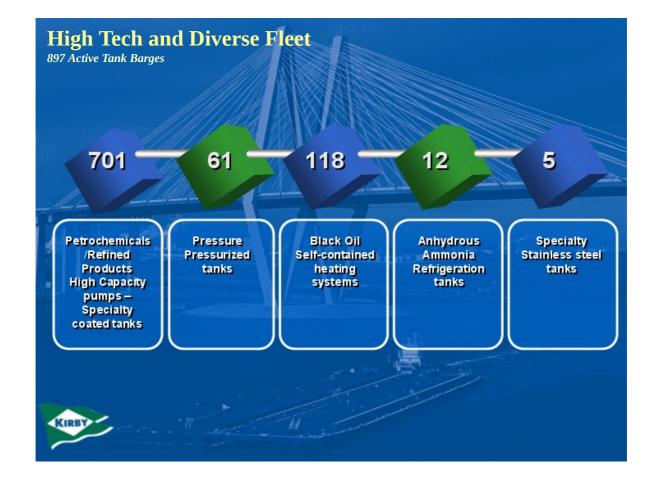














k Barge Owners By Number o	Tank	Dry Cargo	Shipper Owned	Tank Barges	Dry Cargo
Independent	Barges Operated	Barges Operated	Independent	Operated	Barges Operated
Kirby Corporation	897	-	Dynegy Midstream Services	16	
American Commercial Lines LLC	369	2,861	Waxler Towing Company, Inc.	15	
Marathon Ashland Petroleum	167	-	Highland Towing	15	
Ingram Barge Company	165	3,468	ConocoPhillips Company	15	
Canal Barge Company, Inc.	150	226	Plaquemine Towing Corp.	13	
Florida Marine	103	-	Houston Marine Services, Inc.	13	
American River Transportation Co	84	1,892	Devall Towing	12	
Blessey Enterprises	83	-	Chem Carriers, Inc.	11	
Higman Barge Lines, Inc.	77	-	Westlake/GA&O Corporation	10	
Cenac Towing Company, Inc.	69	-	Merichem Company	8	
Magnolia Marine Transport Co	60	-	Grifco	8	
PPG Industries, Inc.	59	-	Apex Towing	7	
Martin Midstream Partners	55	-	Golding Barge Lines, Inc.	6	
Southern Towing Company	53	-	Republic of Texas	6	
Settoon Towing, LLC	49	-	American Milling	5	
LeBeouf Brothers Towing Co	43	-	Barge Management, Inc.	5	
John W. Stone Oil	31	-	Mon River Towing, Inc.	4	1
Dupont	30	-	Reilly Industries	4	
Olin Corporation	26	-	Memphis Barge Lines	2	
Buffalo Marine Service, Inc.	22	-	Cytec Industries	2	
River City Towing Services	19	-	Jantran, Inc.	1	
Rhodia, Inc.	19	-	Other dry cargo carriers	-	9, 6

