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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br>LAWRENCE CHARLES BERDON |          |                  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [ KEX ] |                  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable) |         |                       |  |  |  |
|---|----------|------------------|--|------------------|--|---------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| LAWRENC   | LE CHARL | <u>ES BERDON</u> |  | X                | Director   | Х       | 10% Owner             |  |  |  |
| (Last)  | (First)  | (Middle)         | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)               | - x              | Officer (give title below)   |         | Other (specify below) |  |  |  |
| 55 WAUGH DRIVE  |          |                  | 10/20/2003   |                  | Chairman o   | Board   |                       |  |  |  |
| SUITE 1000  |          |                  |  |                  |  |         |                       |  |  |  |
| (Street)  |          |                  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)       | 6. Indi<br>Line) | vidual or Joint/Group  | Filing  | (Check Applicable     |  |  |  |
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#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

|   |  |            |      |  |        |               |         | ••••••  |   |   |
|---|--|------------|------|--|--------|---------------|---------|---|---|---|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)         | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |            |      | 3.4. SecuritiTransactionDisposedCode (Instr.5)8) |        |               |         | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |
|   |  |            | Code | v  | Amount | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                |   | (Instr. 4)  |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share | 10/20/2003                                 | 10/20/2003 | S    |  | 18,200 | D             | \$30.12 | 2,747,265   | D   |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share | 10/20/2003                                 | 10/20/2003 | S    |  | 11,200 | D             | \$30.12 | 849,582   | I   | Trusts <sup>(1)</sup>                               |
| Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share |  |            |      |  |        |               |         | 2,153   | Ι   | 401(k)<br>Plan                                      |

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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|----------|---|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|--------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
|          | 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8)                 |   | 5. Nu<br>of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D)<br>(Instr<br>and 5 | ative<br>rities<br>ired<br>osed<br>. 3, 4 | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y | ate                | 7. Title<br>Amour<br>Securi<br>Under<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>and 4) | nt of<br>ties<br>lying<br>tive<br>ty (Instr. 3 | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|          |   |   |  |   | Code   | v | (A)  | (D)                                       | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares         |   |  |  |  |

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares are owned by four trusts. Mr. Lawrence is not a beneficiary under any of the trusts, but under the terms of the instruments pursuant to which all four 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 therefor.

Remarks:

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

10/22/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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