FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

| l | OMB APPRO | VAL | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| | OMB Number: | 3235-0287 | | | | |
| l | Estimated average burde | en | | | | |
| l | hours per response: | 0.5 | | | | |

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PYNE J H | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX] | | | | | | | | | Check a | II app Direc | olicable) ctor | g Pers | Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner | |
|--|---|--|---|---------------------|--|--|---------|--|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--|----------|-------|---|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|--|
| ` ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2005 | | | | | | | | | | X Officer (give title below) | | | below) | (specify |
| (Street) HOUSTON TX 77007 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | ne) | Form Form | or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable rm filed by One Reporting Person rm filed by More than One Reporting erson | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - No | n-Deriv | ative | Sec | curitie | s Ac | quired, | Dis | posed o | f, or | Bene | ficia | ally O | wne | ed | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day | | | | | | Execution I | | Date, | 3. Transa Code (1 8) | action Disposed | | ies Acquired (A) Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | l and 5) Se Be | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | mership : Direct · Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | | | | v | Amount | (A) (D) | or | Price | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (111501.4) |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 05/09/20 | | | | | | 005 | | F | | 13,783 |] | D | \$40.915 | | 197,129 | | | D | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,429 | | I | 401(k) Plan |
| | | Та | | | | | | | | | osed of, onvertib | | | | y Owr | ned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D | n Date, ay/Year) | | ransaction ode (Instr.) | | Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | on Dat | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount or Numbb of Title Shares | | ount | 8. Price Deriva Securi (Instr. ! | tive ty | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4) | Ov Fo Di or (I) |). wnership orm: irect (D) i Indirect (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent</u> <u>and Attorney-in-Fact</u>

05/09/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.