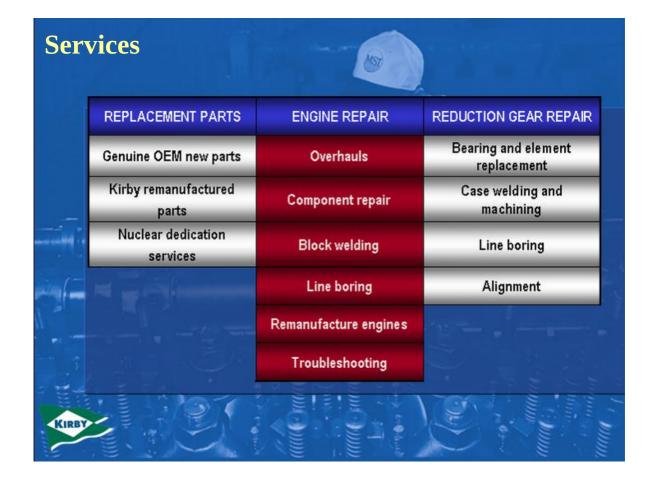






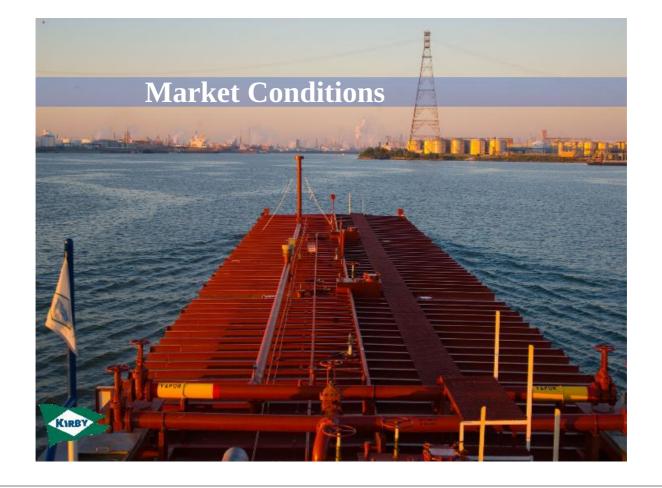






Acquisitions and Internal Growth Internal Growth Acquisitions **National Marine** Midwest 1987 1989 **Ewing Diesel** Seattle 1991 1992 Percle Enterprises Shortline & Industrial Rails 1995 1993 MKW Power Systems 1996 2000 Cooper Nuclear Crowley (Power Assembly Shop) 2001 Transit & Class II Rails 1997 2000 West Kentucky Machine Shop Powerway 2000 Walker Paducah Corp. 2004



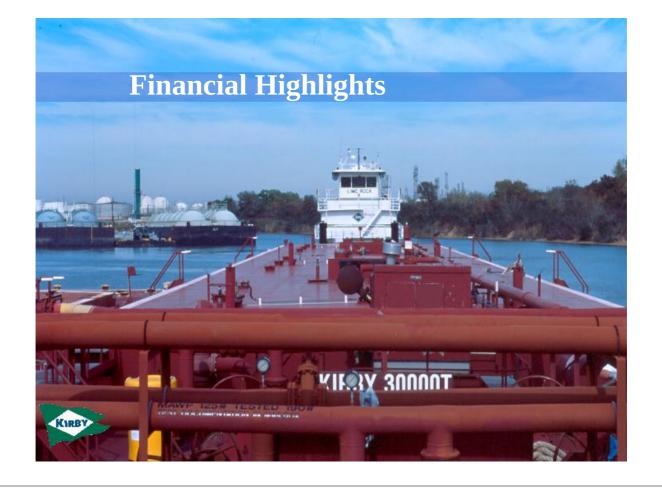












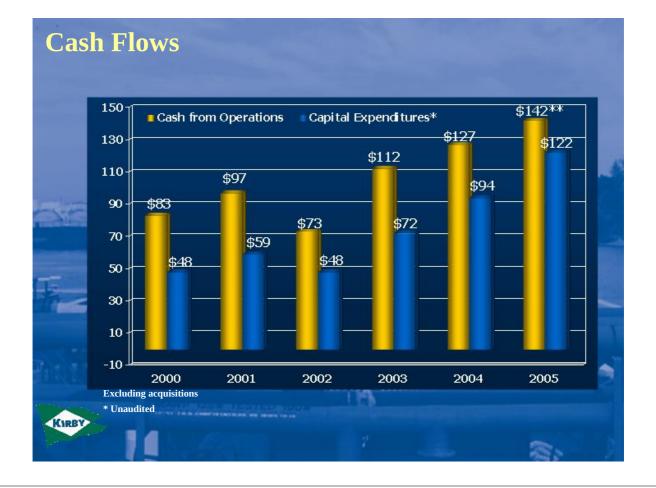
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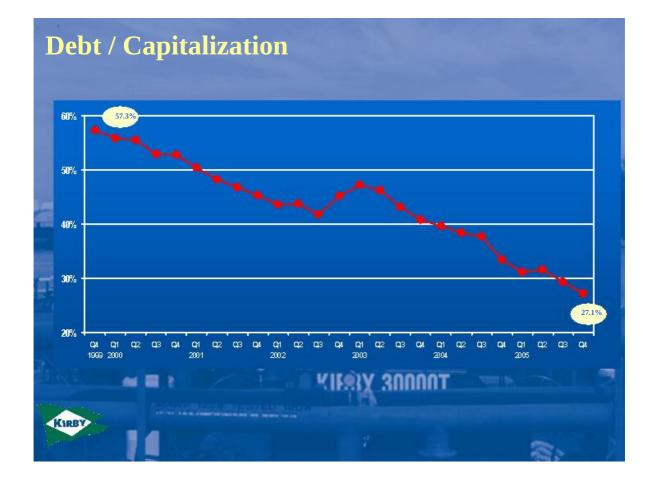
			Change F	rom 2004
Income Statement	2005	2004	\$	%
Revenues:	0.945 (0.045 (0.045 (0.05)		20000000000	(0)(420)
Marine Transportation	\$686.0M	\$588.8M	\$97.2M	17%
Diesel Engine Services	109.7	86.5	23.2	27%
Total	\$795.7	<u>\$675.3</u>	\$120.4	18%
Operating Income:				
Marine Transportation	\$119.3	\$ 92.5	\$ 26.8	29%
Diesel Engine Services	12.9	8.4	4.5	54%
Corporate Expenses	(10.0)	(7.6)	(2.4)	(32)%
	122.2	93.3	28.9	31%
Other Income (Expense)	1.7	(.1)	1.8	1800%
Interest Expense	(12.8)	(13.3)	<u>5</u>	4%
Pre-tax Earnings	111.1	79.9	31.2	39%
Taxes	(42.3)	<u>(30.4)</u>	(11.9)	(39)%
Net Earnings	\$ 68.8	\$ 49.5	\$ 19.3	39%
Earnings Per Share	\$ 2.67	\$ 1.97	\$.70	36%









