FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LAWRENCE CHARLES BERDON						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [KEX]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 55 WAUGH DRIVE, SUITE 500						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2003										cctor cer (give title ow) Chairman	X of the	Other below)	(specify	
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77007 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) X For For	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriva	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or I	3ene	ficia	lly Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquire Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 5)					d Secu Bene Owne	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		vnership n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	Trans	action(s) . 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 08/0					2003 08/05/2003		S		17,000		D	\$26	.7 2,8	2,868,428(1)		D				
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Date, (4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		ount ober	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	O F D O (I	0. ovmership orm: birect (D) r Indirect) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Also owned are 907,982 shares indirectly by seven trusts. Mr. Lawrence is not a beneficiary under any of the trusts, but under the terms of the instruments pursuant to which all seven trusts were created, Mr. Lawrence does have the right to reacquire the property constituting the principal of the trusts, including, but not limited to, the shares owned by the trusts by substituting property of equal value therfor. In addition, Mr. Lawrence owns 2,153 shares indirectly in the Kirby Corporation 401K Plan and 200,000 shares directly in Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy).

G. Stephen Holcomb, Agent and Attorney-In-Fact

08/06/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person Da

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).

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