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* <u>LEMMON DAVID L</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KIRBY CORP [ KEX ]									ationship k all appli Directo	cable)	g Per	son(s) to Iss	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1101 VENTURA HILLS STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/24/2012									Officer (give title Other (specially) below)				specify
(Street) LAS VEGAS NV 89144  (City) (State) (Zip)				-	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					
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Disp	osed o	of, or Be	enefici	ally	Owned	<u> </u>			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date			Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			4 and Securiti Benefic Owned		es Formally (D) Following (I) (I		n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	Pric	9	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share 04/24					4/201	/2012			A <sup>(1)</sup>		1,00	1,000 A		0	7,	7,000		D	
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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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of		Expiration	6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		D S (I	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	r					
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$62.48	04/24/2012			A		6,000		10/24/201	2 04	4/24/2022	Common Stock	6,000		\$62.48	6,000		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

 $1. \ Restricted \ Stock \ granted \ under \ the \ 2000 \ Nonemployee \ Director \ Stock \ Option \ plan \ for \ Kirby \ Corporation.$ 

## Remarks:

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

04/30/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).
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