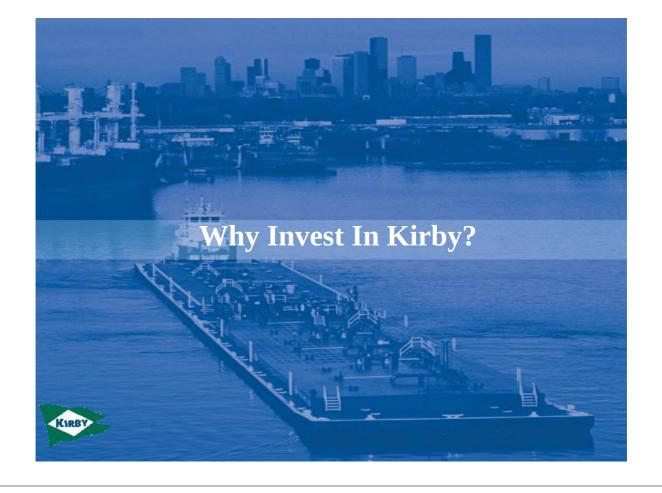


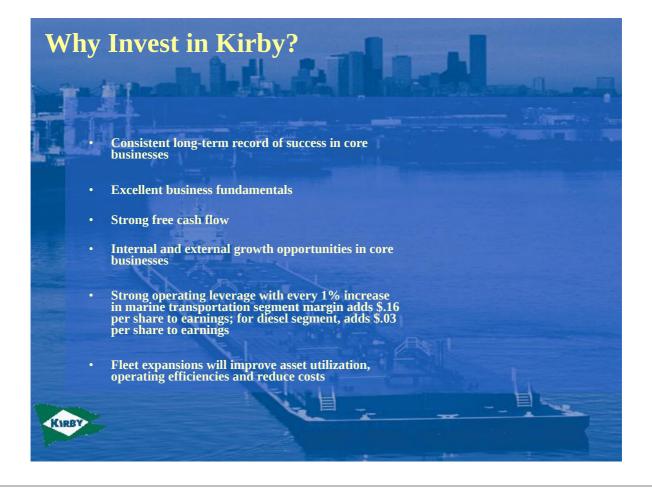
Balance Sheet

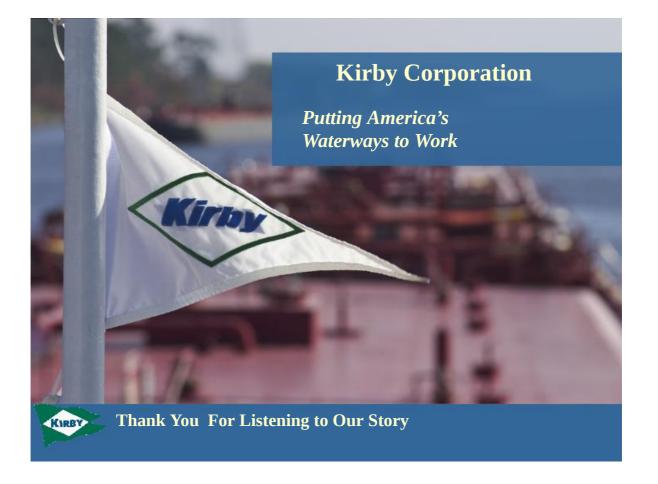
	12/31/05	9/30/05	12/31/04	Change
Assets				
Current Assets		\$161M	\$140M	\$ 21M
Property & Equipment		628	574	54
Goodwill		161	161	~
Other Assets		26	_30	<u>(4)</u>
Total Assets		\$976M	<u>\$ 905</u> M	<u>\$ 71</u> M
Liabilities & Equity				
Current Liabilities		\$128M	\$ 103M	\$ 25M
Total Debt	\$200M	206	219	(13)
Other Liabilities		147	148	(1)
Stockholders' Equity	\$538M	495	435	60
Total Liabilities & Equity		\$976M	<u>\$ 905</u> M	<u>\$ 71</u> M
Debt to Capitalization	27.1%	29.3%	33.4%	













Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Kirby reports its financial results in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). However, Kirby believes that certain non-GAAP financial measures are useful in managing Kirby's businesses and evaluating Kirby's performance. Two such non-GAAP financial measures are adjusted net earnings and EBITDA.

Adjusted net earnings and adjusted net earnings per share exclude non-recurring adjustments in order to present a measure of earnings that facilitates a comparison of results from one period to results from another period on a more consistent basis, since the non-recurring items are materially different in nature and amount from one period to another. The adjustments generally represent items that are outside normal business operations and are therefore difficult to predict for future periods.

EBITDA, which Kirby defines as net earnings before interest expense, taxes on income, depreciation and amortization, is used because of its wide acceptance as a measure of operating profitability before nonoperating expenses (interest and taxes) and noncash charges (depreciation and amortization). EBITDA is one of the performance measures used in Kirby's incentive bonus plan. EBITDA is also used by rating agencies in determining Kirby's credit rating and by analysts publishing research reports on Kirby, as well as by investors and investment bankers generally in valuing companies.

