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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     LAMONT WILLIAM M JR					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2651 N. HARWOOD, SUITE 425						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/10/2012									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
(Street) DALLAS TX 75201					_ 4. li	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)      X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(3)		(Zip)	on-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uriti	ies Ac	auired	l Di	enosed c	of or Re	neficia	llv	Owner	<u> </u>					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date			2. Transac	ction	tion 2A. Deemed Execution Da		ned n Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr.					or 5. Am and 5) Secu Bene		int of es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	(A) or (D) Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 04/10/20				2012	012		M		6,000	A	\$15.73	75	53	,284	284						
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share													401	01,170		I V	Wife <sup>(1)</sup>				
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share												682		32,662		I 7	Γrusts <sup>(2)</sup>				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deel Execution if any (Month/I		4. Transa Code ( 8)		ion of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	Price of erivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactior (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								
Director Stock Option (Right to	\$15.7375	04/10/2012			M			6,000	10/16/20	002	04/16/2012	Common Stock	6,000	\$	15.7375	0		D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares owned beneficially and of record by Mr. Lamont's wife of which Mr. Lamont disclaims any beneficial ownership.
- 2. Shares owned by trusts of which Mr. Lamont's wife, Mary Noel Lamont, is the beneficiary. Mr. Lamont disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

### Remarks:

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact 04/12/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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