These non-GAAP financial measures are not a substitute for GAAP financial results and should only be considered in conjunction with Kirby's financial information that is presented in accordance with GAAP.

Quantitative reconciliations of adjusted net earnings to GAAP net earnings and of EBITDA to GAAP net earnings are provided in the following tables.

Reconciliation of GAAP Net Earnings and Earnings Per Share to Adjusted Non-GAAP Net Earnings and Adjusted Earnings Per Share

	For the years ended December 31,																	
	2005		2004		2003		2002		2001		2000		1999	1998	1997		1996	
							(1	(In million		ıs, except per share ar		mo	ounts)					_
Net earnings from continuing operations, GAAP	\$	68.8	\$	49.5	\$	40.9	\$	27.4	\$	39.6	\$ 34.1	\$	21.4	\$ 10.1	\$	22.7	S 21.2	2
Adjustments or charges, net of taxes:				_														
Impairment of assets		-		-		-		12.5		-			.7	5.4		-		-
Amortization of goodwill expense		-		-		-		-		6.3	5.9)	1.7	.6		.7		5
Loss on sale of Universal Insurance Company													_	6.9				
Merger related charges		_		_		_		_			4		2.9	0.3		-		-
Weiger related charges	_		_		_				_									-
			_	-	_		_	12.5		6.3	6.0	_	5.3	12.9	_	.7	.!)
Adjusted net earnings from continuing operations, Non-GAAP	\$	68.8	\$	49.5	\$	40.9	\$	39.9	\$	45.9	\$ 40.1	\$	26.7	\$ 23.0	\$	23.4	21.7	7
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Net earnings per share from continuing																		
operations, GAAP	\$	2.67	\$	1.97	\$	1.67	\$	1.13	\$	1.63	\$ 1.39	\$	1.01	\$.46	\$.92	.82	2
Adjustments or charges per share, net of taxes		-		-		-		.51		.26	.24	ļ	.24	.58		.03	.02	2
Adjusted net earnings per share from continuing operations, Non-GAAP	\$	2.67	\$	1.97	\$	1.67	\$	1.64	\$	1.89	\$ 1.6 3	\$	1.25	\$ 1.04	<u>\$</u>	.95	S .84	4
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Reconciliation of GAAP Net Earnings to Non-GAAP EBITDA

	For the years ended December 31,													
	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996				
		(In millions, except per share amounts)												
Net earnings from continuing operations,														
GAAP	\$ 68.8	\$ 49.5	\$ 40.9	\$ 27.4	\$ 39.6	\$ 34.1	\$ 21.4	\$ 10.1	\$ 22.7 \$	21.2				
Interest expense	12.8	13.3	14.6	13.7	19.0	23.9	12.8	11.9	13.4	13.3				
Provision for taxes on income	42.3	30.4	25.1	18.0	27.5	23.7	14.0	6.9	13.8	12.9				
Depreciation and amortization	57.4	55.1	53.4	45.5	50.3	48.2	31.3	27.4	28.1	28.4				
EBITDA from continuing operations, Non-GAAP	181.3	148.3	134.0	104.6	136.4	129.9	79.5	56.3	78.0	75.8				
Adjustments or charges:														
Impairment of assets	-	-	-	18.9	-	-	1.1	8.3	-	-				
Loss on sale of Universal Insurance Company	-	_	-	-	_	-	-	10.6		-				
Merger related charges	-	-	-	-	-	.2	4.5	-	-	-				
				18.9		.2	5.6	18.9		_				
EBITDA from continuing operations, after														
adjustments, Non-GAAP	<u>\$ 181.3</u>	\$ 148.3	<u>\$ 134.0</u>	<u>\$ 123.5</u>	<u>\$ 136.4</u>	<u>\$ 130.1</u>	<u>\$ 85.1</u>	<u>\$ 75.2</u>	<u>\$ 78.0</u> §	75.8				
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Reconciliation of GAAP Net Earnings to Non-GAAP EBITDA

	Three months ended																			
	March 31,					June	June 30, So				September 30,			December 31,			Year			
	2	005	005 2004			2005		2004	2005 2004		2004	2005			2004	2005		2004		
							((In million	s, exc	ept p	er s	hare am	ounts)						
Net earnings, GAAP	\$	13.3	\$	9.0	\$	18.4	\$	13.8	§ 1	17.3	\$	13.3	\$	19.8	\$	13.4	\$	68.8	\$	49.5
Interest expense		3.1		3.4		3.2		3.3		3.0		3.3		3.5		3.3		12.8		13.3
Provision for taxes on income		8.1		5.5		11.3		8.4	1	0.6		8.2		12.3		8.3		42.3		30.4
Depreciation and amortization		15.0	:	13.8		14.0		13.6	1	13.7		14.0		14.7		13.7		57.4		55.1
EBITDA, Non-GAAP	\$	39.5	\$	31.7	\$	46.9	\$	39.1	\$ 4	14.6	\$	38.8	\$	50.3	\$	38.7	\$	181.3	§ 1	148.3

MARINE TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS

	2002			2003					2004					2005		
	Year	1 st Qtr	2 nd Qtr	3 rd Qtr	4 th Qtr	Year	1st Qtr	2 nd Qtr	3 rd Qtr	4 th Qtr	Year	1st Qtr	2 nd Qtr	3 rd Qtr	4 th Qtr	Year
Ton miles (in millions) (1)	13,377	3,455	3,991	4,021	4,115	15,582	3,735	4,321	4,238	3,938	16,232	3,738	4,135	4,027	4,241	16,141
Revenues/Ton mile																
(cents/tm) ⁽²⁾	3.4	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.8	3.6	4.2	4.1	4.3	4.4	4.3
Towboats operated ⁽³⁾	201	229	226	222	224	225	233	237	237	235	235	239	241	243	242	242
Delays days ⁽⁴⁾	5,974	2,583	1,268	1,001	1,610	6,462	2,359	1,822	1,658	2,553	8,392	3,289	1,790	2,080	1,863	9,022

⁽¹⁾ Ton miles indicate fleet productivity by measuring the distance (in miles) a loaded tank barge is moved. Example: A typical 30,000 barrel tank barge loaded with 3,300 tons of liquid cargo is moved 100 miles, thus generating 330,000 ton miles.

⁽²⁾ Marine transportation revenues divided by ton miles. Example: 4th quarter 2005 revenues of \$185,788,000 divided by 4,241,000,000 ton miles = 4.4 cents.

⁽³⁾ Towboats operated is the average number of owned and chartered towboats operated during the period.

⁽⁴⁾ Delay days measures the lost time incurred by a tow (towboat and tank barges) during transit. The measure includes transit delays caused by weather, lock congestion and other navigational factors.